

Edmonton Pets and Handlers (YEG PAH)

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THE YEG-PAH UWU!!!

March 2024 - Edition #3





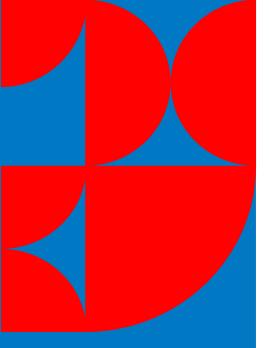
Arf Arf!!! Welcome to YEG-PAH

ARROOOOO!!!! Wow, 3rd edition of the YEG-PAH UWU already. Hopefully all you lovely pets and handlers are enjoying reading this as much as I am enjoying making it. Spring is just around the corner which means hopefully we can dust off the leashes and start going for some walkies soon!!! March is going to be a great month for events and don't forget about the greatest candy holiday of them all... EASTER!!!! Lock up your doggo's so they don't chew on the easter bunny.

As always, we welcome new members to our group so if you have any friends/family that are wanting to join YEG PAH, please direct them to the website for membership information and the Woof Yard Chat on Telegram.







More News

We welcome all members to YEG-PAH but please remember that YEG-PAH and the Woof Yard are both 18+ and NSFW so we need to restrict minors currently. Some events can have underage visitors but please speak with the board members to verify before.

Memberships

Reminder that memberships for YEG-PAH are yearly renewals. See the website for details on how to renew your memberships and message a board member if you have any questions.

Past Events

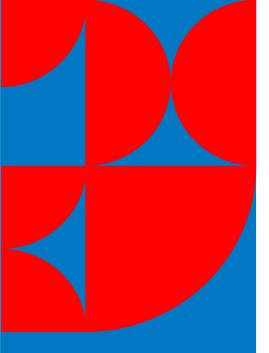
Scavenger Hunt at WEM: We had our first ever pet scavenger hunt at West Edmonton Mall this month and it seemed like it was quite a hit. The pets were running around the mall, snapping selfies and figuring out clues and riddles. This was the first event for some of our new members and it was a great way for them to get to know some of the other pets. We are happy to be able to host events like this to help our community grow.





Pet Swim: Another awesome swim with the pets and we even lucked out and had some FAB-ulous Bears jump in the water with us. It's nice having some other local groups splashing around with us. We hope we can continue collaborating and meeting with other local societies. In this time, it is vital that our communities grow together and help build each other up and protect each other so meeting and collaborating with other groups has been an amazing experience.





Upcoming Events

All of our future events will be posted with as much notice as possible with hopes that as many people can attend as able.

Dates/Times may change but we will make sure to give as much notice as possible.

Future Events



We have some fun coming...

As always, our MONTHLY MUNCH will be held on the first Wednesday of every month from 6:30-8:30pm. The location of the munch may change periodically but we will ensure notice is given if we do change.

March 3rd: Come to Evolution Wonderlounge and Cheer on some of our members as they perform for the First Come First Serve Show.

March 16th: Sledding OR Board Game Café (Will be dependent on weather) – More details will be announced in the Howler or on Social media.







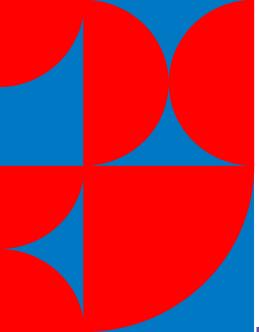
March 23rd: Quarterly Mosh: Richie Community Hall. 2-4pm.

March 23rd: Unofficial Pup Crash at Evolution Wonderlounge for their first Underwear Party of the year.

April (Date TBD): Annual General Meeting – All pets and handlers are invited to join the board and discuss how the group is doing and the future of YEG-PAH.

May 10th: Fly Your Colors @ Evolution Wonderlounge. Join us for a night of performers, workshops, and all sorts of gear.





LET ME KNOW...

We love working with other groups so if you have something you would like to do a workshop on, contact one of the board members so we can discuss possible options.

Any community events or advertising can be done in the YEGPAH UWU. Contact Pup Link if you would like to have anything posted,

Advertising options available in the monthly UWU. Message Pup Link to discuss further.

Pets of Distinction: Give a shout out to other pets for being amazing. Message Pup Link to discuss.

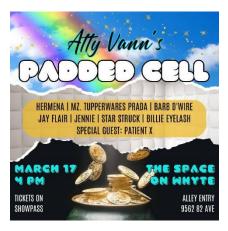
Telegram: @Puplink1

Community Events Page

We will try and post some other community events (Especially if members of YEGPAH are part of those events). If you have any questions about them or want to post something, message Pup Link.









Home (albearta.org) Check out FAB's website for a calendar of all their events.

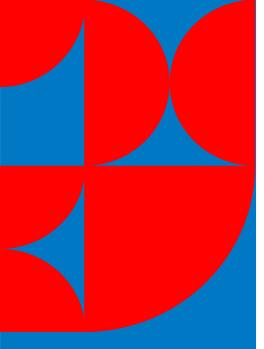
Learning Resources

New to pet play? Or just wanting to get more information? Here are a couple good resources for Pup Play.

<u>6 Ways To Personalize Your Pup Play Mask - Puppy Play Expert</u> – Making your pet masks even more personalized to truly show of who you are. Have fun with it.

8 Ways To Find Friends In The Pup Scene! Creating Pawesome Connections
- Puppy Play Expert – We already have an amazing group of pets and handlers but if you are interested in where to find more, this article is a great read.

If there are any other Learning resources that you are interested in sharing, or if there are any learning opportunities that you think could be a beneficial workshop for the group, please contact any of the board members to discuss if further.



Code of Conduct

As an organization, we are responsible for our members and ensuring that everyone in the group are comfortable and safe. Should any issues arise, please contact any of the board members. Our code of conduct can be found on our website which outlines how the members of the organization should behave and maintain levels of respect for each other.

<u>Code of Conduct – Edmonton</u> Pups & Handlers (yegpah.com)



Consent/Code of Conduct

As our community grows, it is vital that we remember the importance of respecting each other and establishing a safe place for all pets and handlers. Our community has always had a positive approach to sexuality and in any situation, we want to remind everyone about the importance of consent. Some important guidelines to follow when with partners include:

- 1. **Communicate openly**: Talk with your partner about boundaries, desires, and comfort levels before engaging in any sexual activity.
- 2. **Consent is ongoing:** It can be revoked at any time, even during the act. Check in with your partner and ensure they are comfortable throughout.
- 3. **Non-verbal Cues matter**: Pay attention to body language and expressions. If your partner seems uneasy or hesitant, pause and communicate to clarify their comfort.
- 4. **Be clear and enthusiastic**: Obtain verbal confirmation and ensure all parties are excited and willing before proceeding. **An enthusiastic** and verbal YES is the only official consent.
- Respect "No" as a complete sentence: If someone says "No" or indicates discomfort, respect their decision without pressure of questioning.
- 6. **Avoid intoxication and playing**: Make sure both parties are in a clear state of mind, able to give informed and voluntary consent.
- 7. **Be aware of power dynamics**: Ensure there's equality and mutual agreement, avoiding situations where one person may feel pressured or coerced.
- 8. **Be specific**: Discuss boundaries and preferences explicitly to avoid misunderstandings.
- 9. **Establish a safe word:** Implementing a safe word can be helpful, providing a quick and clear way to communicate discomfort or a desire to stop.
- 10. **Check-in Afterward**: Reflect on the experience and discuss how both partners felt, fostering open communication for future encounters.