

Setter Symposium 2025

Saturday, May 3, Brodie Park, New Hartford, CT



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**Bring your puppies, your “mature” dogs, your
Rescue babies, ALL are welcome!**
**Get out and give your dog (and yourself) a taste of something new,
or reinvigorate your interest**

**Offerings will include:
Scentwork, Conformation, Grooming, Obedience, Scent Work
Rally,*Bird Work,* Canine Good Citizen,*and Trick Dog***

And more!

***Space is limited, Pre-registration required
See registration form for details**

**For More Information and
Registration:**

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Directions:

**Rte 8 North or South, take exit 55, Pinewoods Rd. East on Pinewoods to Torrington St.
Left (north) on Torrington for .4 mile to West Hill Rd.**

Right on West Hill for 1.8 miles.

Brodie Park is on the left.

**From the East, I-84 to Farmington, Rte 4 West for 13 miles toward Collinsville. Straight
onto Rte 179 for 3.8 miles. Left on Rte 44 West for 4.4 miles into New Hartford center. Left
onto Rte 219 South for 1 mile.**

Right on West Hill Road for 2.6 miles. Brodie Park is on the right.

More information on this year's Setter Symposium activities:

Greetings everyone! This year's Symposium is brought to you by the English Setter Club of New England, the TarTan Gordon Setter Club, and the Irish Red and White Setter Association of America. ALL Setters are invited and encouraged to attend! It is ALL FUN! Here is a basic run-down of the offerings:

Obedience:

Working with an instructor, you will warm up with some straight-line heeling. How much connection do you have with your dog?

We'll try to give you the confidence to give it a try at a trial.

Intro to clicker training. We'll work with you and your dog to get their attention and mark that behavior.

When to mark is important whether it's with a clicker or voice "yes".

We will have a Beginner Novice course for you to try, and talk about what other venues you can do - on leash.

We will talk about the new AKC title FETCH - Setters love it. Remember that our dogs are very smart and we need to

be creative in our training methods. You cannot drill a setter; they will shut down. Play is just as important as training. Be the "fun one" in your dog's life. Set them up for success when training.

Rally

Also with an instructor, we will set up a Novice Course to try. See for yourself how great novice is: you can talk to your dog, slap your leg to get their attention, take the mystery away from what the signs mean. It's all on leash, so there is no stress involved. Find out that Intermediate Rally is on leash as well! We will have some additional signs out to show how easy they are to read and perform.

Canine Good Citizen and Trick Dog

Pre-registration is required. This is an actual test, and if you pass, you will get a title!! Have your dog's registration information with you.

Breed Handling

Morning session is aimed at novices, those who yearn to learn! Bring a show lead if possible. We will talk about stacking, gaiting, patterns, and other handling skills,

Afternoon session is for those who have made the leap into the ring and need to polish their skills, learn tricks of the trade, and how to best present your dog.

Grooming

You will be shown by an experienced setter groomer the right way to sculpt your dog into its best self. Each dog is different, and each type of setter is unique. Learn about the right tools and how to use them correctly. Learn how to accentuate your dog's best features and how to minimize the not-so-good ones.

Bird Work

The basics of what a setter's job is will be discussed. There will be live quail which will be "planted," and your dog will be encouraged to find them by scent and point them. No blank guns will be fired, and your dog will be on a check cord (long lead) at all times. Lots of praise and encouragement.

And we can't forget lunch!!!! One of the best potlucks around!!!!

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further information and registration form

ALL DOGS MUST BE ON LEASH

Please bring chairs, leashes and water for dogs, and crates or x-pens.

If participating in grooming, bring any grooming tools you have.

All dogs for grooming must be freshly bathed.

You are expected to pick up after your dogs. Pooper scoopers will be available.

Please bring a potluck dish (main dish, salad, dessert) to share for lunch.

Soft drinks provided.

Mail reservations and checks (payable to ESCNE) to Janice Ganetsky (See page 1) postmarked by Apr 19

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9:30	<input type="checkbox"/>	Obedience			1:00	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rally	
10:00	<input type="checkbox"/>	Beginning Breed Handling			1:15	<input type="checkbox"/>	Grooming	
11:00	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rally			1:15	<input type="checkbox"/>	Advanced Breed Handling	
10:00	<input type="checkbox"/>	Grooming			2:00	<input type="checkbox"/>	Obedience	
9:30-11:30	<input type="checkbox"/>	CGC & Trick Dog Testing (pre-registration required)			2:15	<input type="checkbox"/>	Intro to Scentwork	
9:00-11:30	<input type="checkbox"/>	Birdwork (individual times to be assigned/pre-registration required)			1:00-3:00	<input type="checkbox"/>	CGC & Trick Dog Testing (pre-registration required)	
					1:00-2:30	<input type="checkbox"/>	Birdwork (individual times to be assigned/pre-registration required)	

12:00
Pot Luck
Picnic Lunch
Please note your contribution and indicate whether it is a salad, main dish, or dessert:

Name _____ Check one: ☐ Individual \$25.00
☐ Family \$35.00

Address _____

_____ Your check includes lunch & all classes, except below:

Email _____ Number of dogs for bird work _____ x \$30 ea.
 Total for birdwork: \$_____ (2 birds per dog)

Phone _____

Breed _____ Canine Good Citizen Test/Trick Dog \$15 ea. Both/\$25
 CGC # of dogs _____
 Trick Dog # of dogs _____ CGC/TD total \$_____

All participants agree to waive and release liability of the Irish Red & White Setter Association of America, the English Setter Club of NE and the TarTan Gordon Setter Club, its officers, representatives, and volunteers and the Town of New Hartford or their agents responsible for all claims for personal injuries, damages, or ordinary negligence, and hereby agree to accept any and all inherent risks of property