



Canine Behavioural Consultants

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Pet Peeves is expanding! To serve your clients better

We are happy to announce that Pet Peeves has joined forces with Smart Dog Training and Consulting, owned and operated by Sherry Antonishen, BA (Hons.), Certified Pet Dog Trainer. Our merger enables us to offer your clients a choice of location for classes (near Tillicum Mall or near the Royal Athletic Park) as well as a wider selection of days and times. In addition to our top-quality group classes for dogs of all ages, we also continue to offer private lessons, drop-in socialization classes for puppies, and behavioural consultations.

We'd like to introduce Sherry Antonishen to those who don't know her. We first met her years ago when she brought her dog to our classes. Her talents with dogs were evident, and Sherry soon decided to pursue a second career in dog training, alongside her "day job" in television production. She joined us as a volunteer assisting in our group classes, to prepare for her formal education as a dog trainer at the famous Academy for Dog Trainers at the San Francisco SPCA, the pre-eminent dog training academy in North America. Under the tutelage of renowned trainer and author Jean Donaldson, Sherry completed the rigorous curriculum in 2004. When she returned to Victoria, she joined our team of instructors and impressed us with her knowledge and her skills with both the dogs and their owners. Later, Sherry started her own company, Smart Dog Training and Consulting (www.smartdogtraining.ca), and she has established a solid reputation as an expert trainer. Sherry is certified by the Certification Council for Pet Dog Trainers, sits on the Citizen Canine advisory board, and writes a regular training and behaviour column for Vancouver Island Pets Magazine. She constantly upgrades her skills by attending training events, participating in on-line discussion groups, and reading. She has also brought top speakers to Victoria for educational events for other dog trainers.

As we join with Sherry and her team of instructors, Mary Anne will be retiring to allow more time for her psychology practice and her new grandson ☺! Sherry will assume the post of Head Trainer.

We look forward to continuing to serve your clients with the best in dog training services.

Best regards,

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