Illinois State 4-H Dog Show
INFORMATION FOR EXHIBITORS & STAFF

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29, 2020
Granny Rose K-9 Enrichment Center
613 River Lane - Dixon, IL 61021

Schedule
Monday, August 3, 2020
Entries are due to your county office, along with a fee of $5 per class entered. County offices must register youth online via the 4-H Online Fair Entry system by the August 3 deadline. County offices will remit a transfer of funds to the State 4-H Office by August 29, 2020.

Saturday, August 29, 2020
7:00 a.m. Show site will open
8:00 – 9:00 Check-in for obedience classes.
9:00 General briefing followed by judge’s briefing at your ring
12:30 p.m. Check in for Showmanship and Rally Obedience classes
1:00 p.m. Second general briefing followed by judge’s briefing at your ring (as rings become available for classes)

NOTE: Ring assignments for classes will be posted or announced before classes begin.
*Judging will not begin until adequate volunteer support is secured for each ring as needed.

Dan Jennings ........................................................................................................ Superintendent
Judy Lohse ............................................................................................................ Superintendent

If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in this program, please contact the State 4-H Office at 217-333-0910. Early requests are strongly encouraged to allow sufficient time for meeting your access needs.
General Site Information

- The facility is fully air-conditioned with artificial turf.
- Only dogs entered in the State 4-H Dog show will be allowed on the grounds.
- No dogs will be allowed in the building overnight.
- Dogs must be under the control of the exhibitor at all times, either in a crate or on a leash (max. 6 foot long). Crating is highly recommended. CRATE SPACE is provided in designated areas. Absolutely no crating allowed on the turf.
- Bring your own chair, water bowl, and other comfort items. Crating space and spectator seating will be limited, so please be courteous and only take up the space you need.
- Waste management: We thank you for cleaning up after your dog. Cleaning supplies and disposal containers are available at various locations around the showgrounds.
- Food will be available for sale on-site.

VETERINARIAN (on call):
River Ridge Animal Hospital • 273 IL Rt. 2, Dixon, IL 61021 • Phone: 815-288-3394

Exhibitors should follow their veterinarian’s recommendations to assure their dogs are free of internal & external parasites and communicable diseases, and are appropriately vaccinated.

Emergency Services
Fire/Ambulance/Police – Lee County 911
KSB Hospital, 403 E 1st St, Dixon, IL 61021 • 815-288-5531

Directions to the Show Site
Exit Interstate 88 at exit 54 (IL 26 N/S Galena Avenue). Continue north over the river. Turn left at the McDonalds onto W. Everett Street. Travel approximately 2 miles. Turn Right onto River Lane (Razor Golf Carts). Turn right onto Kilgore Road. Follow Kilgore Road to Granny Rose K-9 Enrichment Center.

ACCOMMODATIONS NEAR THE SHOW SITE
(County zoning regulations prohibit overnight stays on club property.)
Quality Inn & Suites • 136 Plaza Drive, Dixon • 815-284-0500
Days Inn – Rock Falls • 2105 1st Avenue, Rock Falls • 815-626-5500
Comfort Inn & Suites Rochelle • 1133 North 7th Street, Rochelle • 815-562-5551
Holiday Inn Rochelle • 1240 Dement Rd, Rochelle • 815-562-9994

Check with hotels and campgrounds for current policies/ restrictions. Please clean up after your dogs while staying at these sites so they will continue to welcome pets.
State 4-H Dog Show General Rules, Entry Procedures, and Fees

1. The State 4-H Dog show is open to any 4-H member who has received a qualifying score (as noted below) at their local 4-H exhibition.
   a. OBEDIENCE: 4-H’ers aged 8-18 years who have obtained a qualifying score of 170 or above with their dog at a County 4-H Show, County 4-H Obedience Class Graduation Trial, or an AKC Obedience Trial.
   b. SHOWMANSHIP: 4-H’ers aged 8-18 years who have been chosen as their county’s Junior or Senior Showmanship representative may enter the Illinois State 4-H Dog Show showmanship portion. A county may also select an alternate in the event that the winners cannot attend, but each county may only be represented by one Junior 4-H’er and their dog, and one Senior 4-H’er and their dog.
   c. RALLY OBEDIENCE: 4-H’ers aged 8-18 years who have obtained a qualifying score of 70 or above with their dog at a County 4-H Show, County 4-H Obedience Class Graduation Trial, or an AKC Rally Trial.

2. Exhibitors must have been at least 8 years old, and not yet 19 as of September 1, 2019.
3. Exhibitors shall be limited to one entry per dog in each obedience class. The same dog can be entered once in each show discipline; Obedience, Showmanship, and/or Rally Obedience if the dog has qualified at the county level. A 4-H’er may show multiple dogs.
4. After you have qualified, you will need to show your scoresheet noting your qualifying score, as well as a copy of your up-to-date rabies certification to the county office. You must bring BOTH your scoresheet and rabies vaccination certification with you to the state contest. You will also need to pay the participant fee per entry (payable to University of Illinois) to your local Extension office by the August 3 deadline.
5. Special problems not covered by these rules will be acted upon by the superintendents and members of the State 4-H Dog Advisory Committee in accordance with the Illinois 4-H Policies, including the Youth Code of Conduct, and Member Behavior Guidelines.
6. All exhibitors must have completed the Quality Assurance and Ethics Certification and are expected to be familiar with and abide by both the principles of that certification and the Illinois Humane Care for Animals Act.

7. Proof of rabies vaccination and qualifying score sheet must be shown at check in.
8. A dog being shown in the dog obedience project must be trained by and belong to the exhibitor or to a member of his/her immediate family. Or the dog can be leased for the length of the project and a signed agreement should be on file with local 4-H extension office by June 1, 2020.
9. All dogs must be leashed or crated while on the grounds. Dogs must be under the exhibitor’s supervision at all times.
10. A dog not under the control of the exhibitor, or shows viciousness toward its handler, judge, or other dogs will be excused from further competition.
11. All participants must use appropriate show equipment. Acceptable leashes are a maximum of 6 feet (can be shorter in advanced classes) of leather, nylon or canvas. No prong or electronic collars will be allowed on the grounds. No identification tags on collars used in the show ring. Harnesses or other training aids such as a gentle leader are not acceptable show equipment.
12. Female dogs in season or lactating cannot participate in the State 4-H Dog Show.
13. It is the exhibitor’s responsibility to be at ringside when their class is called. Judges are not required to hold classes for late entries.
14. Judges’ decisions are final.
15. Tentative DATE FOR 2021: The State 4-H Dog Show is tentatively scheduled for August 28, 2021 in Dixon, Illinois. Starting times and show schedule are subject to change.
The Illinois State 4-H Dog Show uses the American Kennel Club (AKC) regulations as a guideline. For complete rules and regulations, please contact AKC. Rulebook is available free to all as a PDF on their website.

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OBEDIENCE

1. To be eligible a dog and handler team must have a qualifying score of 170 or above for all classes.
2. A dog (who has received a qualifying score at the previous year’s state fair/state show or meets Rule #3) cannot be shown in the same class as the previous year except in Graduate Novice, Pre Open, Open, Graduate Open and Utility. Exhibitors may show for two years in Graduate Novice and Pre Open providing the dog does not have a Companion Dog Excellent (CDX) or qualified for a leg on a CDX. Open, Graduate Open and Utility exhibitors can show for three (3) years in these classes. See Rule #3 for exceptions.
3. Dogs do not have to be AKC registered to show in the 4-H obedience show. AKC rules will be used as a guideline for judging. If a dog has 3 qualifying scores for a title prior to 6 months of the State 4-H Dog Show, it must be shown in the next highest class. Open and Utility dog exhibitors should examine Rule #2 for exceptions.
4. Beginner Novice I is for new handlers and inexperienced dogs only.
5. Beginner Novice II is for experienced handlers with inexperienced dogs or experienced dogs with inexperienced handlers.
6. A run-off will be held in case of a tie for total score.
   a. All beginning level classes will use on leash heeling exercises. (Beginner Novice I & II, Novice, and Graduate Novice)
   b. All advanced classes will use novice off lead heeling exercises. (Pre-Open and above)
7. Dogs must have a qualifying score at the state contest to receive placements. No judge’s sheets will be given to exhibitors. Scoresheets may be viewed by exhibitors at judge’s discretion. All awards will be given at the conclusion of each class (with the exception of the High Point Awards, which will be given at the conclusion of the last class in that category). Exhibitors must claim trophies and ribbons the day of the show. They will not be sent.
8. In most classes, commands/signals given by handler will be either voice or hand, but not both. See full AKC rules and regulations for clarification of your class’s specific rules.
9. Exercises for all classes may be done in any order, depending upon scheduling and the judge’s preference.
Beginner Novice I Class (50401)
(For inexperienced handlers and inexperienced dogs)
1. Heel on Leash (forward, halt, right turn, left turn, about turn, slow, normal and fast). The last order signifies that the handler and dog must break pace. These orders will be given by utilizing posted signs ............................................. Maximum points 40
2. Figure Eight (on leash) ............................................................................. Maximum points 40
3. Sit for Exam (on leash) ............................................................................. Maximum points 40
4. Sit Stay (walk around ring) ................................................................. Maximum points 40
5. Recall (off leash front/no finish) ............................................................ Maximum points 40

Beginner Novice II Class (50402)
(For experienced handlers and inexperienced dogs, or experienced dogs and inexperienced handlers.)
1. Heel on Leash (forward, halt, right turn, left turn, about turn, slow, normal and fast). The last order signifies that the handler and dog must break pace. These orders will be given by utilizing posted signs ................................................................................................................. Maximum points 40
2. Figure Eight (on leash) ............................................................................. Maximum points 40
3. Sit for Exam (on leash) ............................................................................. Maximum points 40
4. Sit Stay (walk around ring) ................................................................. Maximum points 40
5. Recall (off leash front/no finish) ............................................................ Maximum points 40

Preferred Novice Class (50403)
1. Heel on Leash and Figure 8 ................................................................. Maximum points 40
2. Stand for Examination (off leash) ....................................................... Maximum points 30
3. Heel Free (off leash) ............................................................................... Maximum points 40
4. Recall (off leash with finish) ................................................................. Maximum points 30
5. Sit or Down Stay-Walk around the Ring.................................................. Maximum points 30
6. Sit Stay-Get Your Leash (off leash) ..................................................... Maximum points 30

Novice Class (50404)
1. Heel on Leash and Figure 8 (on leash) .................................................. Maximum points 40
2. Stand for Examination (off leash) ....................................................... Maximum points 30
3. Heel Free (off leash) ............................................................................... Maximum points 40
4. Recall (off leash)..................................................................................... Maximum points 30
5. Sit Stay – Get your leash (off leash) ...................................................... Maximum points 30
6. Group Exercise – Sit & Down Stay (on leash)......................................... Maximum points 30

Graduate Novice Class (50405)
1. Heel Free and Figure 8 (off leash) .......................................................... Maximum points 40
2. Drop on Recall .......................................................................................... Maximum points 40
3. Dumbbell Recall ...................................................................................... Maximum points 30
4. Dumbbell Recall over High Jump ............................................................. Maximum points 30
5. Recall over Broad Jump ........................................................................... Maximum points 30
6. Stay-Get your leash (sit, Down) ............................................................. Maximum points 30
 Preferred Open Class (50406)

1. Heel Free and Figure 8 ................................................................. Maximum points 40
2. Command Discrimination (Stand, Down, Sit) ................................. Maximum points 30
3. Drop on Recall ................................................................................. Maximum points 30
4. Retrieve on Flat ................................................................................ Maximum points 20
5. Retrieve over High Jump ................................................................. Maximum points 30
6. Broad Jump ..................................................................................... Maximum points 20
7. Stay-Get your leash (Sit, Down) ....................................................... Maximum points 30

Open Class (50407)

1. Heel Free and Figure 8 ................................................................. Maximum points 40
2. Command Discrimination (Stand, Down, Sit) ................................. Maximum points 30
3. Drop on Recall ................................................................................ Maximum points 30
4. Retrieve on Flat ................................................................................ Maximum points 20
5. Retrieve over High Jump ................................................................. Maximum points 30
6. Broad Jump ..................................................................................... Maximum points 20
7. Stay-Get your leash (Sit, Down) ....................................................... Maximum points 30

Graduate Open Class (50408)

1. Signal Exercise ................................................................................ Maximum points 40
2. Scent Discrimination ....................................................................... Maximum points 30
3. Go Out ............................................................................................... Maximum points 30
4. Directed Jumping ............................................................................ Maximum points 40
5. Moving Stand and Examination ....................................................... Maximum points 30
6. Directed Retrieve ............................................................................ Maximum points 30

Preferred Utility Class (50409)

1. Signal Exercise ................................................................................ Maximum points 40
2. Scent Discrimination Article #1 ....................................................... Maximum points 30
3. Scent Discrimination Article #2 ....................................................... Maximum points 30
4. Directed Retrieve ............................................................................ Maximum points 30
5. Moving Stand & Examination ......................................................... Maximum points 30
6. Directed Jumping ............................................................................ Maximum points 40

Utility Class (50410)

1. Signal Exercise ................................................................................ Maximum points 40
2. Scent Discrimination Article #1 ....................................................... Maximum points 30
3. Scent Discrimination Article #2 ....................................................... Maximum points 30
4. Directed Retrieve ............................................................................ Maximum points 30
5. Moving, Stand and Examination ..................................................... Maximum points 30
6. Directed Jumping ............................................................................ Maximum points 40
Obedience Awards

Qualifying Score ribbon
Placing 1-6 (must receive a qualifying score)

High Point in Trial or Show, Beginner

Highest scoring dog in Beginner Novice I, Beginner Novice II, Pre Novice and Novice

High Point in Trial or Show, Advanced

Highest scoring dog in Graduate Novice, Pre Open, Open, Graduate Open and Utility

SHOWMANSHIP

1. A county may be represented by one junior showmanship 4-H’er and their dog, and one senior showmanship 4-H’er and their dog who have earned/won their county competition. If a county-winning 4-H’er cannot attend, an alternate 4-H’er may be entered. (Limited to 1 junior 4-H’er and their dog, and 1 senior 4-H’er and their dog.) Handlers must be members in the county they are representing. A dog may compete in only one showmanship class.

2. Exhibitors will be judged on handling skill, knowledge of breed standards of their dog, dog show terminology, and elementary dog anatomy. The judge has the right to question exhibitors in one or all of these areas.

3. Dogs will be judged on cleanliness, general health and grooming.

4. Purebred and non-purebred dogs are eligible for this class. The breed of dog has no bearing on judging or placement.

5. A dog eligible for Showmanship that must be withdrawn for good and sufficient reason (a female in season, lactating, or veterinarian excuse) may be replaced by another dog owned by the handler or the family. This must be made in writing (giving the reason) at the beginning of the show.

6. Judges decisions are final.

Junior Showmanship (50411)
Champion & Reserve Champion

For handlers, ages 8-13 years (as of September 1, 2019), who have been chosen to represent their county in Jr. Showmanship.

Senior Showmanship (50412)
Champion & Reserve Champion

For handlers ages 14 (as of September 1, 2019) and older, who have been chosen to represent their county in Sr. Showmanship.
RALLY OBEDIENCE

1. Dog/Handler must present a qualifying scoresheet at check-in showing at least 70 out of 100 to compete at the state level.
2. The event will be timed. In the event of a tie score, the fastest time will break the tie.
3. A Dog/Handler must receive 3 qualifying scores before advancing to the next level.
4. Rally rings will be between 2000 & 3000 square feet with a minimum width of 30 feet.
5. Unless otherwise noted, handler may speak to the dog, pat their leg, or clap their hands to encourage.

Rally Novice (50413)
10-15 signs are used (not including start and finish). Three to seven of the signs must be “stationary” signs. Performed on leash.

Rally Intermediate (50414)
A total of 12 -17 signs are used (not including start and finish). Three to seven of the signs must be “stationary” signs. At least three “advanced” signs. Performed on leash.

Rally Advanced (50415)
A total of 12-17 signs are used (not including start and finish). Three to seven of the signs must be “stationary” signs. At least three “advanced” signs. Dog must jump once. Performed off leash.

Rally Excellent (50417)
A total of 15-20 signs are used (not including start, finish, or call marker). Dog must jump twice. Two or more of the signs must be “advanced” signs. Three or more of the signs must be “excellent” signs. Must include a “Sit Stay” sign. Performed off leash. Cannot pat leg or clap hands for encouragement.

Rally Awards

Qualifying Score ribbon
Placing 1-6 (must receive a qualifying score)