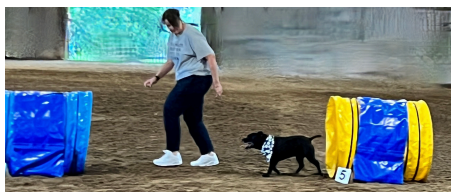


Hoopers Intro Workshop

with Penny Pardoe-Matthews



Explore this fun dog sport, during a one hour introductory workshop, with one-on-one instruction.

Dog and handler teams will be shown force free, positive reinforcement training methods to improve partnership and team work, and will learn to navigate a course of hoops, barrels and tunnels.

Hoopers is a fun dog sport in its own right, but also teaches skills that are useful in many other dog activities including DWD, Tricks, Obedience and Agility. Dogs learn to go under, through and around objects, both close to the handler, and at increasing distance, as the team's competence and confidence grows.

As this gentle activity involves no jumping, has no or low-impact obstacles, and flowing courses, it is suitable for dogs that are too young, too old, or not physically able to do any jumping. Hoopers is also very accessible for handlers with limited mobility.

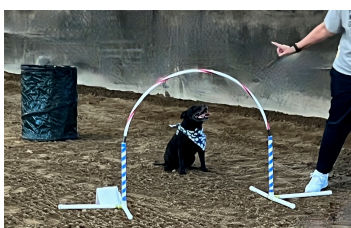


The session will run for one hour, with numbers limited to **four dogs per workshop**, to ensure individualised instruction. Only one dog and handler team will be in the enclosed training area at any time, so this activity should be suitable for dogs with dog-dog reactivity, or a history of leaving the ring.

Handlers will be encouraged to watch and learn from other teams that are receiving instruction in the enclosure. Additional sessions and follow-up sessions will be scheduled, subject to demand.

*Your Principal Trainer **Penny Pardoe-Matthews** has many years experience training handlers and dogs in a variety of pursuits, including agility and tricks, but has a special interest in Hoopers.*

Her qualifications include Karen Pryor Academy Certified Training Partner, with further qualifications in Puppy Start Right, and she is a Level 1 Hoopers Instructor with Canine Hoopers World. Penny is a Member of the Pet Professional Guild of Australia, The Association of Pet Dog Trainers Australia, and the International Association of Animal Behaviour Consultants.



Workshops will be held in the grounds of Dogs SA, Cromwell Rd Kilburn. Each session will run on a Thursday evening 7:00pm-8:00pm.

You have three dates to choose from: January 9th, 16th, or 23rd.

Working Spot: \$20 per dog and handler team

Audit Spot: \$10 (no dog)

Registration is open to healthy, vaccinated, dogs 3 months +.

Book at TopDog: <https://www.topdodgevents.com.au/trials/655>

Once registered for your chosen workshop, you will be emailed detailed information about expected learning outcomes, how the workshop will be run, what to bring, when to arrive etc.

