



**Dave Viklund Herding Clinic, @ Bettie Kinsley's Farm
Saturday April 29, Sunday April 30, Monday May 1, 2023**

**Private Lessons on Tuesday May 2, 2023 Priority given to those who paid
for working spots at the clinic Saturday through Monday**

**** NOTE: Refunds will be issued only if your spot can be filled. ** Deadline Feb 15, 2023 for SLHC Members**
Working spots will be given to SLHC members first and to those signing up for all FOUR days. Working Spots are limited to 10 Dogs.
If you want to work multiple dog's you can request additional working spot(s) or you can split your workings slots with multiple dogs.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Number of dogs _____ Breed(s) _____ Name of dog(s) _____

Briefly describe your dog's experience with stock: _____

Briefly describe what you would like to accomplish at the clinic _____

What Stock would you prefer to work with Cattle Sheep Ducks

Working Spot SLHC Member Per Day \$100 Saturday Sunday Monday
Spots will be given first to those signing up for all four days. Lunch Coffee and Water Included in Fee.

Working Spot Non-Member One Day \$125 Saturday Sunday Monday
Spots will be given first to those signing up for all four days. Lunch Coffee and Water included in fee.

Tuesday Private Lessons: \$100.00 per session – 45 minutes

SLHC Member AUDITING is FREE PLEASE TEXT or E-Mail TRACY TO LET HER KNOW YOU ARE COMING
LUNCH IS INCLUDED IN THE WORKING SPOT PRICE – If you are auditing and want LUNCH Pre-Pay is Preferred for \$7
need to RSVP for LUNCH by April 22 so we can have adequate quantity of food

Auditing Non Member Friday \$25 Saturday \$25 Sunday \$25 *Lunch Coffee and Water included in fee.*

SUNDAY NIGHT DINNER/BBQ @ Bettie's after Clinic if Jeff is off work to be the Chef. \$10-\$15 per person. Payable to Bettie Kinsley night of dinner. Must RSVP by Saturday April 22nd if planning to attend BBQ.

YES I Plan to Have Fun and Eat NO I am a party pooper

Please E-Mail form to Tracy at rottiewefarm@gmail.com

Make Check Payable to: St. Louis Herding Club or SLHC

Mail Check to: SLHC Treasurer Eileen Wilson 7252 Klondike Road Hillsboro, MO 63050-1317

If you are planning to come and audit PLEASE contact Tracy so we can plan accordingly. You will be contacted with the start time of the clinic.

I understand that I am responsible for any cost incurred as a result of damage caused by me or my family or my dog(s) to facilities, animals, or persons. In the event of personal injury, damage to my property or animals, I will not hold the sponsors of the Clinic St Louis Herding Club and Kinsley Ventures, their workers, or owners of the property responsible.

Signed _____ Date: _____

Dave Viklund

Double V Stockdogs

Dave began working with livestock in 1982 by raising laying hens and being the little kid in the parking lot selling eggs. It was around this time that he also met one of his first mentors, a rancher from Alberta. Dave spent the summers cutting posts and helping this rancher with what ever farm tasks he could.



In 1985 Dave expanded his own livestock by beginning to get into horses, both saddle and draft horses. Through the years of learning to work with horses Dave learned the skills and theories that his herding dog training is based on.

It was in 1992 while trying to begin a commercial sheep outfit that Dave saw a well trained dog that helped rather than hinder the work. He was hooked. A local Border Collie breeder had a year old dog being returned because the owners were having trouble keeping him home. This dog set Dave on a path that has molded and changed his life.

While riding for a feedlot during the winter of 1995/96 Dave had the chance to attend a clinic by Bud Williams. This clinic tied the principles Dave had been working his horses with to the livestock he worked.

It was in 2002 while working for a sheep operation that was set up for people to work stockdogs that Dave realized that the principles he used to train his horses and work livestock were the same as what he did with his dogs. It was with this knowledge that Dave was finally able to begin to explain to people how he got his dogs to do the things he could ask them to do. This is also the time that Dave began to dabble in trialing stockdogs.

Dave now runs a small farm with his wife, Trudy. On this farm they both help people learn to work livestock with dogs. Dave attends a few trials each year but spends much of his time and weekends helping others learn and prepare to trial their own dogs. Dave competes and judges in a few different venues, AHBA, AKC and USBCHA primarily.

Over the years Dave has worked a variety of dogs from the commonly expected dogs, like: Border Collies, Kelpies Aussies and Cattle Dogs, to some unexpected like: Greater Swiss Mountain dogs and Spanish Water dogs. He runs Kelpies and Border Collies as his personal dogs but will tell you that “a good dog is a good dog. A dog that works well is a good dog.”

He takes a common sense approach to handling dogs based upon the needs of the livestock. Using teamwork and communication, he focuses on handler communicating with the dog and allowing the dog to communicate with the livestock. His goal is to give handlers the tools necessary to understand livestock and be able to communicate just what is necessary to the dog to accomplish the tasks. This approach allows the handler and dog to work together to accomplish their tasks not just navigate obstacles.

*Photo: Kate Lowenberger