

DOG and PUPPY GROUP CLASSES

Group classes are offered in Essex, Fairfax, St Albans, and Williston.

- Dog/Puppy Essentials: Basic Training and Social Skills—all a dog owner needs for a firm grasp of practical basics.
- Beyond Basics—for those who want to further their training (it's designed to be repeated and still offer challenge).
- Therapy Dog Academy—for those who would like to pursue, or would like additional training for, therapy dog work.

Detailed class descriptions and policies: https://www.goldstardog.com/findclass/

Note: classes are an hour long each week; for Therapy Dog Academy, the first class is 1.5 to 2 hours long.

ESSEX JUNCTION

Register: Essex Junction Recreation and Parks

https://www.essexjunction.org/departments/rec/programs/adult-recreation or 878-1375

Dog/Puppy Essentials: Basic Training and Social Skills

6-week course: \$165 (Take the course without a dog: \$65)

- -Saturdays, June 15—July 20, 9:30am AND 10:45am sessions
- -Saturdays, August 24—September 28, 9:30am AND 10:45am sessions

Beyond Basics

5-week course: \$150 (Take the course without a dog: \$65)

-Saturdays, June 15—July 13, 12:00pm

(Essex Continued)

Therapy Dog Academy

6-week course: \$185 (Take the course without a dog: \$80) (1st class is 1.5 to 2 hours long)

-Saturdays, August 24—September 28, 12:00pm

ST ALBANS

Register: St Albans Recreation http://stalbansvt.myrec.com or 524—1500

Dog/Puppy Essentials: Basic Training and Social Skills

6-week course: \$145 resident/\$176 non-resident (Take the course without a dog: \$65/\$67)

- -Tuesdays, June 4-July 9, 6pm
- -Tuesdays, July 30—September 10, 6pm (No class 8/13)

Beyond Basics

5-week course: \$135 resident/\$155 non-resident (Take the course without a dog: \$65/\$67)

- Tuesdays, July 30—September 3, 7:15pm (No class 8/13)

Therapy Dog Academy

6-week course: \$150 resident/\$195 non-resident (Take the course without a dog: \$80/\$87) (1st class is 1.5 to 2 hours long)

-Tuesdays, June 4—July 9, 7:15pm

WILLISTON

Register: Williston Recreation www.willistonrec.org or 876-1160

Dog/Puppy Essentials: Basic Training and Social Skills

6-week course: \$165 resident/\$175 non-resident (Take the course without a dog: \$65/\$75)

- Mondays, June 3—July 8, 6pm
- -Thursdays, August 1—September 12, 6pm (no class 8/15)

Beyond Basics

5-week course: \$150 resident/\$160 non-resident (Take the course without a dog: \$65/\$75)

- Mondays, June 3—July 1, 7:15pm

Therapy Dog Academy

6-week course: \$185 resident/\$195 non-resident (Take the course without a dog: \$90) (1st class is 1.5 to 2 hours long)

- Thursdays, August 1—September 12, 7:15pm (no class 8/15)



2024 CLASS & WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

(updated 5/7/24)

WORKSHOPS and **LECTURES**

We've always got exciting workshops in the works—check our schedule often or LIKE US on Facebook to find out more! We also take special requests...is there a topic you'd like us to present about? Toss us your idea, and we'll ponder it!

Woof! What is the Dog Saying?

Is a yawn always just a yawn? Why does a dog shake off even when it's not wet? Why is a growl a good thing? Is a tail wag always friendly? This is our popular, long-running dog communication and safety lecture—a multi-media extravaganza of fun where the audience also gets to test their "dog reading" skills. In an hour, we'll demystify dog communication, reveal some common dog-human misunderstandings, and explore how we can all live safely and happily together. (Shhhh ...this is for humans only...dogs must be left at home!)

We were blown away by the turn out that came to listen to her speak and by the information she so easily communicated to the crowd...and understood! Deb has a special way with words and communicating her opinion on dog behavior to people. I found myself walking away with more knowledge and understanding than I had with so many past seminars. We will definitely be inviting her back to share more of her knowledge with our community!

—Humane Society of Chittenden County

2024 Lecture Schedule

Would you like to host a Woof lecture? We also offer this lecture for schools, universities/colleges, shelter staff, and a wide variety of other organizations Email Deb@goldstardog.com

January 27, 11:00am-12:30pm (Richmond)

Sponsored by: Richmond Free Library

Location: 201 Bridge St, Richmond, VT 05477

Cost: FREE

Registration: Not required

February 29, 6pm-7:30pm (Fairfield)

Sponsored by: Bent Northrup Library

Location: 164 Park Street, Fairfield, VT 05455

Cost: FREE

Registration: Please email bnmlibrarian@gmail.com or call 802-

827-3945 to ensure enough seating

Our hope by having Deb come and speak to us was that we would all gain a better understanding of what our canine customers are experiencing when they shop with us and how to better asses their body language. Deb exceeded our expectations! We were blown away with the amount of information Deb was able to deliver in just an hour and a half. Deb did a wonderful job of relating to her audience--getting us engaged and keeping us engaged. Not only is Deb a wealth of information, she is a phenomenal presenter--one of the best we've had. — Pet Food Warehouse





2024 CLASS & WORKSHOP

April 10, 1:30 (St Michael's College)

Private class for St Michael's students

April 11, 6pm-7:30pm (Charlotte)

Sponsored by: Charlotte Library

Location: 115 Ferry Rd, Charlotte, VT 05445

Cost: FREE

Registration: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/dog-communication-tickets-803994367797

April 27, 3:30pm-5pm (East Corinth)

Sponsored by: Blake Memorial Library

Location: 676 Village Rd, East Corinth, VT 05040

Cost: FREE

Registration: RSVP appreciated but not required - to khotellingbml@gmail.com

May 9, 6pm-7:30pm (Milton)

Sponsored by: Milton Public Library

Location: 39 Bombardier Road Milton, VT 05468

Cost: FREE

Registration: Required-call 802 893-4644

May 18, 11am-12:30 (Woodbury)

Sponsored by: Woodbury Community Library

Location: 69 Valley Lake Road, Woodbury, VT 05681

Cost: FREE

Registration: RSVP appreciated but not required - (802) 472-5710

May 23, 6pm-7:30pm (St Albans)

Sponsored by: St Albans Free Library

Location: 11 Maiden Ln, Saint Albans, VT 0547



Cost: FREE

Registration: RSVP appreciated but not required - (802) 524-1507

July 22, 6pm-7:30pm (Hy)de Park

Sponsored by: Lanpher Library

Location: 141 Main Street, Hyde Park, VT 05655

Cost: FREE

Registration: None required

We're always adding new dates—check back!