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Possibly the best way for Lamorinda dogs and their humans to spend Saturday morning, April 9, is to celebrate all things canine at Dogtown Downtown. This third annual event kicks off at 10 a.m. with a dog parade from the Lafayette Plaza Park down Golden Gate Way to the Lafayette Library and Learning Center, led by Lafayette's police force.

This is the one day of the year both humans and their pooches can rock a signature ensemble in public, without getting any curious looks. Organizers from the Lafayette Chamber of Commerce have thought of everything from a Doggie Vogue fashion show, a kissing booth for owners and their four-legged beloved, and for the first time ever, a Puppy Bowl. Furry friends can be entered into any and all contests; free registration begins at 9:30 a.m. at the library.

Look for special canine treats from local Huckleberry Kitchen and even dog friendly ice cream from Smitten. Casual contests include: Looks Most Like Owner, Human-Dog Team Tricks, Best Costume, and of course, Best in Show.

Even cat people are invited to check out Lafayette's Dogtown Downtown. The event runs from 10 a.m. to noon, and it's free and fun - but a leash is definitely required.

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