

Gamekeepers Retrievers



PRESENTS...

4 DAY FIELD WORKSHOP

for Retriever Handlers

July 5th - 8th, 2012

Gamekeepers Retrievers, 16100 Township Road 390

Frazeysburg, OH



This will be a hands-on workshop.

Limited to 12 dog/handler working teams.

Working teams will receive instructional guidance directly from
Mitch White of Gamekeepers Retrievers.

Auditors are welcome

(auditor spots are unlimited)

What to expect...

This workshop is geared towards training the individual working team. It's content will be personalized based on the needs, goals and interests of each participant and their dog. Mitch will teach you how to implement training drills, exercises and techniques so you will achieve success. A wealth of information is presented at this workshop. Even as an auditor, you will learn a great deal by watching the work and listening to each lecture/Q&A session. We will work on Basic, Transition (Senior) and Advanced training.



- Participants & Dogs -

To make the most of this workshop, your dog should have a basic desire to retrieve and have good obedience skills. Your dog should also have been exposed to marks.

The workshop is open to dogs and handlers from beginning level to Transition level through Advanced work. All levels will be addressed. The training will be individualized and will include working on sets of exercises and drills geared toward advancing your retriever.

There will also be an in depth discussion of the Gamekeepers Retrievers training program.

In order for everyone to have ample opportunity to work their dogs, we are limiting handlers to two dogs (2) per handler for the workshop. However, please note that only one dog per handler may be worked during each of the individual training segments. There will be several training segments during each day so that you and your dogs will get the most of this workshop.

Topics of training will include but not be limited to...

Basics (to include Force Fetch)
Lining & Casting
Blinds
Marking Concepts
Setting up training concepts
Advanced Drills
Introduction to Water
Water Drills/Swim By/De-Cheating



- Schedule and Format -

Thursday, July 5 - 8:30 am to approx. 5:00 pm

Friday/Saturday, July 6 - 7 - 8:30 am to approx. 5:00 pm

Sunday, July 8 - 8:30 am to approximately 3:00 pm

Check in will begin at 8:30 am on Thursday morning. At 9:00, Mitch will lead off with a discussion of what problems each handler is having with their dog; where each handler thinks their dog is at in their field training and what their goals are for the four days. Mitch will then present a short lecture on Gamekeepers methods and how these methods will apply to these situations.

Working teams will work their dogs under Mitch's guidance as directed by Mitch according to the dog's level and the topic being covered. At the end of each training exercise, Mitch will answer questions from all participants and auditors that arise about the training techniques that were being taught during the exercise. Out of respect for the working team, please hold all questions until the dog and handler have completed the exercise.

Each working team will learn training drills and techniques appropriate to their skill level. Every level of dog will be work from beginning thru advanced. The day will end with a Q & A session and short lecture.

The following days will begin at 8:30 am with a brief discussion about the previous days training and a short lecture regarding the training techniques that will be utilized in the upcoming training. The workshop will then follow the same format as Thursday.

The workshop will end at 3:00 pm on Sunday, July 8th.

ALL LEVELS WILL BE WORKED EACH DAY.

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The workshop will be held at:

Gamekeepers Retrievers, Ltd.

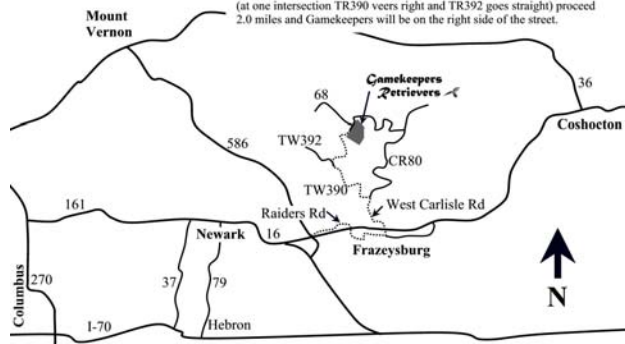
16100 Township Road 390, Frazeytsburg, OH 43822

Located approximately one hour east of Columbus



Gamekeepers Retrievers
16100 Township Road 390
Frazeytsburg OH 43822
(740) 828-2493

From Columbus take I-70 East to Rt 37 (Exit 126) North eight miles to 16 head East again past Newark (Approx 19.25 miles) . Take this to Hwy 586 (There will be sign to Frazeytsburg) turn left and then take the first right. You will be on a frontage road (Raiders Road) . Once in Frazeytsburg you will head North (Left) on "West Carlisle" (across the street from BP Amaco). Take this for approx 3 miles. You will see a "Dangerous Intersection" sign near the corner of CR80, be careful and proceed straight onto Township Rd 390 (a gravel Rd) take this for approx 1.5 miles (at one intersection TR390 veers right and TR392 goes straight) proceed 2.0 miles and Gamekeepers will be on the right side of the street.



HOTEL/CAMPING:

Check with the hotel regarding rates, dogs in the room and pet deposits that may be required.

America's Best Value Inn

1266 Hebron Road, Heath, OH

(740) 522-6112

The hotel is approximately 35 minutes from Gamekeepers. Please allow adequate travel time each day.

Woodberry Wildlife Area Primitive Camping

approximately 15 minutes away

(740) 824-3211

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

A continental breakfast of coffee, juice, fruit and pastries will be provided by Gamekeepers each day.

Due to the nature of this workshop, breaks and lunch times will vary and there is no food service near the workshop site. It is recommended that you bring a lunch and beverages to the workshop that you can eat on the run.

In addition, we will be traveling to other sites, so please be prepared with enough gasoline in your vehicle to travel. There are no gas stations close to the properties we will visit.

Gamekeepers will host a dinner for all workshop attendees on Saturday night following the workshop at Fallsburg Pizza in Frazeytsburg. Please plan to join us.

What to Bring to the Seminar:

Working Handler/Dog Teams and Auditors...

- Pad of paper, a pen, and a highlighter pen
- a clip board or something else to write on
- Clothing for any type of weather (Warm, Rain, Wind)
- Chair
- Questions

NO video cameras, please. Still pictures are allowed.



Working Teams should bring the following as well:

- Water for their dog
- Training Equipment
- Choke or Pinch collar
- Tab Lead
- Regular lead (slip lead)
- E-collar (optional)
- Whistle

Everyone bring a fun attitude and a willingness to learn new things!!

Mitch White – Head Field Trainer/Key Note Speaker:

Mitch has been training retrievers for field work since 1988 when he got his first retriever, Hershey. His program has been developed to utilize an approach that works with all breeds of retrievers. One of the main ingredients of the program is fairness to the dog. Mitch believes in putting the work into teaching the dog to create a skill set to aid the dog in making decisions. Poor decisions are corrected and good decisions are praised. Since Mitch trains many different breeds, he often has to get "outside of the box" from popular retriever training methods. Mitch also gets a lot of dogs in for "rehab" work. These are dogs that have been in other programs and have developed issues that have prevented them from going further in training. Mitch has had tremendous success turning these dogs around so they become confident workers again.

Since 2004, Mitch's clients and students have earned over 60 field titles per year, at all levels, including several Master National Qualifiers and Finalists and dogs with Field Trial placements.

Mitch's training manuals will be available for purchase at the workshop for \$35 each. These texts contain extensive material about the Gamekeepers Retrievers training program over and above that material that will be supplied in your workshop booklet.

Gamekeeper's Basic Manual (185 pages) —\$35

Gamekeeper's Transition Manual (175 pages) —\$35

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Please complete, sign and return this form and waiver along with your check made payable to Gamekeepers Retrievers, Ltd. to:

Maria White, 16100 Township Road 390, Frazeytsburg, OH 43822

Contact us via e-mail at maria@gamekprs.com or phone at 740-828-2493

- \$500.00 Working Handler/Dog Team** Limited to two dogs per handler and only one dog may work in each individual segment.
- \$125.00 Auditor Fee** Unlimited Auditing spots are available. PLEASE NOTE: Limited opportunities exist for a free auditing spot in exchange for working the workshop. Contact Maria for information.

All entrants will receive a detailed Workshop Booklet designed for this workshop.

Working entries will close when limit is reached. Deadline for Auditors is June 1, 2012.

NO REFUNDS FOR CANCELLATIONS AFTER: June 1, 2012

- Due to the demand for working spots, only fully paid entries will be accepted on a first come basis.
- Registrations received after working spots fill will be notified and placed on a waiting list or given an auditing spot and refund of fee difference.
- Upon receipt of your registration form and payment, we will notify you via e-mail that your entry was accepted.

Your Name:	
Phone:	E-Mail:
*** Your Years of Experience ***	
Hunt Tests (years):	(titles)
Club Tests (years):	(titles)
WORKING HANDLERS: Please complete dog information	
Call Name of Dog:	
Dog's Sex:	Dog's Age:
<p>Please describe your dogs strengths and weaknesses and list any new skills you would like to learn (be specific please): <small>(AUDITORS: List any topics you are particularly interested in seeing addressed at this workshop).</small></p>	

AGREEMENT

I (we) acknowledge that in consideration of the acceptance of this application and the opportunity to attend the workshop and to learn valuable field training skills from experienced trainers, I (we) agree to hold **Gamekeepers Retrievers, Ltd.**, its members, directors, governors, officers, agents, superintendents and/or Seminar Secretary and the owner or lessor of the premises and any employees of the aforementioned parties, harmless from any claim for loss or injury which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or things by the act of this dog while in or upon the workshop premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto, and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claim; and I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss of this dog by disappearance, theft, damage or injury caused or alleged to be caused by the negligence of the club or any of the parties aforementioned, or by the negligence of any other person, or any other cause or causes.

I (we) hereby assume the sole responsibility for and to indemnify and save the aforementioned parties harmless from any and all loss and expense (including legal fees) by reason of the liability imposed by law upon any of the aforementioned parties for damage because of bodily injuries, including death at any time resulting there from, sustained by any person or persons, including myself (ourselves) or on account of damage to property, arising out of or in consequence of my (our) participation in this workshop, however such injuries, death or damage to property may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may be alleged to have been caused by negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees or agents, or any other persons.

Please read the premium information carefully and fill out your sign-up form completely and sign below:

Date

Participant