

# DAYTON DOG TRAINING CLUB, INC.

## DESCRIPTION AND TIMES OF AGILITY CLASSES OFFERED

ALL CLASSES ARE OPEN TO REGISTRATIONS BY BOTH MIXED BREED AND PUREBRED DOGS

Class times and days are subject to change based on instructor availability as we are all volunteers. Please check the class you want close to registration time for that session, class schedules are available on the website.

**EACH SESSION COSTS \$85.00. A SESSION IS MADE UP ONE CLASS PER WEEK FOR 7 WEEKS. EACH CLASS LASTS APPROXIMATELY 1 HOUR. CLASS SIZES ARE LIMITED**

### LEVEL 1A FOUNDATION

*Prerequisite: Must have completed 1 Obedience class and the BOP class. Or by Director of Agility Permission*

- Continue Building attention/focus/relationship between dog and handler
- Introduce basic agility skills using different obstacles/contacts at lower heights
- Focus and attention to moving on from obstacle to obstacle
- Will be working on and off leash
- **OFFERED TUESDAY NIGHTS AT 6:30 PM (Instructors: Patty Steele-Scott & Kathy Condron)**

### LEVEL 1B FLATWORK FOR AGILITY

*Prerequisite: Must have completed 1 Obedience class and the BOP class. Or by Director of Agility Permission*

- Continue Building attention/focus/relationship between dog and handler
- Introduce basic handling
- Focus and attention to moving around the ring
- Will be working on and off leash
- **OFFERED TUESDAY NIGHTS AT 7:45 PM (Instructor: Rhonda Holzhauser)**

### LEVEL 2 INTRODUCTION TO CONTACTS AND WEAVES

*Prerequisite: Level 1 A&B PLUS Instructor Permission*

- Teams build on skills introduced in Level 1 classes
- Class is split between weaves and contacts
- We offer both weave-o-matics, channel weaves and 2x2's.
- Contract performance with 2 on 2 off method at lower heights
- **OFFERED WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT 6:30 PM (class to assist with tear down)**
  - **(Instructors: Ken Kistler & Sherry Priddy)**

## **LEVEL 2.1 FOUNDATION/CONTACTS AND WEAVES**

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- Introduce basic agility skills using different obstacles/contacts at lower heights
- Focus and attention to moving on from obstacle to obstacle
- We offer both weave-o-matics, channel weaves and 2x2's.
- Contract performance with 2 on 2 off method at lower heights
- **OFFERED TUESDAY MORNINGS AT 10:30AM (Instructor: Gina Wyatt)**

## **LEVEL 3 INTRODUCTION TO AGILITY**

*Prerequisite: Level 2 AND Instructor Permission*

- Introduction to additional agility equipment
- Teams begin short sequences
- Reinforcement on attention/focus – working mostly off leash
- Continue with weave performance
- **OFFERED TUESDAY NIGHTS AT 6:30 PM (Instructors: Nita Taylor & Kim Valentine)**

## **LEVEL 4 SKILLS AND HANDLING**

*Prerequisite: Level 3 AND Instructor Permission*

- Continued work on basic handling skills
- Improving contact performance
- Longer sequences – introducing different crosses and side changes
- Continue to improve weave performance
- **OFFERED TUESDAY MORNINGS AT 10:30 AM (Instructor: Joann Jozwiak)**
- **OFFERED TUESDAY NIGHTS AT 7:45 PM (Instructors: Ron Mullins & Fiona Wildman)**

## **LEVEL 5 PRE-NOVICE**

*Prerequisite: Level 4 AND Instructor Permission. Must be able to weave 6 straight poles*

- Teams will continue to build on improving contact and weave performance
- Sequences requiring more advanced handling skills
- All work off leash
- **OFFERED WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT 6:30 PM (Instructors: Kathy Roberts & Terri Hendrix)**

## **LEVEL 5/6 COMBINATION SKILLS AND HANDLING**

*Prerequisite: Level 4 AND Instructor Permission. Must be able to weave 6 straight poles*

- Teams will continue to build on improving contact and weave performance
- Sequences requiring more advanced handling skills
- All work off leash
- **OFFERED WEDNESDAY MORNING AT 11:00 AM (Instructor: Rita Drewry)**

## **LEVEL 6 NOVICE**

*Prerequisite: Level 5 AND Instructor Permission.*

- This class is split, half the ring will work on jumping & weave sequences and the other half ring will work on contacts and more challenging handling sequences
- Sequences become more advanced with distance work and good understanding of side changes
- 2 of the 7 weeks will be a full ring with competition level courses
- **OFFERED MONDAY NIGHTS AT 7:45 PM (Instructors: Rita Drewry & Mina Knox)**

## **LEVEL 7 OPEN/EXCELLENT**

*Prerequisite: Level 6 or competing at this level*

- This class is split, half the ring will work on handling and weave entries and the other half ring will work on contacts and more challenging handling sequences
- Understanding course analysis – the best pathway for your dog
- Continue to work on advancing skills needed for competition in Open/Excellent
- **OFFERED MONDAY NIGHTS AT 5:00 PM (Instructor: Rich Studer)**
- **OFFERED MONDAY NIGHTS AT 6:30 PM (Instructors: Jennifer Scott & Ron Siwecki)**
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## **LEVEL 8 ADVANCED HANDLING SKILLS**

*Prerequisite: Competing at Open or Excellent level or by Instructor Permission*

- Introduce higher level skills such as backsides, serpentines, treadles, discriminations, and challenging weave entries
- Shorter sequences with occasional full course set up:
- **OFFERED MONDAY AFTERNOONS AT 1:30 PM (Instructor: Rita Drewry)**
- **OFFERED WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT 7:45 PM (class to assist with set up and tear down)  
(Instructors: Sandy Kistler & MaryBeth Steinke)**

## **LEVEL 9 MASTER COMPETITION CLASS IS 1.5 HOURS**

*Prerequisite: Competing in Master level or instructor permission*

- Will be running full courses, identify and address troubled areas.
- **OFFERED THURSDAY NIGHTS AT 6:00 PM (Class to assist with set up)**
- **OFFERED THURSDAY NIGHTS AT 7:45 PM**
  - **(Instructor: Ron Seiter)**

## **LEVEL 9.1 COMMUNICATION/HANDLING**

*Prerequisite: Must have independent contacts and completing 12 weaves consistently or instructor permission*

- Handling sequences for distant work
- Dog focus handler vs. obstacle
- Overhandling issues
- Best methods of reward
- **OFFERED WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS AT 2:00 PM (Instructor: Lori Woodruff)**

## **FUN AND EXERCISE CLASS**

*Prerequisite: Must complete Level 1, 2 and 3 agility classes and work off leash*

- No formal training/instruction provided unless it is for safety issues
- This class is NOT intended for handlers/dogs who plan on competing in agility
- Perfect for those wishing to play with their dogs without the stress of competition
- Courses will be short sequences that include tunnels, jumps set low, 6 weaves and lowered contacts
- **OFFERED TUESDAY NIGHTS AT 7:45 PM (Instructor: Lucy Hayes)**

## **WEAVE CLASS**

*Prerequisite: Instructor recommendation*

- Must be referred by instructor
- Build confidence on 12 weaves poles
- **OFFERED TUESDAY AFTERNOONS AT 1:30 PM (Instructor: Libby Gorman)**

## **TEETER & WEAVE CLASS**

*Prerequisite: Instructor recommendation*

- Must be referred by Level 2 or 3 instructor
- Continue to learn how to perform weave poles
- Different techniques to complete teeter training
- **OFFERED THURSDAY NIGHTS AT 6:30 PM (Instructor: Sherry Priddy, Ron Mullins)**