

4-H DOG WOOFs



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Animal Care and Housing Form, & El Paso County 4-H Code of Show Ring Ethics

Hard copies of these forms are required to be turned into the Extension Office by Tues Jan 31st.

The following is a link to the Animal Care and Housing Form: <https://elpaso.extension.colostate.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/44/2016/11/Animal-Housing-Form-2.pdf>

The following is a link to the El Paso County 4-H Code of Show Ring Ethics: <http://elpaso.extension.colostate.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/44/2016/11/CodeShowRingEthicsForm.pdf>

If you have any questions or need assistance Please contact Yvette Thompson (719)573-2743 yvetterthompsoncvt@gmail.com

El Paso County Dog Obedience Classes February 18th-May 27th



First Class is Saturday February 18th.
DO NOT BRING YOUR DOGS TO THE FIRST CLASS.

Location: Aker's building parking lot

(3275 Akers DR, Colorado Springs, CO 80922).

Sign up for all that apply.

9:00am-Beginner Novice Obedience & Showmanship Class

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10:00am-Novice Obedience (same class, different time)

10:00am-Beginner Rally Class

11:00am-Advanced Obedience Classes

Slots fill up quickly, as classes are **free** of charge. Email Amber at amber.hanseno7@gmail.com to register and reserve your place in the class.



Woofermutt Training Classes

Novice Trick Dog - Human & dog, learn to work together and learn basic training skills while learning tricks. A great way to start for a new 4her. Class 4 weeks long, cost \$58.00 (includes NTD certification valued at \$22) **Class Starts Monday Jan 30th 7pm.**

Beginning Showmanship - Handler learns to show his/her dog to its closes breed standard. Learn ring procedure and good handling techniques. (Showmanship is required when you attend county fair) Class 6 weeks long, cost \$42.00 **Class starts Wed, Feb 1st 6pm.**

Drop in Showmanship/Breed Ring - Practice showmanship skills. Class runs all year with some exceptions for holidays. Costs \$10 for individual drop in, or punch card 6 punches for \$42(7/class). Wed's 7pm.

Beginning Rally - AKC Performance event with signs and courses. Learn signs and transitions. Can talk to the dog when competing. Woofermutt recommends Rally before Novice Obed. Class 6 weeks long, cost \$42.00 **Class starts Thurs, Feb 2nd 6:30pm**

These class are at: <http://www.woofermutt.com/directions>

Registration form here:

<http://www.woofermutt.com/REGISTER-FOR-CLASS> Call or email Cindy Still for any questions. 719-440-3160 or woofermutt@gmail.com



RECORD BOOK CLINIC

The clinic is for new and ongoing 4-Hers. Mrs. Yvette Thompson will be hosting a clinic to help you know the ins and outs of preparing your record books.

This may seem early, but there are several items that are ongoing when it comes to collecting record book information. Learn now and completing your record book at year end will be a snap.

Record Book Clinic has tentatively been set for Saturday March 18th at 10:30am at the Akers Building; EPC Transportation and Environmental Complex; 3275 Akers Drive Colorado Springs, CO 80922. For questions contact Yvette Thompson (719)573-2743 or email at yvetterthompsoncvt@gmail.com

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Mock Dog Show Meeting

CALLING all Intermediate and Senior Dog Project 4-H members. It is time to start planning the Mock Dog Trial being held on Sunday April 23rd.

The 4-H Project Kids, plan, execute and judge this show. Remember this is to help our newer 4-Hers find out what dog shows are all about.

Mark your calendars for your first meeting:

6:30pm Friday February 24th

at Panino's on Powers & Constitution

If you have any questions, please call Betsy Weber-Jarman who is the adult leader for this committee.
[719-310-1870](tel:719-310-1870)



PARADE PRACTICE

For All New and Continuing Kids

The next parade coming up is the **St Patrick's** day parade Saturday March 12, 2016. Drill team leader Alicia Christie will have info out soon for you concerning practices. Be sure to mark the day on your calendar.

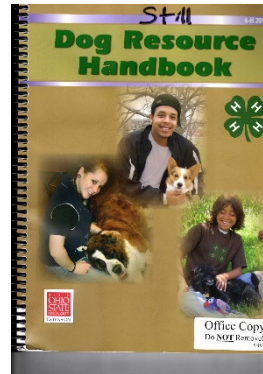
For those of you that are new, all are welcome to the drill team. Drill team consists of marching in lines and rows with your dog heeling at your side. Then doing some occasional tight circles, do si dos, and counter marches IT IS FUN!

If you have any questions Please contact Alicia Christie at: [719-347-2240](tel:719-347-2240) or allnatural@skybeam.com

4-H Dog Handout Packets

The packet is bits and pieces of information that will help you throughout the dog project. There are a few packets at the Extension Office and I have plenty if you would like a packet contact:
Yvette Thompson (719)573-2743
yvetterthompsoncvt@gmail.com

4-H Dog Manual



Do you have your 4-H Dog Manual? This manual is currently being used for all the years of the 4-H dog program across the state. This manual is where your showmanship questions will come from. If you don't yet have your manual, be sure to check with your club leader or the extension office.

By the way, 4-Hers start reading your manual to get a head start. 😊

MESSAGE FROM YOUR DOG SUPERINTENDANT

Welcome to 2016!! Our 4-H year is off and running. I'm sure everyone is getting anxious to start training their dogs!

I want to thank each and every one of you, for enrolling your child in this program. It is my hope that along with the 4-H values this program will help you and your family have a lifelong pet. Giving your child the skills that will carry on over into adulthood.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions, ideas or concerns.

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Dog Advisory Committee Updates



❖ We will be needing assistants and help for this year. Please review job descriptions and find a spot you can help

in:

➤ Assistant Superintendent:

- Showmanship
- Obedience
- Rally
- Agility
- CGC

Be a helper, learn about shows, assist at ring by stewarding, make sure kids are ready to go in, have paperwork/score sheets in order, make sure judge has what need.

- ❖ Mock Trial Committee will be adult chaired by Betsy Weber-Jarman & Jennifer Carlson.
- ❖ CGC visits will be scheduled soon. Please watch for additional information.
- ❖ Online Dog ID Registration deadline is April 23, 2017. We hope to have some additional instructions for this soon.



DAC (Dog Advisory Committee) Committee Board Members for the 2016/2017 year:

- President: Yvette Thompson
- Vice President: Amber Hansen
- Treasurer: Cindy Still
- Secretary: Betsy Webber-Jarman
- Member at Large: Alison Ludwig
- Member at Large: Brian Christie
- Student Representative: Sabrina Christie

Superintendents:

- Showmanship: Cindy Still/Alison Ludwig
- Obedience: Amber Hansen
- Agility: Alicia Christie
- Rally: Brian Christie

Appointed Positions:

- Record Book: Alison Ludwig
- CGC: Susan Baron & Alleah Baron
- Fair Liaison: Betsy Webber-Jarman
- State Dog Committee: Pam McWilliams
- Trick Dog Coordinator: Cindy Still



MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THESE DATES

Feb 13, 2017 Monday	DAC Monthly Meeting 6:30 pm. Meeting at: EPC Transportation and Environmental Complex; 3275 Akers Drive Colorado Springs, CO 80922 (Board Room)
Feb 18, 2017 Saturday	Obedience classes start with Amber Hansen See information on page 2 of newsletter
Feb 24, 2017 Friday	Mock Dog Trial Meeting 6:30pm Panino's on Powers & Constitution
Mar 11, 2017 Saturday	St. Patrick's Day Parade More information to come
Mar 18, 2017 Saturday	Record Book Clinic 10:30am See information on page 2 of newsletter
April 23, 2017 Sunday	DOG ID FORMS DUE ALL EL PASO COUNTY DOG ID FORMS DUE. May be turned at the Mock Trial. You will not participate in Mock Trial if Dog ID form is not turned in.
April 23, 2017 Sunday	Mock Trial Practice Show for all El Paso Count 4-H Dog members. Please Mark your Calendar
June 10, 2016 Saturday	DAC Dog Show Mark your calendars for this weekend for the annual dog show.
June 11, 2016 Sunday	Dog Country Dog Show Mark your calendars for this weekend for the annual dog show.

New Classes starting at Woofermutt Dog Training with Cindy. Trick Dog, Drop-in Conformation. For more information you can go to www.woofermutt.com. Cindy says if you want a specific class not offered she will consider it if you have a minimum of 3 students. Contact her if any questions. (719)440-3169 or at woofermutt@gmail.com



Be sure to bookmark and check often to our El Paso County Dog Page. You can find it here:

<http://elpasoco.colostate.edu/4h/4h-dog.shtml>

This page has links to various tutorials, judging sheets, record books etc. There maybe one or two items still being updated, but this is the page for you to refer to often.

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You are Invited to Dog Country 4-H Club

Come Join Us! February 10th 6:30pm. At:
Woofermutt
8025 Toltec Lane
Colorado Springs, CO 80908

More info at:

<http://www.woofermutt.com/4-h-dog-program/dog-country-4-h-club>

We are a new club with a focus on Dogs:

- Dog Problem Solving
- Guest speakers on dog-grooming, first aid, showmanship...etc.
- Fundraising, service projects and dog oriented events
- Some meetings you are allowed to bring your dogs!
- Demos, training, tricks, CGC and more!!

Any questions Contact: Sabrina Christie:
(719)351-6098, allnatural@skybeam.com



We have a CLOSED Facebook group to share info, ask questions, disseminate information, an events calendar and more.

A closed Facebook group is only viewable by those in the group.

Each group Dog Program. Each of you that ask to join the group via your member must be registered in the 4-H El Paso County invitation or Facebook must be accepted by an administrator of the group.

The name of the group is: **EPC 4H Dogs** Those of you not on FB, can join FB put strict restriction on your FB site and join the group. You do not need to be a big "Facebooker" to be part of the EPC 4H Dogs group. We do have a couple of computer types that can help if you need it.

Be on the lookout NEW Project Segment
TRAIL DOG coming.

Trail Dogs are new for 2017, the input of the enrolled 4-H student and parent will be helping blaze the trail, for our new project "**Trail Dogs**". Trail dogs is for the student, but the whole family can go on the hikes/walks. Dogs usually share their family and what better way to do that but to go walking together.

Your participation this year in "Trail Dogs" will help pave the way for defining this project within in Dog Program. All the details haven't yet been approved but here are some teasers for what will be happening.

- 1) From January 1 to July 15 walk/hike with your dog 25 miles. (Approximatley 27 weeks or one mile a week)
- 2) Keep a record and track your distances.
- 3) ???????

That's it for now, we are working on filling in the details, such as how to track distances, keep records, rules, what recognitions will be given etc.

In the meantime if you want to start walking/hiking and tracking your day/time/distance you will be able to include it in the record for this project piece. Walks can be on trails, or simply on the sidewalks around your home.

No pressure, just some great fun walks for you and your dogs. If you have any ideas you would like to be considered for the project, give Cindy Still 719-440-3169 or woofermutt@gmail.com a jingle.

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