

SCRUFFIEST

Judges' opinions prevail.

MUSICAL MATS

Just like musical chairs, dogs will sit on available mats when music stops. With each round, there are fewer mats and the dogs without mats are eliminated.

BEST SENIOR

Cleanliness of coat, teeth and ears. Cut nails, grooming, attitude (personality). Overall appearance. *Dog must be over 8 yrs. old, or 5 yrs. old for an extra-large breed.*

MOST CATCHES*

Overhand and underhand throws allowed. Owner supplies item to be caught. Throws and catches must stay within the confines of the ring (approx. 40 ft.). The dog with the most catches in 15 seconds wins.

BEST COSTUME**

Originality is the key. Costume must be safe and humane.

FASTEST EATER*

There is a 20-second maximum. This category will be split into three divisions by weight: 19 lbs. or less, 20-40 lbs., and 41+ lbs. Food supplied by judges.

MOST KISSES

Dog will kiss (lick) owner. The dog that has most kisses in 15 seconds wins.

BEST BEGGAR

Judges' opinions prevail.

BEST PUPPY

Cleanliness of coat, teeth and ears. Cut nails, grooming, attitude (personality). Overall appearance. *Dog must be under 1 yr. old.*

BEST PUREBRED

Cleanliness of coat, teeth and ears. Cut nails, grooming, attitude (personality). Overall appearance.

BEST MIXED BREED

Cleanliness of coat, teeth and ears. Cut nails, grooming, attitude (personality). Overall appearance.

BOBBIN' FOR DOGS

There is a 15-second maximum. Dog must remove pieces of hot dog from bowl of water.

MOST TAIL WAGS

The dog with most tail wags in 15 seconds wins.

BEST TRICK*

Originality is the key! (Tricks you have used in previous years will be considered non-original and judged accordingly.) Trick must be in progress within a 30-second time frame. Tricks in progress have a 30-second maximum for completion. Tricks not in progress within 30 seconds are disqualified.

MIRROR IMAGE

Dog and owner look alike. Judges' opinions prevail.

FRIENDLIEST**

Judged on attitude and personality. Does dog approach judge or back off from judge? Playful, wagging tail, body language. Growling or snarling dogs will be disqualified.

SHERLOCK "BONES"

There is a 15-second maximum. Dog must find treat hiding under bowl. There will be three bowls placed upside down. A treat will be placed under one of the bowls, then the bowls will be shuffled. Timer will start after the bowls have been shuffled. Timer will stop when treat is exposed.

FASTEST RECALL WITH DISTRACTIONS*

There is a 30-second maximum. Dog sits and is held by a judge. Owner goes approximately 40 ft. away and calls dog. Treats, toys, etc., will provide distractions during event. Timer will start as soon as owner calls dog. Timer stops as soon as dog reaches owner.

EARS TO YOU!

Judged on most unusual ears. Judges' opinions prevail.

DESCRIPTIONS OF CATEGORIES OPEN TO KIDS 12 AND UNDER

BEST COSTUME**

Both child and dog must be in costume for this event. The ideal costumes are complementary/similar in nature.

FRIENDLIEST**

Judged on attitude and personality. Does dog approach judge or back off from judge? Playful, wagging tail, body language. Growling or snarling dogs will be disqualified.

**Dog may be off leash for this category.*

***Dog may be entered in either adult or child category, but not both.*

Only one handler will be allowed in the ring per dog.

