

DOGS Department 9

Agility Check-In:

Saturday, July 15, 9:30 a.m. - 10 a.m.

Canine Sports Zone

3036 Laura Ln, Middleton, WI 53562

Agility Judging:

Saturday, July 15, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Class H judging begins at 10 a.m.

Any intact females in season will have to be shown in panties

At-Fair Check-In:

Sunday, July 16, 9 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Exhibition Hall, Hall D (Enter through the loading dock - Dog exercise area will be south of the Exhibition Hall)

At-Fair Judging:

Sunday, July 16, Exhibition Hall, Hall D

Class A Showmanship judging starts at 10 a.m.

Class F and G Brace, Veteran Dog and Rally start at 10:30 a.m.

Class B - D and I Obedience start at 1 p.m.

Class E Team Obedience will follow Classes B, C, and D as show rings become available

Any intact female dogs in season will be judged at 12 p.m. in a separate ring.

Department Chairperson: Sarah James - (608) 487-6604

Superintendents: Pam Beyler, Annie Englehardt, and Jessie Gurd

Junior Superintendents: Kathryn Baumgart, Maddie Lawson and Abbey Menendez

Eligible 4-H Project Areas: Animal Science - Dogs

****NEW THIS YEAR****

*All exhibitors **MUST** enter Showmanship in the species they exhibit at the DCF. Exhibitors who are not entered in showmanship will automatically be entered prior to the Fair. If an exhibitor does not wish to participate in showmanship, they can scratch on-site at the Fair.*

Regulations:

1. All exhibitors must read and adhere to the Youth Exhibitor Code of Practice as stated on page 12.
2. All dogs showing in Department 9 must be trained by the exhibitor.
3. All exhibitors must meet their educational requirements through the Dane County 4-H Dog Education Committee and abide by their rules for showing.
4. **No dogs** may be left unattended in or tied to cars.
5. All dogs must be leashed at all times.
6. Crating spaces will be available in Exhibition Hall; crates are to be supplied by the exhibitor.
7. Dogs are only allowed in the show area of the Exhibition Hall.
8. Exhibitors are required to clean up after their dog(s) in any area on the Fairgrounds or the Exhibition Hall. **Failure to do this will result in forfeit of the exhibitor's premiums.**
9. All project animals must be under the supervision of the exhibitor by February 1 of the current year.
10. All exhibitors and dogs must enter through back loading dock.
11. Department Superintendents have the right to dismiss any dog that inhibits safety of the show.
12. All dogs at the agility show must be crated. If this is not followed, this may lead to dismissal from the show.
13. Once a dog/exhibitor combination has moved up a class level, they can not move down.

14. **Obedience:** After the first qualifying score of 170 or above at the Dane County Fair or State 4-H Dog Show, you will be encouraged to move up a class level. After the second qualifying score of 170 or above, the dog/exhibitor will be required to move up a class level.
15. **Agility:** After the first qualifying score of 70 or above at the Dane County Fair or State 4-H Dog Show, you will be required to move to Division B.
16. **Showmanship:** If you receive a blue ribbon in a Novice class, you will be required to move to Open Showmanship.

Exhibitors:

1. Each family, with one or more dog exhibitors, must complete an online Volunteer Registration committing to at least two (2) hours of volunteer time to support the Dog Project at the Dane County Fair.
2. Exhibitors are encouraged to enter Showmanship.
3. Exhibitors should be clean and well groomed. Closed toed footwear (no heels) should be worn. Showmanship attire should be business casual. Jeans and shorts are not considered appropriate attire for showmanship.
4. Athletic wear is appropriate for the agility show.
5. Exhibitors may exhibit up to three (3) animals. The third dog may only be entered in Showmanship, Brace, Veteran Dog, Rally or Team.
6. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to check-in at the ring they will be showing in before their class begins. Please let the ring stewards know if you have a conflict between two rings.
7. Exhibitor and dog combinations may only enter in one obedience lot.
8. Exhibitor may only enter in one showmanship lot.
9. In the case of tied scores, the exhibitor must be present for a run off, or the award will go to the other exhibitor.
10. **Any exhibitor showing in Team Obedience must have those lots listed on their Fair entries.**

Animal:

1. ****REMINDER**** All dogs must bring a copy of their Rabies Vaccination (good through July 16, 2023) to check in at the Dog Show.
2. 4-H dogs may only be shown at Dane County Fair if they have attended obedience classes offered through the 2023 Dane County Fair 4-H Dog Program.
3. All dogs must be taken home after the show.
4. General condition of the dog, excluding shedding or being out of coat, will be considered in judging.

Class Description & Class Exercises

Showmanship Lots

Novice Showmanship Lots: Exhibitor has never received a blue ribbon in any previous years in showmanship.

Open Showmanship Lots: Any exhibitor that has received a blue ribbon in Novice showmanship.

Best in Show: Top blue ribbon exhibitor of each age group will compete against each other for Best in Show.

****NEW THIS YEAR**** PeeWee Showmanship: Cloverbud exhibitors will present a stuffed dog for judging. Questions may include: What color is your dog? Do you have a dog at home? What is your favorite breed of dog? What's your dog's name?

Obedience Lots

Pre-Novice Trial A: Handler and dog combination that has never previously trained.

Pre-Novice Trial B: Handler or a dog that have previously trained in a Pre-Novice class.

Pre-Novice Trial C: Handler and dog that has trained in Pre-Novice dog and cannot advance to Off Lead classes.

Novice: Handler and dog combination that have trained in Pre-Novice and have not trained in Novice.

Graduate Novice: Handler and dog combination that have not previously trained in Graduate Novice.

Pre-Open: Handler or dog that is not ready to move to Open.

Open: Handler or dog that is not ready to move to Pre-Utility.

Pre-Utility: Handler or dog that is not ready to move to Utility.

Utility: Handler or dog that is ready to show at highest level.

Veteran Dog: Dog must be at least 7 years old. Novice exercise will be judged.

Brace: Two dogs shown in tandem, trained by the same exhibitor or family members. There are two levels in Brace competition: Pre-Novice and Novice. If exhibitor has one or both dogs that is Novice or above, they must enter in Novice Brace.

Team Dog: There will be two levels of team: Pre-Novice and Novice. Only one dog and handler combination can sign up for Team Dog. All dogs in the team must be showing at that level of exercises.

Agility: All agility classes are off leash. Depending on their demonstrated abilities, handler/dog teams may enter JTT and Standard. All dogs will jump at their designated heights, which will be determined by the agility leader using measuring wickets. JTT (Jumps, Tunnels, Table) Class will consist of 7-10 obstacles with a course time of 75 seconds.

- **Jumps, Tunnels, and Table Division A - off leash:** for new members and members that have not received a qualifying score.
- **Jumps, Tunnels and Table Division B - off leash:** for members that have received a qualifying score.

Standard Agility Class will have 10 - 15 obstacles and will include A-Frame (maximum height of 4' 6"), dog walk and teeter, 12 weave poles along with jumps, table, and have a course time of 120 seconds.

Obedience Lot Exercises

All Pre-Novice Trial: All exercises on lead: Heel, figure 8, stand for inspection, long sit (1 minute) and long down (1 minutes).

All Novice Trial: On lead: Heel, figure 8, long sit (1 minute), long down (1 minute). Off lead: Heel, stand for inspection, heeling, recall with finish.

Graduate Novice Trial: On lead: Heel. Off lead: Stand for inspection, figure 8, heel, recall with drop and finish, long sit (2 minutes), long down (3 minutes).

Pre-Open: All exercises off lead. Heel, figure 8, drop on recall, retrieve dumbbell on flat, retrieve dumbbell over broad jump, long sit (3 minutes), long down (5 minutes).

Open: All exercises off lead: Heel, figure 8, drop on recall, retrieve dumbbell on flat, retrieve dumbbell over broad jump, retrieve dumbbell over high jump, long sit (3 minutes), long down (5 minutes).

Pre-Utility: Retrieve dumbbell over high jump, retrieve glove, signal exercise, direct jumping and moving stand.

Utility: Scent discrimination, direct retrieve, signal exercise, directed jumping and moving stand.

Rally

Novice: All exercises are performed with the dog on leash. There is a requirement of 10-15 stations to complete with no more than five stationary exercises. The exercises performed vary from turning 360 degrees to changing paces during the course. Exhibitors at this level may clap their hands and pat their legs through the course.

Advanced: **All exercises are performed off-leash.** There is a requirement of 12-17 stations with no more than seven stationary exercises. Exercises include a jump as well as calling your dog to the front of you instead of to a heel position.

Excellent: All exercises are performed off-leash, except for the Honor exercise. There is a requirement of 15-20 stations with a maximum of 7 stationary exercises. Handlers are only allowed to encourage their dogs verbally. Physical encouragement is not allowed at this level. The Excellent level exercises include backing up three steps, while the dog stays in the heel position and a moving stand, while the handler walks around the dog.

Pet Class

Pet Class 1: This class focuses on teaching your dog skills to create a more harmonious household. All skills are on leash: Wait at the door, sit to greet, loose leash walking, focus skills and tricks.

****NEW THIS YEAR** Pet Class 2:** This class focuses on advancing skills in Pet Class with the goal of passing the AKC Canine Good Citizen Test and Novice Trick Title.

Premiums:	Blue	Red	White	Pink
Class A (lot 1-7)	\$3	\$2.50	\$2	\$1.50
Class B - I	\$4.50	\$3.50	\$2.50	\$1.50

CLASS A. Showmanship

- 1) Novice Junior Grades 3-4
- 2) Novice Junior Grades 5-6
- 3) Novice Intermediate Grades 7-8
- 4) Novice Senior Grades 9-13
- 5) Open Junior Grades 3-5
- 6) Open Intermediate Grades 6-9
- 7) Open Senior Grades 10-13
- 8) ****NEW THIS YEAR**** PeeWee Showmanship - Cloverbud (No Premium - Ribbon only)

CLASS B. Pre-Novice Obedience

****NEW THIS YEAR****

- 1) Pre-Novice Trial A Grades 3-6
- 2) Pre-Novice Trial A Grades 7-13
- 3) Pre-Novice Trial B Grades 3-6
- 4) Pre-Novice Trial B Grades 7-13
- 5) Pre-Novice Trial C Grades 3-13

CLASS C. Novice Obedience

- 1) Novice

CLASS D. Graduate-Novice, Pre-Open, Open, Pre-Utility, Utility Trials

- 1) Graduate Novice
- 2) Pre-Open Trial
- 3) Open Trial
- 4) Pre-Utility Trial
- 5) Utility Trial

CLASS E. Team Obedience

- 1) Pre-Novice Team: Four dogs and four handlers. All Pre-Novice exercise will be judged.
- 2) Novice Team: Four dogs and four handlers. All Novice exercise will be judged.

CLASS F. Brace & Veteran Dog

- 1) Veteran Dog - All grades
- 2) Brace Pre-Novice - All grades
- 3) Brace Novice - All grades

CLASS G. Rally

- 1) Novice - Grades 3 - 5
- 2) Novice - Grades 6 - 8
- 3) Novice - Grades 9 - 13
- 4) Advanced - Grades 3 - 8
- 5) Advanced - Grades 9 - 13
- 6) Excellent - Grades 3 - 13

CLASS H. Agility

- 1) JTT Division A 4 inches - of leash
- 2) JTT Division B 4 inches - of leash
- 3) JTT Division A 8 inches - off leash
- 4) JTT Division B 8 inches - off leash
- 5) JTT Division A 12 inches - off leash
- 6) JTT Division B 12 inches - off leash
- 7) JTT Division A 16 inches - off leash
- 8) JTT Division B 16 inches - off leash
- 9) Standard Agility A 4 inches - off leash
- 10) Standard Agility B 4 inches - off leash
- 11) Standard Agility A 8 inches - off leash
- 12) Standard Agility B 8 inches - off leash
- 13) Standard Agility A 12 inches - off leash
- 14) Standard Agility B 12 inches - off leash
- 15) Standard Agility A 16 inches - off leash
- 16) Standard Agility B 16 inches - off leash

CLASS I. Pet Class

- 1) Pet Class 1 - Grades 3 - 6
- 2) Pet Class 1 - Grades 7-13
- 3) Pet Class 2 - Grades 3 - 13

Special Awards and Sponsorships:

Miller & Sons Supermarket - All ribbons. Trophy for Highest Scoring Dog in Show, Trophy for Highest Scoring Dog or Best Showman in each lot and Rosette for Reserve Champion in each lot.

Dane County 4-H Dog Training Project Awards - Trophy for Best in each Exhibition lot and Rosette for Reserve Champion in each lot.