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# Pawsitive Performance Seminar

With Canine Fitness Instructor

Bobbie Lyons demonstrating

FitPAWS equipment



## Conditioning & Re-hab Classes

### Cost for Seminar:

- \$125.00 Working Spot
- \$65.00 Auditor Spot
- \$125.00 Private Lesson

### Where

Pawsitive Directions  
571 32 Road  
986-9629

### When

March 21—22, 2015  
8:00—12:30 pm  
Private Lessons: 1:30, 2:30,  
3:30 Follow Workshop

Email: [rottndog@aol.com](mailto:rottndog@aol.com)

### Strength Training for K9 Athletes with a Canine Fitness Instructor

Every canine athlete, weekend hiker, running companion, or couch potato will benefit from a regular strength, endurance, and stretching routine. Exercises taught during my workshops, online classes, and private lessons are designed to reduce injury, improve weight distribution, and improve performance.



My goal is to provide you with the tools needed to design a K9 Conditioning program specific to your dog's activities and one that fits into your schedule.

Strength training is the missing piece of the puzzle for many K9 athletes. More time and money is spent on fixing



dogs injuries than preventing

them. In my hands-on workshops participants will be introduced to target directed strength training and body awareness exercises with focus on body positioning.

These exercises and techniques are specifically designed to build **core strength, improve balance, increase flexibility and range of motion, build confidence, increase hind-end awareness, reduce the risk of injury and improve your dog's overall performance.**



The importance and benefits of warm up and cool down exercises will also be discussed and demonstrated.



Incorporating these exercises into your dog's routine is FUN and a great



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Fill out the registration form and send to Noelle Blair at P.O. Box 1571, Grand Junction, CO



# Pawsitive Performance Seminar Registration Form

### *Are you registering for a Working Spot or an Auditor Spot?*

It is recommended that if you are requesting a private lesson, that you either audit or work one of the workshops. This will make your 1 hr private lesson more efficient and directed toward your dog.

\_\_\_\_ Working, include \$125.00 \_\_\_\_ Auditor, include \$65.00 \_\_\_\_ Private Lesson \$125.00

Name of person participating \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

### **The following needs to be filled out only if you are requesting a working spot or a private lesson.**

Breed of dog \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_ Female Age \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's Call Name \_\_\_\_\_ Has the dog had prior training \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

If yes, please list \_\_\_\_\_

Does your dog have any past injuries that need strengthening? If so, please explain \_\_\_\_\_

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Do you have any of the exercise equipment that will demonstrated at this seminar? If so which ones.

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**For those requesting Private Lessons.** Is there anything specific you would like to focus on? \_\_\_\_\_

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**Fill out form and return to Noelle Blair, P.O. Box 1571, Grand Junction, CO**



## SHOW & GO with the GRAND VALLEY KENNEL CLUB

Saturday & Sunday, February 7-8, 2015 *Sat Sun*

Pawsitive Direction K9 Academy  
571 32 Road, Grand Junction, CO 81503

Come and practice your  
Conformation handling skills,  
do some Rally courses or  
Obedience run throughs



For \$5 you and your dog will be able to practice in a "competitive" style environment and will receive a written judges critic of your performance.

We have established times for each event so you can come, show & go!

Conformation 9AM-11AM

Rally 11:30AM-1:30PM (all levels)

Obedience 2PM-4PM (all levels)

**No advanced registration required.  
"Show" as many times as you want to!**

For more information contact Kim Giannone at [winridgebmd@gmail.com](mailto:winridgebmd@gmail.com)



## GRAND VALLEY KENNEL CLUB PRESENTS TWO WORKSHOPS WITH ERIC SALAS

Saturday & Sunday, July 24-25, 2015

Mesa County Fairgrounds 2785 Hwy 50, Grand Junction, CO 81503

### DAY ONE: Saturday HANDLING

A full day, hands on, handling workshop. Learn how to select, raise and train any breed of dog. Plus how to solve the most difficult problems dogs' display in and out of the ring.

### DAY TWO: Sunday GROOMING

This workshop will show you how to fine tune you and your dog. Hands on grooming with all breeds, learn the secrets of the pros! Guaranteed to take you to the next level. Groom faster, with better results. Your dog will look better than ever, for that winning edge.



### Eric Salas Workshops Include:

Problem solving for: pulling on the lead, crabbing, bait surfing, lagging, backing away, lack of confidence & more. Developing good communication & reading K9 behavior. Eliminating dog show burn out. Developing focus & desire, getting the most out of your dog. The art of presentation, making your dog stand out with great stacks & perfect gaiting. How to choose the right equipment.



**COST:**

Participant with dog - \$175 per day  
space is limited to 30

Auditor - \$100 per day  
unlimited number

**Eric Salas Bio**

Eric has spent many years grooming, training and handling some of the top ranked dogs in the industry. Eric travels the world conducting seminars on: animal behavior, training, conditioning, grooming, handling and working with aggressive dogs. Eric has developed some of the most successful time saving grooming products like: EZGroomsRuff Out Spray, Greyhounds Stripping Stones, Eric Salas Series Greyhound combs, Texture Crystals, Eric Salas Series Shears by Kenchii and Panagenics, just to name a few! Eric is a featured speaker at many of the top grooming shows in the world. Eric has been featured in Martha Stewart Living and has appeared on Animal Planet. Eric conducts All Breed handling and grooming workshops for many clubs and breed nationals.

You can find YouTube videos on grooming many different breeds on Eric's website, his YouTube channel or national breed websites. When it comes to training, Eric has taught hundreds of seminars across the World. Bring Eric your dog and walk away with the answers to the most difficult problems. You won't want to miss this workshop, your competition won't!

[www.EricSalas.net](http://www.EricSalas.net)

**Logistics:**

9AM to 5PM both days

Don't be late, we won't wait

Don't waste your money by talking, pay attention

Be courteous to others

If you or your dog is disruptive you will be asked to leave with no refund

Some workshops may be filmed, all participants will be included, no exceptions

**What to bring:**

Your Breed Standard

Dog crate, cover, bowl & water

Show lead & collar

6' training lead & link chain collar

Bait - large amount & variety

Running shoes, no open toed

Pen & paper for notes

LUNCH!!

Your grooming tools & table - for day two

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT NOELLE BLAIR @ [rottndog@aol.com](mailto:rottndog@aol.com)**

**Make checks payable to GVKC**

**Mail to GVKC, PO Box 1751 Grand Junction, CO 81502**

[grandvalleykennelclub.org](http://grandvalleykennelclub.org)

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(This entire section is for the trainers' use only!)

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## Eric Salas Productions

### WORKSHOP DOG TRAINING AND HANDLING QUESTIONNAIRE

*The information you share with the trainers via this questionnaire will dictate exactly what you and your dog will be doing during the entire clinic, so please be as accurate and detailed as possible! (If needed, feel free to use the back of this page to complete any answers that are too long for the space provided.)*

Name of person handling: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Your estimated experience level: (Check one)    Beginner \_\_\_\_\_ Intermediate \_\_\_\_\_ Advanced \_\_\_\_\_ Professional \_\_\_\_\_

Specific handling techniques for which you seek help: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Breed of dog you will bring: \_\_\_\_\_ Dog's Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's sex: \_\_\_\_\_ Dog's nickname: \_\_\_\_\_ Estimated number of times shown(include matches): \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated training level of this dog: (Check one)    Beginner \_\_\_\_\_ Intermediate \_\_\_\_\_ Advanced \_\_\_\_\_ Finished \_\_\_\_\_

Describe any training problems you are having with this dog: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
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| <p><b>Dog aggression</b>                    _____</p> <p><b>People aggression</b>                _____</p> <p><b>Shy Dog</b>                                _____</p> <p><b>Won't stand for exam</b>                _____</p> <p><b>Pulls on lead</b>                         _____</p> | <p><b>Side wind (crabbing)</b>                _____</p> <p><b>Bait surfing</b>                            _____</p> <p><b>Pacing</b>                                 _____</p> <p><b>Lack of animation</b>                    _____</p> <p><b>Head strong</b>                            _____</p> |
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Have you attended other trainer's workshops? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ If so what was the most helpful in prior workshops? \_\_\_\_\_

What was the least helpful? \_\_\_\_\_

How, or from whom, did you find out about this event? \_\_\_\_\_

**Indemnification and Hold Harmless Agreement.**

I understand that Eric Salas Productions (Eric J. D. Salas) and Training Facility agree to exercise all due and reasonable care to prevent injury or illness to my dog and I. I further voluntarily agree and warrant to release and hold harmless Eric Salas Productions (Eric J. D. Salas) and Training Facility from any liability whatsoever, including, but not limited to illness, theft, escape, injury or death. I further agree to pay for all veterinary and other necessary services incurred by and for my dog while under the training of Eric Salas Productions (Eric J. D. Salas) staff and Training Facility.

Attorneys' fees. In the event of any controversy, claim or dispute between the parties arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the breach thereof, the substantially prevailing party shall be entitled, in addition to such other relief as may be granted, to an award of actual attorneys' fees and all other actual costs and expenses which may be incurred by the substantially prevailing party in such action.

Entire Agreement. This agreement expresses the entire agreement of the Parties, regarding the property, and all other subject matter expressed herein, and cannot be amended or changed without the express written agreement of the Parties.

I have read the foregoing and understand its terms and stipulations and agree to all of them:

Name (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_

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

(If the person signing is under age 18, a parent or legal guardian must sign below.) I hereby certify that I am the parent or legal guardian of the person named above and I give my consent without reservation to the foregoing on behalf of him or her.

Signature of Parent or Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Eric Salas Productions IMAGE RELEASE FORM**

The undersigned enters into this Agreement with Eric Salas Productions ("Producer"). I have been informed and understand that Producer is producing a videotape program and that my name, likeness, image, voice, appearance and/or performance is being recorded and made a part of that production ("Product").

1. I grant Producer and its designees the right to use my name, likeness, image, voice, appearance, and performance as embodied in the Product whether recorded on or transferred to videotape, film, slides, photographs, audio tapes, or other media, now known or later developed. This grant includes without limitation the right to edit, mix or duplicate and to use or re-use the Product in whole or part as Producer may elect. Producer or its designee shall have complete ownership of the Product in which I appear, including copyright interests, and I acknowledge that I have no interest or ownership in the Product or its copyright.

2. I also grant Producer and its designees the right to broadcast, exhibit, market, sell and otherwise distribute the Product, either in whole or in parts, and either alone or with other products, for commercial or non-commercial television or theater, closed-circuit exhibition, home video distribution or any other purpose that Producer or its designees in their sole discretion may determine. This grant includes the right to use the Product for promoting or publicizing any of the uses.

3. I confirm that I have the right to enter into this Agreement, that I am not restricted by any commitments to their parties, and that Producer has no financial commitment or obligations to me as a result of this Agreement. I hereby give all clearances, copyright and otherwise, for use of my name likeness, image, voice, appearance and performance embodied in the Product. I expressly release and indemnify Producer and its officers, employees, agents and designees from any and all claims known and unknown arising out of or in any way connected with the above granted uses and representations. The rights granted Producer herein are perpetual and worldwide.

I have read the foregoing and understand its terms and stipulations and agree to all of them:

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Signature of Parent or Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## Titles Achieved By Our Members and Their Dogs in 2014

Name	Dog's	Official Name	Dog's Call Name	Title Earned
Archer, Wanda		St. Louis Crossroads, RN	Louis	Rally Novice
Archer-Muncaster, Melissa		Oak Ridge Queen of Hearts CGC, RN, BN	Riley	Rally Novice, Beginner Novice Obedience
Armendarez, Christy		Zena Vom Gieske BN NA RA	Zena	Rally Advanced
Barslund, Tammy		Lucy	Lucy	Rally Novice
Blair, Noelle		CH Redfox's Double Toil N' Trouble	Chants	Championship
Lee, Linda		GRCH Ratitatt Buzablu Daisy BN RE CGC	Daisy	Champion, Gr Champ, Rally Novice Beg Novice Rally Excellent
Leigh, Jordon		CH Hogssden Buzablu Leo a Wonder BN RE OA OAJ NF CGC	Leo	Ch, NAJ, NA, Rally Advanced, OA, OAJ, Rally Excellent, Nov ice Fast agility
Lee & Leigh		GRCH Sands Black Diamond Wilson BN RE CGC	Wilson	RA, GRCH, RE
Lewis, Marion	A	KIRA DU CHATEAU ROYAL	Akira	CDX
McFarland, Sandy		Timberree's Silk Teddy UD OA OAJ	Teddy	Utility Dog
Rambo, Suzanne		Sam's Patriot Games RAE	Sam	Rally Advanced Excellent
Schenck, Edna & Paul		Hidden Springs Covey	Buster	Covy Master Hunter

**Totals Handlers 11 Dogs 12 # Titles 26**

## AKC Humane Fund Awarding Domestic Violence Shelter Grants

The AKC Humane Fund unites animal lovers in promoting the joy and value of responsible pet ownership through education, outreach and grant-making and it's the only public charity that directly supports pets in domestic violence shelters. If any of your club members know of 1) a domestic violence shelter in your community that accepts pets, or 2) a shelter that helps domestic violence shelters house pets temporarily, please tell us who they are at [akchumanefund@akc.org](mailto:akchumanefund@akc.org) so we can encourage them to apply for a grant. Learn more about this and other programs at the NEW Humane Fund website at [www.akchumanefund.org](http://www.akchumanefund.org).



## President's Report:

Noelle Blair

Welcome to our Golden Year! I am honored to be your President for 2015 ! I am so very excited about all the wonderful things we have going on this year. Our club is growing and we couldn't do it without you. I am so proud of how you each take time to introduce yourselves to new people that come to our meetings. You go out of your way to make people feel welcome and it shows!

First of all, we can't do any of these things without Team GVKC! We are a small, but mighty group of people who are always willing to roll up our sleeves and tackle anything in our path. No matter what, we all love dogs and all things involved with them. Dog people are good people and GVKC people are the cream of the crop!

We are hosting our very first Show & Go February 7th and 8th. If you have any ideas about how we can make this a success, I want to hear from you. First of all we need volunteers. We need Conformation, Obedience and Rally judges and a couple of people to set up Friday night and tear down and clean up on Sunday. If you are planning on competing at the Denver Cluster in February this will give you a chance to go into the ring with a judge and come away with a score sheet and written evaluation of your handling skills. All levels are welcome for Conformation, Obedience and Rally.

March is going to be a very exciting time for us. We are hosting Bobbie Lyons from Oregon on the 21st and 22nd. If you have a canine athlete, you can't miss this opportunity. We have very limited amounts of hands on working spots and private lessons available with her. The good news is that we have unlimited space for auditing the seminar. She will be demonstrating FitPAWS training equipment and will focus on how to prevent injuries regardless of your passion. Come and learn how to develop your own conditioning program specific for your dog and discipline.

We have a brand new web-site and Facebook page. Please take a minute and visit both of them. Like us on Facebook so you can stay in touch with all the fun stuff we have planned for this year! If you have any pictures or brags please share them on Facebook so we can all cheer each other on.

Good luck to everyone heading over the mountain to the Denver shows in February. I just want to remind you all to drive safely, enjoy your time with your friends and your dogs and bring back lots of brags to share at the March meeting!

In the mean time, hug your dogs and do something you both enjoy at least once a day.



### NOHS Procedure Video Now Available

A new AKC National Owner-Handled Series (NOHS) procedure video is now available. Stewards play a very important role in the AKC NOHS process. The video explains exhibitor eligibility and walks you through how Owner-Handled Best of Breed is selected. Please take a look at the video here if your club will be holding the NOHS at an upcoming show. A PDF version of the procedure explanation is also available here. Don't forget, we'll also help you promote your club's show in the media to drive attendance if the AKC National Owner-Handled Series is offered at all shows in your cluster. Clubs can contact [communications@akc.org](mailto:communications@akc.org) for direction and assistance.

## AKC PET DISASTER RELIEF

rolling out help



## AKC Pet Disaster Relief

The AKC Pet Disaster Relief program helps local Emergency Management provide temporary animal care and sheltering services immediately following the aftermath of tornadoes, floods, wildfires and other natural or civil disasters.

Tax deductible donations from AKC Clubs, private organizations and pet lovers through the AKC Reunite Canine Support and Relief Fund, make AKC Pet Disaster Relief a reality. The program's genesis was in response to the devastation after Hurricane Katrina in 2006 where many people stayed in harm's way because emergency response plans did not accommodate pets. Life-saving AKC Pet Disaster Relief trailers will enable local Emergency Management organizations across the country to plan, prepare and respond to disasters that impact people and their pets.

An AKC Pet Disaster Relief trailer is stocked with essential supplies to house at least 65 pets immediately after a disaster is declared. The trailer has lighting and is wired for electricity to run off either a generator (included) or 100v power supply. Its contents are supplied based on North Carolina's State Animal Response Team expertise in handling hurricanes, floods, fires and tornadoes and is delivered with deployment training materials.

[LEARN MORE](#)

## What is AKC Pet Disaster Relief?

AKC Pet Disaster Relief helps local Emergency Management and approved 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organizations whose mission includes animal-related disaster relief activities, provide animal care services during the first 72 hours following a disaster... the critical time before FEMA support and services are deployed. Deployment of these trailers will help put an end to post-disaster tragedies have historically affected pet owners, such as: putting themselves in harm's way to save a beloved pet, or even losing a family pet during a disaster.

We want every community to be prepared to help people and their pets for any disaster and its aftermath. That is why AKC Reunite is partnering with local AKC Clubs and their affiliates to raise funds to help supply AKC Pet Disaster Relief trailers to local Emergency Management.

AKC Pet Disaster Relief trailers are stocked with essential, nonperishable necessities for sheltering pets. The supplies can be used to create a safe, temporary home-base for displaced animals and can be used to create one of two types of animal shelters:

**Co-location Shelters:** A shelter that houses both humans and their animal companions. The people housed at the shelter are responsible for their animal's general care.

**Lost and Found Pet Shelters:** Displaced animals are housed in what often becomes a pop-up reunion center as people and animals are reunited. Approved volunteers and shelter staff provide animal care.

## With AKC Pet Disaster Relief, our ultimate hopes are for:

Better community preparedness

More successful local disaster response

Heightened awareness of the importance of disaster preparedness for their pets

Peace of mind for pet owners

– Safe, healthy sheltering environment that includes their pets

– Happy reunions for separated animals and their human companions despite the chaos around them

Lives will be saved

If you are a pet lover concerned about the well-being of pets during disasters you can make a donation.

## How Does it Work?

The AKC Pet Disaster Relief trailer is stocked with essential supplies to house at least 65 pets the first 72 hours after a disaster is declared. The trailer has lighting and is wired for electricity, to run off either a generator or 110v power supply. Its contents are supplied based on North Carolina's State Animal Response Team expertise in handling hurricanes, floods, fires and tornados.

## Following is a sampling of typical contents:

Administrative Supplies: Log books, Volunteer registration forms, wrist/collar bands, check-in materials

Maintenance Equipment: Batteries, Gas Can, Duct Tape

Animal Care: Crates packed on rolling dollies for easy set-up, cat carriers,; litter, microchips and scanner, bowls, collars and leashes

Equipment: Fans, Generator, Lighting, Hose

Cleaning Supplies: Mop, trash can, tarps, litter boxes, disinfectants

For access to training materials, email relief@akcreunite.org for more information.



## Tips on Training Senior Dogs

Schedule a checkup with your veterinarian before beginning a conditioning program to ensure your dog is physically fit.

Begin a good nutrition program six to eight weeks before training starts. Keep in mind senior dogs require more protein for muscle synthesis, and some may need less fat to maintain ideal body condition.

Keep excess weight off your senior athlete, as it contributes to fatigue and predisposes a dog to muscle and ligament injuries.

Use common sense when training. Avoid pushing too hard in extremely hot or cold weather. Train on a surface such as grass or ground to minimize stress to the musculoskeletal system.

Properly warm up and cool down your dog during a workout.

Be mindful that senior dogs take longer to warm up, especially if they have osteoarthritis or muscular strains. Spend five to 10 minutes walking and then jogging to warm up the soft tissues (muscles, tendons and ligaments) to help reduce straining. After training, spend five to 10 minutes jogging and then walking to keep blood pumping through the muscles and heart to help flush out toxins built up during exercise.

During the off-season continue to monitor your dog's musculoskeletal system at least monthly by having him flex and extend his toes, wrist and elbow. You also should check his gait looking for signs of limping or soreness.

- See more at: <http://www.akcchf.org/canine-health/your-dogs-health/senior-dog-health/proper-conditioning-helps-senior-dogs.html#sthash.G7lsFwxq.dpuf>



We're on the Web  
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## Show & Go

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### Officers and Board Members for 2015

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**Dreary Winter Weather  
Can Cause This Condition**