

**Dog Talk Training and Wellness Sanctuary / Awareness Centered Training - ACT**

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*Awareness, Balance, Relationship, Education, Well-Being (A BREW for happy, healthy and confident dogs!)*

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Journey to Dog Talk for a full schedule of events, changes, program descriptions, fees, times, and how to book group classes or private behavior coaching sessions. Private coaching is available by appointment only. Online or e-mail inquiries are welcome - but limited to general answers. For pet assisted therapy visit New England Pet Partners, Inc. Visit us on Facebook.

PayPal, MasterCard, Visa and Discover (chip) available. *Discounts **not available via PayPal** (call).*

Registered Pet Therapy Teams are welcome to a \$10 drop in fee for Levels 2 and 3 (when available). No drop in class for Level 1 ACT training. All other drop-in fees \$20 or *please inquire at [maureenr@dogtalk.com](mailto:maureenr@dogtalk.com).*

Sign up for Tail Flash, E-paws and NEPP Connects (pet assisted therapy) for updates and changes (weather, events, holidays). **All classes are based on 3-registered teams. Email [maureenr@dogtalk.com](mailto:maureenr@dogtalk.com)**

<p align="center"><b>Saturday Level 1, 2</b> L1 8:30—9:45 L2 10:00—11:00 Week 1 no dogs Puppy/Dog essentials explored</p>	<p align="center"><b>Wed. Evening Level-1</b> 6:30-7:45 Week 1 no dogs Puppy/Dog essentials explored</p>	<p align="center"><b>Tues. Evening Level 2</b> Level 3 please inquire 6:30-7:45</p>	<p align="center"><b>Monday-Friday</b> Private / Semi-Private Coaching Email: <a href="mailto:maureenr@dogtalk.com">maureenr@dogtalk.com</a> By appointment only</p>
<p>2/23—3/30 4/6—5/11 5/25—6/29 7/13—8/17 10/5—11/9</p>	<p>2/27—4/3 4/10—5/15 5/29—7/3 10/9—11/13</p>	<p>4/9—5/14 5/28—7/2 7/23—8/27</p>	<p>Classes are once a week. L1, 1st week humans only. Graduation is on week 6. Only 1-make-up offered, then book a catch-up session.</p>

<p align="center"><b>SAT—L2</b> L3 please inquire Must have taken Level 1 within 3 months Give a call 603-635-3647</p>	<p>Classes integrate pet therapy team training at individual levels. There are prerequisites to be a Registered Pet Partner Team. Visit <a href="http://petpartners.org">petpartners.org</a> <a href="http://newenglandpetpartners.org">newenglandpetpartners.org</a></p>	<p>Classes integrate Socialization and Manners Safety and Management Discussion on well-being Gentle desensitization to sights, sounds, smells</p>	<p>Therapeutic Everything What should I chew? When can I bark? What can I sniff? Am I growling or playing? Do I know what ENOUGH means?</p>
<p>Basic Training Prevention &amp; Management Nutrition Well-being Body Language Awareness (yours and your dogs)</p>	<p>Life Rewards Housetraining Crate Training Doggy Diner Mine, Yours, Ours Proactive Training vs Reactive</p>	<p>Awareness Balance Relationship Education Well-Being Daily living &amp; learning</p>	<p>Sign up for Dog Talk Tail Flash. We organize play dates for challenging sequences, team support, and to integrate non-competitive dog sports as rewards for the dog!</p>
<p>Sit / Down / Stay Come / Leave-it / Take-it</p>	<p>Switch—Redirect: Let's take a walk with arms in sockets</p>	<p>Relationship Training Let's give puppies/dogs a chance to "think" &amp; learn age appropriate self control.</p>	<p>Gentle, wait, back-up, release, drop-it, enough, stop, whisper training, cross training. Let's "settle-down"</p>
<p>Balanced exercise helps to channel energy into positive outlets.</p>	<p>Training shouldn't be scary! It should be meaningful and fun.</p>	<p>Games Relaxation Training</p>	<p>Reduce Sensory Overload for you and your dog <b><i>Breathing deeply nose-to-navel</i></b></p>

## GUIDELINES FOR SAFETY and PEACE OF MIND

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**ALL TEAMS**, please be considerate. Enter the training sanctuary (double white vinyl doors) with dogs on leash (*no flexi-leads*). Park facing the white picket fences, giving others room to park.

***Explore—Have Fun—Be pro-active and aware of your surroundings and dogs.***

**10/5:** Be aware of what's going on around you within 10-feet. Within 5-feet ASK before entering human or dog's spatial / comfort zone. Take a deep nose-to-navel breath and be your dog's advocate.

***Adopted dogs must be assessed before joining a group class — All dogs must have seen a Veterinarian.***

- Pups as young as 4-months are accepted into Level-I training. All dogs must be healthy and have wellness checks, especially in an environment where there will be multiple dogs and families.
- SAM (socialization and manners) off leash socialization may precede class. It is not mandatory or appropriate for ALL dogs. Puppies have a few minutes to engage with other pups/dogs, who match, in a safe, supervised environment.
- Be mindful that dogs are dogs! There is no guarantee of a positive dog-meet-dog interaction. It is your responsibility to take care of your puppy/dog — and supervise children in a class environment.
- We flow into warm-ups (breathing, focus) and *Awareness Centered Training—ACT* begins.
- Dogs need to be introduced in a broad range of surroundings while being guided by their dog parent/guide.
- Energy flows and shifts, as does signals and cues from other dogs, people, children and the environment.
- Training takes place every day while living and learning with our dogs.
- Awareness and teaching by shaping good behavior and preventing reactive ones creates the difference.

If you are interested in learning more about becoming a Registered Pet-Partner® or Read Dog Therapy Team, visit [New England Pet Partners](#), [Pet Partners](#), and [R.E.A.D.](#)

If you would like to present a workshop—e-mail [info@dogtalk.com](mailto:info@dogtalk.com) or download the [workshop proposal at www.dogtalk.com](http://www.dogtalk.com).

Interested in pet therapy program development, workshops or Registered Pet Therapy Teams? Visit

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