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Performance and Variety are Featured Attractions at This Year's UKC Premier Dog Show

Kalamazoo, Mich. April 13, 2007 – Spectators are invited to enjoy one of the most diverse dog events in the nation, featuring dog and owner teams from across the country competing in dog shows, agility, protection, and obedience trials. Other events include weight pulling competitions and terrier races, during this year's UKC (United Kennel Club) Premier™ Dog Show. The show is sponsored by Purina, and will be held at The Kalamazoo County Expo Center & Fairground, June 14-17, 2007.

The event begins on June 14, with the Top Ten Competition, sponsored by Dog World Magazine, featuring the top winning dogs from each breed squaring off in an Invitation Only Dog Show competition.

Show times start at 10 a.m. and continue until 5 p.m. each day, with a great variety of dogs scheduled to compete. Spectators can expect to see many breeds during the six Conformation Shows showcasing hundreds of purebred dogs competing for the opportunity to be crowned Best in Show.

UKC Premier™ Dog Show also features the Ultimate Air Dogs team, (<http://ultimateairdogs.net/>) performing high-flying, dock-jumping competitions throughout the weekend.

Spectator admission into this year's UKC Premier™ Dog Show is \$5 per car; per day into the fairground (\$10 weekend passes are also available). Spectators are asked not to bring their dogs or pets to the event, as dogs not participating in the shows are not allowed into the fairground.

UKC Premier™ Dog Show is a family friendly, educational event that allows spectators to get close to the action and interact with dogs and owners. UKC encourages event spectators to approach owners and handlers after the shows to meet the dogs and ask questions of the owners about the characteristics and care of the different dog breeds.

Dog owners interested in participating in this year's *Premier* can submit their online entry and view the event schedule at <http://www.ukcdogs.com/premier.htm>.

Established in 1898, the United Kennel Club is the largest all-breed performance-dog registry in the world. The UKC registers dogs from all 50 states and 25 foreign countries. More than 60 percent of its 12,000 annually licensed events are tests of hunting ability, training and instinct. UKC prides itself on its family-oriented, friendly, educational events. To find out more about registration and events, call or visit our website. Phone: (269) 343-9020; Fax: (269) 343-7037; www.ukcdogs.com.

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