



Deb Jones, Ph.D Seminar

Sept 14-15, 2019

Saturday: ZEN LOGIC: Making Sense of Self-Control

This day will be devoted to exploring the concept of control and how it applies to living with and training our dogs. How do we gain and maintain control yet still allow our dogs freedom and choice without undue pressure or coercion? How can we help our dogs understand that waiting for permission to get or take what they want is the better choice than just grabbing it? Deb will talk about the concept of control and using a positive reinforcement-based approach to teach it. We will introduce and practice a variety of control exercises using either food or toys (depending on your dog). All exercises are built around the zen concept that "to get what you want you must give up what you want". However, we are careful to avoid conflict and frustration throughout the process. These exercises are important for dogs of all ages, types, and personalities.

Sunday: Let's Get FOCUSED!

Get Focused! is one of Deb's most popular courses at Fenzi Dog Sports Academy. Everyone wants focus, but do you really understand what it is and how to get it? It's more complicated than most people think! It's a struggle to train a dog who does not have focus. You are often fighting with competing environmental distractions. If your dog is unfocused, we will work to identify the reasons why your dog is not engaged with you. Unfocused dogs may suffer from a lack of clarity, a lack of enthusiasm, a lack of control, a lack of confidence, a lack of foundation work, or some combination of those variables.

Come join us in learning why dogs do not have focus, and to tailor a plan for each individual team to develop an engaged and focused dog. Deb will present and lead you through a series of simple, yet highly effective, focus exercises throughout the day. All dogs at all levels of training can benefit from dedicated focus work.

***Working spot participants must fill out this
pre-registration questionnaire.***

12 working spots open for each day and plenty of room for auditors. Contact Rick Pisani @ luv2heel@me.com with any questions.

The hours will be 9-4 with a lunch break. Lunch will not be provided but there will be morning snacks and coffee.

Working spots cost \$190/day, or \$340 for both days.
Cost for auditors is \$75/day. Auditors can register [here](#).

Workshops at PCOTC (rear/ground floor)
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Deb Jones is a psychologist who specializes in learning theory and social behavior. She has taught a variety of psychology courses at Kent State University for the past 20 years. Deb is also an instructor with the Fenzi Academy and co-author of the series of four books "Dog Sport Skills" with Denise Fenzi.

In addition to teaching, Deb has been training dogs for performance events for the past 25 years and was an early innovator in the use of clicker training techniques in dog training. She has owned and worked with a variety of breeds and has earned top-level titles in agility (MACH), rally (RAE), and obedience (UD) competitions.

She has also successfully worked with thousands of students with a wide variety of breeds, issues, and goals.

Over the years Deb has written a number of books and helped to produce a series of videotapes called Clicker Fun back in the late 90s, and more recently a series of DVDs for Clean Run Productions.

Her books include:

Clicker Fun

Focus

Puppy Focus

The Dog Sport Skills series (written with Denise Fenzi)

She is currently finishing a book on Cooperative Care. Learn more about her here: <https://k9infofocus.com/>