

SSCGA General Membership Meeting

Hands-on Basic Sheltie Grooming



Sunday, August 22, 2021
2:00 – 4:00 pm
McDaniel Farm Park, Pavillion #2
3020 McDaniel Road
Duluth, GA 30096

Be sure to use the address above as there are two entrances to the Park.

Join us for a meeting outside, under cover of a Pavilion - there are picnic tables and some electrical outlets, plenty of space to walk with your dog. It will likely be hot, so come prepared. Bring your dogs, a crate or open, water for you and your dog(s), maybe a fan and a chair - and, of course, a few grooming tools.

You will be grooming your own dog with plenty of advice and guidance from members with grooming expertise. We are not covering grooming for the show ring, just basic grooming to keep your sheltie's coat and nails in good shape. We'll do brushing and a bit of trimming to make those feet and ears look nice. We can use the picnic tables for the dogs to stand on while you groom, but you might want to bring something non-slip for them to stand on.

SUPPLIES: You don't need to spend a fortune on fancy grooming tools, but you do need a few basics.

You can purchase these online, or shop for them at dog shows.

There will be a cluster of dog shows with shopping opportunities at the Jonesboro Road Exhibition center August 26th-29th.

Here are a few suggestions for basic grooming tools to have/bring:

Pin brush - Madan makes good, reasonably priced pin brushes. There is a slight difference in the firmness of the different colors, but having used red, blues, purple and black, all seem to work well. The medium (oval) and oblong styles are both fine. Here are a couple of online sources:

<http://showdogsolutions.com/brushes.htm>

<https://www.paws-and-tails.com/brushes-2.aspx>

Slicker brush - For brushing the finer hair around the head and ears, feet, and the feathering on the legs. One inexpensive option is the Safari soft slicker on this page.

http://www.showdogsolutions.com/slickers.htm?fbclid=IwAR0cz-OwTLQ55XjZy9i_NvNAPEfFhSj_-e3Br6NzMdtNQEjJdI32HH7hAJk

Scissors and thinners - Janet Calpin has done a bit of research for us and found some reasonably priced scissors and thinners of good quality available on Amazon. Check them out at these links:

https://www.amazon.com/Elfirly-Grooming-Scissors-Safety-Round/dp/B07M5QXGWC/ref=sr_1_7?crd=ILNM4F3ME&dchild=1&keywords=elfirly+dog+grooming+scissors+set+with+safety+round+tip&qid=1628001882&prefix=elfirly+dog+%2Caps%2C178&sr=8-7

https://www.amazon.com/GEMEK-Grooming-Scissors-Stainless-Professional/dp/B073XBHY3L/ref=sr_1_5?crd=9444U0VZKYVO&dchild=1&keywords=gemek+pet+cat+dog+grooming+scissors&qid=1628002101&prefix=GEMEK+pet+%2Caps%2C187&sr=8-5

Nail Clippers or a Dremel, and Kwik Stop Styptic Powder - Everybody has their opinions on this one, but if you choose a Dremel or rotary type tool, be sure to take the time to acclimate your dog to the sound and the feel.

Hope to see everybody!