

Jo Sermon Agility Seminars, October 11 – 20, 2010



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Touch & Go Agility Center
7335 34th Street, North Highlands, CA 95660

To register, fill out and return with payment to Touch & Go Agility, 7335 34th Street, North Highlands, CA 95660. **Make checks payable to Touch & Go Agility.**

Handler Name: _____

Home Phone: _____ **Work Phone:** _____ **Cell Phone:** _____

E-mail: _____

Dog Name: _____ **Breed:** _____

Cost: Working Teams: \$150.00 per day; Auditing: \$75.00 per day

SEE FOLLOWING PAGES FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND COMPLETE SEMINAR DESCRIPTIONS

Monday/Tuesday, October 11/12, 2010: Puppy Camp!! Work: _____ Audit: _____

Wednesday, October 13, 2010: Here's Equipment! Introducing Equip
To Young (10 months and older) Dogs Work: _____ Audit: _____

**NEW! Thursday, October 14, 2010: Gettin' Ready for Prime Time – Focus on
The Novice Dog Work: _____ Audit: _____**

Sunday, October 17, 2010: It's All About the Handler - Intermediate Work: _____ Audit: _____

Monday, October 18, 2010: Intermediate Handling Work: _____ Audit: _____

Tuesday, October 19, 2010: It's All About the Handler - Masters Work: _____ Audit: _____

Wednesday, October 20, 2010: Masters Handling Work: _____ Audit: _____

I (we) agree that Touch & Go Agility and Jo Sermon have the right to refuse this enrollment or to expel a student for any cause which the aforementioned shall deem to be sufficient.

In consideration of the acceptance of this enrollment and the opportunity to participate in this seminar, I (we) agree to hold Touch & Go Agility and Jo Sermon harmless for any claim for loss or injury which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of my (our) dog(s) while in, upon or near the premises, and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claim.

I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss of my (our) dog(s) by disappearance, theft, death or otherwise, and from any claim for damage or injury to the dog, whether such loss, disappearance, appearance, theft, damage or injury, be caused or alleged to be caused by the negligence of the parties aforementioned, or by the negligence of any other person, or any other cause or causes. I (we) hereby assume the sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify and save the aforementioned parties harmless from any and all loss and expenses (including legal fees) by reason of the liability imposed by law upon any of the aforementioned parties for damage because of bodily injuries, including death at any time resulting there from, sustained by any person or person, including myself (ourselves) or on account of damage to property, arising out of or in consequences of my (our) participation in these classes, howsoever such injuries, death or damage may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may have alleged to have caused by negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees, agents, or any other person.

I (we) certify that the dog to be entered in this seminar is not a hazard to persons or other dogs.

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY, AND FULLY UNDERSTAND THE CONTENTS THEREOF. I/WE ARE AWARE THAT THIS IS RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND A CONTRACT BETWEEN MYSELF AND TOUCH & GO AGILITY, AND SIGN IT OF MY OWN FREE WILL FOR MYSELF OR MY CHILD, OR ANY INDIVIDUAL TO WHOM I AM THE GUARDIAN.

Signature (if under age 18 parent/guardian must sign)

Date

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Jo Sermon is one of England's top trainers and handlers. She has been named the top ABC (Anything But (Border) Collie) handler. Jo has raised and trained bearded collies for over 20 years. Jo works with all breeds, but her first love is her Beardies. She has taught at Clean Run, Power Paws, and Say Yes agility camps to rave reviews. She brings a wealth of experience and an unparalleled perspective to her seminars. Learn more about Jo at <http://www.agility-training.co.uk/>

REGISTRATION LIMITS:

- * Limited to 13 working teams
- * Auditors are unlimited all days

HOURS:

- * Full day sessions: 9:00 am – 5:00 pm with an hour break for lunch

COST:

- * Working spots: **\$150.00 per day**; Auditors: **\$75.00 per day**
- * Cost includes: Continental breakfast items; afternoon snacks; water available all day

Monday, October 11 – Tuesday, October 12, 2010

PUPPY CAMP!!

For puppies 4 months to one year

- Jo will share her techniques for getting your puppy started off on the right paw. Basically it's what she does **away** from Agility in preparation **for** Agility. She will cover things to do when puppy first comes home or you decide to get started with your adult: building focus & motivation; daily routines; record keeping; how to build a working routine, stays, sends, recalls, play, use of food/rewards, etc.
- There will be short working sessions with the puppies throughout the day, interspersed with lectures and demonstrations to ensure your pups actually last for two days!

Wednesday, October 13, 2010: Here's Equipment!! Introducing Young Dogs to Equipment Training

- Minimum age: 10 months
- You've spent months putting a great foundation on your young dog; you are all ready to start equipment training. But now what? So many times, we are not sure exactly what we want to do and, more importantly, how to get that fast, accurate performance we all want!
- Jo shares with us her methods and techniques for starting young dogs in their equipment training, from contacts, through weaves and jumping
- This session is also appropriate for young dogs already in basic equipment training; Jo will give you feedback about your progress and offer suggestions to help with any roadblock you may be hitting. A new set of eyes can frequently help you make a breakthrough on problems.

UPDATE!! NEW TOPIC:

Thursday, October 14, 2010: Gettin' Ready for Prime Time: Focus on the Novice Dog

Many of you have young dogs are getting ready for or recently debuted in the ring. You've worked on equipment skills, jumping skills, focus, motivation and building drive. So now what? Building your confidence in handling your young dog!

- Morning: Teaching Turns – Handling Ferraris and Bentleys: We handle the blazing fast dog (Ferraris) and the steady dog (the Bentleys) very differently; however, they both need to know how to turn. The morning session will focus on evaluating your dog's ability to turn while jumping and help you map out a good training plan to improve.
- Afternoon: Finding the Line: The afternoon exercises will focus on helping you learn how to find the best line through sequences with your young dog. This follows on from the morning: once we know how to get them to turn, we need to know what kind of turn we want to ask for in order to find the fastest way through a course.
- This day will be focused on jumping exercises; so there will not be any contacts or weaves.

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AGILITY HANDLING SEMINARS

Sunday, October 17 – Thursday, October 21, 2010

These sessions will focus on building teamwork between dog and handler through improving your handling skills and strategies

Sunday, October 17: It's All About the Handler – Intermediate Level

- **Open to dogs and handlers working at AKC Open/Excellent A; USDAA Advanced; CPE Level 4, 5 or with TAG permission**
- **No Second Chances** – AKA: Get It Right the FIRST Time! The morning will challenge you to do it right the first time – just like in a trial. Often, in training situations, you know there is no consequence for making an error, so you don't put your full mental game on the line. Here, you are put under pressure because there IS a consequence for mistakes: you make an error, you're done. The goal for this session is to help you work on your mental game and have fun at the same time!
- **Which is Quicker?** – The afternoon will focus on decision making. Do you know how to choose the right path for YOUR dog when faced with an option? Not always the same for every dog! Video analysis may be used during these exercises.

Monday, October 18: Intermediate Handling: Putting it all together

- **Open to dogs and handlers working at AKC Open/Excellent A; USDAA Advanced; CPE Level 4, 5 or with TAG permission.**
- This day will focus on helping you to achieve the best possible course times and to identify areas you may need to do some focused training on to improve your performance.
- Exercises will focus on extending and refining your existing skills. Exercises may include, but are not limited to: proofing equipment skills; tightening turns; speed into turns; discriminations; and other challenges that you encounter on course.
- Video analysis of some exercises will be used during these sessions.

Tuesday, Oct 19, 2010 - It's all About the Handler – Masters Level

- **Open to dogs and handlers working at the AKC Excellent B; USDAA Masters; CPE Level C; others with TAG permission. No motivation, focus or equipment issues.**
- **No Second Chances** – AKA: Get It Right the FIRST Time! The morning will challenge you to do it right the first time – just like in a trial. Often, in training situations, you know there is no consequence for making an error, so you don't put your full mental game on the line. Here, you are put under pressure because there IS a consequence for mistakes: you make an error, you're done. The goal for this session is to help you work on your mental game and have fun at the same time!
- **Which is Quicker?** – The afternoon will focus on decision making. Do you know how to choose the right path for YOUR dog when faced with an option? Not always the same for every dog! Video analysis may be used during these exercises.

Wednesday, October 20, 2010: Masters Handling:

- **Open to dogs and handlers working at the AKC Excellent B/USDAA Masters; CPE Level C; others with TAG permission. No motivation, focus or equipment issues.**
- Same as the Intermediate session but focused at the Masters skill level.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT ANY OF THESE SESSIONS, PLEASE CONTACT KATHIE LEGGETT AT:

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