

4-H DOG WOOFs



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OPEN SHOWS

Don't forget, in order to participate in County Fair, you must go and compete in at least 1 open show. You are required to turn in your highest open show scores. You should participate and compete in each class you plan to show in at county fair. You are required at a minimum to compete in county fair to show in showmanship.

This can be a bit confusing for new 4-Hers be sure to ask if you have any questions. The El Paso County Open Show is June 10th and 11th. (See Flyer attached to this e-mail). You are encouraged to go to other county shows. The more you go to the better you get.

The higher your outside score you turn in the better is the probability of you qualifying for state fair. The outside score and your county fair score are averaged. The 4 top scores in each class are invited to state fair.

To find shows in other counties please go to:
<http://www.woofermutt.com/4-h-dog-shows-in-co>.

In addition to competing in showmanship each student must be ready to answer dog questions the state has put together.

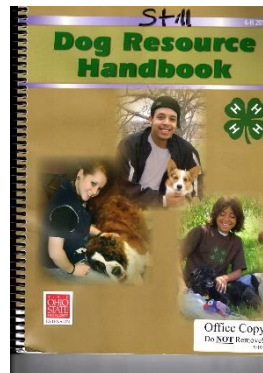
2017 Dog Junior Showmanship Questions

The Dog Study Guides for Showmanship are available on the Woofermutt website at:

<http://www.woofermutt.com/4-h-dog-shows-in-co>

Scroll down the page and you will find them under the 2016-2017 4-H Year Dog Shows.

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.



El Paso County Open Dog Shows

June 10th & 11th

Don't forget to send your entry forms in early. The show flyer is attached to this e-mail. If you go to other county shows print a handful of copies and hand out at the show. We want to have a good turnout.

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MESSAGE FROM YOUR DOG SUPERINTENDANT

I am looking forward to the 4H Shows on June 10th & 11th. I hope everyone is planning on attending. I expect this will be the first show for many 4Hers. Feel free to ask any Ring Stewards, fellow 4H kids & myself any questions. We want this to be the best dog show experience for both you, your child & your dog!!!!

Be sure to read this newsletter with your child. & Please feel free to contact me with any ideas or concerns.

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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.



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 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.

Attention 4-H Dog Project Members



Do you like to win awards and have nice equipment for your dogs to

perform on?

If your answer is YES, then we need your help. Prizes and equipment cost money. One way the Dog Program raises money is to have a Silent Auction at our Dog show in June. You and your family can help by donating something for us to use in our auction; also, we need help soliciting donations from area businesses. We can use all types of donations; they do not need to be dog related. Donations can be items, services or cash donations. Think outside the box, basically if it is something you think someone or a pet would enjoy, we want it! Smaller or inexpensive items will be combined into baskets with other similar items to make them more desirable. All we ask is the donation be new or very gently used, we don't want to look like a yard sale, and no clothing items please, unless it is a specialty item like for example a Bronco jersey.

Attached to this newsletter you will find a donation request letter with all the tax ID information included, please print this letter and give to any businesses you solicit donations from.

If you have any questions, please contact:
Yvette Thompson (719)573-2743
yvetterthompsoncvt@gmail.com

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THESE DATES

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.
June 12, 2017 Monday	DAC Monthly Meeting 6:30 pm. Meeting at: EPC Transportation and Environmental Complex; 3275 Akers Drive Colorado Springs, CO 80922 (Board Room)
July 15, 2017 Saturday	El Paso County Fair Showmanship & Obedience
July 21, 2017 Friday	El Paso County Fair Agility & Rally
July 22, 2017 Saturday	El Paso County Fair Round Robin

Come Join NEW 4-H Club, DOG COUNTRY

ON Friday, June 9th, 6:30 pm

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: President Sabrina Christie:

(719) 351-7256, 4hgirl.sc@gmail.com or Leader Cindy

Still, 719-440-3169, woofermutt@gmail.com

CANINE GOOD CITIZENSHIP

We will be doing visits to the Senior homes one or two a month until August 2017. Schedule sent at later date.

If you have your CGC certification for your dog already the 4her and their parent can participate right away in visits.

If you do not have your certification you can start training your dog in a specific CGC class and then take the test to get a certificate for your dog.

They offer classes at PetSmart for a fee and Cindy Still may offer a class if we have enough dogs needing the certificates. She does the testing as well.

Contact me with any questions or to sign up for this program within the dog project.

Please remember you will have to have a 3 sided display board for County Fair in July about your CGC experience and attend at least 3 visits to a Senior home. So you want to take pictures of your dog at the trainings or at the visits.

Contact Susan or Alleah Baron if you have any further questions.

Chickpea@q.com or 495-8140

Keep working with those dogs every day!!!
Susan Baron

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

➤ 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:

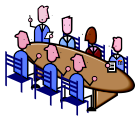
- Showmanship: Cindy Still/Alison Ludwig
- Obedience: Amber Hansen
- Agility: Alicia Christie
- Rally: Brian Christie

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

Dog Advisory Committee Updates

- ❖ We need 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.
 - Concessions – Run the concessions at our DAC Show. Plan menu, ask for donations, and coordinate getting food.



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Extension

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To Whom It May Concern:

The Colorado State University Extension 4-H Program's Dog Project, in El Paso County, gives every child, regardless of whether they live in an urban or rural location, the opportunity to experience 4-H and gain life skills such as responsibility, record keeping and public speaking; all while learning more about dogs, including veterinary science, behavior, and the importance of spay and neuter programs! 4-H members also choose to participate in Canine Good Citizen (CGC), therapy, and other dog programs, and take pride in training and sometimes showing their pet. They do all of this while building a better relationship with their dog, family and community.

We are contacting you because the 4-H dog project needs funds for awards, ribbons, prizes and equipment that supports the 4-H youth. Any donations would be greatly appreciated! Items and services will be used to raise money during a silent auction at our spring dog show, so we would prefer to have them by June 1st. However, monetary donations will be used to support the program directly and can be sent at any time.

The El Paso County Fair 4-H Dog Shows will be held on Saturday, July 15 (Showmanship & Obedience) and Friday, July 21 (Rally & Agility) at the same location. We encourage you to attend any of these events if you would like to see your donations at work.

Thank you kindly for your donations.
-The El Paso County 4-H Dog Advisory Committee
Please send donations to:
Yvette Thompson- yvetterthompsoncvt@gmail.com (719)573-2743
5012 Rocking R DR, Colorado Springs 80915

Donation Receipt – Please fill out and keep for your tax records:

The 4-H Dog Advisory Committee gratefully acknowledges receipt of your donation which is deductible as a contribution to subordinates covered in a section 501(c)(3) for federal income tax purposes under Section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code, pursuant to rulings issued April 24, 1946, and February 9, 1973, by the Internal Revenue Service to the USDA.

The EIN for the Colorado 4-H Foundation is 74-2586894. The GEN is 5947

Donor Name _____

Donation Date _____

Non-Cash Item(s) Donated _____

Cash Amount Donated _____

Colorado State University, U.S. Department of Agriculture and El Paso County cooperating.
Extension Programs are available to all without discrimination.