

Trade Show
Learning Sessions

Thursday, June 3	
7:00 – 9:00pm	Conference pre-registration
7:30 – 8:30pm	Border Collie orientation

Day 1 – Friday, June 4			
	Main Hall (Plaza 3)	Small Room (Plaza 2)	Room 3
8:00 - 10:00 am	Conference registration – lobby hall way		
9:00 am – 12:00pm	Steve and Jen White		
12:00pm – 1:30pm	Lunch		
12:00 – 7:00 pm	Trade Show Open		
1:30 – 4:30pm	Steve and Jen White	Gail Fisher	Sue Ailsby
7:00 – 8:30pm	Veronica Boutelle	Bill Bruce	

Day 2 – Saturday, June 5			
	Main Hall (Plaza 3)	Small Room (Plaza 2)	Room 3
8:00 - 10:00 am	Conference registration – lobby hall way		
8:30am - 7:00pm	Trade Show Open		
9:00 am – 12:00pm	Ali Brown	Gail Fisher	
12:00pm – 1:30pm	Lunch / CAPPDT AGM		
1:30 – 4:30pm	Ali Brown	Sue Ailsby	Steve White
5:30- 6:30pm	Cocktails		
7:00 – 9:30pm	Saturday night Gala – speaker Mona Keith from Calgary Zoo		

Day 3 – Sunday, June 6	
	Main Hall (Plaza 3)
9:00 - 10:00 am	Conference registration – lobby hall way
8:30am – 2:00 pm	Trade Show Open
10:00 am – 12:00pm	Karen Pryor
12:00pm – 1:00pm	Lunch
1:00 – 3:00pm	Karen Pryor
3:00 – 3:30pm	Closing Comments

Speaker Biographies (alphabetically by last name)

Sue Ailsby

Sue Ailsby is a well-known and highly accomplished clicker trainer who has competed successfully with her dogs in just about every possible competition venue. She now gives clicker training seminars across Canada and the US. Sue has put years of clicker training wisdom into her online *Book of Training Levels* and has also posted a blog of her clicker training adventure with her service dog in training, Stitch, at www.dragonflyllama.com.

Ali Brown

Ali Brown received her B.S. in Psychology from Ursinus College and an M.Ed. in Behavioural Science from Lehigh University. She made a fulfilling switch from behaviour therapy for the mentally handicapped to working with dogs ten years ago. In 2001, Ali became one of the first trainers to receive her CPDT. Ali takes great pride in teaching non-force training methods. She lives, trains and works with Acacia (9) and Bing (3), both Belgian Sheepdogs.

She attends seminars and conferences regularly. She has been involved in reviewing CPDT test questions for accuracy, clarity and validity. Her biggest source of education lately has been in working with Dr. Karen Overall to address anxiety issues in Bing. She recently was certified as a CDDBC (Certified Dog Behaviour Consultant).

Ali has traveled the nation, conducting seminars on reactive dogs. She also

evaluates dog/human teams for CGC (Canine Good Citizen) and TDI (Therapy Dog International) certificates.

Another passion for her is APDT Rally-O, where she is a judge in all three levels. Her attraction to this sport is that it is for anyone and everyone, regardless of age, breed, mix, handicap, and that it's about the relationship between the dog and human, not precision.

Bill Bruce

Director of Animal Services and Bylaws, Calgary

Bill came into the Animal and Bylaw area with a vision of moving the focus from enforcement to a broader goal of achieving and maintaining compliance to the City's bylaws, utilizing tools such as clear, understandable bylaws and policies, partnerships, conflict resolution techniques and public education to raise awareness and improve voluntary compliance. The areas of priority have been activities that effect public health and safety, protection of the environment and protection of municipal infrastructure. Bill believes that the municipality's bylaws must reflect the standards of the community and that service should be delivered in partnership with communities, business groups, other agencies and city departments. In the Animal Services area the focus has been to create a community of responsible pet owners in collaboration with all of the groups involved with animals in the community with specific goals to reduce the number or aggressive incidents involving dogs, increase the return to owner rates for both dogs and cats, reduce euthanasia and work towards becoming a no more homeless pets municipality.

Bill is a believer in continuous improvement and is committed to improving the quality of life in the community for both people and animals.

Veronica Boutelle

Veronica Boutelle, MA Ed, CTC, is the former Director of Behavior and Training at the San Francisco SPCA. Through [dogTEC](#), she teaches sold-out seminars and consults one-on-one with dog professionals. She is the author of *How to Run a Dog Business: Putting Your Career Where Your Heart Is*, writes business columns for *The APDT Chronicle of the Dog* and the *CAPPDT's Forum*, and is a sought-after speaker at conferences and dog training schools across the country.

Gail Fisher

Gail Fisher's 30 year background in canine vocation covers virtually all aspects of the field—breeding, showing, competitive obedience and agility, and training dogs from household pets to problem solving to training service dogs. In 1978, Gail developed the first University program for dog trainers and instructors in the world, a two-year certificate course, which she taught at the University of New Hampshire. She founded and is President of [All Dogs Gym](#), the largest dog activity center in the Northeast and one of the largest all-clicker-training programs in the country. Gail volunteers as Training Director and head trainer for NH Pathways to Hope, a prison dog program in which inmates train dogs as service dogs for people with disabilities.

Named one of the top five lecturers in the world on dog behaviour and training by England's *Our Dogs Magazine*, her reputation is well-earned. Gail's entertaining and educational seminars spread the word of humane, dog-friendly training and a greater understanding of dog behaviour to audiences throughout the United States, Canada and Europe. Gail's commitment to learning and sharing knowledge benefits dog owners, professionals and the dogs themselves.

Author of two award-winning books, several dog-training manuals, and a contributor to the *AKC Gazette*, Gail has been featured on numerous national and regional network and cable television broadcasts. She is a weekly columnist for the New Hampshire Sunday News, and has testified in court as an expert witness. Gail's latest book, *The Thinking Dog*, published by Dogwise in early 2008, is the definitive text for "crossover" trainers.

A pioneer in the field of interactive doggie daycare, in 1993 Gail opened one of the first interactive daycares in the U.S., which now has a daily attendance of over 70 dogs. Her business model has been followed by dog professionals throughout the country. The knowledge gained from observing dog interaction in such a "laboratory" has been invaluable to her, her staff and her audiences.

Most importantly, it is Gail's principles and philosophy that energizes her staff, students, clients and participants at seminars. It is her belief and commitment to her mission that all dogs can reach their highest potential when their owners respect and understand their dogs, when dogs live in a mentally, physically and emotionally healthy environment, and when they are trained.

Mona Keith

Zookeeper and Naturalist, Mona Keith's lifelong interest in the animals of our world make her a great part of our team. She has a BSc in Zoology and started her career as a Field Biologist with the Canadian Wildlife Federation, working on the endangered Vancouver Island Marmot Project, and the effects of clear-cut logging on the forest birds of Vancouver Island. She began her Zoo keeping career in 1982 at the Calgary Zoo, and has nurtured her passion and honed her skills working closely with animals ever since. She strives to ensure that the animals under her care have the best life possible while they serve as ambassadors for their species educating people about the crucial role all wildlife plays in our lives and the world we live in. For the last 19 years, she has worked almost exclusively with African species dedicating most of her time to giraffes, hippos & lions as feels her role as a Zookeeper includes the education of people about the animals under her care. She has given numerous talks to school groups, special behind-the-scene tours, and many TV, radio and newspaper interviews. Mona is an avid birdwatcher keeping lists of sightings in North and South America, Australia, New Zealand, and Africa. She loves to share her passion for our avian friends and her enthusiasm is sure to rub off. As an experienced trip leader, Mona will provide valuable knowledge and enjoyment to your trip to see the wonders of nature.



Karen Pryor

Karen Pryor is a scientist with an international reputation in two fields, marine mammal biology and behavioural psychology. Through her work with dolphins in the 1960s she pioneered modern, force-free animal training methods. Karen is the author of many scientific papers and monographs and seven books. She is a founder and leading proponent of clicker training, the worldwide movement involving new ways to communicate positively with pets and other animals. She is the founder and CEO of the behavioural publishing company Sunshine Books, Inc., and its online divisions. Karen has three children and seven grandchildren. She lives in Boston with two clicker trained dogs and a clicker trained cat.

Jennifer White

With a 20 year background in training and animal behaviour consultation, Jennifer has worked with animals of all shapes and sizes, from dogs, cats, birds, rodents and reptiles to marine mammals and horses. Her professional experience is complimented by a degree from Tufts University in child

development, by additional coursework in animal behaviour at Harvard University, and by a true joy of working with people and their animals.

Jennifer joins forces with her husband and colleague, Steve White, in their mission to change the way animals are trained around the world. They offer educational seminars, training classes, & workshops for animal owners and professional trainers who are committed to using motivational, non-force methods that preserve a positive relationship and that keep training fun for all. See more about their new training facility, Rivendale Learning Center, in Maltby, WA: www.RivendaleLearningCenter.com .

Jennifer & Steve offer private behaviour consultation services for all animal species. Jennifer compliments her practice by preparing flower essence blends for people and animals all around the world to help with behaviour and health concerns. Jennifer recently became a BICOM bioresonance practitioner so she can bring this amazing technology to her clients as well.

Jennifer is thrilled to serve in a community of dedicated people who care deeply for their animals and she looks forward to lending a helping hand in their lives together.

Steve White

More than half of Steve White's 31-year law enforcement career has been spent working with dogs. Steve was handler and trainer for one of the largest police K-9 units in the state of Washington. Accredited as a master trainer in 1993 by the Washington State Police Canine Association, Steve is also a past executive board member of that body, and past vice president of the Certification Council for Pet Dog Trainers. He is an instructor for the K-9 Academy for Law Enforcement and has taught at police K-9 seminars in the US, Canada, Mexico, and the UK. He has taught obedience classes at parks, community centers, and kennels. His articles have appeared in police K-9 and dog training publications in the US and Canada. In addition to being a member of the ClickerExpo faculty, Steve has taught classes at the international conferences of the Association of Pet Dog Trainers, Canada's CAPPDT, and Mexico's AMAPAC. He has been an invited presenter at the US Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency's Plume Tracing Symposium and the Mountain Rescue Council of the United Kingdom.

Steve specializes in teaching behaviour modification, tracking, and scent work through the use of positive reinforcement-based operant conditioning. Through his business *i2iK9*, he provides consultation and training to private parties,

industry, K-9 units, and SAR organizations. Steve has been recognized as an expert witness by Washington courts in police K-9 and dog behavior matters.