

# Calgary Kennel & Obedience Club

**Calgary Kennel & Obedience Club  
proudly presents**

**The Boys We Love: Raising, Managing and Using a Stud Dog;  
Timing Your Breedings: From Beginning to End;  
Fit To Be Tied and Fit For Life seminars**

A two-day seminar with  
**Gayle Watkins, Ph.D.**  
**Avidog® International, LLC**

**February 23 & 24, 2019**

**Abbeydale Community Centre, Calgary, AB**

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## **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, [www.avidog.com](http://www.avidog.com).



  
Changing The Future Of Dogs  
One Puppy At A Time

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## **Seminar Details**

This two-day seminar will focus on Avidog's scientifically based breeding strategies for stud dogs, timing of breedings as well as fitness for breeding and non-breeding dogs:

### **Saturday (Stud Dogs & Timing Breedings) –**

- Stud dogs are an essential part of the breeding process but much of what happens with them seems like Greek to many of us: morphology and motility, first fraction or second, bent tails and proximal droplets, chill tests and post-thaw results.
- Canids, including domestic dogs, have some reproductive idiosyncrasies that can make breeding them challenging. Poor timing remains the top reason that bitches don't get pregnant or have small litters.

### **Sunday (Fit To Be Tied & Fit For Life) – working dogs**

Properly conditioned stud dogs and brood bitches will be more successful as breeding animals! They will be more fertile and able to breed, whelp and raise puppies. In addition, fit dogs are likely to suffer less stress and this translates to healthier puppies and greater stamina and longevity. Gayle will review how to evaluate your dogs' fitness and which exercises to do when while breeding.

- Designed by Drs. Chris Zink and Dr. Gayle Watkins to improve the fitness, health and longevity of any dog from 6 months through the senior years. This program works for all dogs, from pets to top-flight athletes. We will start with how to evaluate your dog's fitness and then focus on how to teach some of the exercises in the Fit for Life program.

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 straight-forward 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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Spots are limited so register early! Registration closes February 10<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 Sunday) - \$250.00
- ☐ **EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT - \$200.00 BEFORE JANUARY 25, 2019**
- ☐ The Boys We Love: Raising, Managing and Using a Stud Dog & Timing Your Breedings: From Beginning to End - (Saturday Only) - \$150.00
- ☐ **EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT - \$125.00 BEFORE JANUARY 25, 2019**
- ☐ Fit To Be Tied and Fit For Life - (Sunday Only) - \$150.00
- ☐ **EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT - \$125.00 BEFORE JANUARY 25, 2019**
- ☐ Both Sessions— (Saturday and Sunday), **with working dog** for Sunday FTBT & FFL \$300.00
- ☐ **EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT – LIMITED SPOTS FOR WORKING DOGS - \$230.00**
- ☐ Fit To Be Tied and Fit For Life, **with working dog** - (Sunday Only) \$175.00
- ☐ **EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT – LIMITED SPOTS FOR WORKING DOGS - \$145.00**

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I will not hold Gayle Watkins, Avidog® International LLC, the **Calgary Kennel and Obedience 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 **payable to Calgary Kennel and Obedience Club**

**c/o Penny Hanson, 926 Briar Crescent, Strathmore, AB., T1P 1E6**

**Register on line at [dogshows.ca](http://dogshows.ca) under merchandise**

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