

# Ann Arbor Dog Training Club Presents:

## Marion Crain

### “Making the Connection”

### A 2 Day Seminar

### August 8-9, 2026



*“The joy of dog obedience training lies in making a deep connection with each dog we train.”*

This seminar is designed to help you build a relationship with your dog that you can take into the ring to set you up for success. We will focus on building drive & motivation, finding the balance between control and drive, and avoiding and managing food and toy dependence.

**Saturday:** training philosophy & foundation, including use of food and toys, bright-eyed setups & motivating ring transitions, precise animated heeling, speedy recalls and returns, fronts & finishes, and stationary positions (stand/sit/down) in preparation for signals and command discrimination.

**Sunday:** Continue and build on foundations for more advanced work, including retrieves, go outs, jumping, scent discrimination, and signals.

Marion started training dogs as a 4H'er, and has been competing in AKC obedience ever since. She has trained Shelties, Keeshonden, and Border Collies, and has lived, trained and shown widely across the country, including NY, CA, OH, WV, NC, and MO.

Her achievements include:

- 12 OTCH/UDX dogs (6 Border Collies, 6 Keeshonden)
- Seven 200 scores (Sheltie, 2 Border Collies, 3 Keeshonden)
- Multiple tournament placements (AKC Classic, AKC NOC Group placements, and more)
- Over 500 HIT's and 400 HC's; over 4000 OTCH points
- Keeshond ranked # 1 all breeds for 2021, Front & Finish Delaney System (open & utility placements)
- Five Herding CHs, Nine Conformation CHs, two GCH, and one RACH

#### **Registration:**

**No refunds will be made after July 8, 2026.** A confirmation e-mail will be sent upon receipt of the registration form and payment. An additional e-mail will be sent regarding seminar times, hotel information, etc. Lunch and snacks will be provided each day.

#### **Aggressive Dogs:**

Dogs with propensities for aggression towards people or other dogs may NOT attend this seminar or take private lessons.

**Video Taping of the seminar is NOT permitted.**

**RETURN REGISTRATION FORM WITH CHECK MADE PAYABLE TO Ann Arbor Dog Training Club To:**

Brenda Riemer  
5511 Blue Grass Lane  
Saline, MI 48176

[thyminator@yahoo.com](mailto:thyminator@yahoo.com) (if you have questions)



**Ann Arbor Dog Training Club PRESENTS:**  
**Making the Connection, with Marion Crain.**  
 Registration Form (please print clearly or type)  
 Please return this form with payment.

**Checks should be made payable to: Ann Arbor Dog Training Club**

NAME:	
STREET ADDRESS:	
CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE:	
PHONE:	E-MAIL:

**Note: WORKING SPOTS LIMITED TO 15.**

\_\_\_\_\_ **2-DAY WORKING SPOT-\$250**

\_\_\_\_\_ **2-DAY AUDITING SPOT (unlimited) \$135**

\_\_\_\_\_ **AADTC member 2 day working \$220**

\_\_\_\_\_ **AADTC member 2 day audit \$80.00**

\_\_\_\_\_ **One day auditing spot/member and nonmember \$75**

**Pay in full or with a \$75 deposit. Balance due on July 1, 2026.**

**\*\*AADTC Members can register starting October 4, 2025. Nonmembers can register starting November 1, 2025\*\***

**RELEASE** ACKNOWLEDGMENT: I, the undersigned, acknowledge that I understand that there may be significant elements of risk associated with the activity of dog training. Such risks may include equipment failures, falls due to building or grounds conditions, or the negligence of instructors, fellow students, or other users of the building. I acknowledge that the above list is not inclusive of all possible risks associated with dog training or the use of the facilities of Ann Arbor Dog Training Club (AADTC) and that other unknown and unanticipated risks may result in injury.

• **RELEASE AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK:** In consideration of being permitted to use the facilities of AADTC, and mindful of the significant risks involved with the activities incidental therefore, I, for myself, my heirs, administrators and assigns, release, remise and discharge AADTC and its officers, directors, agents, servants, volunteers and employees in the stated activities of and from any and all liability for injury that may result from my use of the facilities of AADTC, and I do hereby waive and relinquish any and all actions or causes of action for personal injury, property damage or wrongful death occurring to myself or those persons for whom I am legally responsible (including but not limited to my children) arising as a result of the use of the facilities of AADTC, participation in AADTC activities or functions, or of any activities incidental thereto wherever or however such personal injury, property damage or wrongful death may occur, whether foreseen or unforeseen, and for whatever period said activities shall continue. I agree that under no circumstances will I, my heirs, my estate or my personal representative present any claim for personal injury, property damage, or wrongful death against AADTC and its officers, directors, agents, servants, volunteers and employees for any of said causes of action, whether said causes of action shall arise by the negligence or any person or otherwise.

• **IT IS THE INTENTION OF THE UNDERSIGNED INDIVIDUAL TO EXEMPT AND RELIEVE KKC AND ITS OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AGENTS, SERVANTS, VOLUNTEERS AND EMPLOYEES FROM LIABILITY FOR ANY PERSONAL INJURY, PROPERTY DAMAGE OR WRONGFUL DEATH CAUSE BY NEGLIGENCE.**

• This contract shall be legally binding upon me, my heirs, my estate, and my personal representative, as well as upon any and all other persons authorized by me to act for me or on behalf of my heirs, my estate or my personal representative.

• **I, THE UNDERSIGNED, ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THE ABOVE RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS AND CONDITIONS. I UNDERSTAND THAT BY SIGNING THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY I AM KNOWINGLY AND WILLINGLY AGREEING TO RELEASE KKC AND ITS OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AGENTS, SERVANTS, VOLUNTEERS, AND EMPLOYEES OF THEIR LIABILITY FOR PERSONAL INJURY, PROPERTY DAMAGE, OR WRONGFUL DEATH CAUSE BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF ANY PERSON OR OTHERWISE.**

**PARTICIPANT RESPONSIBILITIES**

I understand that dogs are independent living beings with their own minds and, as such, can never be entirely predictable. I understand that there are always elements of risk in pet-related activities including permanent disability or death, that common sense and personal awareness can help reduce. I am aware that at all times when on the premises of AADTC or working around dogs it is MY RESPONSIBILITY to:

Always have pets on a leash.

Read and obey all posted information and warnings.

Comply promptly with all verbal directions of Seminar committee members and/or KKC officers unless I believe that by doing so I will endanger myself, other people or pets, in which case I will immediately express my opinion to the person involved.

Refrain from acting in any manner that may cause or contribute to my injury or the injury of other people or pets.

Never leave pets unattended or alone.

Keep the grounds clean.

Be constantly aware of, anticipate, and be able to avoid nearby pets, people, obstacles and natural or man-made hazards.

I understand that this is only a partial list, and I must be safety conscious and exercise sound judgment at all times.

I understand that if I register as a working team and later want to become an auditor that I will only receive a refund if there is working team on the wait list that will take my spot.

I understand that any changes to information that I supplied on this registration form can be made only by contacting Brenda Riemer. Please sign and date to verify that you have read and understand this release and the above participant responsibilities:

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_