

LOVE²PLAY

Dog Training

Presents:



Debbie Vassallo

Founder, Canine Hoopers of Canada

May 1 and 4, 2025 in beautiful Glade, BC
Outdoors on Grass at Glade Acres, near Castlegar/Nelson BC
Limited working spots/unlimited auditing spots

CHC Sanctioned Trial will be held at the same location May 2 and 3

Debbie Vassallo is the owner/operator of PURE Dog Agility & Training in southwestern Ontario and Founder of Canine Hoopers of Canada.

“I began my hooper journey in 2017 when my 3 yr old, Border Collie Twist had lower lumbar and rear end muscle issues. The sports vet said allow her to run but no jumping, tight turns, hard stops or weaving. Twist loved training, agility and being active, so I had to look for an alternative to keep her body and mind working. After some research, we found hoopers and knew it was exactly what she needed, and the European style of hoopers was perfect for her.

I started taking courses, obtained an instructor's certificate and offered some classes. It wasn't long before I realized how beneficial Hoopers training was for all dogs, young, old and in between. With the popularity of Hoopers in Europe, my goal was to bring this sport to Canada and offer a titling program similar to agility. Thus began the journey of studying and designing a Canadian Hoopers System, with the advice and help from a couple of connections in Europe.

Founded in 2023, Canine Hoopers of Canada has quickly built a nationwide community for Hoopers training and events. The organization has certified 18 judges and registered over 400 members and dogs across the country.

Several in-person and eight virtual trials have been held, with clubs integrating Hoopers classes into their offerings. Many individuals also train at home, helping the sport to grow at all levels.

We will consistently refine and update our policies to ensure they effectively serve our needs in Canada. Our main goal is to keep this sport safe and inclusive for all dogs.”

Workshops

Each workshop is 4 hours long and will be appropriate for most levels. There will be a limited number of working spots in each workshop and unlimited auditing. **All working participants can audit the other seminar that day at a reduced rate.**

There will be overlap between all workshops, of course, as there are very few discrete skills.

Friday, May 1 8am – 12pm

Discriminations (will include threadles and 'move away'–lead changes)

Friday, May 1 1pm – 5pm

Course Handling (putting it all together)

Monday May 4 8am – 12pm

Finding lines, layering, finding lines at a distance (this would be also appropriate for complete beginners)

Monday, May 4 1pm – 5pm

Sequencing, Changes of direction at a distance

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Dog`s Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Breed: \_\_\_\_\_ Dog`s Age at Seminar: _____

I will register for:

Friday, May 1 8am – 12pm

- ☐ Working: Discriminations, will include threadles and 'away' (lead changes)
- ☐ Audit: Discriminations

Friday, May 1 1pm – 5pm

- ☐ Working: Course Handling (putting it all together)
- ☐ Audit: Course Handling

Monday May 4 8am – 12pm

- ☐ Working: Finding lines, layering, finding lines at a distance (this would be also appropriate for complete beginners)
- ☐ Audit: Finding lines, etc

Monday, May 4 1pm – 5pm

- ☐ Working: Sequencing, Changes of direction at a distance
- ☐ Audit: Sequencing, Changes of direction at a distance

On the chance that we have more interest than working spots, which are the 2 workshops that interest you the most?

1. _____ 2. _____

Working Spot

_____ @ \$160 = _____

Audit Spot (on a day you are **not** working)

_____ @ \$75 = _____

Audit Spot (on a day you ARE working)

_____ @ \$40 = _____

Auditors are encouraged to come into the field and quietly listen, watch and learn. No need to stay outside the fence

ONSITE CAMPING FEE \$15/night: (RVs are already prebooked, sorry)

Thurs ____ Fri ____ Sat ____ Sun ____ Mon ____ please arrange to pay Glenda directly

SUBTOTAL (for seminar) \$ _____

PLUS GST @ 5% (GST reg. #866331242) \$ _____

GRAND TOTAL \$ _____

Non refundable deposit of \$100 due January 31; balance by April 15

Etransfer to jeanne.dogs@gmail.com (password: dogs123)

DO NOT PAY UNTIL YOUR REGISTRATION IS CONFIRMED! THANKS