



Colorado Junior Handlers Educational Foundation aka/dba - Colorado Junior Foundation

501c3 non profit – with 509a2 charity status
www.ColoradoJuniorFoundation.org

Created to organize local dog clubs, businesses, and individuals to support juniors with community encouragement, broader education, seminars, etc. and fund scholarships!



2024 Draft Annual Report – prepared 09-30-24, will revise after 12-31-24.

2024 FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT - First Full Year & First Annual Event

- June 2023 thru July 2024 – Income = \$11,605!
- 1st Event Sponsors, 1 x \$1000, 1 x \$500, 1 x \$250, 12 x \$150 (plus many in kind & other support, etc.)
- Fund Balance (Sept 30, 2024) = \$8366
Checking = \$5116, Money Market (Scholarship Acct) \$3250
- Approximate 2025 Event Pledges = \$1000

KEY SUCCESSES

- Juniors are the Future Logo – Big Hit!
- Junior Merchandise Store up & running
- Solid structure for our non-profit!
- Formal detailed accounting from day 1!
- 1st Best of the Best – a GREAT EVENT!
- 4 SCHOLARSHIPS PROVIDED!

2025 GOALS & POSSIBILITIES

- 2nd Annual Event:
 - o New Club Host = Greeley Kennel Club!
 - o Junior Sportsman Award & \$1500 scholarship
 - o Best of the Best Junior & \$1000 scholarship
 - o Reserve Best Junior & \$500 scholarship
 - o Junior's Choice & \$250 scholarship
- Modified Qualifications for 2nd annual, so it is either a Best or Reserve Best Junior at a Colorado All Breed show.
- Efforts to secure a main sponsor (\$5,000 - \$10,000)
- Need more Colorado clubs to step up and join!
- Consideration being given to possibly including Wyoming clubs.
- Some Colorado Group Clubs would like to participate, how do we bring them in the fold.
- Formalize a strategy to include and include 4-H Juniors
- Seek a Chair for Education – we truly need a lead here!
- Discuss our structure, are there areas to adjust? (This step will include more AKC input).
- In person meetings – (Feb in Denver, Aug in Greeley)?

MAIN STRUGGLES

- Only having ½ the Colorado All Breed Clubs supportive.
- Delay in Minutes and communications (we need to do better).
- General Meeting attendance, sadly we are not getting people beyond the board to participate.
- Junior Climate changing, especially with the new non ownership rule there is a lot of Junior Dog Jockeying.
- Getting positive suggestions on what the Foundation could do; and get people to step up to help with their suggestions.
(Note: It is human nature is to criticize or complain, about what is being done or not being done, rather than to step up to help or to do; plus people are busy!)

THREATS

- External – There really is no external threat for our foundation.
- Internal (In the Sport) – Sadly there is still a big lack of Colorado Club working together for juniors.

OPPORTUNITIES

- Be a Model – Be a template or model for the AKC (and adjust as needed).
 - Help Smaller Clubs – Provide help with junior programs to the smaller area clubs.
- Educational Events – Add true educational elements, so juniors are not just rewarded for left handed circles!
 - Short Term – Grow our Event and our Foundation's Impact!
 - Long Term – The sky is still the limit on what we do. Events, Education, Scholarships, etc.

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