

John Rogerson Courses for 2011

Courses Covering Every Aspect of Canine Behaviour and Training

In conjunction with Dogs Trust Darlington, John Rogerson is able to offer a few sought after courses on dog behaviour and training. The Dogs Trust offer unique facilities in which to learn more about dog behaviour problems and training.

UK Courses - The Dogs Trust Darlington is an ideal location and provides a perfect environment in which to learn. The Dogs Trust Darlington is also easily accessible by air - Durham Tees Valley airport, or train to Darlington Station. **Please use the UK Booking Form attached at the end of this document (pg 6) to book courses with orange headlines.**

Privately organised courses are also listed. These are courses that are offered by a person who wishes to host John at a venue of their choice in various locations around the world where you can attend if you wish. To book on these courses please contact the organiser listed for course details, cost and booking information. **To book on courses with blue headlines, please contact the organiser listed for course details, cost and booking information.**

Whatever your involvement with dogs there is a course to suit your needs, from puppies to problem dogs, from training to teaching but places are strictly limited so early booking is advised to avoid the disappointment of having to wait another year for this unique opportunity to learn.

Which course is for me? All courses are designed as stand alone which means that you can take them in any order you wish although it would be preferable to do at least one other course prior to taking the aggression course. Read through this information and find the course that best suits your needs and simply fill in the Booking Form for UK Courses, sending it off with the correct deposit and a place will be reserved on the course of your choice on a first come first served basis. For USA courses, please contact the organiser listed for course details, cost, and booking information.

What can I expect to gain from the course? In addition to a rare insight into the canine mind you should also expect to gain complete, up to the minute knowledge on both training techniques and behaviour therapy, which is vital for people either engaged in, or contemplating entering, the field of applied canine behaviour and training. All courses are designed to give an extensive and in-depth understanding of the subject matter and allow a limited number of students in order to give maximum time to individual needs. All students receive a certificate of attendance on the satisfactory completion of the course. The learning atmosphere is very relaxed and informal and ample time will be available to observe dogs within the facility of the rescue centres.

Because of the popularity of these courses, preference will be given to students already employed or those seeking a career within the field of dog behaviour and training. Overseas students are particularly welcome.

Cancellation Policy

Due to the popularity of these courses, they very quickly get fully booked. In that case, we put people who couldn't get on the course on a waiting list. If you have to cancel for any reason PLEASE contact us a.s.a.p at:

rogerson.judy@gmail.com

Deposits are strictly non-refundable, but in the event of cancellation can be transferred to another course during that year.

Cancellation policy:

- **Cancelled 30 days from 1st day of course beginning, no fee**
- **Cancelling within 29 days of course beginning you will be invoiced for half of the course fee unless we can fill the place with someone on the waiting list.**
- **No show-full fee payable**

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<http://www.johnrogerson.com/diary.html>

Dog Behaviour Foundation Course: 5 Day Course

The emphasis is on dog behaviour in this course, designed to give a sound understanding of how and why dogs do what they do; dog behaviour problems and their treatment. This is essentially a theory only course which acts as a foundation for anyone contemplating a career in Canine Behaviour therapy and training. This is the perfect accompaniment to the practical courses available with John.

This course, which covers module 'A' of the Kennel Club Scheme, aims to ensure a broad base to enhance knowledge of dogs, show understanding of human and canine psychology, show recognition of limitations of professional advice, show appreciation of constructive team work in the best interest of the dog, and promote responsible dog ownership.

Subjects covered are:

- Organisations Within The Dog World
- Legal Responsibilities
- Living With Dogs
- Dog Behaviour/How A Dog Learns
- Behaviour Problems
- Training The Owner

No dates available for 2011

Canine Aggression Course

Canine Aggression is a course that picks up where other courses stop. John talks about dog to dog aggression, dog to people aggression, the causes, effects and solutions. This is not a course for beginners as the problems of aggression are covered in some depth. A good background in practical handling and training would be helpful prior to attending this course. Although designed as a stand alone course, it is ideally suited to those students who have experience in training and handling difficult dogs.

Dates for Canine Aggression Course:

At Blackpool, England

July 28th – 31st, 2011; 4 day duration 9.00 am-4.00 pm

To register contact Gail Baker at gbaker@nstgroup.co.uk

Dates for Canine Aggression Course:

At Andover, England

December 1st - 4th, 2011; 4 day duration 9.00 am-4.00 pm

To register contact Pauline Wise at pauline@wiseowl.wanadoo.co.uk

Canine Welfare & Rehabilitation: 2 or 4 Day Course

This is an in depth course that is of particular interest to anyone involved in rescue work. This course has been run as an in house teaching course by most of the leading animal charities and covers dog behaviour as applicable to adoption centres. It gives a fascinating insight into applied canine behaviour as it handles some of the issues facing rescue centres. Due to legal reasons it is becoming increasingly necessary for staff to temperament test dogs prior to homing. Most of the temperament tests used in this country and now adopted by UFAW (Universities Federation for Animal Welfare) were pioneered by John Rogerson, so who better to teach you these techniques. The course focuses on rehabilitation of problem dogs and will involve hands on work with dogs (as time permits) on the course. When applying for a place on the course preference will be given to those students employed in an animal charity on a full or part time basis.

Dates for the Welfare & Rehabilitation Course:

At Lakewood, Colorado USA

October 8th-9th, 2011; 2 days duration 9.00-4.00 pm

To register contact Dana Zinn at dana@zinndogtraining.com

Training, Instructing and Handling: 5 Day Course

This course, covering a module of the Kennel Club Scheme, aims to show appreciation of the complexities involved in teaching, widen experience, understanding and knowledge, increase range of teaching methods and learning styles, show understanding of the many aspects common across areas and encourage self assessment, reflection and improvement.

This is a course that is essential for anyone who is either instructing or about to begin instructing in training classes. It is also essential for anyone engaged in Canine Behaviour Therapy and currently going through the Kennel Club Accreditation scheme. The course correctly examines all of the issues involved in the modern reward based training systems, so misunderstood and abused by many instructors practicing today. Both learning theory and practical applications are taught to students who will be working with rescue dogs during the course. There will be an opportunity to experience how dogs are judged in a competition. You will also put the rescue dog that you will be working with on this course through the KC Good Citizen scheme.

Dates for Teaching, Instructing and Handling:

At Dogs Trust Darlington

July 13th -17th, 2011; 5 days duration 9.00 am-3.30 pm

Please review our cancellation policy on page 1!

Deposits should be sent and made payable to:

J. ROGERSON

Northern Centre for Canine Behaviour

East Howle, Ferryhill, Durham DL17 8SA

Telephone: 01740 653572 between 11.00am and 6.00pm weekdays

Cheques for course fee balance should be made payable to John Rogerson

Course fees include tea and biscuits during the morning, and afternoon. Lunch is not included in the course fee but may be obtained either at local pubs or you may bring a packed lunch with you. Accommodation can be obtained locally and a full list can be found on your letter of confirmation when you reserve a place.

Training, Instructing and Handling Course

Fee: £295 (£20 deposit + £275 balance on arrival)

To register for this course, please fill out and return the course booking form on page 7.

Puppy Development: 2 or 4 Day Course

Puppy Development is a course that should be of interest to anyone studying the subject of applied canine behaviour as it looks at how puppies develop into young adults. It covers all of the developmental stages and also includes: Nature vs. Nurture; Environmental influences; The behaviour of the mother; Allevomimetic behaviour; Innate and learned behaviour; Significant traumatic experiences and Premature conceptual learning. Puppy training and socialisation are also covered in depth. There may be an opportunity to work with puppies on the final day of the course.

Dates for the Puppy Development Course:

At Lakewood, Colorado USA

October 6th-7th, 2011; 2 days duration 9.00-4.00 pm

To register contact Dana Zinn at dana@zinndogtraining.com

Professional Dog Behaviour Counselling: 7 Day Course

This course uses shelter or 'volunteer' dogs for the practical training sessions. For the first five days the dogs are trained for the British version for the Good Citizen silver and gold test and will be put through a mock test on the fifth day of the course. There are also many sessions on behaviour problem solving and participants will be required to work in small groups for the many interactive sessions. Day six and seven are spent training dogs for more specialised tasks which will largely exploit each dogs natural abilities. The practical sessions are complimented with lectures on the theory of learning and different approaches to solving many behaviour problems. In short, you get the best bits of the Puppy Development course, Behaviour Foundation course, Aggression course and Welfare course plus all of the practical training. Students on this course are also given projects for the evenings! It would be helpful prior to attending this course to attend the Teaching, Instructing and Handling course.

No dates available for 2011

Canine Crime Scene Investigation: 4 Day Course

Canine Crime Scene Investigation: This is a course where the first two days are spent training you and your dog to become a super sleuth. The two training days consist of team building exercises, relationship building exercises, tracking, arson detection, explosive detection (we don't use real explosives!), drug detection (we don't use real drugs either), fire arms detection, and almost every exercise connected to controlling and having lots of fun with your dog. For the final two days you'll be working in a team of dogs and handlers and attempting to solve a heinous crime using your canine detective and your powers of observation and problem solving skills to solve the case.

****Please Note**** This course is not intended for law enforcement officers as it is a fun mystery course designed to create new ideas for running dog training classes where there's a real purpose and end result to the training.

For this course you bring your own dog, leash, food treats, and lots of toys and enthusiasm. No prior training is required, but as your dog will be expected to be socialable around other dogs and team members, no aggression problems please.

Dates for the Canine Crime Scene Investigation Course:

At East Sussex, England

May 12th-15th, 2011; 4 days duration **9.30-4.00 pm**

To register contact Alison Burgess at aliburgess@wheelgates.info

Working Trials: 4 Day Course

Covering all aspects of Working Trials including every exercise from CD to TD

Dates for Working Trials Course:

At St. Joseph, Illinois USA

September 29th-October 2nd, 2011; 4 days duration **9.30 am-4.00 pm**

To register contact Lisa McCluskey at moongazer@moongazer.com

Tracking, Trailing, and Searching: 2 or 4 Day Course

- **Tracking** to recover lost property - Police & Working Trials style, (getting started, teaching a dog to track a person, recover lost or hidden items, track laying, line handling, age of tracks etc)
- **Trailing** - Search & Rescue to find a missing person (straight line starter tracks, pursuit tracking, night tracking etc),
- **Searching** - Find a missing person, criminal, lost child etc (teaching an indication, barking, passive indications, commuting, quartering etc)

Handlers and dogs must be physically fit. Dogs must be over 6 months of age, be fine around people they do not know and have no aggression problems please.

Dates for Tracking, Trailing, and Searching Course:

At Offley, Hertsfordshire, England

March 17th -20th, 2011; 4 day duration **9.30 am-4.00 pm**

To register contact Alison Milner at alisonmilner@btinternet.com

At Diksmuide, Belgium

April 29th- May 2nd, 2011; 4 days duration **9.30 am-4.00 pm**

To register contact Redgy Vergracht at kwispelhof@pandora.be

At East Sussex, England

August 25th-28th, 2011; 4 days duration **9.30 am-4.00 pm**

To register, contact Alison Burgess at aliburgess@wheelgates.info

At Vancouver, Washington USA

October 20th-21st, 2011; 2 days duration **9.30 am-4.00 pm**

To register, contact Joan Armstrong at joana@zoiedog.com

Dog Training and Behaviour Problem Solving: 10 Day Course

This course is ten days and covers the same subjects as John's 21 day course, but is an abbreviated version (without the behaviour modelling section), just right for those that cannot extend their time off work!

This course is limited to 16 students. You should be conversant with training procedures, have a good understanding of the various competitions that are available as well as having knowledge of the UK Kennel Club Good Citizen Test or the American KC Good Citizen Test (CGC).

The first phase of the course looks at basic training both in theory and in practice. You will be working with dogs from the Dogs Trust or selected "client" dogs. You will not work with any dog with which you have had even a passing relationship (i.e. bringing someone else's dog to the workshop). On this phase of the course, we will look at approaching many problems from a training perspective. How can you have a dog that is dog or people aggressive when outside the house, if it is trained to sit when told, walk correctly on the lead and come when called? Because we will be working with the more difficult dogs (i.e. not your own), it will allow you to develop better personal handling, training and communication skills. John believes that if YOU cannot handle a dog and get it to behave in a particular way, it will be impossible to teach the OWNER to carry out any behaviour modification procedures.

There will also be lectures to supplement the practical sessions and some self study in the evenings. You will work in small groups of four to discuss various related topics and then have the opportunity to put your theories into practice.

Phase Two of the course begins to focus on behaviour problems and we will look at diagnosing and modifying bad behaviour. You will be shown how to train dogs for very specific and specialised tasks, some of which will take place outside in public. You will again be working with problem 'dogs' some of which will involve handling and attempting to modify aggressive behaviour. To supplement the practical and theoretical sections, there will also be a great deal of self study and written tests. These tests will help to identify your areas of weakness so you can work on these weaknesses during the final phase of the course.

You will be assigned a dog. Over the 10 days, your dog assignment will change one or more times. You are responsible for walking and caring for your assigned dog so it is probably best if you do not plan to bring your own dogs. They will get little attention.

No dates available for 2011

Ultimate Recall: 4 Day Course

- Training a reliable, automatic, non-negotiable, reality recall
- Building block and foundation training of the recall
- Relationship/influence building in recall training
- The chasing/emergency recall
- Sit and/or down on recall
- Freeze/stop on recall/running wait
- Distance/direction control
- Calling dogs off of distractions
- Out of sight recall (owner hidden)
- Obedience/competition recall (dog is called from a stationary position)
- Free running recall (dog is called while in motion)
- Type "A" recall (dog re-joins his owner in motion)

JOHN RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJUST COURSE CONTENT BASED ON THE ABILITIES OF DOGS AND HANDLERS ENROLLED ON THE COURSE.

Dates for Ultimate Recall Course:

At Andover, England

April 21st-24th, 2011; 4 day duration **9.30 am-4.00 pm**

To register contact Pauline Wise at pauline@wiseowl.wanadoo.co.uk

At Caersws, Wales

June 23rd-26th, 2011; 4 days duration **9.30 am-4.00 pm**

To register contact Gail Gwesyn-Pryce at gailconcenn@btinternet.com

Additional Courses:

Course to be decided

At East Lothian, Scotland

September 2nd-5th, 2011; 4 day duration **9.30 am-4.00 pm**

To register contact Yvonne Walker at Yvonne@darcregan.co.uk

Course to be decided

At Temecula, California USA

October 13th-16th, 2011; 4 day duration **9.30 am-4.00 pm**

To register contact Glenn Massie at gm@habitatoutfitters.com

Fun and Games

At Vancouver, Washington USA

October 22nd-23rd, 2011; 2 days duration **9.30 am-4.00 pm**

To register, contact Joan Armstrong at joana@zoiedog.com

Course to be decided

At Jacksonville, Oregon USA

November 3rd-6th, 2011; 4 day duration **9.30 am-4.00 pm**

To register contact Cary Voorhees at cary@cooperativecanines.net

John Rogerson 2011 UK* Course Booking Form

*Use this form for courses with orange headlines only

Please reserve me a space on the: (circle one)

- Dog Behaviour Foundation Course
- Canine Aggression Course
- Canine Welfare and Rehabilitation Course
- Training, Instructing and Handling Course
- Puppy Development Course
- 7 Day Professional Dog Behaviour Counselling Course
- 10 Day Dog Training and Behaviour Problem Solving

being held at: (circle one)

- Dog's Trust, Darlington
- Dog's Trust, Harefield

Date of course commencement: _____

Participant's Name: _____

Postal Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Current involvement with dogs: (use reverse side of page if necessary)

Print this form and send with £20 deposit made payable to John Rogerson to:

**Northern Centre for Canine Behaviour
East Howle
Ferryhill
County Durham
DL17 8SA
Telephone: 01740 653572 (9 - 5, Monday - Friday)**

Cheques for course fee balance should be made payable to John Rogerson and are payable upon arrival.