



## Join us for Dog Training Classes, Workshops, and Seminars!

Our dog training classes use positive, gentle, and fun training methods. You will teach your dog to respond to voice cues (commands) and hand signals for all the basics such as **sit, down, come, and stay** as well as working on **leave it** and **leash manners**. Your dog will also receive the benefits of socialization and learn to work around distractions. Students learn to use a clicker as a marker signal to tell the dog when he is doing the desired behavior. Clicker training is a very effective, science-based system for teaching new behaviors with positive reinforcement. A word may be used as an alternative to the clicker. **For complete descriptions of the classes below, please see the last page of this document and/or refer to the dog training portion of our website. Classes are held at our campus in Bellevue.**

### Class Schedules: December 2008 and January, February 2009

Classes meet for one hour a week for six weeks

#### Puppy Head Start (8 – 16 weeks)

- Sun. 1/11 – 2/15 10:00am Amanda
- Thur. 1/15 – 2/19 2:15pm Amanda
- Fri. 1/23 – 2/27 6:30pm Cheri
- Sat. 1/24 - 2/28 10:15am Ali

#### Puppy Manners (17 weeks – 7 months)

- Thur. 1/15 – 2/19 1:00pm Amanda
- Thur. 1/15 – 2/19 5:15pm Amanda
- Sat. 1/24 – 3/7\* 4:45pm Cheri
- Wed. 1/28 – 3/4 5:15pm Ali

#### Super Puppy (see note below)

- Sun. 1/11 – 2/15 11:15am Amanda
- Sat. 1/24 - 2/28 9:00am Ali

#### Dog Manners (8 months and older)

- Sun. 1/11 – 2/15 3:30pm Amanda
- Thur. 1/15 – 2/19 8:00pm Amanda
- Fri. 1/23 – 2/27 4:00pm Cheri
- Sat. 1/24 – 3/7\* 2:15pm Cheri
- Sat. 1/24 – 3/7\* 3:30pm Cheri
- Sat. 1/24 - 2/28 11:30am Ali
- Wed. 1/28 – 3/4 12:15pm Ali
- Wed. 1/28 – 3/4 6:30pm Ali

#### NEW!! Double Dog Manners (8 months and older)

For two dogs at once!

- Sun. 1/11 – 2/15 12:30pm Amanda

#### Super Manners (see note below)

- Sun. 1/11 – 2/15 2:15pm Amanda

#### Canine Good Citizen Prep (see note below)

- Fri. 1/23 – 2/27 5:15pm Cheri

#### Control Unleashed (see note below)

- Wed. 1/28 – 3/4 7:45pm Ali

#### Manners About Town (see note below)

Will return in the spring!

#### NEW!! Reactive Rover

Managing On Leash Dog-to-Dog Aggression—taught by Amanda and Ali.

Starts 1/15 at 6:30pm, please contact us directly for details about this class.

#### Agility classes: (see note below)

##### Intro to Agility (level I)

- Mon. 1/26 – 3/2 7:45pm Ali

##### Agility Obstacles and Handling (level II)

- Sat. 1/24 - 2/28 12:45pm Ali
- Mon. 1/26 – 3/2 6:30pm Ali
- Wed. 1/28 – 3/4 11:00am Ali

##### Agility Patterns and Proofing (level III)

- Mon. 1/26 – 3/2 5:15pm Ali

\*no class 2/7

**NOTE:** These classes have prerequisites or require instructor permission; please see website for details.

## **Single-session Workshops and Seminars**

In these sessions the focus is on one particular behavior/training topic. Bring your dog with you to the **workshops**; these are intensive training sessions to help you make progress with your dog and learn a variety of different training exercises to address one issue. Our **seminars** are for humans only and will help you gain a better understanding of your dog's behavior.

### **Intensive training workshop WITH your dog**

**Puppy Playgroups!** Join us on Friday nights for drop-in playgroups. Puppies will be divided into compatible playgroups for positive social experiences. One of our dog training instructors will be present to help supervise. This is for DOG FRIENDLY dogs only please. Fee is \$10.

Puppies up to 7 months of age                      Fridays            1/23 – 2/27 7:45 – 8:45pm                      Cheri

**Intro to Flyball**    Sat.                      1/10                      2:00 – 4:00pm                      Cascade Comets

Become part of the fun, fast, team-relay sport of flyball! After watching a demo by champion flyball dogs, you and your dog will be introduced to jumps, the box turn and passes. This "paws-on" workshop will build a foundation for future flyball training. Dogs must be at least 10 months old when class begins, and their humans should wear comfortable shoes.

**Run to Me!**    Mon.                      12/8                      6:30 – 8:00pm                      Ali

This workshop will teach you the ins and outs of successful "come when called" training, as well as steer you away from common pitfalls. You will learn and practice a variety of training exercises to get your dog running happily to you when you call him.

**Pulling Pups!**    Mon.                      12/15                      6:30 – 8:00pm                      Ali

Got a dog who thinks he is a sled dog? This workshop will give you the tools and tips you need to improve your dog's leash manners. Class will be held indoors and outdoors, weather permitting.

**Pleased to Meet You!**    Sat.                      12/6                      10:00 – 11:15am                      Cheri

Would you like your dog to sit politely when greeting people rather than jumping up? This class will use fun, interactive training exercises to teach your pooch how to greet politely.

**Discover the Power of Shaping**                      Sat.                      12/13                      10:00 – 11:30am                      Cheri

If you enjoy observing your dog's movements and would like to learn how to use the clicker to "build" a behavior, shaping is for you! Using this creative and dynamic approach, you can teach your dog a complex behavior, such as fetching the newspaper, from the smallest first step to the finished behavior *without* luring or prompting. With shaping, training becomes a fun game for you and your dog. Professional trainers love this technique, and you will too!

First/Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_ W/H/C \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone \_\_\_\_\_ W/H/C \_\_\_\_\_

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

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Breed \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ (when class starts)

Class Name, Date, and Time \_\_\_\_\_

If applicable (for classes with prerequisites):

Name of class previously taken at Seattle Humane \_\_\_\_\_ MM/YY Taken \_\_\_\_\_

**Enrollment Fee:** **6 week long OBEDIENCE classes:** General Public \$120/Seattle Humane Adopters \$95  
**6 week long Double Dog Manners class:** General Public \$180/Seattle Humane Adopters \$155  
**6 week long AGILITY classes:** General Public \$150/Seattle Humane Adopters \$130  
**Single session workshops/seminars:** General Public \$35/Seattle Humane Adopters \$20

*(Please enclose copy of adoption receipt for discount, or for class included in adoption fee within 30 days of adoption)*

Subtotal \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Contribution \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Payment (circle one): Check enclosed/Visa/Mastercard

No. \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. \_\_\_\_\_ V-Code \_\_\_\_\_

(V-code is the last three digits in the signature panel on the back of the credit card).

Credit card mailing address same as above, or

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**Terms & Conditions:**

I hereby apply for enrollment in dog training class at Seattle Humane Society. As a condition of enrollment, I certify:

- Refunds or credits will be granted only for students who withdraw at least one week prior to the first day of class (less a \$10 handling fee). No refunds / credits will be granted after that point. This applies to adopters whose class fee is included in the adoption fee—credit for a future class will only be granted if you withdraw at least one week prior to the first day of class.
- That my dog is current on vaccinations;
- That I am aware of the risks from handling animals: personal injury or property damage to myself, to my animal(s) or to members of my family;
- Group classes may not be suitable for all dogs. With the exception of Reactive Rover, our classes are designed for dogs and puppies who are friendly to other dogs and people. Owners of dogs who have shown aggression (or very intense) reactions toward people or other dogs are encouraged to enroll in a specialized class (such as Reactive Rover) or take private lessons. If your dog shows aggression toward people or other dogs, or is disruptive to the class, (s)he may be dismissed from class and no refund will be granted. If you have questions or concerns about this whether your dog is suitable for class, please contact the instructor directly prior to enrolling.
- That, in consideration of being permitted to enroll in the above class, I do assume full responsibility for any actions of the dog entered above and agree to hold harmless and indemnify any person associated with Seattle Humane Society.

I have read, understand, and agree to the above.

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

**Please mail completed form to:**

Seattle Humane Society, Dog Training  
13212 SE Eastgate Way, Bellevue, WA 98005-4408  
Or fax to 425-747-2985

Office use only: receipt amount date  
staff initials

### **Foundation:**

**Puppy Head Start** focuses on the priorities of puppyhood: socialization, bite inhibition and the prevention of common behavior problems. Puppies are positively introduced to a variety of new stimuli, learn to enjoy being handled by new people, and play off-leash in compatible puppy play groups. House training, crate training, puppy nipping, chewing, home alone training and polite manners are covered. Puppies must be 8 to 16 weeks old when class begins. Do bring your puppy with you to the first class.

**Puppy Manners** offers basic training and ongoing socialization for puppies, either as a continuation of Puppy Head Start or as puppy's first class. Topics include polite greetings, basic skills and problem-solving as well as off-leash play in compatible puppy play groups. Puppies must be 17 weeks to 7 months old when class begins. Do bring your puppy with you to the first class.

**Dog Manners** focuses on building the dog/handler relationship through basic training, leadership and awareness of how dogs communicate. Topics covered include polite greetings, basic skills, techniques for preventing unwanted behavior and appropriate dog/dog interactions (on leash). Dogs must be at least eight months old when class begins. DO NOT BRING DOGS TO THE FIRST CLASS.

**Double Dog Manners** covers the same topics as Dog Manners, but is for two dogs at once! Both dogs must be at least eight months old when class begins. DO NOT BRING DOGS TO THE FIRST CLASS.

### **Continuing:**

**Super Puppy** adds a higher level of distraction and difficulty to the basics and introduces new skills. The emphasis is on leadership, ongoing socialization and the potential challenges of adolescence. Class includes off-leash play time in compatible puppy play groups. Puppies must be no older than one year when class begins. *Prerequisite: Puppy Manners or instructor permission.*

**Super Manners** adds a higher level of distraction and difficulty to the basic skills and introduces new skills. Emphasis is on performance in the real world. *Prerequisite Super Puppy, Dog Manners or instructor permission.*

**Canine Good Citizen Prep** prepares students and their dogs to take the American Kennel Club's Canine Good Citizen (CGC) test, a certification program designed to reward dogs who have good manners at home and in the community. For more details, please visit [www.akc.org](http://www.akc.org). At the end of the course, there will be an opportunity to take the CGC test for a small fee. Dogs who have their CGC certificates are eligible to apply for our volunteer Visiting Pet Friends program. *Prerequisite: Super Puppy, Dog Manners or instructor permission.*

### **Advanced:**

**Manners About Town** puts basic skills to the test in the real world. This innovative class meets at various locations chosen by students, including parks, public shopping areas, hiking trails and more. Students will learn how to transfer the skills they've learned in class to real world situations and increase their dog's reliability when faced with major distractions. *Prerequisite: Super Puppy, Super Manners, CGC Prep or instructor permission.*

**Control Unleashed.** Do you envision taking your dog to off leash dog parks or off leash hiking, but your dog bolts at the first opportunity? Are you interested in pursuing dog sports such as agility or flyball? If so, CU may be the perfect fit! Exercises focus on building your connection and training relationship with your dog to ensure that you stay connected whether the leash is there or not. (Class is modeled on the book "Control Unleashed" by Leslie McDevitt.) *Prerequisite: Super Puppy, Super Manners, CGC Prep or instructor permission.*

### **Specialty:**

**Reactive Rover.** Does your dog lunge, whine, bark and/or growl when he sees another leashed dog? This is an all-too-common problem with urban and suburban canines. In this class, you will learn effective strategies to change your dog from a "reactive Rover" to a "relaxed Rover." *Prerequisite: Instructor permission.*

### **Agility:**

#### **Introduction to Agility (Level I)**

Team up with your dog to learn how to navigate obstacle courses together! Agility is a great way to build confidence in a shy dog or to focus the energy of an exuberant dog. Obstacles introduced include jumps, tunnels and the table. Handling exercises introduce sends, calls, post turns and front crosses. Dogs must be at least one year old when class begins. *Pre-requisite: instructor permission.*

#### **Agility Obstacles and Handling (Level II)**

Continue to strengthen the skills learned in Introduction to Agility as well as teach your dog to navigate weave poles and the teeter. Handler exercises introduce rear crosses and sequencing. Agility Level II increases in difficulty each session for returning students and is intended to be taken repeatedly until students are ready for Agility Level III. *Pre-requisite: Introduction to Agility.*

#### **Agility Patterns and Proofing (Level III)**

Challenge your dog's knowledge of the obstacles and handling cues learned in Agility Level II. This class improves dog/handler teams' ability to work smoothly together in motion. Agility Level III increases in difficulty each session for returning students and is intended to be taken repeatedly until students are ready for competition handling classes. *Pre-requisite: instructor permission.*