

**Hi-D-Ho Dog Training, Inc. and New River Valley Kennel Club  
proudly presents**

**Transformational Puppy Rearing:  
Creating Dogs that Enrich People's Lives  
and  
Transformational Puppy Evaluation Seminar: Matching  
Dogs and Owners So All Will Thrive**

A two-day seminar with

**Gayle Watkins, Ph.D., of Avidog® International, LLC and  
Gaylan's Golden Retrievers**

***August 23 and 24, 2014  
Blacksburg, VA***

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**About Gayle**

Dr. Gayle Watkins of Avidog® International ([www.Avidog.com](http://www.Avidog.com)) has actively shown and bred multi-purpose golden retrievers under the Gaylan's kennel name since 1979. Over the past thirty years, she has produced, owned and/or shown over 50 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.

The keys to Gaylan's success are the techniques Gayle has developed to rear litters, evaluate puppies, and match them to homes based on measurable traits. Recently, Gayle started Avidog® International with two co-breeders, Marcy Burke and Lise Pratt. Together, they teach these puppy rearing and evaluation systems to breeders of all types—pet, competition and working, and of all breeds.

The Avidog® puppy rearing system is carefully designed, from conception to placement, to bring out the best in every puppy. It mixes science, nature and experience in a balanced blend of mental, physical, and social developmental opportunities with nutritional support. Furthermore, before pups are placed, they are thoroughly assessed on conformation (structure, type and athleticism), temperament, and working ability using a comprehensive evaluation process that seeks to give every owner the ideal puppy for them and provide them a training plan for their individual puppy.

**Seminar Details**

This two-day seminar will focus on the why, what and how of the ground-breaking system Gayle has developed to bring out the best in puppies.

Day 1 will focus on Puppy Rearing from before conception to nine weeks. During this session, she will present Avidog's many different things used to raise pups, week by week, to produce healthy, stable dogs that are well prepared for their future homes.

In Day 2, Gayle will present the Avidog® Puppy Evaluation and Matching program. This portion of the seminar will focus the system that Gayle uses to evaluate litters, including the Avidog® Puppy Evaluation Test (APET). She will also discuss how to use these assessment results to appropriately match puppies to buyers and guide new owners in the training and development of their puppy. This seminar will include detailed videos and practical exercises, in addition to lectures.

**Who Should Attend?**

The seminar has something to offer any serious dog person but will have particular appeal to present and future breeders of performance, conformation, and pet dogs who are seeking to produce stable, confident canine competitors and companions. Dog owners involved in performance sports and working dogs, as well as those who test and evaluate litters, will also benefit from this seminar.

**OPEN TO BREEDERS AND LOVERS of ANY BREED**

NOTE: Participants will be able to get ongoing support from the Avidog® Team and you will be able to access password protected parts of the Avidog® site where you can continue the discussions started at the seminar.

**Continuing Education Units Available**

Certification Council for Professional Dog Trainers (CCPDT), National Association of Dog Obedience Instructors (NADOI) and International Association of Animal Behavior Consultants (IAABC) are giving 7 CEU credits each day.

**Registration Details**

Spots are limited so register early!

Full payment must be mailed with the registration to hold your spot. Make check payable to Hi-D-Ho Dog Training.

\_\_\_\_\_ Day 1 (Puppy Rearing) and Day 2 (Puppy Evaluations and Matching) - **\$140**

\_\_\_\_\_ Day 1 (Puppy Rearing) - **\$90**

\_\_\_\_\_ Day 2 (Puppy Evaluations and Matching) - **\$90**

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I will not hold Gayle Watkins, Avidog® International LLC, Hi-D-Ho Dog Training, Inc., New River Valley Kennel Club or their members liable for any loss, damage or injury to myself or my dog, or my property while attending this event.

Signature (required) \_\_\_\_\_

Acknowledgment and seminar details will be sent upon receipt of registration.

Please mail registration form and payment **Rosie Higdon, 2929 Weatherly Ct, Blacksburg, VA, 24060**. For more information, please contact **Rosie Higdon** at **540-552-9112** or **lrhigdon@comcast.net**