

JUMPING CHOLLAS AGILITY CLUB PRESENTS

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acclaimed author of  
**BONES WOULD RAIN FROM THE SKY**  
**Deepening Our Relationships With Dogs**

**JUNE 13, 2008 - Friday, 5:00 - 9:00 p.m. - Your Athletic Dog.** What Your Dog's Body Can Tell You About His Abilities. How his physical structure, attribute, and limitations can affect performance.

**JUNE 14-15, 2008 - Relationship Based Training.**

**June 14, Saturday, approx. 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 a.m. - Geometry of Canine Body Language** - this is a critical skill for anyone; accurate reading of body language contributes to accurate assessments of the dog's state of mind, responses, and appropriate training solutions for the dog.

**June 14, Saturday, approx. 1:05 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Assessing Relationships: Takes Two to Tango!** Understanding how the handler and the dog both contribute to the relationship, common issues, how handler habits can support or hinder a dog, knowing what to solve with the dog, what is solely the dog's, and what is an issue of team work and understanding. **Handler Body Language & Tool Use** - practical experiments in changing handler awareness, use of body language and specific use of tools (food/rewards, clicker, leads, movement, breath, pacing, pressure, space)

**June 15, Sunday, approx. 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 - Behavior Problems: Stand in These Paws** - An understanding of the dog's perspective, motivations and needs, how innate canine behavior drives some "problems", need for respect, empathy and accurate assessment.

**June 15, Sunday, approx. 1:00 - 5:30 p.m. - Practical Bones: Foundation Exercises for Relationship Centered Training(tm)** - Practical exercises to help strengthen the relationship at a foundation level: Puppy Politeness Poker, ACI (auto check-in), Ghost Handling, Go Hunt, Follow Me, Say Hi 1-2-3.

**Much dog training, whether obedience, agility, tracking, or whatever, is premised upon the relationship between dog and handler. When that foundation is lacking, training becomes a chore, rather than an enjoyable time with your dog. Learn how to build and enhance your bond with your dog, and how that bond affects training. Whether a novice with your first dog or an experienced trainer, these seminars will give you new ways to see your dog & your relationships with dogs, as well as practical solutions for common problems. If dogs could speak, this is what they'd want you to know about training & relationships with them: there's a way to work together with light, laughter & respect.**

*Dogs are welcome at this seminar. Some of the sessions will not use demonstration dogs. Other sessions we will need demonstration dogs. For example, we will need 6 - 8 dogs for the Friday evening session and numerous dogs for the Practical Bones session on Sunday afternoon. We will select the demonstration dogs at the sessions. Please bring crates/x-pens for your dogs.*

**WHERE: Indoors at Arizona Humane Society's Campus of Care, 1521 W. Dobbins Rd., Phoenix, Arizona. There is plenty of room for crating dogs and lots of nice area for pottying your dogs.**

## **RESERVATION FORM**

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**FULL ADDRESS (including zip code):** \_\_\_\_\_

**TELEPHONE AND EMAIL (legible please):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Friday: Your Athletic Dog \_\_\_\_\_ (Cost: \$50)**

**Saturday: (Cost: \$100 for both seminars, or \$60 per seminar, including catered lunch)**

**Geometry of Canine Body Language \_\_\_\_\_**

**Assessing Relationships and Handler Body Language and Tool Use \_\_\_\_\_**

**Sunday: (Cost: \$100 for both seminars, or \$60 per seminar , includes catered lunch)**

**Behavior Problems \_\_\_\_\_**

**Practical Bones \_\_\_\_\_**

**Package rate for all seminars (Friday - Sunday) - \$230 \_\_\_\_\_**

**If you have any questions, please call Jumping Chollas at 602-439-2784, or email me at [agilek9s@qwest.net](mailto:agilek9s@qwest.net)**

**Return this application with a \$25 deposit to: Jumping Chollas Agility Club, 5830 W. Thunderbird Rd. #B-8, PMB 191, Glendale, Arizona 85306 (80% of the deposit will be refunded if you cancel prior to May 31, 2008 No refunds for late cancellation.)**