

4-H Dog Project contacts

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Health Papers and training fees:

Due: April 15th, 2019

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Important dates:

New Member Orientation

April 11th, 2019

UWEX

7:00PM

Outagamie County Dog

Agility show

Thursday, July 18, 2019

7PM

Winnegamie Dog Club

Outagamie County

Obedience/Showmanship show

Sunday, July 21, 2019

9AM

Winnegamie Dog Club



Outagamie County 4-H Dog Project newsletter

Welcome to the 2019 county dog project program. This newsletter announces important dates and explains expectations and guidelines. Many things have changed and are very important so please keep this available for reference until March 2020.

The purpose of this project is to create a better working relationship between the member and dog. We offer obedience, showmanship and agility training.

Project check list:

1. **Current** health papers for **Rabies, DHLPP, and Bordetella**
2. Training fee \$10.00 per family
 - a. Health papers and training fee sent to Joann Zeka
3. Six (6) foot training lead for obedience/agility
4. Showmanship lead
5. Training collar for obedience
6. Flat collar for agility (no attachments)
7. Clean up bags
8. Training treats in a treat bag
9. **TIE SHOES FOR MEMBER (no flip flops, sandals, heels or barefoot allowed)**
10. Parents at the training sites.

State-wide 4-H Dog project opportunities

State Obedience and Showmanship Show

Rock County

August 9-11, 2019

State Agility Show

Dane County

Canine Sports, Middleton

August 17th, 2019

Project requirements

1. Be willing to work as a team with dog and member, daily practice at home.
2. ***Must attend seven training sessions for obedience/showmanship. Must attend 3 of the first 5 sessions.***
3. ***Must attend seven training sessions for agility. Must attend 3 of the first 5 sessions.***
4. ***All members must participate in obedience classes and the obedience show in order to participate in agility.*** Premiums/prizes will be with-held. Showmanship is optional, but strongly encouraged.
5. Check WI county fair rules in fair premium book.
6. **All dogs must be current for Rabies, DHP, and Bordetella.** It is strongly encouraged that dogs be tested and treated for heart worm. Three year vaccination records are allowed for Rabies and DHP. A blood titer screen for vaccines will also be accepted.
7. A member may exhibit two dogs if dogs are at different training levels of obedience. Only one dog for showmanship. Must attend at least seven training classes with both dogs.
8. A dog may be shown by two members of the same family. One member in obedience and one member in showmanship.
9. No dogs having any legs toward a CD degree can be shown in Pre-Novice or Novice class. No dogs having any legs toward a CDX degree can be shown in Pre-open or Novice class.
10. Dogs must be shown in the class in which it has been trained during the current project year.
11. If you received a qualifying score the previous year, you must advance to the next level. Unless prior approval from superintendent.
12. All dogs must be equipped with a slip or buckle collar with no attachments and a six-foot leash, nylon or web with only a metal snap attached. Dogs will not be permitted off leash except while showing. Members must keep dogs under control at all times. No dogs will be *shown* in a prong collar, head collar or chain leash unless at the discretion of the superintendent.
13. Members who have been in the dog project for more than three years and who are unable to make the requirements of the classes due to work, please speak with the dog project superintendents and decisions will be made on a case by case decision.
14. For safety reasons, all parents or guardians must stay for the training sessions. Unruly dogs will be handled as seen by the trainer. Safety of our members and families are of our utmost concern. It will be the decision of the superintendents and trainers as to how to handle unruly dogs.
15. All dogs must be at least one year of age by April 30th to attend agility classes.
16. **Training fee of \$10.00\member due by April 15, to Joann Zeka. *All fees must be paid in check to the Outagamie County 4-H Dog Project.***
17. A **current copy of your dog's health papers** must be MAILED to Joann Zeka by April 15th.
18. TIE SHOES FOR MEMBER (no flip flops, sandals, heels or barefoot allowed).
19. Trainers have the right to remove aggressive dogs from the training sessions and the fair show. This means aggressiveness towards another member, trainer or dog.
20. Agility training sessions will include beginners and advanced. No one allowed in agility yard without a trainer's supervision. The agility yard will be open after obedience training for practice of agility participants only.
21. All classes held rain or shine. There is shelter available.
22. **All members are expected to participate in at least one community service** activity to showcase the dog project. Watch 4-H online or training sessions for announcements and signups.

Calendar of Events

Mandatory new-member orientation

Thursday, April 11

7:00PM

UWEX office

Obedience/Showmanship Wednesdays

at the Harikkala residence 7:00PM

April 24th

May 1st

May 8th

May 15th

Obedience/Showmanship Wednesdays

at the Plamann Dairy Farm 7:00PM

May 22

May 29

June 05

June 12

June 19

June 26

July 10

July 17

Agility

Tuesdays at the Plamann Dairy Farm

7:00PM

Apr 30

May 7

May 14

May 21

May 28

June 4

June 11

June 18

June 25

July 9

July 16

Training sites

Harikkala Residence

(April 24th, May 1st, May 8th, May 15th)

W6132 Everglade Road

Greenville WI 54942

Plamann Dairy Farm

4770 McCarthy Road

Appleton, WI 54913

There may be classes that we will have a guest trainer or judge. Information on these special nights will be given at the training classes. Classes may run 60-90 minutes

County fair show for dog project:

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Thursday, July 18th, 2019

7PM

Winnegamie Dog Club

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Community Service Opportunities

To be announced

Outagamie County 4-H fair entry form class list

<https://www.outagamiecountyfair.com/entriescontests>

Department 109 – Dog

Class A - Dog Obedience

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| 1. Beginner Pre Novice | Grades 3 - 5 |
| 2. Pre-Novice | Grades 3-5 |
| 3. Pre-Novice | Grades 6-8 |
| 4. Pre Novice | Grades 9 -13 |

Pre Novice exercises all on leash; healing, figure 8, recall, stand for exam, long sit 1 min/down 3 min on leash

5. Novice Member, Grades 3 – 8

6. Novice Member, Grades 9 – 13

Novice exercises; healing on leash, long sit and down on leash, figure 8 on leash, healing off leash, stand for exam off leash, recall off leash

7. Graduate Novice

Graduate novice exercises; heal on leash, heal off leash, figure 8 off leash, stand for exam off leash, drop on recall off leash, long sit 3 min/down 5 min off leash handler out of site

8. Pre-Open

9. Open

10. Pre-Utility

11. Utility

Class B – Team/Brace

Exhibitor may enter one brace and one team class at current level of training, must practice with an instructor prior to the show.

12. Pre-Novice Team (4 members work together at same time)

13. Novice Team (4 members work together at the same time)

14. Pre-Novice Brace (1 member and 2 dogs working together)

15. Novice brace (1 member and 2 dogs working together)

Class C – Showmanship (We strongly encourage everyone to sign up for showmanship-based on how member handles dog and dog project knowledge)

16. Member grades 3 - 4

17. Member grades 5 – 6

18. Member grades 7 – 8

19. Member grades 9 – 13

Class D – Agility, Jumpers, Tables and Tunnels (**Agility and Jumpers/Tunnels**)

20. Agility, on leash (dog remains on leash through complete exercise)

21. Agility, off leash

22. Jumps and tunnels, on leash (dog remains on leash through complete exercise)

23. Jumps and tunnels, off leash

Beginner's Pre Novice Class Description

AKC's Beginner Novice is the basis for these exercises. However, they have been modified for the Wisconsin 4-H program. If you choose to compete in AKC, please be aware that there are differences in the requirements of some of the exercises between the two programs.

Beginner's Pre Novice Maximum Score

1. Heel on Leash 40 points
2. Figure Eight (on leash) 40 points
3. Sit for Exam (on leash) 40 points
4. Recall (on leash-No finish) 40 points
5. Sit Stay (on leash) 40 points

Heel on Leash

The purpose of this exercise is to demonstrate the ability of the handler and dog to work as a team. Orders for this exercise are *"Forward," "Halt," "Right Turn," "Left Turn," "About Turn," "Slow," "Normal,"* and *"Fast."* All *"About Turns"* will be right about turns. Orders for halts and turns will be given only when the handler is moving at normal speed. The other orders may be given in any sequence, and turns and halts may be repeated.

The leash must be a 6 foot leash and may be held in either hand or in both hands, but the hands must be held in a natural position. Any tightening or jerking of the leash and use of any extra commands and/or signals will be penalized.

The handler will enter the ring with the dog on a loose leash and stand with the dog sitting in the heel position. The judge will say to the handler, *"Are you ready?"* The handler should answer either *"Yes," "No,"* or *"Ready."* When the handler is ready the judge will give the order, ***"Forward."*** The handler and dog walk briskly, and in a natural manner, with the dog on a loose leash. The dog should walk close to the handler's left side without swinging wide, lagging, forging, or crowding. The area from the dog's head to shoulder should be in line with the handler's left hip. The dog must not interfere with the handler's freedom of motion at any time. The handler may give a command **OR** signal to heel, **NOT** both.

Remaining Orders given by the Judge:

Halt: When the judge says, *"Halt,"* the handler stops. The dog should sit straight and promptly in the heel position. The handler should not give a command **OR** signal to the dog. The dog should not move until the handler again moves forward on the judge's command. After each halt, the handler is permitted to give a command **OR** signal to heel before again moving forward.

Right Turn: When the judge says, *"Right Turn,"* the handler and dog make a ninety-degree (90°) turn to the right. This turn should be made squarely.

Left Turn: When the judge says, *"Left Turn,"* the handler and dog make a ninety-degree (90°) turn to the left. This turn should be made squarely.

About Turn: When the judge says, *"About Turn,"* the handler and dog make a one-hundred-eighty degree (180°) turn to the right.

Slow: When the judge says, *"Slow,"* the handler and dog walk at a noticeably slower pace than normal.

Normal: The handler and dog begin the heeling pattern at a normal pace. After the judge gives the order to walk *"Slow"* or *"Fast,"* he/she will give the order, *"Normal."* The handler and dog then return to a normal pace.

Fast: When the judge says, *"Fast,"* the handler and dog must run, moving forward at a noticeably accelerated pace.

At the completion of the Heel exercise, the judge will say, ***"Exercise Finished."*** At this time it is appropriate for the handler to praise his/her dog.

Figure Eight

For this exercise, the handler will stand and the dog will sit in heel position facing the judge, midway between the two stewards who will be standing eight (8) feet apart. The judge will ask, "Are you ready?" The handler will say, "Yes," "No," or "Ready." After the handler and dog are ready, the judge will give the order, "Forward." The handler may choose to go in either direction. The handler and dog will walk briskly around and between the two stewards twice. The judge will order at least one halt during this exercise and another halt at the end. There will be no about turn, fast, or slow during this exercise. At the completion of the Figure Eight exercise, the judge will say, "Exercise Finished." At this time it is appropriate for the handler to praise his/her dog.

Sit For Exam

The principal feature of this exercise is that the dog sits in position before and during the examination without displaying resentment. Orders are: "Sit your dog and leave when you are ready," "Back to your dog" and "Exercise finished." This exercise is to be performed with the dog on a 6-foot leash.

On the judge's order, the handler will command the dog to sit. The handler will then stand with the dog sitting in the heel position, give the command **OR** signal to stay, walk straight forward about 6 feet to the end of the leash and then turn and face the dog. The judge will approach the dog from the front. Using the fingers and palm of one hand, **the judge will touch only the dog's head.**

On the order "Back to your dog," the handler will walk around behind the dog and return to the heel position. The handler may gather the leash at any time while returning to the dog. The dog must remain sitting until the judge has said, "Exercise finished."

Recall on Leash (with no finish)

The principal features of this exercise are that the dog stay where left until called by the handler, and that the dog responds promptly. Orders are: "Leave your dog," "Call your dog," and "Exercise finished."

On order from the judge, the handler may give a command **OR** signal to the dog to stay in the sit position. The handler will then walk forward, to the end of the 6-foot leash, and turn to face the dog.

On the judge's order or signal, the handler will command **OR** signal the dog to come. The dog must come directly, and sit in front of the handler. The dog must be close enough to its handler so that the handler could touch its head without excessive bending, stretching, or moving either foot.

Sit Stay on Leash – 45 seconds

The principal feature of this exercise is that the dog remains in the sit position for 45 seconds. This is not a group exercise and is done in the ring individually.

Orders for this exercise are: "Sit your dog," "Leave your dog," "Return to your dog," and "Exercise finished."

The handler will stand with the dog sitting in heel position. Prior to starting the exercise, the judge will ask if the handler is ready. When the judge gives the order "Sit your dog," the handler will command **OR** signal the dog to sit, if they are not already sitting. The judge will order "Leave your dog," and the handler will give a command **OR** signal to stay and immediately proceed to the end of the leash and turn to face the dog. The dog will remain seated for 45 seconds.

At the judge's command of "Return to your dog," the handler will approach the dog from the front, and proceed to walk around and in back of the dog to the heel position. Once the handler has returned to heel position, the judge will give the order "Exercise finished." The judge should not deduct points if the leash either touches or does not touch the ground.

Member information and training equipment order form

Due April 15, to Joann Zeka

(Please fill out one form for each member and dog in project. So if you have three children and dogs please send in three separate forms, one check for fees and equipment.)

***** All fees must be paid in advance by check written out to the Outagamie County 4-H Dog Project *****

Member Name: _____

Dog Name: _____

Dog Breed: _____ Dog Age: _____

Training level of dog and member

Beginner Pre Novice (first time member) _____

Pre Novice (Dog previously trained) _____

Novice (3rd year and up works off leash) _____

Graduate Novice (3rd year and up works mostly off leash) _____

Advanced classes (Pre-open, open, Pre Utility, Utility) _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone number: _____

Emergency contact name(s) and number(s): _____

Email address: _____

Equipment (only if needed)

Showmanship lead \$10.00 _____

Six-foot web leash for obedience \$ 5.00 _____

Martingale training collar for obedience \$10.00 _____

Please measure around the neck where the collar fits.

Length around neck. _____

Training fee per family (mandatory) **\$10.00**

Mail the following to Joann Zeka

1. Check written out to **OUTAGAMIE 4-H DOG PROJECT** Total \$ _____

Write dog project in memo of check.

2. Member information sheet 1\member _____

3. Copy of current vaccination records (Rabies, DHLPP, Bordetella) _____