

# **Grace Heck Agility Seminars**

Saturday - Sunday, Dec. 14 - 15, 2019



# Saturday Dec 14, 9 – 12:30 PM – Weaves: Love 'em & Leave 'em

Weaves are one of the most complex behavior chains we train in agility, and for many dogs they become a source of confusion, frustration, and demotivation. This seminar focuses on fun games to bring back your dog's love for weaves, or to start a new dog off on the right foot. We'll learn games to magnetize dogs to the poles, help them find entries at speed, and learn how to continue weave pole performance independently. Appropriate for teams just learning to weave or looking to improve their weave pole skills. Dogs must have completed Agility Foundation Essentials or equivalent.

## Saturday Dec 14, 1:30 - 5 PM - Agility FUNdamentals!

Start your agility career off on the right foot! Whether you have a new puppy, or want to try out agility with your older dog, in this seminar you'll learn the foundational concepts of agility. We'll play fun games that teach our dogs to seek out and find obstacles, and respond to handler motion. Most importantly, you'll learn how to communicate with your dog in a way they already understand! Seminar is open to any team that has completed Family Manners Foundation, AKC Star Puppy, or similar.

#### Sunday Dec 15, 9 AM – 5 PM – Say It Again

Verbals can help support your handling, providing clearer communication between you and your dog, especially when you can't quite get to the right place at the right time. This seminar is great for folks who are already using verbals and are looking to clean up their dog's understanding, as well as those who don't have any verbals at all. We will walk you through some of the most commonly used verbals, and how to train them. Throughout the day we'll put our words into action on International Style courses. Dogs should be sequencing 6 – 8 obstacles; jumps, tunnels, and weave poles will be used.

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Max. 8 working spots per group, \$175 full day, \$90 half day. Seminar will be indoors, climate controlled, on mats.

Sunday will run 9 - 5pm with a lunch break.

Questions? Contact registration@pcotc.org

Grace Heck aspires to help each team reach their fullest potential through a focus on solid foundational skills, understanding each dog's motivators, and an eye for precision and clarity in dog - human interactions. To accomplish this, she uses positive reinforcement based methods, and detailed explanations of the "why" behind each training scenario. Grace is currently competing at the Masters level in multiple venues with her Mixed Breed Riley, and recently returned from International competitions at the Fionia Cup in Denmark with her Border Collie Fin. She is also training foundations with her youngest Border Collie puppy, Rue.

Recent accomplishments include:

- 2019 NE Regionals 3rd Place Performance Grand Prix Finals
- 2019 Fionia Cup (Denmark) Competitor
- 2019 UKI NE Cup 2nd Place Speedstakes Overall
- 2018 US Open
- 3rd Place Last Chance Masters Overall
- 7th Place Biathlon Overall
- 7th Place Power and Speed
- 2018 New England Regionals 3rd Place Triathlon
- 2018 Mid-Atlantic Regional
- 3rd Place Performance
   Masters Challenge Jumpers
- 5th Place Performance Speed Jumping

Seminars will be held at PCOTC

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