

Jen Pinder Summer 2026 Agility Workshops

Workshop Descriptions

Blind Cross Skills & Drills – The workshop focuses on helping you improve your blind cross skills. Helps you identify when, where, and how to use them and what the consequences are when you apply this skill.

Defeating Discrimination Challenges (AKA Either or Training) – this session will go beyond what most people consider “discriminations” – i.e. Contact / Tunnel. It will address other types of discriminations, such as where multiple obstacles are in close proximity to each other. You will work on short sequences that offer choices – take EITHER this one or THAT one. Contacts and weaves will be included.

Distance Handling & Layering - Use of layering is becoming more common (and necessary) in many of today’s courses. Knowing how to move and where to look greatly improves your dog’s ability to read when to go out and stay out and when to come in. This session will cover the training and skills to help improve your distance handling and layering.

Improve Your Threadle Skills – Spend half a day improving you and your dog’s threadle slice/threadle wrap skills. This workshop will focus on how to handle these techniques, although some information about how to initially teach them will be addressed. It will not focus on teaching the verbal skill.

Intermediate Short Sequences – You sailed through Novice and ran headlong into Open/Advanced and stalled out! This session is focused on the challenges seen at that middle level and helping you improve your skills to conquer them. Suitable for dogs training at the Open/Intermediate/Advanced level.

Lines & Leads – From course walking to handling. Jen will guide you on seeing the lines needed on the course as well as understanding the dogs’ lead needed to commit to the obstacle. Together you’ll put together short sequences.

Masters Short Sequences – These workshops focus on handling challenges seen in today’s Masters/Premier/Masters Challenge/Biathlon courses.

Puppy Pindergarten – Focus on young puppies! An awesome agility dog starts with a really solid foundation. This workshop is all about what Jen does to build those dogs!

Rear Cross Skills & Drills – Find yourself constantly pushing your dog off their line when trying to rear cross? Is your dog frequently turning the wrong way on landing and then correcting? The rear cross is an absolute must when the dog is faster than you are or when you cannot be ahead of them! Learn how to give your dog the information they need to effectively complete a rear cross.

Running Contacts – Problem Solving: Want to have a solid running DW or running AF from can’t quite get there? This workshop will help you identify possible training errors you may be making unwittingly that is preventing you from achieving that reliable running contact you want. Both running DW and running AF training will be addressed. You may be asked to provide video of your dog’s competition performance prior to the workshop so Jen will see what your challenges are.

Weave Poles – Challenges & Problem Solving: Jen will work with each individual team to either help you find a solution to your weave pole problem or to help you take your weave pole skills to the next level.

Young Dog Sequencing – Targeted at young dogs just starting to put things together. Sequences will be between 4 and 8 obstacles, consisting of jumps and tunnels. Sequences may incorporate some technical skills.