

2001 4-H STATE DOG SHOW

SEPTEMBER 29, 2001

The theme of the Dog Show is:

2001: A Space Odyssey

This will be used in judging the poster, costume and club decoration.

There are numerous changes in the rules this year, please read over carefully.

- In order to comply with the 90 day exclusive dog under your care requirement. Members will be required to maintain the *4-H Dog Record Book* and the 4-H agent will be required to see it and sign the entry form.
- A copy of the rabies certificate must be attached to the entry form.
- The 4-H Health Form must be included with the form.
- The State Fair Scholarship Participation Agreement Form must be included with the entry form. Late forms will not be accepted.
- Agility this year will have two classes: Pre-Novice & Novice. The Agility Rules have changed. 4-H AA rules will be followed. Be sure to get a copy of the rulebook and read them closely. At the Novice level, (off lead) there will be no age divisions.

- Two new awards will be added this year. Reserve Young Dog Handler and Reserve Top Dog.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

4-H STATE DOG SHOW
STATE FAIR OF VIRGINIA
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READ THESE RULES COMPLETELY BEFORE FILLING OUT ENTRY FORM!
PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGES MADE AND NEW CLASSES ADDED THIS
YEAR!

1. Entry forms must be complete and mailed to the Show Secretary with **\$10.00 per dog fee; Cloverbuds are \$10.00**. Make all checks payable to "4-H State Fair Dog Show". **Entries postmarked after August 21, 2001 will be returned.** Incomplete or ineligible entries will be returned to the county agents. Mail completed entry form to:
Rita Schalk, Hanover 4-H Agent
12308 Washington Highway
Ashland, VA 23005-2314
rjschalk@vt.edu Phone: 804-752-4310
2. **Cloverbuds, the entry fee will be \$10.00.** This group will be monitored closely to make sure the exhibitors do show up and are not using these classes just to receive tickets. Cloverbuds who have an older sibling entered will receive only one ticket. If no older sibling is entered, two tickets will be given.
3. All classes will be divided by Junior and Senior Handler, with the exception of the Obedience Team Competition, Obedience Brace Competition and Novice Agility. (If a member is 14 years of age by September 30, 2001, they must enter Senior Division.)
4. Dogs **do not** have to be purebred or AKC registered to compete in any class at the 4-H State Dog Show. No preference or distinction is to be given to any breed or group of dogs.
5. Leaders will be mailed a packet of material including vehicle passes and exhibitor passes into the fairgrounds. Exhibitors will receive two tickets and passes for vehicle drop off (this allows them to drive on the grounds, drop off crate and park in the general admission lot and drive back on to reload at the end of the show). Additional exhibitors sale tickets may be purchased for \$10.00 each. Request and payment must accompany entry. Armbands must be picked up between 8:30 am and 9:30 am at the secretary's table. JUDGING WILL START PROMPTLY AT 10:00 AM.

6. Entries are limited to bona fide Virginia 4-H members. **Posters and costumes are to be made by the exhibitor with limited help from adults.** Cloverbuds may enter poster and costume classes. All entry blanks must be signed by the member's, their parent and a 4-H leader.
7. **All dogs entered must be under the exclusive care of the handler at the time of the show, and 90 days prior to the show.** All members must keep a yearly *4-H Dog Record Book*. This must be kept current and checked by the 4-H extension agent before the agent will sign the entry form. **Entry forms without an agent's signature will not be accepted.**
8. Members are limited to entering only **one** Showmanship class, as this is judge by age groups.
9. Dogs must be on a leash unless in the ring competing in class requiring off lead. Dogs must be controlled at all times. No dogs under six months of age will be permitted at the show site. Bitches in season will not be allowed to compete.
10. K-9 substitutions will be allowed with prior permission of the Show Secretary up until 9:30 am day of the show. Requests must be submitted in writing. These dogs will be "EXHIBITION ONLY" and will be limited to receiving a participation ribbon only.
11. Exhibitors who have an **animal that is unruly and/or not under control** of the exhibitor will be asked to leave the show site either by Judges or Show Secretary. Crates are highly recommended, but not required
12. Dogs must be in good health and have had necessary vaccinations (rabies, DHLPP and Bordetella). Shots must be prior to entry closing date. **A copy of the rabies vaccination certificate must be attached to the entry form.** Entry forms will not be accepted without this information.
13. All dogs and crates are to be kept outside of the show area unless showing. Tents will be made available.
14. **In all classes of competition, the judge's decision is final.** All questions and information for the judges regarding a dog or handler will be handled through the Show Secretary. Leaders, agents, parents, exhibitors and spectators are not to converse with the judges until all judging and premiums are awarded and the judge is done judging for the day. Classes will not be held up for any exhibitor except for working in another ring.
15. **A 4-H exhibitor will be limited to winning only one of these awards:** 4-H Top Dog, 4-H Reserve Top Dog, 4-H Young Dog Handler or 4-H Reserve Young Dog Handler.
16. All class standings will be reviewed by the Show Secretary and/or Show Superintendent and Judge before the ribbons are awarded.

17. **Scholarship form attached – must be filled out and returned with registration.**
Please note: social security number must be included and application must be filled out completely to qualify.
18. **4-H Health Form** must be attached to the entry forms. Use the 2001 Health Form please.
19. **Agility Rules** have changed this year. The State Dog Show will be following the 4-H AA official rules and regulations. Obstacles will be AKC standard with modified 4-H AA heights. The 4-H AA Official Rules and Regulations book is available. There is a separate registration form this year for agility. Be sure you fill it out and attach per the directions.
20. If you have any questions, direct them to the Show Secretaries or Show Superintendent.

Betsy Mack, Show Secretary
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**For a complete list of entry rules/regulations/forms/ visit our website at
<http://www.ext.vt.edu/resources/4h/contests/dogshow/2001dogshow/index.html>**