# PAPILLONIA DOG TRAINING ACADEMY PROUDLY PRESENTS PETRA FORD

# SATURDAY, AUGUST 5 AND SUNDAY, AUGUST 6, 2017

Petra Ford, co-owner of Aqua Dog Rehabilitation, graduated from UMDNI School of Health Related Professions over 20 years ago with a degree in physical therapy. She attended the Canine Rehabilitation Institute in 2007 and is a certified Canine Rehabilitation Therapist. Petra built a systematic approach to dog training based on techniques used in the world of elite human athletes. She has trained/trialed her Labrador Retrievers in obedience, agility, field and nosework. Her black Labrador Retriever, Tyler, has the distinction of being the 2008 and 2009 National Obedience Champion and First Runner-Up in 2010. In 2012, Petra and Tyler became the first American team to win the **Obedience World Cup at Crufts** (placed 2nd in 2010). Petra's dogs have earned field titles (MH, QAA). She has written for Clean Run, Whole Dog Journal and Front & Finish. Currently she is competing at the Master's Level in agility with Zaidan and Zeal has earned his OTCH. Petra: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AsJQt7Zm5gI

# Saturday, August 5 - Create a Powerful Mind for Peak Performance

Practical strategies to implement immediately and create a difference in 5-10 minutes a day.

- Goal setting for success
- Identify problems as challenges/opportunities. There is no "failure"!
- \* Power of visualization
- Mental management muscle, the more you train it the stronger it gets!
- The myth behind ring nerves
- ❖ Embracing ring nerves and using it to your advantage
- \* Comfort zone – it's called that for a reason!
- \* Identifying and conquering negative self-talk
- Habits: Harnessing their power
- \* Strategies PROVEN to reduce stress
- \* Responsibility is Empowering

- **Gratitude and Smiling**
- Breathe, breathe, breathe
- Key words, mantras, affirmations
- \* Small changes yield large results
- Taking Control: Internal vs. External
- Demystifying "clutch", "cool", "unbeatable"
- Clear criteria
- \* Proper planning and preparation
- Connection to anchor both you and your dog
- Optimize your dog's success: training & trial picture
- \* Handler body awareness and how it impacts our dogs
- The Power of Quiet

## Sunday, August 6 - Getting the Same Dog in the ring as in Training

We all know the feeling. Our dog is brilliant in training, wonderful at a match. Warms-up beautifully and then, as soon as we enter the ring, we have a completely different dog! Learn Petra's formula for overcoming this problem.

#### **Training**

- Clear Picture and criteria
- Handler awareness & attention
- ❖ Right the FIRST time

#### **Effective Warm-up**

Develop a routine

#### Engagement = relationship

- Connection = emotional anchor
- Disconnect 4 second rule at setup

- Transitions
- Dealing with Distractions

## Handler must present same picture in training as in ring

Quiet & Physically the same

## **Managing Drive State**

Too high/too low

In training

Outside the ring and in the ring

#### Applied to

- Fronts & Finishes
- Heeling

- Setups
- Transitions

- Ring entrance
- Engagement out & in the ring

# In the Ring

Handler body

Handler voice

Handler same as in training

# Papillonia Dog Training Academy Presents Petra Ford August 5-6, 2017

# Two Days, Two Subjects @ One Location 1127 Felton Road Red Lion, PA papillonia.com

Students have the option to attend one or two days

No refunds after July 6, 2017

Lunch will be served both days

Registration will be acknowledged by email

For hotel block information, contact Rebecca Elliott

Sunday is limited to 20 working teams and unlimited auditors

A working wait list will be maintained once the 20 working spots fill

For questions and concerns, contact Rebecca A. Elliott (Rae) at <a href="mailto:dogsrfun4rae@gmail.com">dogsrfun4rae@gmail.com</a> or 301-693-2432

Event Location: Papillonia Dog Training Academy, 1127 Felton Road Red Lion, PA

Make checks payable to PDTA

Mail your registration and check to Rebecca Elliott 329 Greenwood Rd Spring Grove, PA 17362

Phone:

Name:

Email:
Mailing Address:
Dog's Name with All Titles:
Breed/Dog's Age:
Current Level of Training (Circle One): Novice Open Utility
Highest obedience title you would like to obtain: Novice Open Utility UDX OTCH
•What is your goal for scores? Please circle one: Qualify! 190-197 197+
What obedience exercises/skills are you most eager to hear more detail about?
Registration/Fees (Lunch is included both days)
Saturday Only: \$120 (not attending Sunday)  Saturday seminar is theory/instructional based; there are no working teams
Sunday ONLY Auditing: \$120 (not attending Saturday)Sunday ONLY Working: \$ 175 (not attending Saturday)
Saturday and Sunday Working: \$275 (attending Saturday and as a working student on Sunday)