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9TH ANNUAL PARKS & REX DOG POOL PARTY

Make a splash for two great causes at the 9th Annual Parks & Rex Dog Pool Party! Cohosted by Santa Cruz County Parks and Santa Cruz County Animal Services, this annual event raises much needed funds for worthy causes through initiatives such as free veterinary care for underserved pet owners and support for youth recreation programs.

Parks & Rex Dog Pool Party will be held on Saturday, August 17th from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Simpkins Family Swim Center, 979 17th Ave., Santa Cruz. This is the event of the summer with pools of fun for the whole family!

"Allowing our four-legged friends to take a dip in the pool while also helping raise funds for the Animal Shelter and programs for kids is a great way to end the summer. Parks & Rex is one of the best events in Santa Cruz County, and a fun time for all members of the family," Santa Cruz County Parks Deputy Director Rebecca Hurley said.

Dogs and their people can test out new Doggie & Me Agility Games, get a "pawsonalized" Pet Illustration, and enjoy tasty treats by Areperia831, Three Waves Coffee, and Taquizas Gabriel. Dogs can swim in the warm water pool and aspiring Pablo Pawcassos can take part in a doggie art project. Kids can test their strength on our Wibit inflatable pool obstacle course, try out stand-up paddleboards, play games, and have more poolside fun. Adults can sip on beer, wine, or our new signature mocktail and enter to win our raffle prizes including a trip to Disneyland, San Francisco Giants tickets and other prizes valuing up to \$1,600!

Tickets for the 9th Annual Parks & Rex Dog Pool Party and the raffle are on sale now! Tickets for children at \$5 presale or \$10 on the day of the event. Adults cost \$15 presale or \$20 day of the event. Dogs are free! Visit scparks.com for tickets and information.

Raffle tickets are \$25. Winners need not be present to win.