

DOGTOBER FEST 2026

Enjoy **FREE** admission with a donation of dog food benefiting the Lee's Summit Animal Shelter and local shelters and rescues joining us for the event! Enjoy 90+ dog-friendly booths featuring pet products, services, organizations, and plenty of goodies for your four-legged friend. The fun doesn't stop there! Enjoy **FREE** games, contests, and activities, plus a variety of ticketed attractions for even more tail-wagging fun. There's something for every dog—and every dog lover—to enjoy!

CENTER ARENA SCHEDULE

FREE - GAMES, CONTESTS, HOURLY DRAWINGS!

ONGOING GAMES AND CONTESTS

Join us throughout the event at the Center Arena where something is **ALWAYS** happening! Games and contests include "Best Handshake", "Best Kisser", "Best Speaker", "Best Tail Wagger", "Best Biscuit Eater", "Biscuit Toss", "Musical Discs", "Roll Over Race", "Sack Race", and so much more!

SCHEDULED GAMES AND CONTESTS

10:15 AM	WELCOME ANNOUNCEMENTS
10:45 AM	BIGGEST DOG & SMALLEST DOG CONTEST
11:00 AM	AGILITY DEMO (Ring 5)
11:30 AM	OWNER/DOG LOOK-ALIKE CONTEST
12:00 PM	NEWFOUNDLAND WATER RESCUE DEMO (Pond) FRISBEE CONTEST BEGINS (Ring 3)
12:30 PM	FARTHEST TRAVELER CONTEST
1:00 PM	AGILITY DEMO (Ring 5) HALLOWEEN COSTUME CONTEST Three Divisions! Dogs may enter only once. Two divisions are offered for single dog and/or pair entries: FRIGHTFUL or DELIGHTFUL. Third division is for group entries (three or more dogs). Contests start at 1 PM. No advance entry or fee.
1:30 PM	K9 SCENT WORK DEMO (Ring 7)
2:00 PM	NEWFOUNDLAND WATER RESCUE DEMO (Pond) OLDEST DOG/OWNER (Combined Ages) YOUNGEST DOG/OWNER (Combined Ages)
2:30 PM	BEST DOG TRICK CONTEST
3:00 PM	RALLY SHOW AND GO DEMO (Ring 8)
3:30 PM	BOOTH COMPETITION AWARDS RAFFLE ITEM WINNERS ANNOUNCED
4:00 PM	THANK YOU FOR COMING!

YES! BRING YOUR DOG

Dogs that are well-mannered, people-friendly, AND dog-friendly are welcome!

- Dogs must have all necessary vaccinations, including rabies if six months or older.
- Dogs must be kept under control and on a max six-foot leash. **No Retractable Leashes or E-Collars allowed.**
- Strollers are not allowed on the dog walk.
- Female dogs in heat are **PROHIBITED**.
- Owners are required to clean up after their dog.
- No sales or soliciting except by registered vendors.
- Children must be accompanied and supervised by an adult at all times.

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dogtober
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10AM - 4PM

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FREE ACTIVITIES

1. CENTER ARENA

Take part in contests like Best Trick, Best Kisser, Best Tail-wagger, Best Biscuit Eater, Dog/Owner Look-alikes and the always popular Halloween Costume Contest! See back panel for the center arena schedule.

2. DOG WALK

Grab your leash and lace up your hiking boots! This one-mile dog walk gets you moving down our nature trails when fall colors should be at their peak.

★ VENDOR BOOTHS

Visit 90+ dog related vendors to include purebred dog clubs, rescue groups, gourmet dog treats, collars, leashes, clothes, toys, dog training, grooming, pet sitters, photographers, canine massage, veterinarians, artists and more!



ON-SITE TICKETED ACTIVITIES

**Purchase Tickets in Person
on the Day of the Event**

1 ticket = \$7, 2 tickets = \$12
3 tickets = \$16. Add'l tickets = \$4 each

All arena areas will be open from 10 AM - 4 PM for you and your pup to try something new! Tickets can be purchased the day of the event at the ticketing table and are good for all of the activities listed below. Read the activity descriptions for all of the fun opportunities offered!

3. FRISBEE DOG COMPETITION

If your dog can catch a frisbee, try this event! Points are given for distance and accuracy. The top three scores in novice and advanced divisions receive awards. **Register at the ticketing booth before 12 PM to secure your spot in this popular event!**

4. CANINE ADVENTURE CHALLENGE

This non-competitive obstacle course spells fun and teamwork for you and your dog. The course features 20+ obstacles to intrigue and challenge. It's done on leash, allowing all dogs to join in.

5. AGILITY FUN RUNS

Get ready to get your game face on with a two-minute fun run on this exciting, interactive course! Participating dogs must be

comfortable with contact obstacles, and we are happy to help those trying it for the first time!

6. TEACUP AGILITY FUN RUNS

Calling all small dogs! This scaled down obstacle course is perfect for dogs who are no more than 20 inches at the shoulders. Whether you're proficient in agility or a first timer, come on out and give it a try!

7. K9 NOSE WORK® PRACTICE SEARCH

Mimic professional working detection dogs and test your pup's sense of smell! Whether you'd like to show us your trained canine's scent detection skills or give it a try for the first time, this mentally stimulating activity is sure to be a favorite for your dog!

8. OBEDIENCE SHOW AND GO

Demonstrate what your dog has learned in this hands-on mock test! There is NO scoring at this ring, so it's perfect for pups across the whole spectrum of training! Treats and gentle leaders are welcome in this activity. Please no harsh corrections or E-collars.

8. RALLY SHOW AND GO

Ready to put your training skills to the test? Have your dog perform the given commands at each station in this cooperative activity. Whether you use verbal cues or hand signs, it's a great way to test you and your dog's partnership! Divisions include novice and advanced!

9. CANINE GOOD CITIZEN TEST

All dogs are good dogs - all it takes is a little training and a lot of love! Stop by to learn about this American Kennel Club (AKC) certification and try all 10 exercises to see if you can certify your canine! Details of CGC can be found at akc.org. An additional fee applies for your official certificate.

9. TRICK TITLE EVALUATION

Does your dog know a lot of tricks? You may be eligible for a Trick Dog Title through the AKC! Stop by, and don't forget to visit the Center Arena at 2:30 PM for Best Trick Competition (participation is free!). An additional fee applies for your official certificate.

