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4-H
“ALL ABOUT THE DOGS” Weekend
held at the

4-H YOUTH CENTER
NEW BOSTON, NH

JUNE 17, 18 & 19, 2011

A Fun Filled Weekend of Activities for Children and their Dogs
A Good Start for a Great Summer



Join us for a *pawsitively* good time at the 14th annual weekend of demos, dog training, and fun. Come learn, meet new people, visit old friends, and just have grrreat time! Organized by the Rolling Bones 4-H Club.

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University of New Hampshire, U.S. Department of Agriculture and N.H. counties cooperating.
If you require special accommodations to participate in this program, please contact Hillsborough County 4-H,
(603) 641-6060, by June 12 so proper consideration may be given to this request.

Hello Everyone,

I hope you can join us at our 14th annual “All About The Dogs” 4-H Dog Weekend, organized and run by the Rolling Bones 4-H Club. Our goal is to provide a great fun filled, canine training/themed weekend for children enrolled in the 4-H Dog Program, or children interested in joining. You will have the opportunity to learn new things, meet new people, visit old friends, get ready for the upcoming 4-H show season, and of course, have FUN with your dogs. We will expose the participants to activities and training seminars that they might not have the opportunity to see and experience through their local 4-H group. We have had, and hope to continue to have, 4-Hers from all over New England come to this program.

It does not matter if you are a 1st year participant or an experienced 4-Her in the dog program, we have activities for everyone. This weekend is run entirely by volunteers who donate their time. We are very fortunate to have the support of many canine fanciers including 4-H Alumni, parents, professionals in specific canine-related fields, and 4-H leaders, all helping to make this program successful. Please read the information packet carefully, as things have been added and changed from previous years.

You may also refer to our website, www.allaboutthedogsweekend.com, for additional information, pictures, forms, and frequently asked questions.

We look forward to seeing you in June. Your participation is key to the success of this weekend.

Sincerely,

Your Weekend Director

Danielle Furness

4-H Alum and Rolling Bones 4-H Leader





All About Dogs Weekend

TENTATIVE Schedule of 2011 Events

Friday, June 17th

6:00-7:00 Arrive, Check in, unpack, eat picnic supper
 7:00-7:30 Welcome and Orientation
 7:30-8:00 Meet and Greet Icebreaker Games
 8:00-9:00 Tally Ho! Scavenger Hunt!! Prizes and Adventure! Bring your Flashlight
 9:00-10:00 Agility – 2 RINGS! Beginners & Advanced (Arena)
 9:45 “Night Howl” S’ mores cookout!
 9:45 Trick Contest
 9:45 Costume Contest – Bring your best
 10:00-10:30 Doggie Night Care / Free Time
 10:30 Must be in assigned dorm
 11:00 Lights Out!

4:00-4:30 What is this new class “Beginner Novice”? Information Session
 4:30-5:00 “The Big E” information meeting – Who, What, When, How, What’s New?
 5:00-5:30 Group Program TBA* See below
 5:30-6:00 Saturday only people - Sign out, Pick up your craft, and say good bye till next year
 5:30-6:00 Doggie Care
 6:00-7:00 Purple and Gold Westminster themed dinner (prizes and entertainment)
 7:00-7:30 Doggie Care
 7:30-8:30 Annual Quiz Bowl Showdown
 8:30-9:00 Our Westminster Adventure by Rolling Bones 4-H Group
 9:00 Ice Cream ShinDIG and Annual Ice Cream eating contest!
 9:30 Dog Relaxation with Massage Seminar (Back by popular demand!)
 9:00-10:30 Night at the Movies - Popcorn and more!
 10:00-10:30 Doggie Night Care
 10:30 Dorm Time
 11:00 Lights OUT!

Saturday, June 18th

**Each participant will have an individualized schedule and be part of group that will rotate through activities throughout the day*

6:00-7:30 Wake up, Doggie Care, get ready for the day
 6:30-7:30 Breakfast Served
 8:00 Day Participants sign in & set up
 7:45-8:15 Trail Tails - mini hike with Dogs
 8:30-9:00 Morning Meeting Orientation
 9:00 Coffee Hour for Parents ~ Meet and greet other 4-H Parents
 9:00-9:45 “Show me your showmanship” seminar
 10:00-10:45 Would you know what to do? – Pet First Aid
 11:00-11:45 Getting Ready for the Ring - Obedience Training Tips
 12:00-1:00 Field and Stream themed BBQ Lunch (games, prizes)
 1:00-1:45 Canine Good Citizen Tests/ Dog Knowledge Study Group w/ focus on ESE topics
 1:00-1:45 Parents 4-H informational Workshop
 2:00-2:45 Fluff and Buff! – Grooming your dog (Back by popular demand!)
 3:00-3:45 Barks and Crafts

Sunday, June 19th

6:30-7:30 Wake up, Doggie Care, get ready for the day
 7:00-8:00 Breakfast Served
 8:00-8:30 Group Program *See Below*
 8:30-9:30 Raising a Seeing Eye Dog – Two 4-Hers journeys
 9:30-10:45

- Agility Stations/Practice/Run Throughs
- Flyball

 11:00-11:30 Awards Ceremony
 11:30 Pick up Crafts, Pack Up, and Clean UP!

***Group Programs-** The following seminars are tentatively being planned: **Dog Games**
Hunting With Your Dog **Baking For Your Dog**

NOTE: We are still confirming volunteer instructors, schedule and times subject to change. You will get a final schedule upon arrival and check in.

Who Is Invited

- Youth 12 & over (as of January 1st) and their dogs are welcome with or without parent/ guardian.
- Youth 8 - 11 (as of January 1st) are invited, with their dog, but **a parent/guardian must stay with youth under 12.**

We recommend those children that are not ready to stay overnight to participate in the Saturday only activities option. **Note: Males and females are housed in separate dorms/floors; none of the dorms are co-ed or family style.

Come for the weekend, or just come for Saturday, 8:00am to 6:00pm
4-H Leaders are welcome, and encouraged, to attend

Dog Information

Dogs must be in good health, free of contagious diseases and fleas.

All dogs must have a current health form and a rabies certificate (within the past three years). **Dogs need to be under the control of their handlers and not aggressive toward other dogs or people.** The dogs stay in the dorms with the youth at night, so crate trained quiet dogs only, please. It is highly recommended that dogs have flea and tick preventative on them.

Your dog will be around many people and other dogs over the weekend. If your dog exhibits aggressive behavior that negatively impacts the experience for others, the weekend directors reserve the right to remove your dog from the program for safety reasons.

We know many may still be working on behaviors with their dogs, and are unsure of how they will behave during the weekend. If you have concerns, please feel free to discuss your situation with the weekend director or your 4-H leader.

In case of a dog medical emergency, parents will be contacted. There are many Veterinarians within a short driving distance, as well as emergency clinics located in Manchester and Concord. A veterinary technician will be staying the weekend who can help with questions or concerns with health of dogs. First aid will be administered then it will be determined if veterinary services are needed immediately.

Participants are responsible for the care of their dogs the entire weekend.

BANDANA PROGRAM

Dogs who need more space will be wearing a special orange bandana that will be provided. *These are not bad dogs.* When you see a dog wearing this orange bandana proceed with caution when approaching, and speak with the human about the best way to handle a dog-to-dog introduction. If your dog has an orange bandana, it is your responsibility to ensure that you give other dogs space, as well. All dogs are expected to be reasonably well socialized and people/dog friendly. We understand that some dogs are good dogs, but do not react well when another dog invades their personal space. The bandana prevents a child from continuously having to worry that another dog maybe getting too close to their dog. The bandana program is for the safety and precaution of all participants, including those dogs wearing them... safety is our top priority! If you need a bandana please make sure you mark this on your application form appropriately.

Arrival and Departure

The arrival time for weekend participants is Friday night between 6:00 and 7:00 pm. No meal is served Friday night, but drinks will be available. Most families bring a picnic dinner and eat in the dining hall. Sandwiches can be purchased at New Boston Pizza (603-487-2800) or at Dodges Store (603-487-2241) in New Boston village (1 mile). Please purchase any food before you arrive for the weekend.

Pick up will be Sunday at 11:30 am.

Saturday only participants must be present from 8:00 am until 6:00 pm.

All participants must complete the orientation meeting in order to participate in the weekend (Friday evening for weekend participants and Saturday morning for Saturday-only participants). Weekend participants **MUST** attend the Friday orientation meeting.

Facilities

The NH "All About The Dogs" weekend is held on 125 acres at the 4-H Youth Center in New Boston NH. Volunteers and youths stay in two buildings that have all necessary facilities. The youth will be provided with a cot and mattress. Youth will have 24-hour supervision. Boys and girls are housed in separate buildings or on separate floors. A kitchen with dining pavilion provides the eating facilities. Level fields provide space for all sports and other outdoor activities. The T. R. Langdell Arena or the Charles Buck Barn will be used for activities if it rains.

Transportation

All youth are responsible for transportation to and from the facilities.

Safety

The NH "All About The Dogs" Weekend reserves the right to add additional rules before the start of the weekend. All rules will be posted and reviewed at the beginning of the weekend. These rules are mandatory, and if anyone chooses not to follow them, a parent or guardian will be contacted to pick up the participant. *If the safety orientation meeting is not completed, we reserve the right to deny you registration into the program.*

Proper foot attire is required. Close-toed shoes should be worn.

Due to safety reasons parking will only be in posted areas.

There is no medical staff in attendance during the weekend. In case of a medical emergency, paramedics will be called and parents will be notified. Select volunteers will be trained in CPR and First Aid.

Participation

If you have signed up for the full weekend, you must attend the full weekend. You may not come and go as you please. The club has worked hard to provide planned programs for a certain number of participants. If you cannot participate in the full weekend, or the full day Saturday, please give the opportunity for someone else to participate in the program.

All About the Dogs Weekend Rules

- No Dogs in heat shall be allowed at the weekend. Females that come into season during weekend will be asked to leave.
- You must stay in the boundaries of the Youth Center. Once a child has checked in, they must remain on site grounds for the entire program.
- You must stay off of all equipment (agility, flyball, lure coursing, etc.) unless an instructor is present.
- Dogs must be leashed on the Youth Center grounds and in dorm & building areas at all times, except during appropriate training classes.
- Poop Pick Up - You are responsible for picking up all waste from your dog and disposing in outdoor trash cans that will be provided.
- Buddy System - All Youth must be accompanied by another youth or an adult at all times when out and about on the Youth Center grounds.
- Dogs must be crated at night - See additional dorm rules that will be posted in dorms.
- You must attend all activities on your schedule. Don't be late. Attendance will be taken at all activities.
- Children's cell phones must be turned to vibrate, or be in the off mode, and not be used during any seminar or planned activity (includes text messaging).
- Parents, out of respect for instructors please turn cell phones to vibrate or silent. Please leave the seminar if you need to answer a phone call.
- Be respectful to ALL youth and volunteers at all times.
- Please report any accidents/incidents to Danielle, your weekend director. All accidents/incidents MUST be reported.
- Respect dogs wearing orange bandanas (see bandana program).
- You are to maintain the care and control of your dog at all times. All dogs must be housetrained, reasonably well socialized, and not aggressive towards people. If your dog has been aggressive towards people, please do not bring them to the weekend.
- No tobacco products, drugs, or alcohol are permitted on the grounds.
- At no time may a parent or guardian remove a participant from the grounds without checking out with the weekend director.
- The Horn - If you hear a car horn blow for over 30 seconds, proceed to the front of the dining hall ASAP, with or without dogs. An emergency roll call will be performed.

NOTE: Additional rules may be added. Any of the above rules may be changed as deemed necessary by the weekend committee. The weekend committee will determine the interpretation of all the 4-H Dog Activity rules.

Cost:

4-H Members

\$55 Per 4-H youth for the entire weekend (all meals and activities included)

\$30 Per 4-H youth - Saturday Only (lunch, drinks, and snacks PLUS 1 Adult lunch included) 8:00am – 6:00pm

Non 4-H Members

\$70 Per Non 4-H Youth for the entire weekend (all meals and activities included)

\$40 Per Non 4-H youth - Saturday Only (lunch, drinks, and snacks PLUS 1 Adult lunch included) 8:00am – 6:00pm

Parents/Guardians

\$40 Per Parent/Guardian accompanying child - entire weekend (all meals included)

Additional lunches on Saturday

** If any additional person accompanies a youth on Saturday (such as a sibling or other parent), and that person would like to eat lunch with the group, there will be a \$5 charge per additional person. Please let us know in advance so that we can be prepared.

Unfortunately, the All About The Dogs Weekend does not have scholarships available at this time. We strive to keep the cost as low as possible for all participants.

>>>>>Check with your local 4-H offices to see if there are scholarships available to help you with cost.

>>>>>We suggest club fundraisings to help defray the cost of your club members to participate.

Directions to Hillsborough County 4-H Youth Center

15 Hilldale Lane, New Boston, NH 03070

From the North:

Route 93 S to Manchester
Route 293 S along the west side of Manchester.
Exit to Route 101W/Route 114 towards Milford/Bedford (Macy's Exit)
Follow directions below from Route 114 /Bedford.

From the East:

Route 101 to Manchester
Route 93S/101 to 293/101 around south side of Manchester towards Milford/Bedford
Follow directions below from Route 114 /Bedford

From the South:

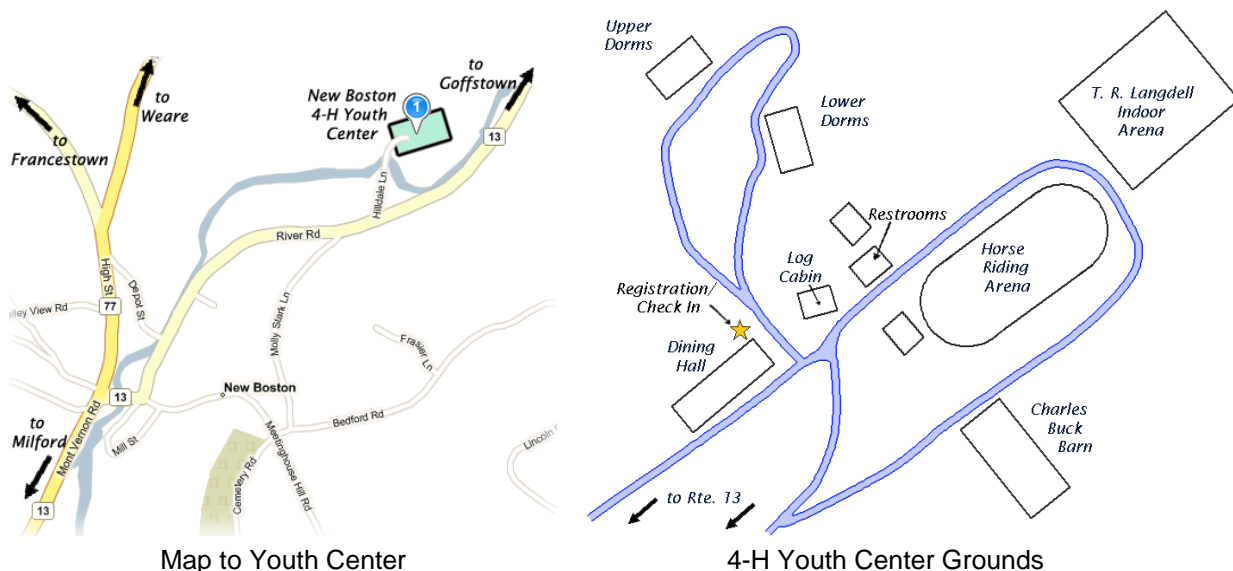
Route 3 North
Exit to pick up Route 101W/114 towards Milford/Bedford
Follow directions below from Route 114 Bedford

From Route 114 in Bedford/Manchester

Route 114 N to Goffstown Village (approximately 7.5 miles from the Route 101/114 split at
stoplight) to Route 13 S
Follow Route 13 S to New Boston Village.
(Turn left on Rte 13 after the Gulf station, in the middle of traffic islands)
(Approximately 7.5 miles, along the Piscataquog River)
Right turn into Youth Center, before New Boston Village, before the gas station

Alternate South route:

Route 13 N from Massachusetts...Townsend/Leominster/Fitchburg area
Approximately 12 miles to Milford, stay on Route 13.
Approximately 5 miles to Mont Vernon, stay on Route 13
Approximately 7 miles to New Boston, stay on Route 13
Route 13 through New Boston Village, (watch the right turn over the river, left past the store)
Youth Center entrance is on the left after the gas station (approx 1 mile)



Suggested Equipment and Clothing List

<u>Clothing and Personal</u>	<u>Dog Stuff</u>
Pillow and Pillow case	Dog food/water/dishes
Sleeping bag or 3 blankets & 2 sheets	Dog health form
Suitcase, duffel bag, or pack	CURRENT Rabies Certificate
Dirty clothes bag	Obedience leash/collar
1 pair of shorts	Show leash
1 pair of jeans or sturdy trousers	Dog crate (large enough for dog to stand and turn around in)
Warm jacket/rain jacket	Crate blanket
1 sweater or sweatshirt	Treats for training
1-2 pairs of shoes (close-toed)	Plastic clean up bags
Flip-flops for shower/bathroom	First Aid Kit (if you have one)
3 pairs of socks	Flashlight
2 changes of underwear	Old towels
1 pair pajamas	Old sheet or crate cover (to help dog rest undistracted)
Toiletries	(Optional - a fan)
Brush/comb	(Old towels can be used if it is hot, put in the crate wet, or pinned around the dog to cool them down)
Insect repellent/sunscreen	
Deodorant/shampoo/Towel	

Bring clothes that are appropriate for the weather forecast. End of June weather can vary, please be prepared. Please bring rain gear, umbrella, extra boots/shoes if the forecast indicates possible rain. **BE PREPARED.**

Bring clothes and shoes that can get wet; sprinklers will be set up if it is hot.

PLEASE PUT YOUR NAME ON ALL YOUR STUFF

We are not responsible for lost items.

For more information, or if you have questions about the 4-H Dog Weekend, Please visit our website at: www.allaboutthedogsweekend.com, or call

Hillsborough County 4-H Extension office:
Jolee Chase (603) 641-6060 M-F 8:00 am - 4:30 PM

Or

Rolling Bones 4-H Club leader (Merrimack County)
 and Weekend Director:
Danielle Furness (603) 428-3192 e-mail: daniellesnook@hotmail.com

Once the clinic has started, Danielle may be reached on her cell phone at (603) 731-6843.

2011 "All About the Dogs" Weekend Application

(Please Print Clearly)

If more than one child is attending, please use a separate form for each child.

Name: _____ Gender: ___ Date of Birth: _____

Parent/Guardian attending? ___ Yes ___ No. Name: _____

Address: _____

City/St/Zip: _____ County (if from NH): _____

Home Phone: (____) _____ Cell Phone: (____) _____

Email (Parent/Guardian): _____ (we will confirm that we received your forms via email only . We may also contact you via e-mail if we have any questions)

Email (Youth): _____

Vegetarian? ___ Yes ___ No. If any special dietary needs, please explain (ex. No red meat, but eats milk, eggs, etc.) _____

Food Allergies: _____

Breed of Dog: _____ Dog's name: _____

Age of Dog: _____

4-H Member? ___ Yes ___ No. If yes, 4-H Club: _____

This is my first year showing ___ Yes ___ No

How many years have you been involved in the 4-H dog program? _____

I have worked with my dog and we are ready for, and would like to take, the Canine Good Citizen test:

___ Yes ___ No.

I am not sure what the Canine Good Citizen Test is but would like more information on it:

___ Yes ___ No

Please check the appropriate level of training:

SHOWMANSHIP

No Experience	
Beginner	
Intermediate	
Advanced	
Pre-Professional	

OBEDIENCE

No Experience	
Family Dog / Beginner	
Pre-Novice	
Novice	
Grad Novice	
Open/Utility	

AGILITY

No Experience	
On Leash	
Off Leash	
Competitive	

Do you need an orange bandana (see bandana program)? ___ Yes ___ No

Participant T-Shirt Size (Circle One):

Child Size: S M OR *Adult Size:* S M L XL XXL

NOTE: T-Shirts are not guaranteed. We are still searching for donations/sponsors to help cover the cost.

We may have extra T-Shirts available for sale during the weekend for adults. This will help to defray the cost of the T-Shirts.

NOTE: Please indicate anything else that may be helpful to know about the participant or dog: _____

Please Check all that apply:

- Entire Weekend - 4-H member (\$55)
- Entire Weekend - Non 4-H member (\$70)
- Saturday Only - 4-H member (\$30)
- Saturday Only - Non 4-H member (\$40)
- Entire Weekend parent/chaperone/guardian (\$40)
- Additional lunches for Saturday _____ (see cost section in packet)

The following Forms **MUST** be sent in with the application to complete the registration process:
 *You can find these forms on www.allaboutthedogsweekend.com OR extension.unh.edu (4-H youth) -- (Event forms) and (Project resources-Dog)

Youth:

- _____ 2011 "All About the Dogs" Weekend Application
- _____ Youth Medical Care and Treatment Form
- _____ Youth Code of Conduct Form
- _____ Dog Health Form
- _____ Check - Made Payable to Rolling Bones 4-H Club

Adult Chaperones (Please send in with child's forms):

- _____ Adult Medical Care and Treatment Form
- _____ Adult Code of Conduct Form

All Dogs are shown at the risk of the owner or lessor. Any damage to persons or property is the legal and financial responsibility of the child and family who own or lease the animal.

I have read, understand, and agree to the 4-H All About Dogs Weekend information packet:

Parent/Guardian Signature:

_____ Date: _____

Child/Participants Signature:

_____ Date: _____

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Rolling Bones 4-H Club
SORRY, NO REFUNDS WILL BE MADE

Mail all forms (Application, Medical Care, Permission, Code of Conduct) and Payment to:

4-H All About Dogs Weekend
c/o Danielle Furness
222 Longview Drive
Henniker, NH 03242

Space is limited, so register early!

Registration Deadline: JUNE 1st, 2011