

AGILITY SEMINAR APPLICATION
DPCA National Specialty Agility Seminar
Obstacle Fundamentals and Advanced Handling Skills

with

Donna Rohaus

Wednesday, Oct 15, 2008 at Domer Livestock Arena

(Please TYPE or PRINT all information)

Name : _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State/Province: _____ Country/Zip _____

Phone: (_____) _____ Fax: (_____) _____

E-mail address: _____ @ _____

Name of Dog(s): _____

Titles/Level of Training: _____

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| <input type="radio"/> <u>FULL</u> Working Spot(s) | \$120.00 each | \$ <u>ALL FULL</u> |
| <input type="radio"/> _____ Audit Sport(s) | \$ 60.00 each | \$ _____ |
| | Total Due | \$ _____ |

Morning will be devoted to obstacle fundamentals including the contacts, weave poles, and table- speed and accuracy. After lunch, the focus will shift to handling skills including lines, change of sides, and cueing your dog. Motivation for the stressed dog will also be included.

Agreement:

I hereby assume the sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify and hold the DPCA, its Board of Directors, the Kansas Expo Center, Topeka, and Donna Rohaus harmless from any and all losses and expenses resulting from, or arising out of, or in consequence of my participation in this program.

Signature (must be signed by adult): _____ **Date:** _____

Seminar to be held in conjunction with the Doberman Pinscher Club of America 2008 National Specialty, Kansas Expo Center, Domer Livestock Arena, Topeka, KS.

Payment in **FULL** must be made at time of registration. Make check or money order payable to: **DPCA. Payment must be made in US Funds and drawn on a US bank. Mail to: Carol Moore, 1632 County Rd. 156, Ashley, Ohio 43003.** *There will be a \$25.00 service charge for any check not honored by the bank.* Deadline for Agility Seminar reservations and full payment is September 15, 2008.

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Donna Rohaus

2004 IFCS World Team Member

Since 1998, Donna Rohaus has been a successful USDAA competitor running her Border Collies Cap and Katie, and her new boys, Mickey Mac and Keegan.

Donna has been an agility trainer in Southwestern Pennsylvania for over eight years. She currently teaches group classes and individual lessons in the Pittsburgh area and conducts seminars all along the East Coast, including teaching at Chris Parker's Speedoggie Camp in Maryland.

Donna specializes in teaching handling fundamentals and thorough sequence analysis. She emphasizes the fundamentals of agility- understanding what we are cueing our dog to do, from simple crosses to understanding how to use our motion to cue our dogs; the foundation needed in order to successfully move on to advanced skills. Donna will also help you build good solid obstacle performance and teach you how to analyze sequences.

After observation, Donna will help you handle sequences the best way for you and your dog. Her goal is to encourage handlers to perform each sequence as efficiently as possible through giving clearer information to their dogs. Donna wants each handler to go away with a better understanding of their system of cues and more importantly, an understanding of how their dog interprets their cues.

While Donna concentrates primarily on USDAA agility, she competes in NADAC and AKC as well. Her dogs have earned the top titles in USDAA agility and routinely place in the highly competitive USDAA Top Ten rankings, both on an annual and a lifetime basis. Cap and Katie both have achieved the highest USDAA award, the Platinum Lifetime Achievement Award.

Cap and Donna's most memorable accomplishments are two silver medals at the IFCS World Agility Championships, held in Valencia, Spain in May 2004. She and Cap placed 2nd in the Biathlon, a combined score of Jumpers (placing 1st), and Standard (placing 5th); and a 2nd in the individual Jumpers. Cap and Donna also competed in the 2004 and 2005 ESPN Great Outdoor Games, placing fifth both years.

Donna also qualified for the USDAA Grand Prix and Steeplechase finals several times, with Cap, Katie and Mick. In the 2006 finals, both Mick and Cap earned spots in both the Grand Prix and Steeplechase Championship (Mick) and Performance (Cap) finals. In 2007, for the third time in three years, Mick again made it to the Grand Prix finals.

Qualifying in the highly competitive 22" championship class in both the Steeplechase and Grand Prix finals in 2006, and again in 2007, was particularly meaningful for Donna because Mick had a near career-ending shoulder injury in 2005. He spent the better part of a year recovering from surgery and doing extensive rehab. Mick's situation reinforced the true spirit of agility to Donna: Above all else, have fun with your dog.

