



ANDREA DEXTER AGILITY SEMINARS

March 16-17, 2019

Farpoints Farm Arena

Each 4 hour seminar is limited to 5 working teams. We've found this format to be a very effective use of Andrea's talents. Fee for each seminar is \$160, enroll in two or more and fees will be \$150 each.

Seminar #1 - Saturday, March 16, 8 am – 12pm "Small Dog Invitational"

The purpose of this seminar is to set courses that challenge handlers to be super precise with their handling of small dogs. Expect full-size obstacles but pint-size spacing (12 -18 feet). Workshop is restricted to dogs jumping 12" or under. The effect of the tighter spacing will be to keep your small dog engaged and on task which helps with a variety of skills from attention and focus to switching between obstacle and handler focus to extension and collection and discrimination skills. For the handler, the effect will be to put pressure on your communication, timing, footwork and will be a very good checkpoint of what you do well and what typical spacing is enabling you to get away with. Suitable for dogs competing at any level.

Seminar #2 - Saturday, March 16, 1pm – 5 pm "Turning the Dog Away" and "Top 20 Jump Behaviors-Building"

Turning Away will look specifically at the training and handling involved in turning the dog away from you by setting up typical challenges. Topics such as the use of verbal directionals, affecting the jump trajectory, use of real estate, changing the dog's lead leg, using rear crosses to generate distance, redirecting the dog and using serpentine handling will be covered.

Top 20 will look at the most valuable jump behaviors Andrea has run into. This is very technical stuff. Back sides into serpentine. Blind cross into back sides. You get the idea. The seminar follows a cheat sheet that will leave you with homework suitable for small spaces where these skills are best built and practiced in preparation for short sequences.



Seminar #3 - Sunday, March 17, 8am – 12pm "Advanced Handling System Tests"

Priority will be given to small dog teams enrolled in the Saturday seminar.

Regardless of what handling system you use, your dog will need to be able to distinguish your instructions with respect to here/there, this/that and now/never. This seminar is designed to methodically check whether your signals are clear to your dog and if there are issues with how you communicate, this will help you decide if it is a handling system issue or a training issue or both and what you can do to resolve it. Please let us know if you are interested in enrolling your large dog.

Seminar #4 – Sunday, March 17, 1pm-5pm "Picky, Picky, Picky" and "Top 20 Jump Behaviors-Sequencing"

Picky is for the handlers where good isn't good enough. This seminar is designed for optimization of international style handling. As such, this seminar will not be about course work, but exercises that will focus on managing striding, lead leg changes, turns, outs, serpentine applications, lead outs, threadles, acceleration/deceleration etc. where every extra .01 second counts. Working spots are open to dogs (and their handlers) who will enjoy this type of training and who aspire to build their handling and training skills to go after this.

Top 20 focuses on application of the top 20 most valuable jump behaviors and putting them in sequences. In this seminar, learn to recognize which handling options work where and why! It is easier than you think to identify the handling option that will work best for your dog.

Email Farpointsfarm@gmail.com to register or if you have questions. Your spot is not confirmed until your check is received.

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