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Dogs Have Their Day at Schofield Barracks

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS, Hawaii—Schofield Barracks goes to the dogs during U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii’s second “Dog Days of Summer” festival at Sills Field, here, Aug. 14, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

The public is invited to bring their canine friends out for a day of fun, food and excitement. Admission is free and offers pet lovers an opportunity to show off their animals in competitions, while maybe taking home a few prizes.

Organizers have planned both two-legged and four-legged events.

Our four-legged friends will compete in dog obstacle courses, best costume, cutest dog, most talented dog, and dog/owner look-alike competitions. Contestants can enroll their dog in up to four dog competitions for \$5 each.

To find out who is “Top of the Pack” in the human species, competitors will vie as teams and individuals to see who can pull a 10,000-pound High Mobility Multipurpose Wheeled Vehicle (HMMWV) through a timed obstacle; wallow in pools of mud in search of a bone; and lastly competing in a food competition that few real dogs would dare to participate in, eating a bowl of SPAM and mashed up corn beef without the use of hands.

The Army’s working dogs will also strut their stuff, as they demonstrate the serious side of being a pooch in the service of their country.

The gung-ho dogs of the 13th Military Police (MP) Detachment, who have the very serious job of detecting narcotics and explosives, will demonstrate their skills for the crowd.

“McGruff the Crime Dog” will also be stopping by to tell keiki how they can help “Take a Bite out of Crime” in their neighborhoods.

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To keep the pooches busy and entertained between events, organizers have set up watering stations and a fenced no-leash dog park so that Rover can hang out with friends.

Representatives from the post libraries and the Schofield Barracks Veterinarian Clinic will be on hand to discuss the “Reading to a Dog” program and answer pet care questions.

Guests may enter Schofield Barracks through Lyman Gate. Photo identification, proof of insurance and registration is required for entry.

All dogs are required to be either on a leash, in a carrier, or in a stroller at all times except when in the Dog Park.

Please bring sociable dogs only, aggressive or potentially aggressive dogs such as Pit Bulls, Rottweilers, Doberman Pinschers, Chows and wolf hybrids are not permitted.

Owners with dogs in heat are kindly asked to leave them at home.

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MEDIA NOTE: Media wishing to attend should contact Loran D. Doane, Media Relations chief, at 808-656-3157, or preferred cell 317-847-2222, by 5 p.m., Friday, Aug. 13.