What others are saying:

I have taken lessons from many fine instructors. Beth Knotts ranks up there with the best. She helps you develop handling skills that fit you and your dog. She is patient, encouraging, and able to give direct and constructive feedback without coming across as critical or all-knowing. She is clearly invested in the success of her students. Just watch her at a trial hold her breath while a student is running, then break out in a huge smile if things go well. And if they don't, she will tell you what you did right first, then help you process what did not go so well. I would recommend her to any dog/handler team.

Sionag ("Sheena") Black

Beth is knowledgeable, enthusiastic, honest and insightful. She has a great ability to see both details and the big picture simultaneously. Thanks to Beth, Cirrus and I are a better working team in agility.

Jody Hergert-Andresen, B.A., CDBC Pawsitive Directions Behavior and Training

Sincerely, Jody

When I first started working with Beth, I figured I'd get lots of agility tips and advice — which I did. What I didn't realize was all the help she would provide for our new addition. We had just added Atari, a Border Collie puppy, into our furry family and while I had tons of dog experience, I had never lived with a BC before. It is nothing like the books tell you.

Beth's continual advice and endless ideas on how to succeed with Atari have been a tremendous help. Without Beth's encouragement and support, I would have thrown in the towel and Atari would have been re-homed. While Atari sill a youngster and we have lots yet to learn, we are becoming a team and, thanks to Beth, I am enjoying an incredible journey with an awesome dog.

Meg N.

Beth really works at diagnosing my handling problems and my dog's individual handling needs and then works on finding individual and creative solutions to help make us a better team. Her classes are positive, fun and I always learn something.

I have been taking Agility classes from Beth for over 10 years at every level; obstacle familiarization to classes for advanced competition. In all, Beth has stressed the foundations of good handling and consistency. She is frank and honest in her constructive criticisms and is quick to praise both dog and handler when a move has been learned. Beth continues to attend seminars and clinics to keep up to date on new techniques so there is always more to learn. Beyond her skills as a trainer, she is one of those people that dogs simply love! - Cheryl Brimmer

I've been a student of Beth's since 9/07 in her weekly group classes, & have taken her weekend workshops, & also had one on one training. I would sum up Beth's approach to teaching in 3 words: patient, motivating, and consistent. Her positive training methods makes learning fun for both dogs & people!

-Lisa Huber

Fun, fantastic, and valuable learning experiences are words I would use to describe my training with Beth. Beth has been helping me to train my first agility dog, a Welsh Springer Spaniel, for the past 2 years. During this time I have learned so much not only about the sport of agility but also about how my dog learns. Beth has taught me to first of all to have fun but also how to look at agility through the eyes of my dog. No matter how training goes Beth always finds something positive to say about me and my dog. I have taken classes, private lessons, and attended her seminars. Each time I have not only increased my skills but have strengthened my relationship with my 4-legged buddy. Because of all the support Beth has given me Augie earned his NA title in 3 shows, all first places, and with 2 perfect scores. Thank you so much Beth!

Kelli Zellmer