

Jackie is a native of the NW corner of CT, living in Kent most of her life.

She was a veterinary technician for nearly 30 years working in a practice that cared for both large and small animals. She has worked with many animals from hedgehogs to Shire horses and every animal in between but dogs have forever been her passion.

She has spent her lifetime learning about dogs and dog behavior, attending many seminars and workshops on behavior and training since the late 1980's.

Two of her early favorites being Dr Ian Dunbar and Suzanne Clothier.

Her last 2 years have been spent learning online from Lauren Langman, world class agility competitor and Dr Tom Mitchell veterinary behaviorist. They are the founders, teachers and trainers of the Absolute Dogs method of training and are located in the UK.

She has earned the Absolute Dogs Pro Dog Trainer Certificate as well as the Geek Behavior Certificate with plans to do the Video assessment as well. She continues learning through Absolute Dogs as well as many other like-minded dog training masters. She strives to always stay updated with new studies and ideas.

She believes that no two dogs are alike and that by training the dog in front of you and teaching them as an individual, you give the dog the best opportunity for learning.

Not all methods work for every individual. Dog training is not a linear process.

Jackie has competed in Obedience, Rally and Conformation with several of her dogs in AKC, UKC, CDSP and ASCA. She has also competed in NADD and Dock Dogs dock diving events.

She currently lives with Bob her partner, 2 American Eskimo Dogs and 2 Australian Shepherds.

She has been a regular student at Canine Sports Center since 2005. That is the year she first met Dee Chuisano. Dee encouraged Bob to compete with his Australian Shepherd Zeus. They later went on to earn their UD in Obedience.

Dee has been their obedience and dog training mentor and friend ever since.

Jackie is excited and honored to continue teaching Dee's Essential Life Skills Obedience classes as well as the evening Novice Competition class on Monday nights.

