

SuperZoo's Grooming SuperShow

GroomTeam USA Sanctioned

SPECIAL CLASSES - RULES and REGULATIONS

Registration deadline is 5:00 pm PST on July 7, 2015

BEST FIRST TIME COMPETITOR

Sponsored by: Oster Professional Products

Eligibility

This competition is open to anyone who has never competed, who is entered in any GroomTeam Sanctioned Entry Level Competition and has indicated on their competitor entry form that they have never competed in a Grooming contest.

Judging

The entry level Judge will choose the best first time competitor from each entry level GroomTeam USA Class competition. Each competitor chosen must return to the show ring 30 minutes prior to the Best in Show awards on Wednesday July 22, 2015. At that time the Best in Show Judge will then choose the winner of the Best First Time Competitor award.

Awards

The winner will receive an Oster Professional Groomer Starter Kit, valued at \$979. All first time competitors will receive an Oster SuperSteel Scissor, valued at over \$100.

CREATIVE STYLING COMPETITION

Sponsored by: Lucy Pet Products

The Creative Contest is an exhibition of colorfully staged, uniquely presented and exquisitely groomed dogs using props and music for the presentation. All entries in this class must be completely groomed and finished before pre-judging begins. Any purebred or mixed breed dog can be used. Competitors will be allowed to setup in designated 5'x 5' areas and add props before Final Judging. This contest is open to 30 participants. Exhibits exceeding 5'x 5' will be disqualified. Electrical outlets will be limited to one per entry.

Winners will be determined by: (1) originality and creativity of the design and theme; (2) quality of styling techniques; and, (3) quality and harmony of the final presentation (props and decorations). Competitors must title their designs. Competitors may color their dogs, using only non-toxic products, prior to arrival on site. Music may also be used in presentation to Judge(s) but is the sole responsibility of the Competitor. DVD presentations are not allowed. Competitors must list products used on their registration form and supply copy of all products used at check-in on site with "title of Design". Entry Level is for anyone that has never entered and placed in a Creative Contest.

Awards Creative Trophy and Cash

<u>Open</u>	1 st Place - \$2,500.00	2 nd Place - \$1,500.00	3 rd Place - \$1,000.00
<u>Entry</u>	1 st Place - \$500.00	2 nd Place - \$300.00	3 rd Place - \$200.00

RESCUE RODEO COMPETITION

Sponsored by: Ryan's Pet Supplies and Wahl Clipper Corporation

The intention of this class is to recognize the groomer's ability to take whatever grooming job comes their way. To create a clean, well groomed dog, using rescue dogs from shelters. The groomer will use his or her grooming expertise while handling these dogs with compassion. The top 5 placements will not only win a cash prize but the supplied dogs rescue organization will also take home a cash donation.

Class Eligibility

Open to any and all groomers who can handle dogs of varying temperament and condition and know full well that they may not be 100% cooperative and may not be in very good condition. He or she must be willing to show their skill in every aspect of the grooming process. This contest is open to 40 participants.

You will be given a number for a dog from rescue groups. Each will have been evaluated to determine if the dog is suitable for the competition environment. You may receive pure bred or mixed breed dogs. The dog's entire grooming process will be completed in the ring and spa area.

Competition Time Frame- Rescue Rodeo

All dogs will be permitted 3 hours. In this time you will do all prep work, bath, dry and groom in designated areas.

You will be given staggered bathing times. Order of the bathing time will be determined by the Contest Staff. Judges will consider styling to suit the dog's conformation, coat type and degree of difficulty. While others are in the spa area it is suggested you do as much preparation and grooming as possible prior to the bathing process.

Judging Considerations

The judges will evaluate the following:

- Styled to suit the dog's conformation
- Grooming techniques that ensure the best outcome for the dogs coat type and starting condition
- Overall technical finish
- Handling of animals
- Degree of difficulty
- Change in overall appearance from start to finish

Awards

The judges will choose First, Second, Third, Fourth and a Fifth placement.

1st Place groomer receives \$1,000.00 in cash plus \$1,000.00 will be donated to your rescue dog's organization.

2nd Place groomer receives \$750.00 in cash plus \$750.00 will be donated to your rescue dog's organization.

3rd Place groomer receives \$500.00 in cash plus \$500.00 will be donated to your rescue dog's organization.

4th Place groomer receives \$400.00 in cash plus \$400.00 will be donated to your rescue dog's organization.

5th Place groomer receives \$300.00 in cash plus \$300.00 will be donated to your rescue dog's organization.

Grooming Equipment

Grooming tables and grooming arms will be furnished to contestants. Contestants must supply their own grooming equipment and towels. Competitors from outside the USA may request to borrow a pair of clippers for the competition but must supply all blades. Send request to judy@wpamail.org by July 7th, 2015.

Warnings

The judges will give a warning for the following violations. A second warning will result in disqualification.

Professional and Technical Warnings:

- Inappropriate attire.
- Inappropriate language and attitude.
- Skin abrasions such as clipper burns, nicks or cuts.
- Handstripping or plucking in a non-compassionate manner.

Handling Warnings:

- Dog left unattended on grooming table.
- Dog jumping or falling off grooming table.
- Rough handling of dog.
- Safety loop adjusted too high.
- Lifting of dog by tail *strictly prohibited*.
- Use of cell phones or radios and headsets.
- Smoking in competition ring.
- Standing on grooming tables.
- Standing on chairs to groom or style.
- Beverages not in spill-proof containers.
- Coaching by anyone, at any time, during competition.

The judges will be permitted to confer during the competition, as well as at the end of the time limit during their deliberations. They may narrow the competition down to a group of 20, and then announce the top 5 placements. The judges' decisions will be final and binding.