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DOG SHOW



ZESTFUL The owners parading their pets.

A day out with canines

The Cultural Forum of Jain College, Jayanagar had organised 'The Dog Show 2011-12' at National College playground, Basavanagudi recently. An open class breed event, it saw more than 50 entries in categories like best obedient dog, best looking dog, fancy dress dog etc. A separate contest for puppies below 10 months also attracted many entries.

The show was aimed at encouraging people to accept and appreciate their pets as they are and to create an awareness against cruelty on animals and pets. The breeds that had taken part included the Boxer, the Doberman, the Great Dane, the Labrador, the Dachshund, St Bernard, Golden Retriever, Pug and Mudhol Hound.

The proud owners of these dogs were all enthusiastic to exhibit their puppies in the show and were thrilled by the response of the crowd.



The jury comprised Amrut Sridara Hiranya, Canine behaviourist from New Zealand and Dr Chandraiah, veterinary surgeon, who tested the canines for their agility, resemblance to the breed standard, friendliness, their bond with family members and ability to follow instructions.

The owners of the puppies utilised the event to interact with other dog owners to know more about the breeds including health, nutrition and diseases. Sujay, a student of Surana College,

had come with his mastiff, a nine-month-old Great Dane called Scooby. "Scooby has also participated in the 'All Breed Championship Dog Show', held at Palace Grounds and had won a prize. This is the first dog I ever had. Scooby loves chicken. I take him for walk two times a day. We are like brothers and he has become a member of our family," said Sujay.

Kavitha and Shridhar from Chamaraipet had come with their Golden Retriever, Rocky. "This weekend turned out to be very memorable for us. Though it is meant for dogs, this event has transformed to be a family event. All my family members are here. We want our Rocky to win a prize and we have been cheering for him all along the show," said Kavitha Sridhar. Pugs, the lapdogs, were also major crowd-pullers at the event.

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