

## **Lancashire's Game Fair is Best Show Yet**

### **Backed by all leading country organisations**

The exciting stage is set for Lancashire's only dedicated game fair - The Lancashire Game & Country Festival - which returns to Scorton Showground over the weekend of Saturday and Sunday, September 9th and 10<sup>th</sup>, for its third successive year.

Clay pigeon shooting, falconry, fly fishing, ferret handling, hound work and horsemanship are among the many pursuits that will be showcased at the event, which is supported by all the leading countryside organisations and charities. The British Association for Shooting and Conservation (BASC), the Country Land and Business Association (CLA) and the Game and Wildlife Conservation Trust (GWCT) are all backing the festival which is shaping up to be the biggest and best yet.

Having already established itself as a firm favourite among fans of country pursuits from across the North organisers have, for the first time, introduced an opportunity for VIP ticket holders to enjoy a gourmet lunch from the Cartford Inn, including a Prosecco reception. VIP tickets include entry and exclusive access to a dedicated marquee close to the event's main arena – the stage for fantastic displays of country sports.

This year's programme includes new equine events and, for canine fans, there's a Saturday dog fun day that has as its finale a companion dog show and on, Sunday, there are terrier and lurcher shows. On Sunday, the latest time for entry onto the showfield with a vehicle for the entrants of the terrier and lurcher show is 11am. Judging starts at 12pm for the lurcher show and 1pm for the terrier show. Entry fees are £2 per dog per class.

For the equine crowd, Saturday is all about working hunter classes, while Sunday features ridden horse and pony classes with Championships and Supreme Championships on both days. As well as the opportunity for visitors to try out a variety of country sports and talk to experts, the event showcases some of the most enticing countrywear of this season, the best of local produce, craft demonstrations and more.

Scorton Showground is just minutes from Junction 33 of the M6 and directly off the A6. VIP festival tickets are £35 each. General admission is £10 for adults and £7 for children aged 10 to 16 years with under-10s admitted free. Parking is also free. Tickets can be ordered online at a discounted rate. Overnight camping is available with a free Saturday night concert and Morecambe brass band will be performing throughout the weekend.

For further information, to pre-order tickets and enter classes, visit [www.lancashiregamefestival.co.uk](http://www.lancashiregamefestival.co.uk)