## TRAIN THE TOP DOG WAY

## with Betsy Scapicchio and Linda Brennan

Top Dog started in 1991 on the talents of Betsy Scapicchio and her love of dog training. Linda Brennan joined the team soon after and an amazing match was made. Betsy and Linda are active and current competitors that you are likely to see placing at all of the big shows and tournaments, as well as at local trials. They continually show a variety of breeds to Obedience Trial Champions and they have never been out of the ring in over 30 years. But what sets Betsy and Linda apart from other trainers is not their own tremendous success in the obedience ring; it is their ability to communicate to their students how they too can achieve that level of success. Top Dog students earn multiple High in Trials, High Combined, OTCHs and 200 scores year after year. It is one thing to achieve your own success, but quite another to be able to communicate those skills to others. Teaching is complicated; it not only demands broad knowledge of subject matter, including animal behavior, and also requires enthusiasm, a caring attitude, a sense of humor, and a recognition of just what each student team needs and when. Pepper that with an intense love of sharing information and you are now training the Top Dog way!

Betsy and Linda specialize in workshops where the working participants get a chance to get out on the floor and WORK their dogs. We hear over and over from past workshop participants that they cannot believe the amount of floor time they got with their dogs, and our auditors report that they were presented with such detailed instructions and demonstrations that their notebooks were full! When you complete a Workshop with Betsy and Linda, in addition to acquiring a wealth of information, you and your dog will be re-energized and ready to tackle the next training challenge. Because Betsy and Linda continually compete, as well as working with their competitive students, their training is constantly evolving. Each new dog encourages them to learn more and incorporate new ideas into their proven training method.

**Betsy Scapicchio,** Owner of Top Dog Obedience School, has over 35 years of dog training experience and has done it all! In addition to all of her students' successes, her own dogs have earned eight Obedience Trial Championships as well as winning and placing at national competitions including the Regional and Classic tournaments and the National Obedience Championship, with top ten finishes at five recent NOCs. She and her dogs, including her UD Chihuahua, also placed at Rally Nationals. Betsy and her dogs have earned 29 perfect 200 scorers, over 200 High in Trials and over 4200 OTCH points so far!

**Linda Brennan** is the master of versatility. In obedience, her wins include back-to-back firsts in the Masters Class at the AKC Classic and four firsts at the Westminster Master Obedience Championships. Linda's BC Spy earned over 1000 OTCH points and she and current partner Heart have already well surpassed that number. However, Linda's passion is working with different breeds of dogs, including her own Welsh Springer Spaniels and Norfolk Terrier. Linda also specializes in multipurpose dogs. In addition to obedience, she trains and competes in agility, rally, hunting, herding, conformation, scent work, and other dog events where she has earned many titles including OTCH, MACH and Champion.

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