

Train your dog at your own speed....

FUNdamentals can be adapted for all ages and abilities of dogs.

Many issues come from miscommunication between people and their dogs.

FUNdamentals is a blend of activity lessons as well as class discussions of normal dog behaviour in your home. FUNdamentals is all about teaching life skills to family dogs.

Playing games together strengthens your bond with your dog. Discover or recover the joy in having the companion you have in your home right now.

To change our dog's behaviours, we must first understand them and then teach new things in ways that make sense to the dog. FUNdamentals will give you those insights.

This class is suited to those who want to learn new things about their dogs: to see, understand, and teach the dog in front of you.

Hello!

Do you have a new dog and want to start out "right"?

Do you struggle with a rowdy rover?

Do you wish your dog were calm?

Are you at a loss to help your nervous dog?

Does your dog behave at home but seems to forget everything when you take them somewhere?

Do you have trouble remembering why you thought getting a dog was a good idea?

You are not alone!

We can help!

Contact us for info on upcoming FUNdamentals classes.

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***Dog training
with a difference***

FUNdamentals Class

COVID has changed our classes. FUNdamentals is now online. Lessons on video are released weekly, with our Q&A plus discussions happening on weekly ZOOM calls.



Training style

Dog Training with a difference.....

Based on 2-3 minute games this method aligns with how dogs learn: in short, concentrated intervals and with positive reinforcement. New concepts are often taught using food but can be replaced quickly with a toy that the dog likes.

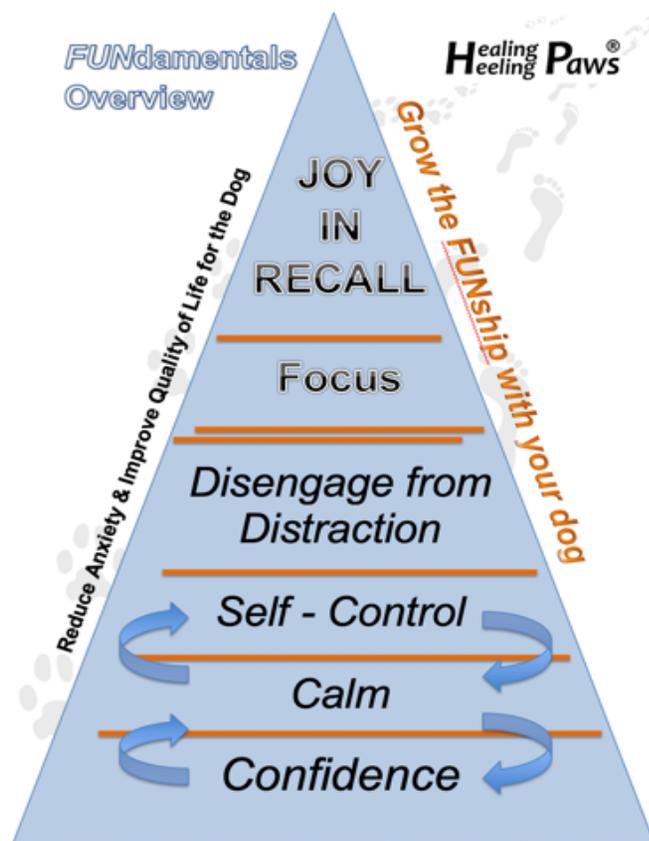
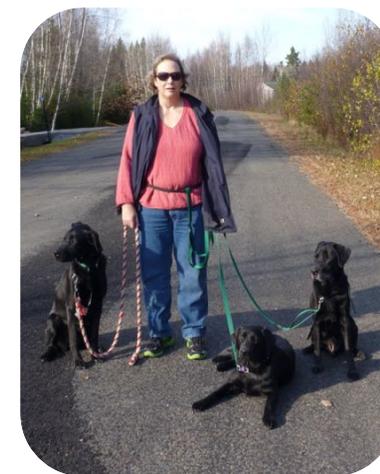
Games make it low pressure fun so your dog feels safe and comfortable. Games mean that human error just gets covered up with a treat and more fun.

Handlers with difficult dogs are often stressed by their dogs behaviour in class. Equally important though, is that barking, whining, lunging, growling dogs don't learn much in class either. Taking the lessons online from home reduces stress for both dog and handler.



Meghann Douglas

Meghann has been “in dogs” for 30+ years, forced into it by adopting a “problem dog” and then getting hooked on training. Her passion is Therapy Dogs: as a Therapy Dog handler, as the founding coordinator & temperament evaluator for a NB provincial Therapy Dog programme, and, a former VP of the Human Animal Bond Association of Canada. Meghann has been involved in classes for most of those years, taking her first obedience instructor training in the US in 1994. She is a member of the Canadian Association of Professional Dog Trainers.



FUNdamentals Overview

FUNdamentals is 8 weeks of playing games with a purpose. Each layer is built on the one below.

A dog must feel safe before they can feel calm: so first we work on building self-confidence.

An over-excited dog will not leave a distraction: so, we work on calm.

An over-excited dog cannot think so they cannot remember things they were taught before.

A calm and thinking dog is able to show self-control around distractions.

When our dog can ignore distractions and focus on us, then they will come when called.

When we know our dog is happy to be with us we can have FUN!