4-H DOGS

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Sunday, August 19

9:30 AM     Dogs must be in place (note gates close at 10 am no vehicles permitted after that time)
9:30 - 10:45 AM  Check in at Showplex
11:00 AM    Grooming and Handling A, B & C, Beginner A/B, Graduate Beginner A/B, Novice A/B, Advanced, Graduate Novice, Open A/B, Utility, Brace, Four Person Teams, Dog Dressing & Fun Obedience – Showplex
6:00 PM     4-H Dogs Released from Showplex

EXHIBITOR PASSES will be available at the 4-H Youth Development Building – Saturday, August 4, 2018 from 9:00 AM until 4:00 PM (YDB is closed from 12-12:30 pm). After August 5th tickets will be available at the 4-H Livestock Office. Exhibitor and parking passes will not be mailed.

a) All rules/regulations in the Erie County 4-H Dog Program Handbook apply. Copies of the handbook may be obtained from the 4-H office or online at www.cce.cornell.edu/Erie. 4-H Youth Development, 4-H Dogs.

b) Dog premium checks will be mailed to the exhibitors.

c) Advanced entry for Obedience, Grooming & Handling and Fun Obedience is required by July 9, 2018. No changes allowed after deadline.

d) All exhibitors must submit a COPY of the following to the 4-H office by June 1, 2018: 1) Copy of dog’s license and 2) Copy of rabies certificate. Failure to submit the above will result in not being able to show at the fair.

e) Exhibitors are limited to one entry per class in Obedience and only one entry in Grooming and Handling Classes.

f) Exhibitors and their dogs should plan to arrive at the show approximately one-half hour before judging. No late check-in will be accepted. Exhibitors and their dogs must leave at the conclusion of the judging. There are no facilities for housing dogs on the Fairgrounds.

g) All dogs must be held on leash at all times outside the ring.

h) No disciplining in the ring or on the grounds. Training in the ring prior to or during classes is not allowed.

i) Classes will not be divided between judges except for sits and downs.

j) Each 4-H Club will designate a clean-up crew to police the arena and surrounding areas.

k) No dogs or equipment may be left in the show ring after the close of the show.

l) Open to all 4-H members who are 8-18 years old as of January 1, 2018.

m) Classes will be completely judged and finished prior to interruptions.

For further explanation and details of classes please see the NY State Fair 4-H Dog Show rules and regulations. We will be following the NY State guidelines for our Erie County Dog Show.

Award for Highest score in Beginner classes 3-5 and Highest score in Grad Beginner classes 6 & 7. Highest Scoring Novice Obedience classes 8-10. There will be a run-off for a perfect score.

In the event of ties in Obedience classes the heel-on-leash exercise will be used (without a figure 8).

DOG OBEDIENCE CLASSES

Awards:
Class 1-13
Blue $5.00 Red $4.00 White $3.00

NOTE:
Exhibitors are encouraged to enter levels higher than their qualifications. In no case may they enter a lower level. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to compete in the proper level or higher. Complaints will be checked with past year's records and if upheld, will result in loss of premium awards and possibly future exhibiting privileges. If in doubt check with the Superintendent before entering the ring for competition. Mistakes can be corrected any time before, but not after, competing.

Class #

1. Service Dog: This class is only for those dogs currently being raised by the 4-H members for an organization that provides dogs to aid the handicapped (e.g. Guiding Eyes for the Blind, Hearing Dogs etc.) It is intended as a way to inform the public of this important aspect of the 4-H dog program. Dogs will be evaluated on their appearance (grooming) and simple obedience appropriate to their age and service. Entry MUST include the name of the organization for which the dog is being used. Service dogs will be allowed to wear identification (blanket, collar, etc.) appropriate to their sponsoring organization. Any dog that is released from a service dog program is not longer eligible for this class. Dogs entered in this class may participate in NO other class. Exhibitors should prepare a brief presentation about your service dog project to present at the show.

2. Pre-Obedience: (Head Halti or No Pull Harness) EXHIBITION ONLY.

3. Beginner Novice (A): For 4-H’ers who have not previously trained a dog. The dogs in this class must not have graduated beyond the beginner novice level. All exercises (heel on leash, Figure 8, sit for exam, sit stay (30 sec-1 minute) recall) will be performed with the dog on lead. Dogs receiving a blue in this class MUST move to Graduate Beginner Novice. Dogs entered in this class cannot also participate in agility, brace or 4-person team.

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4. **Beginner Novice (B):** For 4-H’ers who have previously trained a dog in beginner or more advanced levels of obedience. Dogs must not have graduated beyond the beginner Novice A Level. Exercises and maximum possible points are that same as in Beginner Novice A. Dogs receiving a blue ribbon in this class MUST move to Graduate Beginner Novice. Recall exercise is off lead. AKC Rules for Beginner Novice apply. Dogs entered in this class cannot also participate in Agility, Brace or 4-person Team.

5. **Beginner Novice (C):** For 4-H’ers that have previously trained a dog in Beginner or more advanced levels of obedience. Dogs must not have graduated beyond Beginner Novice level. Exercise and maximum possible points are the same as in Beginner Novice A. Dogs receiving a blue in this class MUST move to Graduate Beginner Novice. Recall exercise is off lead. AKC Rules for Beginner Novice apply. Dogs entered in this class cannot also participate in Agility, Brace or 4 Person Team.

6. **Graduate Beginner A:** For 4-H’ers who have not previously trained a dog in Beginner or more advanced levels of obedience. Dogs must not have graduated beyond the Beginner level. Exercises and maximum possible points are the same as a Beginner A. The leash remains attached to the dog’s collar and will be placed on the ground alongside the dog with the armband weighted as necessary before the sit stay down stay exercises. Dogs receiving a blue ribbon in this class MUST move to Graduate Beginner B.

7. **Graduate Beginner B:** For 4-H’ers who have previously trained a dog in graduate beginner or more advanced levels of obedience. Dogs must not have graduated beyond the Graduate Beginner level. Exercises and maximum possible points are the same as in Graduate Beginner A. The leash remains attached to the dog’s collar and will be placed on the ground alongside the dog with the armband weighted as necessary before the sit stay down stay exercises. Dogs receiving a blue ribbon in this class MUST move to Graduate Novice.

8. **Novice A:** For 4-H’ers who have completed a Novice course of instruction but not graduated beyond this level. Dogs must not have completed their AKC Companion Dog (CD) title or the equivalent. The leash remains attached to the dog’s collar and will be placed on the ground alongside the dog with the armband weighted as necessary before the sit stay down stay exercises. Dogs receiving a blue ribbon in this class MUST move to Novice.

9. **Novice B:** Exercises will be the same as Novice A. Exhibitors can participate in this class more than once. Open to any handler and dog at the Novice Level but not ready for Advanced Novice. The leash remains attached to the dog’s collar and will be placed on the ground alongside the dog with the armband weighted as necessary before the sit stay down stay exercises.

10. **Graduate Novice:** Dogs may not have earned a CDX or equivalent title unless the title was earned within 60 days of the show. The exercises are: Heel Free and Figure 8, Drop on Recall, Dumbbell Recall, Recall over High Jump, Recall over Broad Jump and Long Down. Open to any handler and dog beyond the Novice level but not ready for the open class (due to training and/or physical ability of the dog).

11. **Open A:** For 4-H’ers and dogs who have not graduated beyond the Open level of obedience.

12. **Open B:** Dogs who have received their CDX but are not ready to enter Utility may participate in Open B.

13. **Utility:** For 4-H’ers and dogs, who have not earned a Utility Dog title or the equivalent, unless this title has been complete within 60 days of the show.

### OTHER DOG CLASSES

**Awards:**

- Classes 14 – 19
- Blue $3.00  Red $2.50  White $2.00

**One entry per exhibitor in each class.**

**Class #**

14. **Brace:** For ONE 4-H'er with TWO dogs, at least one of the dogs being owned by the 4-H’er handling the Brace. The two dogs may be different breeds. Exercises will be performed as in Graduate Beginner.

15. **Four Person Team:** Teams will consist of four 4-H’ers with their four dogs simultaneously performing Graduate Beginner exercises. Dogs must be working at the Graduate Beginner Level.

**Agility classes may run concurrently with other classes.**

16. **Agility (Pre-Novice):** A ten obstacle course that is straight forward using non-winged jumps, pipe tunnel, A-frame, tire jump, table and dog walk. Any dog receiving a blue placing must move to the next level.

17. **Agility (Novice):** Any dog that received a blue placing must move to the next level. Dogs must not have completed their AKC Novice Standard Agility title (or the equivalent) unless the title was earned within 60 days of the show.

18. **Agility (Open):** For dogs who have received a blue award in the Novice Level. Dogs must not have completed their AKC Open standard title (or equivalent - NADAC, USDAA, etc.) unless the title was earned within 60 days of the show. Additional obstacles will be added.

19. **Agility (Excellent) –** For dogs who have received a blue award in the Open Level. Dogs must not have completed their AKC Excellent title (or equivalent – NADAC, ISDAA, etc.) unless the title was earned within 60 days of the show. Dogs who have titled or received a blue ribbon in this class may compete FEO.

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20. Agility (Masters) – For dogs titled in Agility Excellent or received a blue in the Excellent class.


DOG GROOMING & HANDLING CLASSES

Entries for Grooming & Handling must be on the entry form. “60 Day Rule” applies.

Awards:
Classes 20 – 22
Blue $3.00   Red $2.50   White $2.00

Class #
22. Grooming & Handling A: For 4-H’ers who are competing for the first time in Grooming and Handling, unless the Handler has qualified for the Open Class of Junior Showmanship at an AKC Show.
23. Grooming & Handling B: For 4-H’ers who have previously competed in Grooming and Handling.
24. Grooming & Handling C: For 4-H’ers who have previously been a Grooming and Handling B Champion and/or have qualified for the Open Class of Junior Showmanship at an AKC Show (or the equivalent), even if it’s their first year.

New York State Fair 4-H Dog Show - All State Fair entrants will be chosen before Erie County Fair Dog Shows.

The Following Placings will be acknowledged with awards:
First Place Pre-Obedience (Head Halti, No Pull Harness) Class
Highest Scoring Beginner Obedience (Classes 3, 4, 5)
Highest Scoring Grad Beginner (Classes 6 & 7)
Highest Scoring Novice Obedience (Classes 8, 9, 10)

Champion Grooming & Handling
Reserve Champion Grooming & Handling
A Champion and Reserve Champion will be chosen from the winners of classes 20-22 (above) combined.

All other First Place Class Recipients

Awards: classes 23-26
Blue $3.00   red $2.50   white $2.00

Rally

Rally rules:
1. In general, American Kennel Club (AKC) rules will be used for rally obedience class evaluation. Mixed parentage dogs are welcome.
2. The obedience regulations & rules applying to dog shows, where applicable, shall apply to all persons and dogs, except as otherwise provided
3. All dogs shall be shown in a flat buckle, snap collar or plain harness.
4. Food will not be permitted in the ring.
5. A copy of the course will be posted at the announcers stand and a copy will be provided to each competitor.
6. Competitors shall be provided with a 15-minute period to walk the course (without dogs) and ask the judge questions.
7. There will be a maximum time of three (3) minutes per handler/dog team. Anyone with special needs should notify the superintendent at time of entry.
8. Dogs may be shown in only one level of rally obedience.
9. If a dog defecates or eliminates in the ring during rally, they will lose 15 points per occurrence.
10. Times will be used only to break a tie for grand or reserve.
11. Rally jump heights – dog measured to the withers: under 10” – jump 4”; 10” and under 15” – jump 8”, 15” to less than 20” = jump 12” & 20” and above – jump 16”.

Scoring: shall generally follow AKC guidelines.

Class #
25. Rally Novice A: Course shall consist of 10-15 stations plus a start & finish sign. This course is open to dogs at all levels of obedience. Rally novice will be performed on a leash. Dogs receiving blue ribbons must move up to the next level or to rally b. Dogs who have received a rally novice (n) title (or the equivalent r1, etc.) Unless earned within 60 days of the show must move to rally advanced.

26. Rally Novice B: For dogs who are not yet ready for rally advanced but who received a blue ribbon in the previous year. Class description is the same as rally novice a. This class is available only once. If the dog received a blue, the dog must move to rally advanced in the next year.

27. Rally Intermediate – Will be Rally Advanced course performed ON leash. No jump. No dogs previously shown in rally Advanced eligible.

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28. **Rally Advanced**: Course shall consist of 12–17 exercise stations plus a start & finish sign rally advanced course shall be performed with the dog off leash. All dogs must be working at the graduate beginner level to be training/working/showing in this class. Dogs not entered in an obedience class may be asked to perform an off leash exercise to show that they belong in rally advanced. Beginner a & b obedience dogs are not eligible. Dogs who have received a blue ribbon or a rally advanced (ra) title (or the equivalent) unless earned within 60 days of the show must move to rally excellent.

29. **Rally Excellent**: Course shall consist of 15–20 stations plus a start & finish sign with no more than 7 stationary exercises. All dogs must be working at the graduate beginner level to be training/working/showing in this class. Dogs not entered in an obedience class may be asked to perform an off leash exercise to show that they belong in rally excellent. Beginner a & b obedience dogs are not eligible. All exercises shall be performed off leash except the honor exercise. Dogs who have received a blue ribbon or rally excellent (re) title (or the equivalent) unless earned within 60 days of the show may participate feo with permission from the 4-H dog show superintendent.

30. **Rally Masters** – Course shall consist of 17-20 stations plus a start and finish sign. Signs used will include signs from all levels of rally plus new masters signs. Open to Rally Excellent Grand Champions and AKC Excellent dogs with RAE titles.

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**CLASS #30**

**The Erie County Fair Dog Dressing Contest**

Sunday, August 19, 2018

Judging to take place in the Showplex

Open to all 4-H Exhibitors in the Fair

Prizes will be awarded to the best-costumed dog/handler team

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