

# Canine Comeback Newsletter

June 2010

## SPECIALS AND EVENTS

We have had a great three months since our opening March 6<sup>th</sup>!! Our focus has been on helping dogs recover as well as getting dogs fit and obedient for summer hikes. We will be continuing our conditioning and training specials and will be adding a few new classes:

**"New" Comeback Class:** This is a follow on to the training package for those interested in continuing their training. This class will be held Friday evenings at 5:30. 8 classes for \$240, an \$80 savings

**"New" Nose Work Class Level 1:** Starts June 16<sup>th</sup>. 6:00-7:00PM. 6 weeks for \$150. Join us for a free introductory session June 12 at 10:00. See our website FMI or sign up.

### **"New" Search and Rescue**

**Seminar** with International

SAR Instructor, IRO &

FCI Judge and Author,

Resi Gerritsen, July 31<sup>st</sup>-

August 8<sup>th</sup>. See our website FMI.



**More Puppy Classes** starting in August. 5 weeks for \$200. [\$190 with this newsletter]

**Next BH Class** starting September 8<sup>th</sup>, \$350.

**Fit and Trim:** Dry treadmill conditioning, 5 sessions for \$175, a \$50 savings. Dietary consults are also available.

**Comeback Rehabilitation package;** 6 water treadmill sessions, a massage and a veterinary follow-up for \$500, a \$70 savings.

**Comeback Training Package;** 3 private and 3 semi-private lessons to start teaching your dog to listen for \$330, a \$30 savings.

Check out our website for more details:

[www.caninecomeback.com](http://www.caninecomeback.com)

or call 603-933-3146 (Hillsborough, NH)

## TIPS

**Training:** Redirecting a dog's focus; Often times a dog owner will find themselves unable to stop an unwanted behaviour from their dog or unable to change their direction or attitude and they give up. Many dogs can be redirected into an obedience exercise that they already know to interrupt the behaviour and you can reward them for a positive one.

Next time your dog is overexcited, barking like crazy at something, acting crazy about a thunderstorm, nervous about the veterinarian visit etc. [always have a leash and treat handy] Snap the leash on, use your body to direct them away from the problem and ask them to sit. Once sitting you can reward them for the better behaviour or perform the relaxing "TTouch" described below. [Note: Your dog will need a proper level of obedience for this to work, which we will be glad to help you with]



**Massage:** "TTouch" is great for dogs who have anxiety issues with thunderstorms, strange places or sudden noises, as well as dogs that are simply overloaded with excitement. Just place them in a sit or down and gently massage their ear using your thumb and index finger in small clockwise circles. Each circle should be one and one quarter rotation followed by a pause.

**Exercise;** Don't forget those cookie stretches and a warm-up before exercise. Your dog probably didn't go to the gym all winter either. Be careful of the heat this time of year, exercise early or late in the day. Provide water often in small amounts. Swimming or a steady walk on leash is best for the overweight, older or arthritic dogs.