

Gamekeepers Retrievers



2 DAY WATER WORKSHOP
AUGUST 4 - 5, 2018
WITH PRIVATE LESSONS ON AUGUST 3, 2018
AT HORSETOOTH RETRIEVER KENNELS
IN WELLINGTON, CO



Hosted by Mile Hi Golden Retriever Club

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This will be a hands-on workshop.

Limited to 12 dog/handler working teams.

Auditors are welcome.

(auditor spots are unlimited)

THE WATER WORKSHOP IS COMING TO THE MILE HI GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB!

Water training is one of the toughest challenges faced by competitors in the field. It's not just the training challenges presented when you transition your dog from land drills and marks to water drills and marks, but also the challenges you face in finding "good" water on which to train.

The Water Workshop is designed for dogs and handlers of all skill levels. You and your dog will learn different concepts in marking and blind work on the water. Mitch will work with each dog/handler team to help develop with dog's confidence and skills in the water.



Introduction to water, water marking drills and marking concepts will be covered, along with water blinds, water handling drills, land/water concepts, water entry concepts, de-cheating, and more. Many of the concepts taught in this workshop will be the same ones utilized by Hunt Test judges when they are setting up tests. Mitch will use his judging experience to design water test scenarios for dog/handler teams to dissect and run.

Working Dog/Handler teams will be limited to running TWO (2) dogs throughout the seminar. Please note that only ONE (1) dog may be run per training segment.

Auditors are welcome and encouraged to participate by getting involved in the discussions and Q&A sessions.

Everyone attending the seminar will be presented with a workbook of the material Mitch will be covering over the three days.

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The workshop will be held at:

Horsetooth Retriever Kennels

Owned by Kenny Trott and Marcy Wright
horsetoothretrievers.com

Located at 7028 N. Cty Rd 3, Wellington, CO 80549-1618

*Horsetooth Retriever Kennels
is located between Cty Rd 60 and 62 on Cty Rd 3.*

From the south you can exit at Mountain Vista (by the Budweiser plant) and take the frontage rd north to cty rd 60, then east to cty rd 3, then north, the property is on the right.

From the north take the Wellington exit, frontage rd south to cty rd 62, east to cty rd 3, south, the property will be on the left.



Hotel & Camping

located near Horsetooth Retriever Kennels

There is a Days Inn that is pet friendly.
It is located at 6860 6th Street in Wellington CO 970-305-4619

There is also a KOA campground close to Wellington.
It is located at 4821 E Cty Rd 70 Wellington, CO 970-586-7486

Other hotels are available in nearby Fort Collins or Cheyenne.

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Please complete, sign and return this form and waiver along with your check payable to: Mile Hi Golden Retriever Club
c/o Francie Pusateri, 412 E Ole Maverick Rd, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82009

\$300.00 Working Handler/Dog Team

Limited to 12 working handler/dog teams

\$100.00 Auditing Fee (Auditor spots are unlimited)

Working entries will close when limit is reached. Deadline for Auditors July 15, 2018.

NO REFUNDS FOR CANCELLATIONS AFTER: July 15, 2018

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 style="text-align: center;">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., the Mile Hi Golden Retriever Club, The Horsetooth Retriever Kennels**, their respective 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

What to Bring:

- 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)
- Plenty of drinking water
- a Chair
- Bug Spray and Sunscreen

NO video cameras, please. Still pictures are allowed.



Working Teams should bring the following as well:

- Water for their dog
- Training Equipment
- 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 countless field titles per year, at all levels, including several Master National Qualifiers and Finalists and dogs with Field Trial placements.

Private Lessons on Friday, August 3, 2018

Mitch is available the day PRIOR to the workshop for one hour private lessons. Cost is \$50.00/hour cash or check payable to Gamekeepers Retrievers, Ltd.

Follow the link below to schedule your lesson:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/15FdwriqBpZu-m9I9qSL_5ra638s69xDm9FCSrn9bpJ0

Contact Francie Pusateri at fmp1@comcast.net with any questions or problems.

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

Water Basics (including Water Force)
Water Marking Drills
Water Lining & Casting Drills
Water Marking Concepts
Water Blinds
Water Entry Challenges
Land/Water Concepts
Setting up Water Training Concepts
Identifying Water Elements/Factors



- Schedule -

Friday, August 3 - Private Lessons by Appointment

Saturday, August 4 - 8:30 am to approx. 5:00 pm

Sunday, August 5 - 8:30 am to approximately 3:00 pm

- Format -

(subject to change as necessary during the workshop)

DAY 1: Check in will begin at 8:30 am on Saturday morning.

9:00 am: Introduction. Discussion of where Working Teams are in training and what their goals are for the workshop. Working Teams will run a set up and/or drills designed by Mitch to give him a feel for each Working Teams’ abilities. Focus will be on ensuring solid water foundation. Water basics will be covered including water force, de-cheat, basic marking, etc. Day will end with Q&A.

Day 2: 8:30 assemble for discussion of previous day’s work.

Morning focus will be on water marks of varying degree of difficulty, water marking drills, water entries and exits, factors that influence water work, etc.

The afternoon session will introduce water blinds, water handling drills, swim by, casting into the water, influence of water marks and blinds on each other, etc. Q&A, discussion and final address will be held at the conclusion of the workshop.

PLEASE NOTE: This is a tentative schedule.

Topics covered each day may be adjusted due to the needs of the working teams, the weather or other factors. Topics listed are representative and not meant to be all inclusive.

ALL LEVELS WILL BE WORKED EACH DAY.

There will be a tremendous amount of information presented each day so breaks and lunch times will vary.

Please bring a lunch and drinks that you can eat on the run.