

BILLIE RICHARDSON HERDING CLINICS Hosted by Cherry Hill Training Center

When: Clinic 1 August 9 - 11 2024 8:30 am - 5:00 pm - rain or shine

Clinic 2 August 12 - 14 2024 8:30 am - 5:00 pm - rain or shine

Clinic 3 August 16 - 18, 2024 8:30 am - 5:00 pm - rain or shine

Where: Cherry Hill Training Center 7709 US Route 20A, Bloomfield NY 14469

What to bring: Bring a chair, paper and pen for note taking, flat buckle collar, and leash. Bring rain gear just in case.

Food: Water, will be provided. Lunch will be ordered from a local facility for a fee. If you have dietary restrictions please consider bringing your own lunch.

Billie Bio:

My first aussie 'Cosmo' was the first dog I did herding with. He was more 'show' bred but we stuck with it. My first experience with herding was very positive but I found it very difficult after to find someone willing to believe in us. I watched "border collie" trials and clinics for many years and enjoyed it.

I attended a clinic in Saskatchewan with Trudy Viklund and she had Aussies that were AWESOME! I remember saying, one day I will have an aussie like that and ... I did. Trudy helped me get Dan and the rest is history as they say. I was lucky and particular who I picked as my trainer and mentor, they had to believe in me and my dog ... and they did \checkmark

Dan was the first Australian Shepherd to qualify for the USBCHA (United States

Border Collie Handlers Association) Nursery finals and he made the semi finals in 2013. He's also the first Australian Shepherd to qualify for the open finals. We competed in the 2015, 2018 and 2019. He has done well with both sheep and cows in the USBCHA competitions. He's placed well and won many trials both in arena and field. His biggest win was the 2018 World Stockdog Champion, the first nonborder collie to ever win.

Dan has also had some good success in ASCA on cows, sheep and ducks. He's placed well over the years but we don't trial in ASCA much as field trials are more what we enjoy. Has also qualified and ran in the 2017 ASCA Finals.

I have four other Aussies right now. I have 'Pink' who is 8, she's a Dan daughter. I've trialed her a bit but she doesn't enjoy it, she's a very talented dog at my farm that helps me daily.

Vinnie is 7 I have trialed him with both sheep and cows in USBCHA. He's a great young dog with plenty of talent. I have trialed very little with him in ASCA, but despite limited trialing he has placed very well in his trials and in the Merit standings.

I have Jim who is 2 and Frankie who is 1 and I look forward to both of their futures as they are both talented young dogs.

My training style is simple, I want the dogs to understand pressure and go around their stock sensibly. I'm firm but fair, I want the dog to show some respect to the handler and the stock. It is my goal for people to see themselves and their dogs in a way they didn't know was there. I hope to inspire people to train and trial to be their best and not worry so much about the team next to you. Focus on your own set of dreams and they're more likely to come true.

Entry Form

Opening Day: May 13, 2024

There are only 10 working spots each day, I will take entries in order of postmark. Only entries mailed via USPS will be accepted.

Due to the popularity of these clinics we are limiting participants to 1 spot for one clinic. Then based on availability we will open it up to people for either a second spot or a second clinic. We want to make her available to as many people as possible.

Cost: \$175 per day. Auditors are welcome. Auditing cost: \$70. Make checks payable to Cherry Hill Training Center or PayPal to. AmandaFarnsworth@cherryhilltraining.

You can sign up for one, two, or all three days, however preference will be given to people that want to sign up for all 3 days. You can work multiple dogs in a working spot, for example one dog in AM and one in PM or one on one day and the other on another day.

Clinic 1: Aug 9 – 11	Friday	Saturday	_ Sunday
Clinic 2: Aug 12 – 14	Monday	_ Tuesday	_ Wednesday
Clinic 3: Aug 16 – 18	Friday	Saturday	_ Sunday
Handler Name:			
Address:			
Email:			
Dog's Name:			
Breed:			
Herding Experience:			
Mail to entry form and payment to:			
Sue Bartleson 7704 School St Sodus, NY 14551			
If paying by PayPal please remit payment at the time you mail your entry form			
No refunds after July 22, 2024 unless we can fill your spot.			
Any questions please reach out to either:			
Sue Bartleson – <u>sbartleson@aol.com</u>			
Margaret MacGiffert – mmacgiff@gmail.com			