Please take a moment to read this:

Welcome

Welcome to the 2026 4-H on Parade Canine show where 5 Calgary Region Canine Clubs will be showcasing their talents in 3 events: Showmanship, Canine Good Neighbour and Agility. They are: Millarville Mutts and Mustangs, Meadowbank 4-H Multi, Bottrel Outlaws, Crowfoot Multi and Springbank Rawhides.

All of our 4-H members have been working very hard all year in anticipation of this big event and we must take a moment to remember why we are here today: to have fun, create memories, learn and make new friends.

A huge THANK YOU goes out to our 4 judges who are donating their valuable time: _____ (Showmanship), (Canine Good Neighbour), (Advanced Obedience), ___(Agility).

Here are a few very important things to remember today:

1. Dogs should NEVER BE OFF LEASH unless asked in the ring.
2. Please take time to POTTY your dogs outside and PLEASE CLEAN UP after them!
3. Dogs should be KEPT IN CLOSE PROXIMITY to their handlers when walking to avoid potential aggression between dogs (even the sweetest of dogs have leash aggression).
4. No TREATS in the AGILITY ring. The use of scents is acceptable.Treats may be used in the showmanship ring and obedience ring but can only be fed/given to the dogs AFTER judging is complete. TOYS are not permitted in the ring.
5. Club uniforms may be worn in all rings.
6. Please be aware of the times that you are scheduled to show and be prepared.
7. Dogs are NOT PERMITTED in the Nutrien, or in the barn aside from our stalling area.
8. Flat collars are expected to be used for all classes. If this becomes a concern the day of the event related to health and safety please discuss options with the show committee.
9. HAVE FUN and Be SAFE!

While every effort has been made to ensure this day runs as smoothly as possible, undoubtedly we will encounter some scheduling conflicts, time delays/constraints or hiccups along the way. Please exhibit patience and courtesy when addressing these issues with the organizers and volunteers as we are trying our very best to accommodate everyone.

Good luck and have fun!

4-H on Parade Canine Committee

4-H on Parade Canine Show Rules

Member Age Groups

Cleaver- age 6-8 (final decision of classes will be based on registration numbers)

Junior- member aged 9-11

Intermediate- member aged 12-14

Senior- member aged 15-20

Project Level

Novice A- Dog has never shown at 4-H on Parade

Novice B- Dog has shown before.

**If the member has 2 dogs competing, one dog will be in Novice A and one will be in Novice B. If both dogs have competed before, they must be entered in different Novice B classes. **

Identification

With regards to clothing worn by the 4-H member / dog handler:

1. 4-H Club uniforms or other appropriate clothing should be worn in the show ring. (Acceptable standards should be presented to all participants prior to the event.)
2. Members / dog handlers are prohibited from wearing all other badges, ribbon prizes, coats with kennel names or training schools, or any other form of identification used by an individual when exhibiting a dog in the show ring.
3. Service animals must be identified and declared upon registration.
4. Accessibility accommodations must be identified and declared upon registration. This includes assistance from other members, aids, etc.

Ownership

1. The 4-H member does not need to own the dog entered in the show.
2. It is required that the 4-H member has trained, groomed and cared for the dog being entered for show for the full project year to date. This rule may be waived up to the day prior to the show at the discretion of the project leader and in the event of illness, injury, or death of a dog.
3. A single dog may not be shared between multiple 4-H members.

Number of Entries

1. A 4-H member/dog handler can enter only one dog per class.
2. A 4-H member/dog handler may show a maximum of two dogs per show as long as the dogs are in different levels.
3. The 4-H on Parade committee has the right to combine levels if there are not enough entries.

Vaccinations

1. All dogs attending or competing in a 4-H sponsored event are required to be vaccinated.
2. Proof of vaccinations or Titres Test Certificate (see your veterinarian) must be available for presentation to the veterinarian or event committee on any day of the given event. (Photocopy of the original)
3. The following vaccinations are required to be current: or certified by Titres Test:
   a. Rabies
   b. Canine Parvovirus
   c. Distemper
   d. Bordatella
   e. Canine Parainfluenza
   f. Others as designated by the veterinarian or event committee

4. A vet will be on-call at the event however any costs are the responsibility of the member's family.

Female Dogs in Season

1. Female dogs in season may be shown at the project leader's and committees discretion. The dog should be the last dog to enter the show ring and separated from other dogs.

Disqualification/Ineligibility of a Dog

1. No dog belonging wholly or in part to the judge or residing in the same household as the judge may be entered at a 4-H show or trial where the judge is officiating, except in the case of extreme emergency.
2. No dog shall be eligible to compete if it is taped or bandaged in any way. Exceptions may be made with written confirmation from a veterinarian that the dog is able to compete, upon approval of the judge and/or event committee.
3. The judge and/or event committee may excuse any dog attempting to attack any dog or person attending the event or in the show.
4. No dog shall be eligible to compete, or participate, with a physical condition, which is detrimental to the health of the dog.
5. Any abuse of dogs on the grounds or in the ring by anyone will result in disqualification of the dog and its handler and no ribbon or participation points will be awarded.
6. Any handler who willfully interferes with another competitor or that competitor's dog will be excused from competition.
7. Dogs are not permitted to wear any type of muzzle, prong collar, or electronic collar while on the fairgrounds.
8. If the dog urinates or defecates the member must thoroughly disinfect the area before the next dog goes. A penalty may be also given depending on the event.
9. If the dog leaves the course or ring before class completion, the dog will be disqualified.

Stalling

1. Dogs are expected to be comfortable in a crate or x-pen. There will be horses, cows and other animals in the barns.
2. Dogs are required to wear the supplied bandana at all times outside of the show ring to identify them as a project animal.
3. Dogs are NOT PERMITTED in the Nutrien, or anywhere in the barn aside from our stalling area. Dogs must enter and exit through the designated doors.
    a. If your dog is a service dog they must have appropriate identification visible if outside of the canine area and must remain on leash at all times.
4. There should be one person from the club present when dogs are crated.

Club Eligibility

1. The handlers club must have participated in three 4-H On Parade Planning Meetings.

2. Leaders, assistant leaders or trainers are not eligible to judge a class with members competing from their club.

Escalation of Concerns

1. Present your concern to your club 4-H On Parade Committee Representative
2. Club 4-H On Parade Committee Representative brings concern to the Sub Committee.
3. Club(s) who are not involved in the concern escalation will make the final ruling and decision after hearing from the club(s) involved.
4. Members/Parents are not to discuss or talk to the judge directly or approach the show table during a show. All concerns are to be addressed through a 4-H On Parade Committee Representative.

Classes

Showmanship

This competition provides 4-H members with a meaningful experience where they can practice and improve their handling and sportsmanship skills. Showmanship gives each 4-H member the opportunity to present themselves and their dog to the best of their ability. This is exemplified by a handler working as a team with his or her dog, so the dog is stacked, alert, and under control, while at the same time the 4-H'er appears confident and in control. Conformation of the dog is not evaluated in showmanship.

Showmanship will be evaluated on the following five basic areas:

1. Individual examination and stacking
2. Ring patterns
3. Dog appearance and grooming
4. 4-H'ers appearance and conduct
    a. Clothing must be neat and presentable- additional points will not be awarded for more formal attire. 4-H Appropriate Attire.
5. Knowledge about dogs, ownership and 4-H.

Canine Good Neighbour

The test is non-competitive and allows the dog and handler to demonstrate confidence and control. It assesses the handler and dog's relationship, together with the handler's ability to control the dog. Dogs are evaluated on their ability to perform basic exercises as well as their ability to demonstrate good manners in everyday

situations. This class is judged pass or fail. Please discuss with your leader if you would like to do an advanced level of Canine Good Neighbour.

Tasks may include:

1. Accepting A Friendly Stranger
2. Politely Accepts Petting
3. Appearance and Grooming
4. Out For A Walk
5. Walking Through A Crowd
6. Sit/Down On Command and Stay In Place
7. Come When Called
8. Praise/Interaction
9. Reaction To A Passing Dog
10. Reaction To Distractions
11. Supervised Isolation
12. Walking Through A Door/Gate

Advanced Obedience

This nomination only class puts members and their dogs through the obedience commands individually. At the end of the individual judging, members will return to the ring for the long sit and long down portion of the class.

1. Each eligible club may nominate 1-2 members from each age level to compete. If a club does not have members who are willing/able to compete, they may enter additional kids from the same age group at the discretion of the club leader and final decision by the ruling committee. Maximum of 6 members per club.
2. This is an optional class. The committee must know of your participation and the members nominated for the class by the Final 4-H On Parade Meeting.
    a. Substitutions will be accepted at the time of show weekend based on safety of dogs and handlers.
3. Long sits on leash will be for 1 minute.
4. Long downs on leash will be for 3 minutes.
5. Dogs should be comfortable in a group setting.

6. Members will be expected to heel off leash.

Agility

Agility is a fun and exciting sport for dog and handler alike. It combines training, teamwork and fitness. It is a fast-paced sport in which a dog and handler work as a team to complete the obstacle course with the best time, and with the most accuracy. Each agility course features a number of tunnels, jumps, weave poles and contact equipment.

1) Novice A members can choose no leash or use a tab leash (6 inch leash or less provided by committee).
2) Novice B members are expected to compete off leash. If a tab leash is required, a time fault will be added.
3) Each member will run a jumps/tunnels course and then a standard course and their placing would be a combination of the two times.
4) 5 second penalties will be added each time:
    i) the handler touches a piece of equipment or dog.
    ii) the dog enters the equipment from the wrong side or direction.
    iii) the dog does a piece of equipment out of order.
    iv) the handler goes over the equipment.
    v) a piece of equipment is knocked down.
    vi) Misses a contact zone
5) 10 second penalties will be added each time:
    i) the dog misses or refuses a piece of equipment.
6) 45 second penalty will be added each time the dog urinates or defecates in the ring and the member will have to disinfect the area.
7) Treats, or toys are not permitted in the ring. The use of scents is acceptable.
    a) We are encouraging a fun show, should a member choose to utilize a toy they can participate in the class however will not be eligible for placing or advancement.
8) The teeter-totter will not be included in the 2026 show.

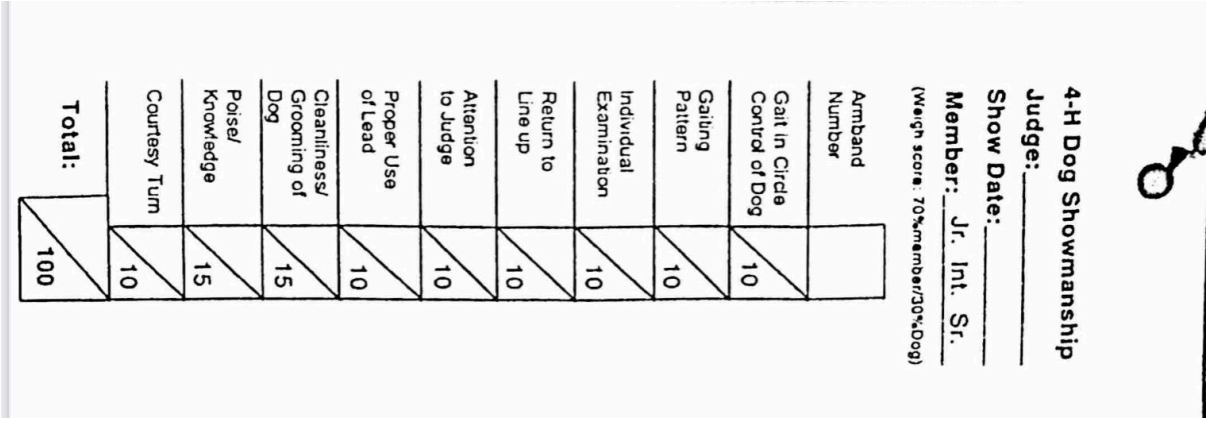
9) The weave poles will be excluded from the standard class but may be included for the supreme championship at the judge's discretion.
10) Members will be allowed to practice on the equipment with their club in the morning. The amount of time allowed is determined by the number of kids in your club.
    a) Dogs (including service animals) are not allowed to be in the arena during set up or take down for the safety of all animals and members/volunteers.
11) The top two times from each age category will advance to advanced agility class. The course will be determined by the judge day of the event.

What to bring

- Crate or X-pen for their dog
- Buckle collar and leash (non-retractable)
- Showmanship lead (as inconspicuous as possible but appropriate for the size of the dog). There will be some available
- Water and Water bowl
- Poop Bags
- Treats for dogs

Rule Sheets for Reference

Showmanship



4-H Dog Showmanship

Judge:_____

Show Date:_____

Member:_____ Jr. Int. Sr.

(Weigh score: 70%member/30%Dog)

Armband Number	
Gait in Circle Control of Dog	10
Gaiting Pattern	10
Individual Examination	10
Return to Line up	10
Attention to Judge	10
Proper Use of Lead	10
Cleanliness/ Grooming of Dog	15
Poise/ Knowledge	15
Courtesy Turn	10
Total:	100

Agility

Event/Class	Standard Agility Judging Sheet	
___:___.___	Dog's Time	
	Standard Course Time	
	Time Faults	
	Course Faults	
M = Minor Fault (5) F = Major Fault (20) E = Elimination (no score)	**Total**	

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Canine Good Neighbour

4H On Parade
Canine Good Citizen

		Judges Comments
1. Walk through a door or gate		
2. Accept a Friendly Stranger		
3. Appearance and Grooming		
4. Out For A Walk		
5. Walking Through a Crowd		
6. Sit/ Down on Command and Stay in Place		
7. Come when Called		
8. Praise/Interaction		
9.Reaction to Another Dog		
10.Reaction to Distraction		
11. Supervised Separation		

Member Name_____ Dog_____

Judge:

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Advanced Obedience

4-H on Parade
Advanced Obedience
Score Breakdown

Breed: _____ Class: _____ Dog No. _____
Show: _____
Judge: _____ Date: _____

Exercise	Point Deductions	Point Deductions	Max Points	Points Off	Score
HEEL ON LEAD & FIGURE 8	Unmanageable . . . . ☐ Unqualified heeling. .☐ Continually adapts pace to dog . . . . . ☐	Heeling Figure 8 ☐ ☐ Lag/Tight Lead . . . . . ☐ ☐ ☐ Wide . . . . . ☐ ☐ ☐ Crowd . . . . . .☐ ☐ ☐ Forge . . . . . ☐ ☐ ☐ Sniffing . . . .☐ ☐ ☐ Poor Sit . . . . . ☐ ☐ ☐ No Sit . . . . . ☐ ☐ ☐ Extra Commands . . . . . ☐ ☐ Fast / No change of Pace / Slow. ☐	40		
STAND FOR EXAMINATION	Sits Before or During Examination . . . . . ☐ Growls or Snaps . . . . ☐ Shows Shyness or Resentment . . . . . ☐	Extra Command/Signal . . . . . ☐ Moves Feet . . . . . ☐ Moves After Exam Completed . . . . . ☐ Handler Error . . . . . ☐	30		
HEEL OFF LEAD	Unmanageable . . . . ☐ Unqualified heeling. .☐ Continually adapts pace to dog . . . . . ☐	Heeling Figure 8 ☐ ☐ Lag. . . . . ☐ ☐ ☐ Wide . . . . . ☐ ☐ ☐ Crowd . . . . . .☐ ☐ ☐ Forge . . . . . ☐ ☐ ☐ Sniffing . . . .☐ ☐ ☐ Poor Sit . . . . . ☐ ☐ ☐ No Sit . . . . . ☐ ☐ ☐ Extra Commands . . . . . ☐ ☐ Fast / No change of Pace / Slow. ☐	40		
RECALL OFF LEAD	Does not come on first command or signal. . ☐	Extra Command/Signal to Stay Before Handler Leaves . . . . . ☐ Stands/lies down after handler leaves. . ☐ Slow . . . . . .☐ Extra Command . . . . . .☐	30		
SUB-TOTAL			140		
Long Sit (1 minute)	Did not remain in place. . . . . ☐ Disturbs another dog. ☐ Stands or lies down. . ☐	Touching Dog/Collar . . . . . ☐ Minor Moves: Before Handler Returns to Heel . . . . ☐ After Handler Returns to Heel . . . . . ☐	30		
Long Down (3 minutes)	Did not remain in place . . . . . ☐ Disturbs another dog. ☐ Stands or sits . . . . . ☐	Touching Dog/Collar . . . . . ☐ Minor Moves: Before Handler Returns to Heel . . . . .☐ After Handler Returns to Heel . . . . . ☐	30		
Total Score			200		
Less Penalty For Behaviour	Disciplining ☐ Soiling Ring ☐ Barking ☐ Whining ☐ Touching Collar ☐ Adjusting Dog ☐ Heeling on Wrong Side ☐ Handler Error ☐ Snapping ☐ Other ☐				
Comments:				**FINAL SCORE**	
Note:	**The judge will score 75% of the total marks on the basis of the handler's performance, and 25% of the total marks on the performance of the dog/handler team.**				