



# EVANSVILLE OBEDIENCE CLUB

PRESENTS:

## Keeping the Connection

WITH

### Marion Crain

### April 27 & 28, 2024



This seminar focuses on how to make the leap from training to successful ring performances so that you can take the connection you build with your dog in training, into the ring. We will cover preparing to show your dog at each level (novice, open and utility), address common issues with each exercise for “green” dogs and how to avoid them, and will pay particular attention to issues of food and toy dependence and how to manage them. We will also cover how to use warm-ups at a show, ring entrances and transitions between exercises; ring exits and what to do after your performance, and how to maintain connection with your dog and build confidence in the ring, especially if things go sideways. Finally, we will address how to maintain your dog’s attitude over time as you show, including working on precision in ways that motivate your dog, recognizing exercises that are getting ready to break and what to do about it, and proofing—what it is, when and why to use it, and what kinds of proofing are worth doing and what are not.

Marion started training dogs as a 4H'er, and has been competing in AKC obedience ever since. She has trained Shelties, Keeshonden, and Border Collies, and has lived, trained and shown widely across the country, including NY, CA, OH, WV, NC, and MO. Her achievements include:

- 13 OTCH/UDX dogs (6 Border Collies, 7 Keeshonden)
- Seven 200 scores (Sheltie, 2 Border Collies, 3 Keeshonden)
- Multiple tournament placements (AKC Classic, AKC NOC Group placements, and more)
- Over 500 HIT's and 400 HC's; over 4000 OTCH points
- Keeshond ranked # 1 all breeds for 2021, Front & Finish Delaney System (open & utility placements)
- Five Herding CHs, nine Conformation CHs, two GCH, and two RACH's



#### Registration:

A limit of 16 working spots and unlimited auditing spots are available. These are reserved only with full payment and a completed registration form. **No refunds will be made after March 31, 2024.** A confirmation e-mail will be sent upon receipt of the registration form and payment. An additional e-mail will be sent regarding seminar times, hotel information, etc., closer to the seminar weekend.

#### Working Teams:

Each working team is limited to two dogs per day and **one dog per exercise/floor session.**

#### Private Lessons:

Private lessons will be available on Monday, April 29, 2024 beginning at 8:00 a.m. and ending at 4:00 p.m. Fees for private lessons are \$100 per hour or \$50 per half hour, payable by each individual directly to Marion. **Seminar attendees will be given preference and may book either half hour or full hour lessons. Those who do not attend the seminar MUST BOOK FULL HOUR LESSONS. A deposit of half of the lesson cost (\$50/\$25) is required for each lesson spot that is scheduled. Checks should be made payable to Marion for the deposit and mailed to the address below. Seminar deadline and refund dates apply to the lesson deposit as well.**

#### Aggressive Dogs:

Dogs with propensities for aggression towards people or other dogs may NOT attend this seminar, or take private lessons.

Videotaping of the workshop is NOT permitted. Private lessons may be videotaped.

**RETURN REGISTRATION FORM WITH CHECK (NO CASH) MADE PAYABLE TO EVANSVILLE OBEDIENCE CLUB TO:**

LISA MUELLER  
725 Merimac Drive  
Evansville, IN 47711  
EMAIL: [krazyforkees@aol.com](mailto:krazyforkees@aol.com) PHONE: 812-202-8900

**Registration forms and payment (NO CASH) MUST BE MAILED and cannot be placed in my crates at EOC's building or handed to me personally.**

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Registration Form (please print or type)

Please return this form with payment by **April 14, 2024**. Checks should be made payable to:  
Evansville Obedience Club.

NAME:	
STREET ADDRESS:	
CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE:	
PHONE:	E-MAIL:

*Please make your selection. If you would like a working spot and all have been filled, your name can be placed on a waiting list, at your request. **Two day working or auditing spots cannot be shared. THERE ARE NO ONE DAY WORKING OR AUDITING SPOTS AVAILABLE FOR THIS SEMINAR.***

\_\_\_\_\_ **2-DAY WORKING SPOT-NON-MEMBERS-\$185.00**      \_\_\_\_\_ **2-DAY AUDITING SPOT-NON-MEMBERS-\$125.00**  
\_\_\_\_\_ **PRIVATE LESSON DEPOSIT-\$50 FOR A ONE HOUR SPOT; \$25 FOR A 30-MINUTE SPOT (SEE ABOVE FOR DEADLINE AND REFUND INFO)**

**RELEASE**

•ACKNOWLEDGMENT: I, the undersigned, acknowledge that I understand that there may be significant elements of risk associated with the activity of dog training. Such risks may include equipment failures, falls due to building or grounds conditions, or the negligence of instructors, fellow students, or other users of the building. I acknowledge that the above list is not inclusive of all possible risks associated with dog training or the use of the facilities of The Evansville Obedience Club, Inc. (hereinafter "EOC") and that other unknown and unanticipated risks may result in injury.

•RELEASE AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK: In consideration of being permitted to use the facilities of EOC, and mindful of the significant risks involved with the activities incidental therefore, I, for myself, my heirs, administrators and assigns, release, remise and discharge EOC and its officers, directors, agents, servants, volunteers and employees in the stated activities of and from any and all liability for injury that may result from my use of the facilities of EOC, and I do hereby waive and relinquish any and all actions or causes of action for personal injury, property damage or wrongful death occurring to myself or those persons for whom I am legally responsible (including but not limited to my children) arising as a result of the use of the facilities of EOC, participation in EOC activities or functions, or of any activities incidental thereto wherever or however such personal injury, property damage or wrongful death may occur, whether foreseen or unforeseen, and for whatever period said activities shall continue. I agree that under no circumstances will I, my heirs, my estate or my personal representative present any claim for personal injury, property damage, or wrongful death against EOC and its officers, directors, agents, servants, volunteers and employees for any of said causes of action, whether said causes of action shall arise by the negligence or any person or otherwise.

•IT IS THE INTENTION OF THE UNDERSIGNED INDIVIDUAL TO EXEMPT AND RELIEVE EOC AND ITS OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AGENTS, SERVANTS, VOLUNTEERS AND EMPLOYEES FROM LIABILITY FOR ANY PERSONAL INJURY, PROPERTY DAMAGE OR WRONGFUL DEATH CAUSED BY NEGLIGENCE.

•This contract shall be legally binding upon me, my heirs, my estate, and my personal representative, as well as upon any and all other persons authorized by me to act for me or on behalf of my heirs, my estate or my personal representative.

•I, THE UNDERSIGNED, ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THE ABOVE RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS AND CONDITIONS. I UNDERSTAND THAT BY SIGNING THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY I AM KNOWINGLY AND WILLINGLY AGREEING TO RELEASE EOC AND ITS OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AGENTS, SERVANTS, VOLUNTEERS, AND EMPLOYEES OF THEIR LIABILITY FOR PERSONAL INJURY, PROPERTY DAMAGE, OR WRONGFUL DEATH CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF ANY PERSON OR OTHERWISE.

**PARTICIPANT RESPONSIBILITIES**

I understand that dogs are independent living beings with their own minds and, as such, can never be entirely predictable. I understand that there are always elements of risk in pet-related activities including permanent disability or death, that common sense and personal awareness can help reduce. I am aware that at all times when on the premises of Evansville Obedience Club or working around dogs it is MY RESPONSIBILITY to:

- Always have pets on a leash.
- Read and obey all posted information and warnings.
- Comply promptly with all verbal directions of Seminar committee members and/or EOC officers unless I believe that by doing so I will endanger myself, other people or pets, in which case I will immediately express my opinion to the person involved.
- Refrain from acting in any manner that may cause or contribute to my injury or the injury of other people or pets.
- Never leave pets unattended or alone.
- Keep the grounds clean.
- Be constantly aware of, anticipate, and be able to avoid nearby pets, people, obstacles and natural or man-made hazards.

I understand that this is only a partial list, and I must be safety conscious and exercise sound judgment at all times.

I understand that if I register as a working team and later want to become an auditor that I will only receive a refund if there is working team on the wait list that will take my spot. I understand that any changes to information that I supplied on this registration form can be made only by contacting Lisa Mueller. Please sign and date

to verify that you have read and understand this release and the above participant responsibilities:

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_