



Notice of Change in Services Offered

To my current clients, dog owners searching for a dog training professional, fellow dog trainers, and animal health care professionals:

Starting September 1, 2011, TLC Training will no longer be offering group levels (basic manners) classes or puppy classes. We will continue to offer advanced and specialty classes periodically, as well as one-on-one sessions for obedience, basic manners, and behaviour modifications for problem issues.

This change has come about for multiple reasons:

- a desire to focus more time and energy into my volunteer work with Hope Heels - Service Dog Team Building Institute (www.hopeheels.com). Hope Heels is a new non-profit organization that helps individuals with mental health disabilities to train their own service dogs to help mitigate their disability. In the process of training, the handler learns skills needed to help them work beyond the bounds of their disability and when they need help, their service dog is there.
- a desire to work towards the new Canine Behaviour Consultant - Canine (CBCC-KA) designation available from the Certification Council for Professional Dog Trainers (CCPDT) (www.ccpdt.org)
This designation requires a greater focus on behaviour issues such as reactivity, aggression, separation anxiety and compulsive behaviours.
- a desire to spend some time with my husband and take care of myself for a while

Calgarians and those in the surrounding area are lucky to have a number of quality, certified, positive trainers and we would be pleased to provide you with a referral to one of these trainers if you are searching for group classes.

It has been a pleasure providing group classes for the past 2 years, and I'm sure in the future I will return to providing these services.

Happy training,

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