

# Agility Workshops & Clinics

Divine K-9 Summer Agility Clinics

## Foundation Handling Fun!

These fun foundation handling games will be taught on the flat to build & test understanding of the handling skills you will need in the ring. We will cover driving straight, crosses, post turns, arm changes, etc.

These games are also great to revisit to sharpen skills, remind dogs of the finesse of handling, and great for mental and physical warm-up before sequencing. Agility is more than just obstacles.

This clinic is great for any level, from puppies to competition dogs.

DATE: Saturday July 24, 2010 (3 workings spots left)

TIME: 11:30am to 4:30pm

TUITION: Working spots are \$75 per team and auditing spots are \$30 per person.

LOCATION: The clinic will be held at the Obedience Club of Waterbury in Oxford, CT. We will be working indoors on ¾" Tenderfoot matting in air conditioning.

We're offering another date for this invaluable clinic!

DATE: Sunday August 22, 2010

TIME: 11:30am to 4:30pm

TUITION: Working spots are \$75 per team and auditing spots are \$30 per person.

LOCATION: The clinic will be held at the Obedience Club of Waterbury in Oxford, CT. We will be working indoors on ¾" Tenderfoot matting in air conditioning.

Limited working spots and unlimited auditing spots! Payment is required ahead of time to reserve your spot in the clinic. To register or for more information, email us or call us at 718.432.2927.

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## Superstar Puppy Clinic

Do you have a new puppy or young dog? Planning on getting one soon? This clinic will give you the tools to train your youngsters to be a great pet & companion as well as lay the foundation for a great career in agility, rally, obedience, flyball, etc.

We'll work on Crate Games, ItsYerChoice games for impulse control, body awareness, recall work, shaping skills, building drive and focus, proper socialization, obstacle foundation skills, handling foundation skills and problem solving!

Working spots are limited to pups who are 10 weeks to 12 months (or mini dogs who are 18 months or younger) but we have unlimited auditing spots! This is also a fun clinic for instructors who are interested in adding more foundation to their curriculum.

DATE: Sunday July 25, 2010 (3 workings spots left)

TIME: 11:30am to 4:30pm

TUITION: Working spots are \$75 per team and auditing spots are \$30 per person.

LOCATION: The clinic will be held at the Obedience Club of Waterbury in Oxford, CT. We will be working indoors on ¾" Tenderfoot matting in air conditioning.

Limited working spots and unlimited auditing spots! Payment is required ahead of time to reserve your spot in the clinic. To register or for more information, email us or call us at 718.432.2927.

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### Hilltown Hounds Agility Clinics

#### Focus & Motivation clinic for the Performance Dog

Is your young dog too excited to think or work when he sees other people and dogs? Does he lose his brain when he sees movement, toys, obstacles or food? Is he completely focused and fabulous at home, but he cannot replicate his performance in public? Do you want to teach him to focus completely on you and his "job" even in the most distracting environments?

Does your dog sniff while he is working, or leave his work to go sniff? This clinic will address a variety of ways to end the sniffing while building drive and motivation for working with you - all \*without\* physical or verbal corrections!

Learn the famed ItsYerChoice games taught in Say Yes! foundation training. We will teach the dogs how to make good choices using fun exercises. You will build upon each layer of understanding and learn how to apply these techniques to real-life situations from your kitchen to the agility ring. With these techniques, all you will have to worry about is how to handle the course instead of worrying about your dog leaving you in the ring.

This clinic is well-suited for dogs that are competing (or getting ready to compete) as well as anyone wishing to avoid this problem with their young dogs, but is also extremely useful to help improve the performance of adult dogs! This clinic is a must for anyone considering obedience, agility, flyball, rally or any other competition sport.

NOTE: this clinic is \*not\* appropriate for reactive, aggressive or fearful dogs

DATE: Saturday August 14, 2010 (full, auditing spots only)

TIME: 8am to 12:30pm

TUITION: Working spots are \$85 per team and auditing spots are \$35 per person.

LOCATION: Breeze Thru Agility in Brattleboro, VT

Limited working spots and unlimited auditing spots! To register or for more information, contact Hilltown Hounds at sandraleiset@comcast.net. ....

### Nothin' But Net: Impulse Control for Performance Dogs

Do you have a speedy, focused dog at home or in class... but not at a trial? Does your excited speed demon turn into a different dog at matches or trials? Wanna learn how to bring out the brilliance in your dog no matter where you are or what the distractions?

Learn how to teach your dog to give you 100% focus & drive while ignoring even the craziest distractions! Topics will include: - how to teach your dog to \*want\* to ignore distractions, without using corrections! - how to get a driven recall, regardless of distractions - how to stop the dog from sniffing or zooming - how to get the dog to execute his behaviors in the ring, regardless of distractions - how to raise the stakes and turn up the heat! We will be putting impulse control skills on equipment and short sequences.

This clinic is appropriate for dogs of any age and any experience level and any sport (agility, obedience, rally, etc). Dogs must have obstacle understanding, but not necessarily completing sequences.

NOTE: this clinic is \*not\* appropriate for reactive, aggressive or fearful dogs

DATE: Saturday August 14, 2010 (3 workings spots left)

TIME: 1pm to 5pm

TUITION: Working spots are \$85 per team and auditing spots are \$35 per person.

LOCATION: Breeze Thru Agility in Brattleboro, VT

Limited working spots and unlimited auditing spots! To register or for more information, contact Hilltown Hounds at sandraleiset@comcast.net. ....

### Double Box Exercises & Beyond

This is a great clinic for anyone interested in learning how to be consistent so your dog doesn't have any questions on the course.

These exercises are designed to keep experienced dogs sharp and to teach less-experienced dogs all that they will ever need to know: lead outs, front crosses, rear crosses, serpentines, threadles, discriminations, lateral distance, 270s, 180s, etc.

Judges in all venues regularly set up boxes for dogs to run through, catching handler-dog teams with off-courses. This clinic can help prevent that trap!

Big time competitors regularly visit box work before big events to finesse their dogs' handling skills and their timing of execution.

DATE: Sunday August 15, 2010 (2 workings spots left)

TIME: 8:30am to 4:30pm

TUITION: Working spots are \$160 per team and auditing spots are \$65 per person.

LOCATION: Breeze Thru Agility in Brattleboro, VT

Limited working spots and unlimited auditing spots! To register or for more information, contact Hilltown Hounds at [sandraleiset@comcast.net](mailto:sandraleiset@comcast.net).

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Tracy Sklenar Agility Clinics

"Raise Your Game" Handling Clinic - Train Like a European To Master Courses in North America

Would you like to raise your agility handling to a whole new level of excellence? Do you need to improve your handling so you can successfully navigate the challenges you will see on course in 2010 and beyond?

This handling clinic will teach you how to balance the dog's drive to you with her drive to obstacles while you learn to and execute the handling moves needed to conquer the European-style challenges that we are now seeing here in North America! Tracy's goal is to build the handler's confidence on difficult European-style challenges - and that will make Excellent and Masters courses seem quite do-able by comparison!

This clinic is appropriate only for dogs competing successfully in Masters/Excellent. If you

are not currently competing at this level, special requests to participate may be granted on a case by case basis. Dogs must have a solid start line, understand basic handling skills, and have a good understanding of impulse control.

DATE: Saturday November 13, 2010 (full, auditing spots available)

TIME: 9am to 5pm

TUITION: Working spots are \$190 per team and auditing spots are \$80 per person. Lunch is included in this fee.

LOCATION: Zephyr Farm - Mahopac, NY. We will be working on packed dirt.

Limited working spots and unlimited auditing spots! Payment is required ahead of time to reserve your spot in the clinic. To register or for more information, email us or call us at 718.432.2927.

Dancing With the (Agility) Stars: Taking Your Teamwork to New Levels!

Do you dream of an agility run where you and your canine agility star dance in perfect sync with each other? Do you need to know when to waltz on course, and when to do the cha cha? Have a fun time mastering handling sequences while you and your dog reach new levels of partnership. No previous dance experience required. :-)

This clinic is appropriate for dogs competing in Open/Advanced and Masters/Excellent. Dogs must have a solid start line, understand basic handling skills, and have a good understanding of impulse control.

DATE: Sunday November 14, 2010 (full, auditing spots available)

TIME: 9am to 5pm

TUITION: Working spots are \$190 per team and auditing spots are \$80 per person. Lunch is included in this fee.

LOCATION: Zephyr Farm - Mahopac, NY. We will be working on packed dirt.

About the Instructor: Tracy Sklenar is the Owner and Training Director of Leader of the Pack (Smyrna, NY) and an instructor at Susan Garrett's Say Yes Dog Training (Ontario, Canada.) She is also a regular contributor of training articles and event coverage to Clean Run and DogSport magazines. Tracy is proud to be a student of Susan Garrett, Greg Derrett, Susan Salo and Bob Bailey.

Limited working spots and unlimited auditing spots! Payment is required ahead of time to reserve your spot in the clinic. To register or for more information, email us or call us at 718.432.2927.

**Refund Policy:**

Within two weeks or more prior to the start date of your scheduled class, clinic, or workshop: all fees will be refunded with the exception of a \$25 non refundable administration fee.

Between one to two weeks prior to the start date of your scheduled class, clinic, or workshop: 50% of the total fees paid will be refunded with the exception of a \$25 non refundable administration fee.

Less than one week before the start date of your scheduled class, clinic, or workshop: 50% of the total fees paid will be refunded ONLY IF YOUR SPOT CAN BE FILLED with the exception of a \$25 non refundable administration fee.

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