

The Junior Humane Club



What is the Junior Humane Club?

Good question! The Junior Humane Club is a program provided by the Guelph Humane Society to help kids learn more about animals. Each week the group learns about different pets to discover more about their care and what challenges the species may be experiencing.



Just how big err...old do you need to be to join?

Children **MUST** be a minimum of 6 years old to join.

Club A) runs for children 6-8

Club B) runs for children 8-10

Club C) runs for children 11-13

All age groups cover the same topics.



When and how often does the program run?

The clubs run for eight week sessions. Each meeting is 1 ½ hours long. Club begins at 6:30pm and ends at 8:00pm. Clubs are offered Monday or Tuesday nights. We have made efforts to run our most popular age groups on different nights at least once during the year to accommodate for other activities families may be participating in.



This all sounds good, but how much does it cost?

The total fee for the program is \$100.00 per/child including a field trip on the last day of each eight week session.



I would like to hear more information:

Please continue to look on our website, under the education section, for details about clubs and camp programming. If you request, we can add your email to our mailing list and alert you to upcoming children's programming at the Humane Society.

How Do I Register?

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| Date of Registration | <p style="text-align: center;">Registration will take place Tuesday, September 13 at 7pm. Registration is at The Guelph Humane Society.</p> <p>We are popular, so please be on time to avoid disappointment. After this date, you can register for remaining spaces anytime during regular Humane Society hours.</p> |
| What to Bring | <p>Download the Registration Form from the Just for Kids section of www.guelph-humane.on.ca. Bring the completed form, along with payment, to The Guelph Humane Society.</p> |
| Number of Spots | <p>We will take 14 children for each group. Children are limited to one session (Fall, Spring or Winter) until October 1, 2011. This is to give more children a chance to participate in our programming. After this time, we will post available spots online and children who have already registered in a club will be permitted to join sessions where space is available.</p> |
| Field Trip Information | <p>In the past, we have gone places such as The Donkey Sanctuary, Mountsberg Conservation Area, Wings of Paradise and Montessaurus Puppy School. You will be informed of the field trip location mid-session-it may not fall on a regularly scheduled club evening.</p> |
| Special Dates | <p>We do not hold club Halloween, Family Day, Easter and Victoria Day. Please pay close attention to club dates in your session so you can enjoy these holidays!</p> |
| Waiting List | <p>If the date you requested is full, we will put your name on a waiting list and call you if space becomes available.</p> |

Important Registration Considerations

All participants in Junior Humane must sign a waiver in order to participate. This waiver is located on the following page. **You will be asked to sign this at registration.**

Age requirements exist for the clubs because the structure of Junior Humane is geared to different abilities and developmental needs of children. If you wish to register siblings in the same group, we will only allow one year older and/or younger than the club age listed.

Waiver of Liability

I acknowledge that though all precautions are taken to ensure participant safety, a wide variety of animals participate in the Junior Humane Club that are not trained by The Guelph Humane Society Incorporated. I am aware that animals are unpredictable and understand the risk for injuries such as bites and scratches possible when interacting with animals. I also acknowledge that The Guelph Humane Society Incorporated strongly recommends keeping current with my child's tetanus immunization, and to consult my physician about this and other concerns related to working with different species of animals.

It is up to the discretion of the Camp Director to remove my child at any time she feels my child has failed to respect the rules of the club and the safety of others.

In consideration of my child _____ participating in the Junior Humane Club of The Guelph Humane Society Incorporated, I the undersigned agree to assume all risk of loss or injury while my child is participating in the Junior Humane Club, and hereby waive any rights of action I may have had or may in the future lodge against The Guelph Humane Society Incorporated, its successors, assigns, directors, staff, agents or volunteers or any such loss of injury caused by the negligence or default of The Guelph Humane Society Incorporated, its successors, assigns, directors, staff, agents or volunteers.

I understand that pictures and videos taken at Junior Humane may be used to promote this non-profit organization.

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Name:

Signature (Parent/Guardian) :

Information Sheet



Drop off Times

Club begins at 6:30pm and ends at 8:00pm.

Please note that the shelter doors will open for club member drop off 15 minutes before the club is scheduled to begin.

Meeting Dates

| Junior Humane Clubs 2011-12 | | |
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| Age | Day | Dates |
| 8-10 years | Monday | October 17, 24, November 7, 14, 21, 28, December 5, 12 |
| 6-8 years | Tuesday | October 18, 25, November 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, December 6 |
| 11-13 years | Monday | January 9, 16, 23, 30, February 6, 13, 27, March 5 |
| 8-10 years | Tuesday | January 10, 17, 24, 31, February 7, 14, 21, 28 |
| 6-8 years | Monday | April 2, 16, 23, 30, May 7, 14, 28, June 4 |
| 8-10 years | Tuesday | April 3, 10, 17, 24, May 8, 15, 22, 29 |

What to Bring

Long sleeves, pants and running shoes

Inclement Weather/conflict in scheduling

During the winter season should a club meeting need to be cancelled, all parents will receive a notification phone call a minimum of 2 hours prior to the Club start time. Occasionally, other exciting shelter events may be scheduled to take place the day of a club meeting, should this happen, or should we need to cancel due to bad weather we will reschedule our club meeting and notify you by either phone or mail of the cancellation and new date for the "make up meeting."

Location

All club meetings with the exception of the field trip date will take place at the **Guelph Humane Society** located **500 Wellington St. W.** in Guelph.