# DIVISION J-9 2003 OHIO STATE FAIR JUNIOR FAIR DOG ACTIVITIES

**Agility** – Wednesday, August 6, 10:00 a.m. – Cooper Arena **All Other Classes** - Monday, August 11, 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, August 12, 9:00 a.m., and Wednesday, August 13, 9:00 a.m.

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#### RULES FOR STATE FAIR PARTICIPATION

Refer to the following website for Ohio 4-H Dog Program information: http://www.ohio4h.org/dog/index.htm

- 1. Dogs participating in the State Fair Dog Obedience, Grooming and Handling, Drill Team, Agility and Dog Care activities must either be owned by the junior fair exhibitor or the exhibitor's immediate family. (Exception: Assistance Dogs can be shown in Drill Team competition) They must be in the continual care of the junior fair exhibitor for the duration of the project. The date of ownership must be no later than June 1, or earlier as the date specified by the exhibitor's county. Proof of ownership is the burden of the exhibitor and exhibitor's family. Hardship cases will not be considered for state fair participation.
  - a. *Immediate family* is defined as the junior fair exhibitor's father, mother, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, grandfather or grandmother, including the corresponding step and half relations, or by a member of the exhibitor's household.
  - b. *Continual care* is defined as the junior fair exhibitor being responsible for and involved in the feeding, cleaning, and caring of the project.
  - c. *Hardship cases* are defined as dogs that replace the original project enrolled by the exhibitor after the county's enrollment deadline, or no later than June 1.
- 2. Leasing a dog is not permitted for State Fair dog show participation. If counties have a leasing program, those leased dogs are not permitted to exhibit at the State Fair.
- 3. Lessons, instruction and advice for the exhibitor are encouraged. As long as the exhibitor is present in the learning situation, and handles or trains the dog the majority of the time present, such assistance can include occasional handling or training by another person. Only the exhibitor can train the dog at any type of training class on or after the county project enrollment deadline, which begins no later than June 1, or earlier as the date specified by the county.
- 4. On or after the county project enrollment deadline, which begins no later than June 1, or earlier as the date specified by the county, no one other than the junior fair exhibitor is permitted to show the project dog at any type of dog show, including fun matches.
- 5. 4-H members must be enrolled in the correct level of obedience, either Obedience Training Beginning, Project No. 206, or Obedience Training--Advanced, Project No. 207, to show in

Obedience classes at the Ohio State Fair. 4-H members must be enrolled in Grooming and Handling Dogs, Project No. 204, to show in 4-H Grooming and Handling classes at the Ohio State Fair. 4-H members must be enrolled in Dog Care, Project No. 200, to participate in Dog Care classes at the Ohio State Fair. 4-H members can be enrolled in any 4-H dog project to participate in Agility or Drill Team competition. For Grooming and Handling judging, questions asked during the interview will come from the Grooming and Handling 4-H project book and the Dog Care 4-H project book. For youth showing in Intermediate B and Senior B classes, questions will also come from the following sections of the Dog Learning Laboratory Kit (used in skillathons): Anatomy: Parts of the Dog (External); Conformation: Bites, Ears and Eyes; Feet, Pasterns and Stifles; Front and Rear Legs; Tails; and Backlines; and Dog Care and Grooming Equipment: 32 pictures of types of equipment and a description for each picture. FFA members must qualify through their county qualifying dog show, county fair dog show, or enter through the OSU Extension Office.

- 6. 4-H members enrolled in the Assistance Dog Project Idea Starter No. 356.08, are eligible to show in the Assistance Dog class. Any FFA member raising a Pilot Puppy or other type of Assistance Dog may also compete in this class. These projects are owned by Pilot Dogs, Inc., or other Assistance Dog Organizations, and therefore are ineligible to be shown in any Obedience, Grooming and Handling, or Dog Care classes at the Ohio State Fair. They may be shown in Drill Team competition.
- 7. Only domestic dogs can be shown at the Ohio State Fair Junior Fair Dog Show. Wolf and wolf hybrids are not permitted.
- 8. All dogs exhibited at the Ohio State Fair must be **six months of age** by the date of the show. **This includes Pilot Dog puppies and other assistance dogs.** Dogs exhibited in Agility must be 18 months or older, born after February 6, 2002. Proof of age is the burden of the exhibitor or exhibitor's immediate family. Dogs not meeting this age requirement cannot be shown.
- 9. Dogs selected to show at the Ohio State Fair Dog Show must be the same dogs selected at the county level.
- 10. Dogs other than those selected to show at the Ohio State Fair are not permitted on the Fairgrounds.
- 11. Project eligibility and class or classes entered must be determined at the county level. It is the responsibility at the county level to determine what class the exhibitor is eligible for, and that the exhibitor understands the Rules for State Fair Participation, including the exercises to be performed for the judge.
- 12. Junior Fair members must show in the same class or classes at the Ohio State Fair as selected at the county.
- 13. Junior Fair exhibitors in respective activities and classes are expected to perform in those events and demonstrate those skills which are listed in the dog 4-H project books and the 2003 revisions to the books, on the various dog 4-H judging score sheets, and in the USDAA® Official Rules and Regulations. Most score sheets are found in the back of each 4-H project book. Any changes in the score sheets will be forwarded to county 4-H professionals. Graduate Open, Assistance Dog, Drill Team, and Poster Contest score sheets are available at the county Extension office.

- 14. The judge or show officials may dismiss from the ring any dog exhibiting unsafe or threatening behavior or any exhibitor abusing the dog.
- 15. The 4-H and FFA professionals and show officials in charge will have the right and responsibility to order the removal from the grounds any dog exhibiting unsafe or threatening behavior or any exhibitor or other persons abusing or neglecting the dog. Dogs are not permitted to wear any type of muzzle while on the fairgrounds.
- 16. The 4-H and FFA professionals and show officials in charge will have the right and responsibility to order the removal from the grounds any person verbally or physically abusive to show personnel.
- 17. Only the exhibitor's dog, exhibitor, and show officials are permitted on the show arena floor at any time throughout the show.

### 18. Class Entries:

- a. Counties may have a total of **six** entries in classes J-001 Junior Dog Care; J-002 Intermediate Dog Care, & J-003 Senior Dog Care, with no more than three entries in any one class.
- b. Counties may have **two** entries in the following classes: J-1 Sub-Novice A; J-2 Sub-Novice B; J-3 Novice A; J-4 Novice B; J-5 Graduate Novice A; J-6 Graduate Novice B; J-7 Open A; J-8 Open B; J-9 Graduate Open A; J-10 Graduate Open B; J-11 Grooming & Handling Jr. A; J-12 Grooming & Handling Jr. B; J-13 Grooming & Handling Intermediate A; J-14 Grooming & Handling Intermediate B; J-15 Grooming & Handling Sr. A; and J-16 Grooming & Handling Sr. B.
- c. Counties may have **any number** of entries in classes J-17 Assistance Dogs and J-18 Agility.
- d. Counties may enter **one** Junior Drill Team in class J-19 and **one** Senior Drill Team in class J-20.
- 19. A dog and handler can show in only **one** of the following classes: Obedience, Grooming & Handling, or Dog Care, with the exception of the following:
  - a. Youth who show in Grooming & Handling can show the same dog or a different dog in any of the following upper level obedience classes: J-5 Graduate Novice A; J-6 Graduate Novice B; J-7 Open A; J-8 Open B; J-9 Graduate Open A; and J-10 Graduate Open B, provided they qualify at the county level.
  - b. Youth who show in any of the following upper level obedience classes: J-5 Graduate Novice A; J-6 Graduate Novice B; J-7 Open A; J-8 Open B; J-9 Graduate Open A; and J-10 Graduate Open B can show the same dog or a different dog in Grooming and Handling, provided they qualify at the county level.
- 20. Exhibitors showing in Obedience, Grooming & Handling, and Dog Care classes may also show in Drill Team Competition and Agility. Exhibitors showing an Assistance Dog may also show their same dog in Drill Team competition. Exhibitors showing an Assistance Dog may also show one other entry (must be a different project dog) in any of the classes Obedience, Grooming & Handling and Dog Care classes.
- 21. Youth showing in Dog Care classes on August 13 are not permitted to show the same dog or a different dog in any Obedience or Grooming & Handling classes held August 11, 12, and 13.
- 22. County 4-H professionals MUST register all exhibitors in Obedience, Grooming and

Handling, Dog Care and Assistance Dog classes at the Ohio State Fair Junior Fair Dog Show by completing the 2003 Ohio State Fair Junior Fair Dog Show Registration Form. This form must be returned to Lucinda Miller, Superintendent, State Fair Dog Show, no later than Thursday, July 31. Entries received after this deadline will not be accepted.

- 23. County 4-H professionals MUST register all exhibitors in Drill Team classes at the Ohio State Fair Junior Fair Dog Show by completing the 2003 Ohio State Fair Junior Fair Dog Show Drill Team Registration Form. This form must be returned to Lucinda Miller, Superintendent, State Fair Dog Show, no later than Thursday, July 31. Entries received after this deadline will not be accepted.
- 24. All 4-H or FFA members competing in the Agility class (J-18) must register by completing the USDAA® Official Entry Form (available on line or from Extension Office) and return it directly to Carole Paul, Show Secretary, 3150 Kioka Ave., Columbus, Ohio 43221, 614.488.2410. Exhibitors must follow entry procedures. Entries must be received by 6:00 p.m., WEDNESDAY, JULY 23. Entries received after this deadline will not be accepted.
- 25. All dogs participating in the Ohio State Fair must be currently licensed in the exhibitor's county of residence. The exhibitor must bring a certificate of license to health check. The dog license tag alone is not sufficient. This includes Assistance Dogs. The Assistance Dog Organizations (i.e. Pilot Dogs, Inc.) will provide the appropriate document for exhibitors to get a license for their dogs. Guide, hearing, or service dogs are exempt from any fee. The exhibitor must pay a \$15.00 processing fee if he or she does not bring a certificate of license to health check and show officials must call his or her respective county auditor's office for verification. This fee must be paid prior to officials making the phone call.

# 26. Health Requirements:

- a. All dogs must be immunized against distemper (CDV), adenovirus (CAV-2), leptospirosis, parvovirus (CPV), parainfluenza (CPI), and rabies by a licensed, accredited veterinarian.
- b. <u>For Agility on August 6:</u> The required vaccinations must have been given **after August 7, 2002 and before July 23, 2003**.
- c. <u>For Dog Show August 11-13:</u> The required vaccinations must have been given **after August 14, 2002 and before July 28, 2003** by a licensed, accredited veterinarian.
- d. Veterinarians must note any deviations from the required vaccinations (i.e. leptospirosis vaccination not given by veterinarian or dogs titer tested in lieu of vaccinations) either on the *ODA Official Health Certificate* or the *Ohio State Fair 2003 Junior Fair Dog Show Certificate of Vaccination* or on veterinarian's letterhead that accompanies the official health papers.
- e. An *ODA Official Health Certificate* or the *Ohio State Fair 2003 Junior Fair Dog Show Certificate of Vaccination* signed by a licensed, accredited veterinarian is required. These certificates must include the name, breed and age of dog. Other certificates of vaccination, computerized vaccination records, pet record cards, or kennel records will not be accepted. When getting an *ODA Health Certificate*, or the *Ohio State Fair 2003 Junior Fair Dog Show Certificate of Vaccination*, be certain the dates of the required vaccinations, including the rabies vaccination, are listed by the veterinarian.

Most dogs, unless it is their first time for a rabies vaccination, will receive or have received a three-year vaccine. The veterinarian must circle which vaccination (1 yr. or 3 yr.) was given and record the date it was given. **Health certificates must be completed and signed by the veterinarian.** Veterinarians must also provide their name/address stamp used in practice in the space provided.

- f. On the reverse side of the *Ohio State Fair 2003 Junior Fair Dog Show Certificate of Vaccination* is a registration form 4-H professionals can localize for county shows. This form may be used as the official State Fair Certificate of Vaccination provided the vaccination dates fall within the required vaccination dates for the State Fair Dog Shows.
- g. Before going to Registration, exhibitors must bring their dog, dog license certificate, and health certificate to Health Check. Incomplete or falsified information is grounds for dismissal. The exhibitor must pay a \$15.00 processing fee if information on the health certificates is incomplete and show officials must call his or her veterinarian for verification. This fee must be paid prior to officials making the phone call.
- h. These are the vaccination requirements for showing a dog at the Ohio State Fair. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to make sure that these vaccination requirements for State Fair are met.
- 27. Any dogs exhibiting abnormalities or symptoms of sickness, disease, or parasite infestation as determined by the health check officials, will be eliminated from the show and must be removed from the Fairgrounds. If a dog is under veterinary care for a health condition that is not infectious or contagious, the exhibitor must bring a health certificate from the attending veterinarian verifying the condition and treatment. Decision of the show health check officials is final.
- 28. Each exhibitor will be provided admission materials and is responsible for bringing the admission materials to the State Fair. These include an admission pass to State Fair, dog grounds permit (walk pass), and parking permit. Exhibitors are also responsible for bringing their dog's health certificate and dog license certificate to health check registration. The *Ohio State Fair 2003 Junior Fair Dog Show Certificate of Vaccination* is available from the county Extension office.
- 29. Dogs must be kept on leash while on the fairgrounds, except when participating in the ring during judging. Dogs must be kenneled in designated areas. Exhibitors are totally responsible for their dogs while on the fairgrounds. Exhibitors are expected to clean up after their dogs. Dogs are not permitted outside the show ring area and kennel area. **Dogs must not be left unattended.**
- 30. Bitches showing signs of heat are not permitted to compete and are not permitted on the Fairgrounds. Each dog must go through a health check where all females will be checked for signs of heat. If a bitch shows any signs of heat, she will be eliminated from the show and must be removed from the Fairgrounds. Any bitch, which appears so attractive to males as to be a disturbing element, will be eliminated from the show and must be removed from the Fairgrounds. Decision of the health check officials is final.

- 31. Exhibitors must provide their own collar, leash, water dish, kennel and any equipment needed.
  - a. Obedience collars include well-fitting plain buckle or quick release collars, or slip collars of an appropriate single length of leather, fabric or chain with two rings, one on each end. Fancy collars, harnesses, head halters, studded collars, pinch collars, collars with prongs or spikes on inside or outside, electronic collars, or any other special training collars, or collars that are either too tight or so large that they hang down unreasonably in front of the dogs are not permitted. Nothing shall be hanging from the collars. Leashes may be of fabric or leather and should be 6 feet in length for sub-novice classes. For novice and graduate novice classes, the leash need be only of sufficient length to provide adequate slack in the heel on leash exercise. Chain leashes are not acceptable.
  - b. *Grooming and Handling collars* include a chain or fabric slip collar, or martingale-type show lead. Nothing shall be hanging from the collars. *Leashes* may be of fabric or leather and long enough to allow for easy handling of the dog. Chain leashes are not acceptable.
  - c. *Dumbbells* must be made of one or more solid pieces of one of the heavy hardwoods, or of a rigid or semi-rigid, firm, nontoxic, non-wooden material, similar in size, shape, and weight to a wooden dumbbell. Metal dumbbells are not permitted. Dumbbells shall not be hollowed out. They shall have no decorations or attachments, but may bear an inconspicuous mark for identification. The size of the dumbbell shall be proportionate to the size of the dog.
- 32. Handler's and dog's appearance (includes all classes but drill teams): exhibitors should be neat, clean, and well-groomed in appearance. They should wear clothing that is comfortable to handle in and appropriate for dog shows. Clothing should not distract, limit or hinder the judge's view of the dog. Inappropriate clothing includes T-shirts, jackets or other apparel with slogans, 4-H club, FFA Chapter, or dog club names, etc., halter tops, tank tops, blue jeans and shorts, sandals, clogs, high heeled shoes, and other similar footwear. For Grooming and Handling classes it is recommended that girls wear skirts, dresses, dress shorts or similar attire, and boys wear dress shirts, ties, and dress slacks. For Obedience, Agility, and Dog Care classes colored dress jeans and dress shorts are appropriate. Dogs should be clean, well brushed and in good physical condition appropriate for the dog's age. Regulation show clip is not required for purebred dogs.
- 33. Food, treats, or toys are not permitted on the show floor during obedience classes. Youth may take dogs out of holding rings and off show floor to give rewards, bathroom break, etc., and then return immediately when finished.
- 34. Exhibitors showing their dogs at any Licensed or Member Obedience Trial or at a Sanctioned Match must show their dogs on or after their county's current project year at the same or higher level than they are showing in AKC, UKC, or other titling shows. Fun matches do not apply. Dogs who have completed their Companion Dog (C.D.) title (or UKC, or other titling equivalents) prior to the current project year must show in Graduate Novice classes. Dogs who have completed their Companion Dog Excellent (C.D.X.) title (or UKC, or other titling equivalents) prior to the current project year must show in Open B or Graduate Open A or B classes. For Grooming and Handling classes, dogs with AKC Jr. Handling or like experiences, or champion titles, must be shown in exhibitor age-appropriate B classes.
- 35. Scores will be posted within a reasonable amount of time after each class has been judged. Exhibitors who are tied for the top fifteen places in all Obedience and Grooming & Handling classes, except Sub-Novice A and Grooming & Handling Junior A, should remain until all

classes in the same category are judged, in case of ties. Failure to stay will mean forfeiture of a possible placing. All youth scoring 200 points or above in Dog Care classes will receive awards.

All youth scoring 200 points or above in J-1 Sub-Novice A and J-11 Grooming & Handling Junior A will receive awards.

36. Score sheets will be returned to the County Extension Office about two weeks following the closing day of the State Fair. Score sheets will not be returned during the State Fair Dog Show.

## CLASS NUMBERS, CLASSES, and AWARDS

Dog Care – Wednesday, August 13, 1:00 p.m., Cooper Arena. 4-H & FFA members MUST bring their dogs to judging.

# Exercises to be performed in all Dog Care classes include:

Member's Interview (Questions will be asked from the Dog Care 200 project book.); Member's Record Form (The exhibitor must complete the record form on pages 65-69 of the Dog Care 200 book for the current project year. Nothing can be added to this project record for this section of judging); Member's Appearance and Attitude; Dog's Appearance and Manners; Creative Achievement of Member and Dog (The exhibitor must show something that he or she did with or for his or her dog during the current project year. This could include, but is not limited to, tricks, costumes or dog clothing made, scrapbooks, or posters.) Youth must bring their dogs to Dog Care judging.

- J-001 **Junior Dog Care** This class is for 4-H members 9-11 years of age as of January 1, current year, enrolled in Dog Care, Project No. 200. The trophy winner of this class may repeat this class every other year. All youth scoring 200 points or higher will receive an Outstanding of the Day rosette. The highest scoring youth will receive a trophy. 2002 Winner Anthony Hill, Clinton Co.
- J-002 **Intermediate Dog Care** This class is for 4-H members 12-14 years of age as of January 1, current year, enrolled in Dog Care, Project No. 200. The trophy winner of this class may repeat this class every other year. All youth scoring 200 points or higher will receive an Outstanding of the Day rosette. The highest scoring youth will receive a trophy. 2002 Winner Ty Craiglow, Fairfield Co.
- J-003 **Senior Dog Care** This class is for 4-H members 15-18 years of age as of January 1, current year, enrolled in Dog Care, Project No. 200. The trophy winner of this class may repeat this class every other year. All youth scoring 200 points or higher will receive an Outstanding of the Day rosette. The highest scoring youth will receive a trophy. 2002 Trophy Winner Ashley Hughes, Madison Co.

# Sub-Novice A, Sub-Novice B, Novice A & Novice B – Tuesday, August 12, Cooper Arena

## Exercises to be performed in Sub-Novice A and Sub-Novice B classes include:

heel; figure 8; stand for examination; recall; long sit (1 minute); long down (3 minutes). All exercises will be performed on leash.

J-1 **Sub-Novice A** This class is for the beginning exhibitor and beginning dog. Neither exhibitor nor dog has had any prior obedience experience before their county's current project

year. This means that the exhibitor and/or dog cannot have any kind of formalized training. If they have had any training, they must enter the Sub-Novice B class. This includes counties who have "pre-sub-novice" or similar classes. Those exhibitors/dogs must enter Sub-Novice B classes at the state fair level. Once an exhibitor shows in this class, he/she must move to Sub-Novice B at the very minimum. Once a dog has been shown in this class, the dog must be shown at the Sub-Novice B level at the very minimum. Exercises performed are the same as J-2. All youth receiving a score of 200 points or above will receive an Outstanding of the Day rosette. A trophy and placing rosettes will not be awarded in this class.

J-2 **Sub-Novice B** This class is for the exhibitor or dog who has shown in Sub-Novice A or has had experience at the Sub-Novice level prior to their county's current project year. They have not yet progressed to Novice level or higher. Exhibitors can show in Sub-Novice B a maximum of two years at the Ohio State Fair with the same dog, unless winning first place. They then must move to Novice A or higher with that same dog. If an exhibitor wins the Sub-Novice B class the first year, he/she must move to Novice A or higher the next year with the same dog. Once a dog has been shown in this class for two years, the dog must be shown at the Novice A level at the very minimum. The dog of a first place winner in the Sub-Novice B class must then be shown at the Novice A level. A first-place trophy and 1 – 15 placing rosettes will be awarded in this class. 2002 Winner – Maria Neff, Darke Co.

# Exercises to be performed in Novice A and Novice B classes include:

heel on leash; figure 8 on leash; stand for examination off leash; heel free; recall off leash; long sit (1 minute off leash); long down (3 minutes off leash).

- J-3 **Novice A** In this class neither the exhibitor nor dog has had any prior experience at the Novice level before their county's current project year. Once an exhibitor shows in this class, he/she must move to Novice B at the very minimum. Once a dog has been shown in this class, the dog must be shown at the Novice B level at the very minimum. Exercises performed are the same as J-4. A first-place trophy and 1 15 placing rosettes will be awarded in this class. 2002 Winner Chelsey Birkhimer, Muskingum Co.
- J-4 **Novice B** This class is for the exhibitor or dog who has shown in Novice A or has had experience at the Novice level prior to their county's current project year. They have not yet progressed to Graduate Novice A level or higher. Exhibitors can show in Novice B a maximum of two years at the Ohio State Fair with the same dog, unless winning first place. They then must move to Graduate Novice A or higher with that same dog. If an exhibitor wins the Novice B class the first year, he/she must move to Graduate Novice A or higher the next year with the same dog. Once a dog has been shown in this class for two years, the dog must be shown at the Graduate Novice A level at the very minimum. The dog of a first place winner in the Novice B class must then be shown at the Graduate Novice A level. A first-place trophy and 1 15 placing rosettes will be awarded in this class. 2002 Winner Cora Painter, Darke Co.

Graduate Novice A, Graduate Novice B, Open A, Open B, Graduate Open A & Graduate Open B – Wednesday, August 13, Cooper Arena

Exercise to be performed in Graduate Novice A and Graduate Novice B classes include: heel free and figure 8; moving stand and examination; moving drop on recall; dumbbell recall; recall over broad jump; 3-minute long down (handler out of sight). All exercises will be performed off leash.

- J-5 **Graduate Novice A** In this class neither the exhibitor nor dog has had any prior experience at the Graduate Novice level before their county's current project year.) Once an exhibitor shows in this class, he/she must move to Graduate Novice B at the very minimum. Once a dog has been shown in this class, the dog must be shown at the Graduate Novice B level at the very minimum. Exercises performed are the same as J-6. A first-place trophy and 1 15 placing rosettes will be awarded in this class. 2002 Winner Heather Shock, Carroll Co.
- J-6 **Graduate Novice B** This class is for the exhibitor or dog who has shown in Graduate Novice A or has had experience at the Graduate Novice level prior to their county's current project year. They have not yet progressed to Open A level or higher. Exhibitors can show in Graduate Novice B a maximum of two years at the Ohio State Fair with the same dog, unless winning first place. They then must move to Open A or higher with that same dog. If an exhibitor wins the Graduate Novice B class the first year, he/she must move to Open A or higher the next year with the same dog. Once a dog has been shown in this class for two years, the dog must be shown at the Open A level at the very minimum. The dog of a first place winner in the Graduate Novice B class must then be shown at the Open A level. A first-place trophy and 1 15 placing rosettes will be awarded in this class. 2002 Winner Rebecca Gray, Washington Co.

## Exercises to be performed in Open A and Open B classes include:

heel free and figure 8; drop on recall; retrieve on flat; retrieve over high jump; broad jump; long sit\* (3 minutes); long down\* (5 minutes) \*handler out of sight. All exercises will be performed off leash.

The height of the high jump is once the height of the dog's withers. The maximum height for any dog is 36 inches, and the minimum is 8 inches. The required length of the broad jump is twice the height of the high jump for each dog. The greatest length is therefore 72 inches for large dogs and 16 inches for small dogs. For more information refer to the AKC jump heights at <a href="https://www.akc.org">www.akc.org</a>

- J-7 **Open A** In this class neither the exhibitor nor dog has had any prior experience at the Open level before the county's current project year. Once an exhibitor shows in this class, he/she must move to Open B at the very minimum. Once a dog has been shown in this class, the dog must be shown at the Open B level at the very minimum. A first-place trophy and 1-15 placing rosettes will be awarded in this class. Exercises performed are the same as J-8. 2002 Winner Korinn Flem, Clermont Co.
- J-8 **Open B** This class is for the exhibitor or dog who has shown in Open A or has had experience at the Open level prior to their county's current project year. They have not yet progressed to the Graduate Open level or higher. Exhibitors can show in Open B a maximum of two years at the Ohio State Fair with the same dog. They then must move to Graduate Open A with that same dog. If an exhibitor wins the Open B class the first year, he/she must move to Graduate Open A the next year with the same dog. Once a dog has been shown in this class for two years, the dog must be shown at the Graduate Open A level. The dog of a first place winner in the Open B class must then be shown at the Graduate Open A level. A first-place trophy and 1-15 placing rosettes will be awarded in this class. 2002 Winner Kathleen Burns, Franklin Co.

Exercises to be performed in Graduate Open A and Graduate Open B classes include: signal exercise; drop on recall; directed retrieve; moving stand and examination; retrieve on flat; retrieve over high jump; broad jump. All exercises will be performed off leash.

- J-9 **Graduate Open A** In this class neither the exhibitor nor dog has had any prior experience at the Graduate Open level, or a higher level of dog obedience, before the county's current project year. Once an exhibitor shows in this class, he/she must move to Graduate Open B at the very minimum. Once a dog has been shown in this class, the dog must then be shown at the Graduate Open B level. Exercises performed are the same as J-10. A first-place trophy and 1 15 placing rosettes will be awarded in this class. 2002 Winner Michael Spurlock, Clermont Co.
- J-10 **Graduate Open B** This class is for the exhibitor or dog who has shown in Graduate Open A or has had prior experience at the Graduate Open level, or a higher level of dog obedience prior to their county's current project year. If an exhibitor and/or dog does not win first place in Graduate Open B at the Ohio State Fair, he/she can repeat this class at the state level provided the county requirements have been met, and the exhibitor has been selected to show at the Ohio State Fair. The exhibitor who wins first place in this class at the Ohio State Fair can return to this class with the same dog every year. A first-place trophy and 1 15 placing rosettes will be awarded in this class. 2002 Winner Mary Lynn Butcher, Clark Co.

# Grooming and Handling Junior A, Junior B, Intermediate A, Intermediate B, Senior A and Senior B – Monday, August 12, Cooper Arena

## Exercises to be performed in all Grooming and Handling classes include:

Interview (Questions will be asked from the Grooming and Handling 204 project book and the Dog Care 200 project book. For youth showing in Intermediate B and Senior B classes, questions will also come from the following sections of the Dog Learning Laboratory Kit (used in skillathons): Anatomy: Parts of the Dog (External); Conformation: Bites, Ears and Eyes; Feet, Pasterns and Stifles; Front and Rear Legs; Tails; and Backlines; and Dog Care and Grooming Equipment: 32 pictures of types of equipment and a description for each picture; Handler Appearance and Attitude, Grooming, Handling: Individual Exam, and Handling: Group Exam

- J-11 **Grooming and Handling Junior A** This class is for the 4-H or FFA member 9-11 years of age as of January 1, current year. Neither the exhibitor nor the dog has had any prior experience in Grooming and Handling, AKC Jr. Handling or like experiences, or a champion title before their county's current project year. Once an exhibitor and dog show in this class, he/she must move to Grooming and Handling Junior B provided he/she is still within the age requirements. If the exhibitor will be 12 years of age as of January 1 the next year, then he/she will move to Grooming and Handling Intermediate B. A dog shown in this class at the Ohio State Fair cannot return to this class. It must be shown at the Grooming and Handling B level of the appropriate age of the exhibitor. All youth receiving a score of 200 points or above will receive an Outstanding of the Day rosette. A trophy and placing rosettes will not be awarded in this class.
- J-12 **Grooming and Handling Junior B** This class is for the 4-H or FFA member or dog who has shown in Grooming and Handling Junior A or has had prior experience in Grooming and Handling, AKC Jr. Handling or like experiences, or a champion title before the county's current project year. The exhibitor must meet the age requirements of 9-11 years of age as of January 1, current year. The exhibitor who wins first place in this class at the Ohio State Fair can return to this class with the same dog every year provided age requirements are met. 2002 Winner Julie Brown, Clinton Co.

- J-13 **Grooming and Handling Intermediate A** This class is for the 4-H or FFA member 12-14 years of age as of January 1, current year. Neither the exhibitor nor the dog has had any prior experience in Grooming and Handling, AKC Jr. Handling or like experiences, or a champion title before the county's current project year. Once an exhibitor and dog show in this class, he/she must move to Grooming and Handling Intermediate B provided he/she is still within the age requirements. If the exhibitor will be 15 years of age as of January 1 the next year, then he/she will move to Grooming and Handling Senior B. A dog shown in this class at the Ohio State Fair cannot return to this class. It must be shown at the Grooming and Handling B level of the appropriate age of the exhibitor. 2002 Winner Abbi Caslow, Guernsey Co.
- J-14 **Grooming and Handling Intermediate B** This class is for the 4-H or FFA member or dog who has shown in Grooming and Handling Intermediate A or has had prior experience in Grooming and Handling, AKC Jr. Handling or like experiences, or a champion title before the county's current project year. The exhibitor must meet the age requirements of 12-14 years of age as of January 1, current year. The exhibitor who wins first place in this class at the Ohio State Fair can return to this class with the same dog every year provided age requirements are met. A first-place trophy and 1 15 placing rosettes will be awarded in this class. 2002 Winner Karessa Sheets, Fairfield Co.
- J-15 **Grooming and Handling Senior A** This class is for the 4-H or FFA member 15-18 years of age as of January 1, current year. Neither the 4-H or FFA member nor the dog has had any prior experience in Grooming and Handling, AKC Jr. Handling or like experiences, or a champion title before the county's current project year. Once an exhibitor and dog show in this class, he/she must move to Grooming and Handling Senior B. A dog shown in this class at the Ohio State Fair cannot return to this class. It must be shown at the Grooming and Handling B level. A first-place trophy and 1-15 placing rosettes will be awarded in this class. 2002 Winner Amy Hines, Allen Co.
- J-16 **Grooming and Handling Senior B** This class is for the 4-H or FFA member or dog who has shown in Grooming and Handling Senior A or has had prior experience in Grooming and Handling, AKC Jr. Handling or like experiences, or a champion title before the county's current project year. The exhibitor must meet the age requirements of 15-18 as of January 1, current year. The exhibitor who wins first place in this class at the Ohio State Fair can return to this class with the same dog every year provided he/she meets the age requirements. A first-place trophy and 1 15 placing rosettes will be awarded in this class. 2002 Winner Eliza Porter, Geauga Co.

# Assistance Dogs - Wednesday, August 13, 9:00 a.m., Cooper Arena

# Exercises to be performed in the Assistance Dogs class include:

Accepting a Stranger; Dog's Appearance & Grooming; Walk on Loose Lead; Walk Through a Crowd; Acceptance of a Strange Object; Stay and Reaction to Another Dog; Reaction to Distractions.

J-17 **Assistance Dogs** This class is for 4-H members enrolled in Assistance Dog Project Idea Starter No. 356.08; dogs are owned by Pilot Dogs, Inc. or other Assistance Dog Organizations. FFA members raising a pilot puppy or other assistance dog may also enter this class. A first-place trophy and 1 – 15 placing rosettes will be awarded in this class. 2002 Winner – Shannon Mitchell, Hancock Co.

## Agility – Wednesday, August 6, 10:00 a.m., Cooper Arena

J-18 **Agility** (Refer to USDAA Agility Information under separate cover.) Agility awards are based upon USDAA performance standards in the Junior Handler Program classes as follows: A maroon ribbon will be awarded for all qualifying (zero fault) performances; a Gold medal will be awarded for all scores of five fault points or less; a Silver medal will be awarded for all scores more than five but no more than fifteen fault points; a Bronze medal will be awarded for all scores greater than fifteen fault points. In addition to the USDAA recognitions, 4-H recognition will be given.

# Drill Teams - Tuesday, August 12, 5:00 p.m., Cooper Arena

J-19 & J-20 **Drill Team** (Refer to Dog Drill Team Competition Rules listed elsewhere in this information.) Medallions will be awarded to the first place Junior Dog Drill Team and the first place Senior Dog Drill Team. Rosettes will be awarded to each Junior and Senior Dog Drill Team participant who placed first through tenth. Special recognition will be given to the Junior Drill Team and the Senior Drill Team having the highest obedience scores. Special recognition will be given to the Junior Drill Team and the Senior Drill Team having the highest pattern/style scores. 2002 Junior Drill Team Winners – Darke Co.; Junior Obedience Winner – Montgomery Co.; Junior Style Winner – Darke Co.; Senior Obedience Winner – Darke Co.; Senior Style Winner – Delaware Co.

# **DOG POSTER CONTEST**

## Purpose:

- 1. To visually demonstrate 4-H & FFA dog project knowledge.
- 2. To stimulate an interest in 4-H & FFA dog projects.
- 3. To demonstrate to others the diversity of the 4-H & FFA dog projects.

#### Rules:

- 1. Each county may enter <u>two</u> Junior (age 9-11), <u>two</u> Intermediate (age 12-14), and <u>two</u> Senior (age 15-18) poster exhibit. All ages are as of January 1, 2003.
- 2. Each poster must be made by the 4-H or FFA member enrolled in a dog project.
- 3. Exhibits must be entered on the 2003 Ohio State Fair Junior Fair Dog Show Poster Registration Form, signed by the county Extension professional, and returned to Lucinda Miller, Superintendent, State Fair Dog Show, by Thursday, July 31, 2003.
- 4. Posters must be made using size 22" x 28" poster board, displayed horizontally. Poster boards are not to be mounted on any type of stiff backing. Shadow boxes, overlays, or three-dimensional posters are not permitted. Posters must be either laminated or tightly covered with a thin plastic material.
- 5. Each poster must be clearly labeled in the lower right hand corner, in a space no larger than 3" x 5", with the exhibitor's name, county, and age as of January 1, 2003.

- 6. Posters will be judged on Educational Content (50 pts.), Neatness/Appearance (30 pts.), and Originality (20 pts.).
- 7. County poster entries for State Fair exhibit must be delivered to the State 4-H Office no later than **Wednesday**, **August 6**.
- 8. Posters will be displayed in Cooper Arena during the State Fair Junior Fair Dog Show.
- 9. Rosettes will be presented to all first through fifteenth place winners in each age division on Wednesday, August 13, at approximately 12:00 noon in Cooper Arena. Exhibitors will receive a one-day pass to attend the awards presentation. Extension agents will be notified by e-mail Monday, August 11, who won trophies and rosettes.
- 10. First place winners in each age division can exhibit every other year provided the age requirements are met. The 4-H or FFA members must complete either a 4-H or FFA project the previous or "off" year.
- 11. Posters will be released after the awards presentation on Wednesday, August 12. **Unclaimed posters will be discarded.**

# **2002 Dog Poster Contest Winners**

Junior – Sophia Cecardo, Warren Co. Intermediate – Kaitlin Schupp, Delaware Co. Senior – Stephanie Byrne, Delaware Co.

## STATE FAIR CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE

4-H and FFA members showing their dogs at the Ohio State Fair Junior Fair Dog Show may apply for titling by recording State Fair achievements during their 4-H or FFA career. Achievements must be documented by the junior fair participant and their parent/guardian and 4-H advisor or FFA instructor.

# Requirements

- 1. A 4-H or FFA member must accumulate a minimum of 25 points;
- 2. Points are recorded for the handler;
- 3. Points are accumulated for one dog per event; and
- 4. All State Fair participation rules apply.

### Point System

One point will be awarded for participation in any of these state fair categories:

- 1. Dog Care
- 2. Obedience
- 3. Grooming and Handling

- 4. Assistance Dogs
- 5. Drill Team
- 6. Agility
- 7. Poster Contest
- 8. Skillathon

An additional 5 points will be awarded for a 1 through 15 placement in any category, or for receiving a gold medal in Agility, or receiving an Outstanding in Dog Care. Five points will be awarded to youth receiving an Outstanding in Sub-Novice A or Grooming and Handling Junior A. An exhibitor cannot exceed 6 points per event.

To earn a State Fair Championship Title exhibitors can accumulate points each year they exhibit at the State Fair, and when 25 points have been accumulated, the title will be awarded. Once a Title has been earned, the exhibitor may then start accumulating points for a second title. This Title is retroactive to the 2000 Ohio State Fair Junior Fair Dog Show.

**Awards:** A pin, t-shirt, and certificate will be presented to each exhibitor receiving a Title at the Ohio State Fair at noon and at the end of each day of judging.

### **OUTSTANDING DOG EXHIBITOR**

A total of \$500.00 will be distributed to the first, second and third place outstanding Dog Exhibitors, with first place receiving \$300.00, second place receiving \$150.00 and third place receiving \$50.00. The top three placings will be determined by a point system from scores/placings from a combination of show scores, including the Poster Contest and Skillathon scores. Awards will be presented at awards presentation on Wednesday, August 13.

Some examples of possible combinations for accumulating points toward the Outstanding Dog Exhibitor include:

- a. If exhibitor shows in Obedience, he/she can also compete in Agility (provided the dog has had agility show experience), Drill Team, the Skillathon, and the Poster Contest. He/she could also take an Assistance Dog. If exhibitor shows in upper level obedience (J-5-J-10) he/she may show the same or different dog in Grooming and Handling.
- b. If exhibitor shows in Grooming & Handling, he/she can also compete in Agility (provided the dog has had agility show experience), Drill Team, the Skillathon, and the Poster Contest. He/she could also take an Assistance Dog. The exhibitor could also show the same or different dog in an upper level obedience class (J-5 J-10).
- c. If exhibitor shows in Dog Care, he/she can compete in Drill Team, Agility (provided the dog has had agility show experience), the Skillathon, and the Poster Contest. He/she could also take an Assistance Dog.
- d. If exhibitor shows only an Assistance Dog, he/she could compete on a Drill Team, the Skillathon, and the Poster Contest.

All participants must qualify through their county and/or register by the registration deadlines to be able to participate in Ohio State Fair Dog Activities. (Exception is the Skillathon, which does not require pre-registration.)

## Point System for Outstanding Dog Exhibitor:

Obedience (except Sub Novice A), Grooming & Handling (except Junior A), Assistance Dogs, Drill Team, and Poster Contest: 30 points for 1<sup>st</sup> place; 28 pts. – 2<sup>nd</sup> place, etc. through 2 pts. – 15<sup>th</sup> place.

Sub Novice A and Grooming & Handling Jr. A - 15 points for scores from 200 to 224, and 30 points for scores from 225 - 230.

Dog Care – Trophy winner in each age division – 30 points; 15 points for scores from 200 to 230.

Agility – Maroon ribbon (qualifying, zero fault performance) – 30 points; gold medal (5 fault points or less) – 25 points; silver medal (more than 5 but less than 16 fault points) – 20 points; and bronze medal (16 fault points or more) – 10 points.

Dog Skillathon – First place in each age division – 30 points; overall winner – earns an additional 10 points; outstanding awards – top 20% in each age group – 15 points.

# **2002 Outstanding Dog Exhibitors:**

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1<sup>st</sup> – Brandi Marshall, Clinton Co.
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2<sup>nd</sup> – Kathleen Burns, Franklin Co.

3<sup>rd</sup> – Maria Neff, Darke Co.

## **DOG SKILLATHON**

A Dog Skillathon will be held on dates and times yet to be determined during the Ohio State Fair Dog Activities. This contest is open to any 4-H or FFA member. There are ten age divisions (9 through 18 years). Ages are determined as of 1/1/02. First place in each age division will receive an award courtesy of C.T. Farm and Country and a cash award from the Youth Reserve Program (Y.R.P.). Junior (9-11 yrs.), Intermediate (12-14 yrs.), and Senior (15-18 yrs.) age division winner awards will be presented. Other awards include participation tokens, outstanding awards, and a special award to the overall winner.

# **2002 Dog Skillathon Winners**

Age 9: Keagan Arledge, Ross Co.

Age 10: Mattea Benz, Clinton Co.

Age 11: William Kehl, Clinton Co.

Age 12: Grace Sabella, Carroll Co. - Overall Winner

Age 13: Logan Williams, Clinton Co.

Age 14: Christine Dyer, Miami Co.

Age 15: Zack Flower, Clinton Co.

Age 16: Jena English, Clinton Co.

Age 17: Jacquelyn Raymond Co.

Age 18: Jayme Stone, Brown Co.

## **DRILL TEAM COMPETITION**

Junior Fair Dog Drill Team competition will be held Tuesday, August 12, beginning at 5:30 p.m., in Cooper Arena. Exhibitors must comply with 2003 Ohio State Fair Junior Fair Dog Show rules to be eligible to participate. All dogs must meet the age and health requirements of the Junior Fair Dog Show.

#### **RULES:**

- 1. One junior team and one senior team from each county may participate. Junior members are 9-13 years old as of January 1, 2003. Senior members are 14-18 years old as of January 1, 2003. If junior and senior members are on the same team, they must compete in the Senior Division (J-20) only.
- 2. County 4-H professionals MUST register drill teams exhibiting at the Ohio State Fair by completing the *2003 Ohio State Fair Junior Fair Dog Show Registration Form*. This form must be received by Lucinda Miller, Superintendent, State Fair Dog Show, no later than Wednesday, July 31. Entries will not be accepted after this deadline.
- 3. There must be at least four (4) and no more than (9) members on a team.
- 4. The team can do any form of **Heeling patterns**, but must have **at least three (3) required Sits** in heeling. Patterns will also **require** a <u>fast and slow</u>.
- 5. The **Figure 8** can be done in <u>any type</u> of formation, but there **must be two (2) Sits** in formation.
- 6. The **Stand** can be done in **any type** of formation.
- 7. The **Recall** can be done in **any type** of formation.
- 8. The team must do a **one (1) minute Down** on or off leash in any formation, and handlers can have movement during the 1-minute down.\* Dogs must stay in position. A <u>time</u> will be called at the end of the 1 minute by the score keeper. \*Examples: Handlers can dance, march, move around away from the dogs, etc., but the dogs must remain in the Down position.
- 9. The team must do at least two Circles during the routine.
- 10. The team must do at least two Lines during the routine.
- 11. Required patterns do not have to be done in the order on the score sheet. The heeling with sits, figure 8, stand, recall, and down must be performed, but can be done in any order in the routine. *Heeling is judged throughout the entire routine*.
- 12. The routine must be at least five (5) minutes long and no more than seven (7) minutes long.
- 13. Pattern and Style will be a part of the judging. This includes presentation, routine, music to routine, smoothness of movements, and creativity. (Refer to Drill Team Score Sheet.)
- 14. No points will be taken off for captain calling exercises.
- 15. There will be two obedience judges and two pattern and style judges. Two or more

individuals will tally the judges' scores.

- 16. Exhibitors are judged on successfully completing the required obedience exercises, the overall pattern and style, and teamwork, and not the attire worn by team members. Props are permitted **only** as wearable parts of the exhibitor's clothing.
- 17. Inappropriate music is not permitted. One example is music containing bad language.
- 18. Penalties: Five (5) points will be taken off score for routine lasting less than five minutes or more than seven minutes. Two (2) points will be taken off per dog for fouling the ring per occurrence.
- 19. Obedience points will total 175, and pattern/style will total 125 points. Points lost will be based on a ratio for each team according to the total number of team members.
- 20. The ring size will be 50 feet x 50 feet. Teams need to stay inside this diameter.
- 21. Only the next team to perform will be permitted on the show arena floor.

#### SUGGESTIONS FOR STARTING A DRILL TEAM

Drill teams competing at the Ohio State Fair should represent the county, not necessarily individual clubs or chapters. If youth from more than one club or chapter are involved in county drill teams, it may be necessary at the county level to have tryouts or qualifying competitions to select those individuals for teams competing at the Ohio State Fair.

Week One: Learn the routine without dogs. Week Two: Practice routine again without dogs.

Week Three: Bring dogs into the routine.

Week Four: Add music to the routine. It is best to keep music at four beats to a measure.

It is easier to move from one pattern to the next from any form of a line position. For example: Triangle Position: For a team of 5 members, move from back to front into a line to move to next position. Plan for routines to begin one-half minute early and last one-half minute longer than the required times to allow for one-half minute errors. The music can be stopped on the radio at the end of the routine. Decide on how many team members there will be, then work with two alternates. Keep the outfits simple and uniform. For example: Wear pants or shorts alike and shirts alike, with the same color and kind of shoes. Select a captain and co-captain and make sure they both know the routine. To call a routine pattern follow these suggestions: The team just did a Figure 8, and is moving to the next part of the pattern such as a Recall. Coming out of the Figure 8 to the position for a Recall the Captain says: RECALL, LEAVE, CALL, FINISH. Begin working on heeling by using the AKC methods to teach the team to heel and work together. This should help team to work in straight lines.

## RECOMMENDATIONS FOR DEFINITION OF OWNERSHIP

# **Definition of Ownership**

a. If the dog is registered by AKC, UKC, individual breed registries, herding dog registries, etc., the exhibitor's name, or a member of their immediate family's name, must appear on the registration certificate. Co-ownership of a dog is permitted provided the exhibitor's name, or a

member of their immediate family's name, is listed on the registration certificate. It is recommended that a copy of the registration certificate be on file in the county Extension office.

- b. If a non-registered dog was purchased from a private owner, pet shop, humane society, dog rescue, etc., the exhibitor's name or a member of their immediate family's name, must appear on the bill of sale. It is recommended that a copy of this bill of sale be on file in the county Extension office.
- c. If a dog was given to the exhibitor or immediate family, or found by the exhibitor or immediate family, the exhibitor or a member of their immediate family receiving or finding the dog, should verify the date received or found by use of veterinary records, dog licenses, and other forms of records, and write a statement as to the definite or approximate date the dog was received as a gift or found. It is recommended that a copy of this statement be on file in the county Extension office.

# SUMMARY OF PROGRESSION OF OBEDIENCE CLASSES AT THE OHIO STATE FAIR JUNIOR FAIR DOG SHOW

(J-1) Sub-Novice A - 1 year, then move to Sub-Novice B

(J-2) Sub-Novice B - 2 years maximum with same dog unless class winner, then move to Novice A

(J-3) Novice A - 1 year, then move to Novice B

(J-4) Novice B - 2 years maximum with same dog unless class winner, then move to Grad Novice A

(J-5) Graduate Novice A- 1 year, then move to Grad Novice B

(J-6) Graduate Novice B- 2 years maximum with same dog unless class winner, then

move to Open A

(J-7) Open A - 1 year, then move to Open B

(J-8) Open B - 2 years maximum with same dog unless class winner, then

move to Grad Open A

(J-9) Graduate Open A - 1 year, then move to Grad Open B

(J-10)Graduate Open B - can repeat this class with same dog regardless of winning

Refer to the J-1 through J-10 class descriptions for more details. Exhibitors must continually progress to a higher level of obedience training with the same dog. At the Ohio State Fair any previous participants in classes Sub-Novice A, Novice A, Graduate Novice A, Open A, and Graduate Open A may not enter the same class ever again. First place winners of Sub-Novice B, Novice B, Graduate Novice B, and Open B are not permitted to repeat the same class with the same dog.

Participants in Sub-Novice B, Novice B, Graduate Novice B, and Open B can show in these classes a maximum of two years with the same dog, unless winning first place. Participants who win first place in Graduate Open B can repeat this class every year with the same dog. Participants who do not win first place in Graduate Open B can show in this class every year with the same dog. Dogs of first place winners in obedience classes are not permitted to be shown in the same or lower level obedience classes again, except they may be shown in Graduate Open B every year.

# SUMMARY OF PROGRESSION OF GROOMING AND HANDLING CLASSES AT THE OHIO STATE FAIR JUNIOR FAIR DOG SHOW

- **(J-11) Grooming and Handling Junior A** (9-11 yrs. as of 1/1) 1 year, then move to Grooming and Handling Junior B if still meeting the age requirements or move to Grooming and Handling Intermediate B if 12 as of January 1.
- **(J-12) Grooming and Handling Junior B** (9-11 yrs. as of 1/1) until reach Intermediate age division; *class winner can repeat Grooming and Handling Junior B every year with same dog*; must progress from Grooming and Handling Junior B to Grooming and Handling Intermediate B.
- **(J-13) Grooming and Handling Intermediate A** (12-14 yrs. as of 1/1) 1 year, then move to Grooming and Handling Intermediate B if still meeting the age requirements or move to Grooming and Handling Senior B if 15 as of January 1.
- (J-14) Grooming and Handling Intermediate B (12-14 yrs. as of 1/1) until reach Senior age division; *class winner can repeat Intermediate Grooming and Handling B every year with same dog*; must progress from Grooming and Handling Intermediate B to Grooming and Handling Senior B.
- **(J-15) Grooming and Handling Senior A** (15-18 yrs. as of 1/1) 1 year, then move to Grooming and Handling Senior B.
- **(J-16) Grooming and Handling Senior B** (15-18 yrs. as of 1/1) until ineligible to join 4-H or be in FFA; *class winner can repeat Grooming and Handling Senior B every year with same dog.*

Refer to the J-11 through J-16 class descriptions for more details. At the Ohio State Fair any previous participants or dogs in Grooming & Handling Junior A, Grooming & Handling Intermediate A, and Grooming & Handling Senior A may not enter the same class. First place winners of the Grooming & Handling B classes can repeat Grooming & Handling B every year with same dog.