4-H Dog Project 2025-26 Schedule and Resources

Please keep the following project schedule and information for reference. This information, along with your attendance, will help in completing your Dog Project Report at the end of the year to get your project pin.

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Resource Book:

"Dog Resource Handbook" 4-H 201R-Feb24

From 4-H office for \$29 or directly from Ohio State University Extension Publications (extensionpubs.osu.edu).

Project Meetings: Meetings will be held the Second and Fourth Wednesday of each month, with a break between Thanksgiving and New Years. Each meeting will consist of approximately 30 minutes of hands-on training time with your dog, and 20 minutes of material review from our book or guest speakers.

Outdoor meetings will be held at **Treasure Ingmire Park** on the corner of Clovis Ave and Sierra Ave in Clovis, from 5 - 6 pm. The AKC also meets here at 6 pm, so we need to leave the area promptly so that they can train.

Indoor meetings are held at **Pet Supplies Plus** at 1235 Shaw Ave. Clovis, CA at 5 pm (For stormy weather, and Nov-Feb, when it is cold, wet and dark out.)

You will be notified by e-mail if these locations change.

2025 Planned Meeting and Event dates:

Wednesday, September 10: 5 pm In the park without dogs. Introduction: Dog Project pgs. 1-11. Sit, Stand, Heel, Slow, Fast. Ch. 9 pgs. 69-76.

Wednesday, September 24: 5 pm in the park with dogs. Turn, Down, Stay, Figure 8. pgs. 61-73.

<u>Sunday, September 28:</u> 4 pm Big Fresno Fair Dog Show (Recommended – Sponsored entries and free to watch)

Wednesday, October 8: 5 pm In the park with dogs

Wednesday, October 22: 5 pm In the park with dogs

Wednesday, November 12: 5 pm Pet Supplies Plus with dogs

Holiday Break

Wednesday, January 14: 5 pm Pet Supplies Plus with dogs

Wednesday, January 28: 5 pm Pet Supplies Plus with dogs

Wednesday, February 11: 5 pm Pet Supplies Plus with dogs

Friday February 13-15 **AKC Sun Maid Kennel Club Show** at the Fresno Fairgrounds (\$35 entry for purebreed dogs)

Saturday Feb 14-15: Austrailian Shepherd Kennel Association Show

(ASKA) at Fresno Fairgrounds

(Recommended - Free Entry for Jr. Handlers)

Wednesday, February 25: 5 pm Pet Supplies Plus with dogs

Wednesday, March 11: 5 pm In the park with dogs

Sunday, March 22: 1:00 pm 4-H Dog Care Field Day

at Touchdown Agility in Clovis

Wednesday, March 25: 5 pm In the park with dogs

Wednesday, April 8: 5 pm In the park with dogs

Wednesday, April 22: 5 pm In the park with dogs, **4–H Dog Achievement Test** and **4-H Fair Entries due.**

<u>Wednesday, May 6:</u> 5 pm In the park with dogs, **Final Practice and 4–H Dog Achievement Test Make-ups, and Get Record Book Project Attendance and Signatures.**

Saturday, May 9: 9 am 4-H Fair Dog Show, Reedley College

The Sun Maid Kennel Club also offers a dog handling class (showmanship) on weeknights. Advanced handlers are encouraged to attend these classes if you are interested in showing your registered dog in Formal AKC events.