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Go to the Dogs — Thousands of Canines Compete in All Breed Dog Shows and Agility Trials

Special appearances by Louisville Metro K-9 Unit.

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (March 9, 2017) — The Kentucky Exposition Center becomes a dog-beat-dog world March 16-19 when thousands of canines compete in the Kentuckiana Cluster of Dog Shows and the Greater Louisville Training Club Agility Trials.

Kentuckiana Cluster of Dog Shows

During the Kentuckiana Cluster of Dog Shows, top dogs from around the world will be judged based on conformation, obedience and agility. Winners of early rounds and AKC Champions will then move on to compete for Best of Breed. Depending on their performance, they can advance to group competition and, finally, Best of Show.

Special highlights during the show include:

- Dock-diving: dogs compete by jumping into a swimming pool and chasing a Frisbee
- Louisville Metro K-9 Unit: demonstrations Friday and Saturday
- Shopping: more than 50 booths of dog-friendly merchandise
- Animal rescue organizations

The dog shows run Thursday, March 16 through Sunday, March 19 and are open 8 a.m.-6 p.m. daily in the West Wing, Pavilion and West Hall.

Tickets are:

- \$7 for adults
- \$4 for seniors (age 55 and over) and children (age 12 and under)
- Free on Thursday

For more information, visit www.thekentuckianclusterofdogshows.org.

Greater Louisville Training Club Agility Trials

The dog agility trials run Thursday, March 16 through Sunday, March 19 and are open 8 a.m.-4 p.m. daily in Broadbent Arena at the Kentucky Exposition Center. In addition to all breed competitions, there is a separate American Eskimo Dog trial. Admission for this event is free and open to the public. For more information, visit www.greatertourismkentucky.com.

Parking at the Kentucky Exposition Center is \$8 per vehicle and \$20 per bus.

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One of the 10 largest facilities of its kind in the U.S., the [Kentucky Exposition Center](#) (KEC) features 1.2 million square feet of contiguous exhibit space, including Freedom Hall, an indoor arena that seats 13,500 people. The facility's class "A" exhibit space totals 677,000 square feet and accommodates a wide range of events year round. KEC is the permanent home of the Kentucky State Fair, National Farm Machinery Show and North American International Livestock Exposition. For more information, go to www.kyexpo.org.

Conveniently located adjacent to the Louisville International Airport and near the junction of three major interstates, KEC is easily accessible and just seven minutes south of downtown Louisville. Entrances to the facility are located off Phillips Lane, Crittenden Drive and Preston Highway. Parking is \$8 per vehicle and \$20 per bus.