

**4-H EVENT/OPPORTUNITY:**

Ohio 4-H Dog Expo

**DATE/DEADLINE:**

Saturday, April 17, 2010

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**LOCATION:** Buckeye Ranch, 5665 Hoover Rd., Grove City, Ohio – Refer to driving directions. The Buckeye Ranch is about 15 miles south of The Ohio State University Columbus Campus off I-71. The event will be held in the Equestrian Center.

**REGISTRATION INFORMATION:**

Pre-registration for youth is \$5.00 per activity and due by Wednesday, March 31. Registration the day of the event will be \$5.00 per youth in addition to \$5.00 per activity. Volunteers and parents can attend for free. (Refer to the registration form.) Activities include: Obedience, Showmanship, Rally Obedience, Agility, Canine Freestyle and Canine Good Citizen Testing.

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION:**

Ohio 4-H Dog Expo is for 4-H members enrolled in dog projects, as well as 4-H volunteer leaders and parents. 4-H members should bring their dogs to participate in Obedience, Showmanship, Agility, Rally and Freestyle activities and clinics, as well as take the Canine Good Citizen Test. Dog-related exhibits will be on display throughout the day. Food will not be available on the grounds; however, fast food restaurants are within 5 minutes. You are welcome to bring sack lunches and eat on the grounds.

**GOALS/OBJECTIVES:**

4-H Dog Expo is designed to:

- Teach youth skills needed to improve their showmanship, obedience, agility, rally, and freestyle performances.
- Teach participants dog handling techniques to promote a closer human-animal bond and help insure participant's safety.
- Teach participants positive training techniques to improve their performance as youth-dog teams.
- Offer youth and dogs the opportunity to become Canine Good Citizens.
- Increase participants' awareness of opportunities available in 4-H, as well as the dog industry, including careers and community service.
- Provide a venue for 4-H dog volunteers to increase their knowledge of preparing youth and dogs for 4-H dog shows.

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**REGISTRATION FORMS WILL BE AVAILABLE ONLINE FEBRUARY 15.**

OHIO 4-H DOG EXPO is sponsored by **CANIDAE ALL NATURAL PET FOODS**

See Driving Directions to The Buckeye Ranch and Hotel Information on the next page...

## **DRIVING DIRECTIONS:**

**The Buckeye Ranch** is located at 5665 Hoover Road, Grove City, Ohio 43123. Directions are as follows:

### **FROM EAST:**

Take the I-270 exit towards Cincinnati 0.22 miles. Merge onto I-270 South. Take the I-71 S/I-71 N Exit No. 55 towards Cincinnati/Columbus. Keep LEFT at the fork in the ramp. 0.32 miles. Keep RIGHT at the fork in the ramp. 0.32 miles. Merge onto I-71 South. Exit I-71 S at the OH-665 Exit No. 97 towards LONDON-GROVEPORT ROAD. 0.27 miles. Turn LEFT onto LONDON-GROVEPORT RD. and go 0.99 miles. Turn LEFT onto HOOVER RD. and go .60 miles.

### **FROM NORTH:**

Take either I-71 S or OH-315 becomes I-71 South. Exit I-71 S at the OH-665 Exit No. 97 towards LONDON-GROVEPORT RD. 0.27 miles. Turn LEFT onto LONDON-GROVEPORT RD. and go 0.99 miles. Turn LEFT onto HOOVER RD. and go .60 miles.

### **FROM WEST:**

Take I-270 South ramp towards Grove City. 0.25 miles. Merge onto I-270 S. 10.06 miles. Take the US-62/OH-3 Exit No. 2 towards Grove City. 0.28 miles. Turn RIGHT onto BROADWAY/OH-3/US-62. 0.09 miles. Turn LEFT onto HOME RD. 0.54 miles. Turn RIGHT onto HOOVER RD.

### **FROM SOUTH:**

Take I-71 North. Exit I-71 N at the OH-665 Exit No. 97 towards LONDON-GROVEPORT RD. 0.27 miles. Turn RIGHT onto LONDON-GROVEPORT RD. and go 0.99 miles. Turn LEFT onto HOOVER RD. and go .60 miles.

4-H Dog Expo will be held in the Kroger Equestrian Center at Buckeye Ranch. At Hoover Rd., there is a small shopping center on the northwest corner, including a Krogers. McDonald's is also on that corner. After you turn left on Hoover Rd. there will be a stoplight at the intersection of Buckeye Grove (to the left) and Quail Creek (to the right). This intersection is at the end of the shopping center. Once you go through that light, you will see a wooden fence, pasture field, and a large building/indoor arena to your left. That is the Equestrian Center. The drive is just past the wooden fence to your left.

## **HOTEL INFORMATION:**

If you plan to come the night before, there are several hotels on Stringtown Rd., Exit 100, which is the first exit off I-71 north of OH-665 Exit No. 97 or the first exit south of I-270. Some dog-friendly hotels include: LaQuinta Inn (614.539.6200) – no fee for pets; Days Inn (614.871.0440) – small dogs 10 lbs. and under only - \$10.00 fee; Motel 6 (614.875.8543) – no fee for pets; Red Roof Inn (614.871.9617) – first pet free, \$10.00 for second pet; Drury Inn (614.875.7000) – no fee for pets.