

# Gamekeepers Retrievers



## THE BLIND WORKSHOP

JULY 27 - 28, 2019

WITH PRIVATE TRAINING DAY ON JULY 26, 2019

AT WAYNE AND DEB DORBAND'S PROPERTY  
901 S CoRd 31, Berthoud, CO



### Hosted by Mile Hi Golden Retriever Club

Francie Pusateri, Event Secretary

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For information email Francie at [fmp1@comcast.net](mailto:fmp1@comcast.net) or

This will be a hands-on workshop.

**Limited to 12 dog/handler working teams.**

**Auditors are welcome.**

(auditor spots are unlimited)

## THE BLIND WORKSHOP IS COMING TO THE MILE HI GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB!

This workshop will help handlers succeed in the training and running of better land and water blinds. The focus of this workshop is solely on blinds and will only utilize marks as they influence blinds. Throughout each day, working teams will perform various drills to improve lining, casting and handling on blinds. In addition, multiple types of blinds will be run each day. Blinds will be run that represent different levels of difficulty and each blind will be rated so that handlers may chart their progress during the seminar.

In addition to yard and field work, discussions will be held on topics such as; how elements will affect blinds, understanding the mechanics involved in setting up a good blind and learning how to design good training blinds. Evaluating blinds at tests and developing a strategy for success will also be discussed.



Working Dog and 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 strongly encouraged and Mitch welcomes questions from the audience. If you and your dog have not advanced to the point of beginning blinds, watching Mitch guide each working team through various drills and blind work will help give you a greater understanding of why your foundation work is so important and will help you establish your goals for advancement.

Everyone attending the seminar will be presented

with a workbook of the material Mitch will be covering over the weekend.

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The workshop will be held at:

## Wayne and Deb Dorband's Property

Located at 901 S. CoRd 31, Berthoud, CO

The directions are:

From I-25 exit 250 onto Hwy 56. West on Hwy 56 (9 miles) continuing through Berthoud and across Hwy 287 until the Hwy turns north on N CoRd 23. North on N CoRd 23 1/2 mile then west on CoRd 8e toward Carter Lake. Continue on CoRd 8e approximately 4 miles, after you pass the Carter Lake pay station, the road will switchback up the ridge, at the first intersection, stay to the left and continue around the south side of Carter Lake on S CoRd 31. You will see the campgrounds and south side boat ramp on the west side of the road. Follow the road south from the lake staying to the right when there is a parallel split. CoRd 31 S ends at Dorband's property and we will have signs out about where to park..



### Accomodations:

Please contact Francie Pusateri for an updated list.

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**\$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 5, 2019.

**NO REFUNDS FOR CANCELLATIONS AFTER: July 5, 2019**

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| <b>Your Name:</b>   |                   |
| <b>Phone:</b>   | <b>E-Mail:</b>    |
| <b>*** Your Years of Experience ***</b>   |                   |
| <b>Hunt Tests (years):</b>  | <b>(titles)</b>   |
| <b>Club Tests (years):</b>  | <b>(titles)</b>   |
| <b>WORKING HANDLERS: Please complete dog information</b>  |                   |
| <b>Call Name of Dog:</b>  |                   |
| <b>Dog's Sex:</b>   | <b>Dog's Age:</b> |
| <p><b>Please describe your dogs strengths and weaknesses and list any new skills you would like to learn (be specific please):</b><br/><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, Wayne and Deb Dorband**, 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

## Who Should Attend:

Anyone who:

- Wants to run better blinds with their dog
- Wants to learn how to design blinds
- Wishes to learn how factors affect blinds
- Desires to understand how elements influence dogs
- Needs to train for advanced AKC/UKC tests
- Enjoys field training on a regular basis

## What to Bring:

- This seminar will be outdoors. Prepare for all types of weather
- Handlers bring BOTH a white coat or shirt AND a dark coat or shirt
- A whistle and a back up whistle
- Boots and/or waders
- Chair, Bug Spray and Sunscreen
- Paper, Pen and Highlighter
- Equipment you would normally use when running your dog on blinds.
- E-collar (optional, but highly recommended)

## 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 Training Day on Friday, July 26, 2019*

Mitch is available the day PRIOR to the workshop for a private training day.

PRIVATE TRAINING IS SOLD OUT. THANK YOU!

## Seminar Requirements:

Working teams should meet the following requirements to participate:

1. Handlers must have a basic understanding of a blind retrieve.
2. Working dogs must have a solid Basics foundation.
3. Working dogs must have a remote sit and solid obedience.
4. Working dogs must have an understanding of handling, they should be working on the Double T and have run basic sight blinds.
5. Working dogs that are through transition drills well enough to run a basic cold blind will get the most out of this seminar.



## - Schedule -

**Friday, July 26** - Private Training Day (SOLD OUT)

**Saturday, July 27** - 8:30 am to approx. 5:00 pm

**Sunday, July 28** - 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.

The morning will begin with an introductory lecture on blinds, blind concepts and the theories on training for blinds on both land and water will be presented during the workshop. Then the working teams will start running various drills and types of blinds under Mitch's direct guidance. During these training segments, Mitch will answer questions from all participants and auditors that arise about the training techniques that are being taught. The day will end with a Q & A session and short lecture summarizing the days events.

**DAY 2:** The morning will begin with brief follow up discussions about the previous days training and a brief Q & A session to cover any new questions that have come up about the previous days work. New drills and blinds will be introduced and training will follow the same format as Friday.

**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 BLIND 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.**