Hello to all Dog Project Members!

Attached is a schedule for the remaining of the season for the Dog Project.

We are very excited for this upcoming year! Our active members continue to grow and there are many opportunities for fun and exciting things for us to do with our dogs this year.

We are aiming for a training session mid-February, weather dependent or dependent on securing an indoor location that allows us to safely train with the number of dogs we now have.

Starting in March we will have regular training sessions, at a location to be determined, every other week up through the State Dog Show in July.

There are some exciting new additions to this year’s State Dog Show including:

* Being able to show a rescue or dog that you are fostering
* Dog Olympics – 3 levels
* A skill a thon

So be sure to read through the Show Guide that was just put out for this year’s show. Let me know if you have any questions. Additionally, typically a club picks a theme for the show and decorates their area and cages with that theme. For everyone wanting to attend the show we can get together and plan what we want our theme to be this year. We have our motel reserved already as well and can share that information with anyone wanting to stay at the same location.

We are planning to attend a show in Wise County in June and there is also a show in Azle during the summer as well.

For members wanting extra education field trip types of meetings, we can use August to do a few things that you all would like to go to, see or do.

2022 DOG PROJECT MEETING SCHEDULE

FEBRUARY 13TH

* Dog training session. 60 minutes of group instruction. 30 minutes after group for individual help if needed.
* Rally introduction and demonstration. Signs will be set up on the side for practice.
* Discussion of study materials for members wanting to compete in the Dog Skill A Thon challenge at the Texas State 4-H Dog Show with year.
* 2:00pm -

FEBRUARY 27TH

* Dog supplemental meeting.
* No dogs at this meeting.
* Presentation on Dog Behavior by local dog training organization, “Manners Matter.”
* Practice for those wanting to compete in the Dog Skill A Thon at State Dog Show.
* 2:00pm –

MARCH 6TH and 20th

* 30-40 minutes of group obedience training.
* 30-40 minutes of group rally instruction
* 2:00 pm -

\*determine 1 date in March to get together to study for skill a thon\*

APRIL 3rd and 17th

* 30-40 minutes of group obedience training.
* 30-40 minutes of group rally instruction
* 2:00 pm

\*determine 1 date in April to get together to study for skill a thon\*

MAY 8th and 22nd

* 30-40 minutes of group obedience training.
* 30-40 minutes of group rally instruction
* 2:00 pm

\*determine 1 date in May to get together to study for skill a thon and meet at a local veterinary clinic to learn about canine first aid\*

JUNE 5th

* 30-40 minutes of group obedience training
* 30-40 minutes of group rally training
* Discussion on show grooming
* 2:00 pm
* Show requirements and preparation discussion

JUNE 11th

* 4-H Dog Show at Wise County Fairgrounds
* Practice for Skill A Thon as time allows

JUNE 19th

* 30-40 minutes of group obedience training.
* 30-40 minutes of group rally instruction
* Re-cap of show in Wise County and focus on areas of improvement before the State Dog Show.

JULY 7TH – 9TH

TEXAS STATE 4-H DOG SHOW.