

# AGILITYNERD HANDLING SEMINAR

Presented by Steve Schwarz, aka AgilityNerd

Saturday, April 18 and Sunday, April 19, 2015

Youngstown All Breed Training Club  
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**Steve Schwarz** has been training and competing in agility and flyball since 1997. He focuses on helping handlers improve their communication with their dogs on course in a positive and light hearted manner. Steve brings an analytical approach from his engineering background to the study and training of agility. In order to stay knowledgeable about current agility training techniques, Steve trains regularly with top agility handlers and attends multiple dog and agility training seminars each year. Steve competes in AKC, USDAA, UKI, and CPE venues and has competed in NADAC and UKC. Steve also writes the longest running dog agility blog: AgilityNerd (<http://agilitynerd.com/>) with regular articles and videos on agility training, handling, and course analysis.

## Saturday, April 18, 8am-Noon – Course, What Course?

Using his PAWS method Steve takes you from reading the course map through identifying options, walking the course, to remembering the course and your handling decisions. Teams will practice and apply the techniques on multiple courses. Limited to 8 working teams and unlimited audits.

## Saturday, April 18, 1pm-5pm – Super Skills Part 1

Front/Rear Crosses/Combined. You'll start working on Front and Rear Crosses learning where to place them, choose between them, execute them cleanly and to use your cues effectively for your dog. Limited to 8 working teams and unlimited audits.

## Sunday, April 19, 8am-Noon – Super Skills Part 2

Pin Wheels/Serpentines/Combined. You'll learn to put your crosses together in more demanding combinations on key course sequences: Pin Wheels and Serpentine. You'll learn multiple handling techniques for each and learn to apply appropriate handling cues to help you and your dog quickly and smoothly execute these sequences. Limited to 8 working teams and unlimited audits.

## Sunday, April 19, 1pm-5pm – Can You Handle It?

Handling for the Competition Agility Team. Open/Excellent/Masters JWW Style Courses. Steve will help you see handling alternatives and help you choose those appropriate for your team. Teams will run courses and get detailed feedback on improving their execution. In order to focus on handling and improving handler execution, all dogs must be proficient on all equipment: no remedial equipment training will be covered. Limited to 8 working teams and unlimited audits.

**Cost:** ½ Day Working Spots are \$85.00 for YABTC Members & \$100.00 for Non-Members  
½ Day Auditing is \$30.00--YABTC Members and Non-Members  
Full Day Auditing is \$50.00—YABTC Members and Non-Members  
All include light lunch, snacks, and beverages