

Greetings:

Here is information covering the upcoming George Hickox Training Clinic.

This is a hands-on clinic which will cover how to develop a dog that is staunch on point with style and reliability, how to train a dog to back with style, e-collar conditioning and how to incorporate the e-collar to develop a dog that exhibits solid bird manners, handles in control, and recalls reliably. We will cover how to teach a dog to whoa along with in field pointing drills. Yard training exercises will be demonstrated, and owners will be working their own dogs after George works with them. Live birds will be used throughout the course for the field work.

The clinics are designed around the level of the individual dogs. More advanced dogs will be doing advanced drills. Dogs that have not been introduced to birds or gun will be working on live birds. All owner/handlers will leave with a program designed for their individual dogs.

Day One, Friday September 29th

We will meet at 8:30 am on Friday at the Best Western Plus Hotel in Hudson, CO. A power point presentation will cover various aspects of canine behavior, how dogs learn, myths of training, reward-based training as well as avoidance training. After lunch will move to the field where dogs will be evaluated with live birds. We will be using both pigeons and quail depending on the specific issue being reviewed. Once we have information as to where the dogs' level of training and development is, we will begin field drills appropriate for the dogs' level and the owner's expectations

Day Two, Saturday September 30th

Day Three, Sunday, October 1st

We will incorporate field drills with live birds. Pigeons and quail will be used and are included in the cost of the clinic.

Pointing drills including staunchness, steady to wing and shot, proper e-collar correction, backing, field handling, will be worked on.

We will deal with problem areas such as not holding point, creeping, blinking, flagging, hard mouth or dropping birds on retrieve. All will be reviewed and discussed.

The class will be limited to 12 dogs. Audits will be limited to 20 people. Owners who are attending with one dog, signing up by August 1st, will receive the discounted price of \$895. Additional dogs per handler are \$300 each. Auditors attending without a dog, signing up by August 1st, will receive the discounted price of \$500. After August 1st the price is \$1095 for one handler with one dog and \$600 for an auditor without a dog. A \$200 non-refundable deposit will hold your reservation. Full payment is required after August 1st. You will receive an invoice through PayPal and payment may be made by credit or debit card.

If you prefer, you can pay by check payable to RMTSDC and mail it to my attention at 7954 East County Road 18, Johnstown, CO 80534. Check must be received by August 1st to receive discount.

For out-of-town travelers, the Best Western Plus is offering a discounted rate to attendees and is pet friendly. Their contact information is:

(303) 536-4401
301 Bison Highway
Hudson, CO 80642

Mention you are attending the George Hickox Training Clinic being sponsored by the Rocky Mountain Sporting Dog Club

If you would like to talk with us about attending the clinic please send an email with your name and phone number, and the best times to contact you. Send email to either:

C. J. Kausel at huntsmartpro@gmail.com or to George Hickox at k9georgehickox@gmail.com.

To learn more about George Hickox or about this class, go to georgehickox.com/message board.

Regards,

C. J. Kausel