

## Calgary Kennel & Obedience Club proudly presents

### Transformational Puppy Evaluation and Matching: Connecting Dogs and Owners So All Thrive

A two-day seminar with Gayle

Watkins, Ph.D.

Avidog® International, LLC

September 21<sup>ST</sup> AND 22<sup>ND</sup>, 2019

Abbeydale Community Centre, Calgary, AB

#### **About Gayle**

Dr. Gayle Watkins, co-founder of Avidog® International is a dynamic, engaging speaker who presents seminars and consults on dog breeding, puppy rearing and evaluations around the world. She works with pet, performance and working dog breeders and organizations globally to design and implement breeding strategies that produce healthy, stable, long-lived dogs. Gayle serves on the boards of Cornell's Baker Institute for Animal Health and Canine Health Events.

Gayle has actively shown and bred multi-purpose golden retrievers under the Gaylan's kennel name since 1979. In 2016, she was selected by the AKC as *Breeder of the Year*. She has produced, owned and shown over 70 American and Canadian conformation, obedience, agility and tracking champions, as well as Master Hunters, Qualified All-Age, and mission-ready Search and Rescue dogs. Her breeding program has also

produced over a dozen GRCA Outstanding Dams and Sires. **About Avidog**®

Avidog® International's mission is to provide education about dog breeding and puppy rearing to dog breeders, owners, clubs and veterinarians. Avidog's clients include the Canadian Kennel Club, Guide Dogs for the Blind, and many national breed clubs. Avidog® programs are carefully designed using current science and long-time experience to bring out the best in every puppy and preserve the future of dogs. You can find more about Avidog® courses, seminars and products, including the Avidog® Adventure Box, at www.Avidog.com.



#### **Seminar Details**

This two-day seminar will focus on the why, what and how of Avidog's scientifically based, groundbreaking puppy evaluation and matching system that enables us to match pups to homes.

**Saturday (Puppy Eval 1)** begins with determining why we need to evaluate and match puppies, how to evaluate prospective owners and homes, and evaluating health, structure, and natural working ability. We will end the day with an introduction to temperament and the components that make dogs more or less successful in their homes.

**Sunday (Puppy Eval 2)** continues with an in-depth look into temperament, identifying those traits that do not change over a dog's lifetime and those that can be influenced by breeders and owners. We will then watch and score an Avidog Puppy Evaluation Test (APET). From there we will try our hand at matching puppies to homes and developing individualized training plans for each pup.

Both days use lecture, videos and demonstrations to illustrate key concepts. After the seminar, all participants will have access to a private resource page on the Avidog website and be invited to join the closed Avidog® Puppy Evaluation Facebook page where we continue the discussions started at the seminar.

#### Who Should Attend?

The seminar has something to offer any serious dog person but will have particular appeal to:

- present and future dog breeders of competition, working and pet dogs
- working dog owners and handlers
- performance dog owners
- dog trainers

#### What past seminar participants have said

Avidog seminar? I would miss a dog show, an agility trial....heck, maybe even my own wedding to attend another seminar... -Sharon

Gayle Watkins is a first-class presenter who is able to explain complex topics in a straightforward manner while still being very entertaining. Her methodology on puppy testing is revolutionary and will change the way we place our puppies. Her method of testing is not only easy to implement, but it is intuitive and repeatable. Her seminar will teach even the most experienced breeders something new. - Debra

It has often been said that the average presenter informs, the good presenter persuades and the great presenter inspires. Gayle definitely belongs in the latter category. I have never been to a workshop where so many people had such profound shifts in thinking and such enormous learning, regardless of background, experience, interest or breed. – Pam



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SEPTEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup> AND 22<sup>ND</sup>, 2019 Abbeydale Community Centre, Calgary, AB

Spots are limited so register early! Registration closes **SEPTEMBER 6**<sup>TH</sup>, **2019** 

Full payment must be mailed with the registration to hold your spot. No refunds after the closing date.

BOTH Sessions — (Saturday and Su	nday) - \$200.00		
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Acknowledgment and seminar details will be sent upon receipt of registration.

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