
Consultation Form:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

8:45am - 9:30am

45min

Initial One-on-One Consultation with Kelsey (this uses resource Downstairs)

Phone

[REDACTED]

Email

[REDACTED]

Initial Consultation

WHAT IS YOUR HOME ADDRESS? (STREET ADDRESS, CITY/MUNICIPALITY, POSTAL CODE)

[REDACTED]

ADDITIONAL OWNER ~ FIRST NAME

[REDACTED]

ADDITIONAL OWNER ~ LAST NAME

[REDACTED]

ADDITIONAL OWNER ~ PHONE NUMBER(S)

[REDACTED]

ADDITIONAL OWNER ~ EMAIL

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DOG'S NAME:

[REDACTED]

DOG'S SEX:

Female Intact

DOG'S DATE OF BIRTH:

Jan 12, 2022

BREED: (IF UNKNOWN, PLEASE PROVIDE A DESCRIPTION SUCH AS SIZE/WEIGHT)

GSD

HOW LONG HAVE YOU HAD YOUR DOG?

1.5 years

PLEASE LIST ADDITIONAL PETS LIVING IN HOME:

None

NAME OF BREEDER/RESCUE:

[REDACTED]

PREFERRED VET CLINIC:

[REDACTED]

DETAIL ANY RELEVANT INJURIES OR ILLNESSES:

she has had a sore right hip. things are better but unsure if fully healed.

ANY FOOD ALLERGIES OR SENSITIVITIES:

chicken sensitivities

PLEASE DETAIL YOUR DOGS PREVIOUS TRAINING EXPERIENCE(S) INCLUDING NAMES OF TRAINERS PREVIOUSLY WORKED WITH:

We did a 6 week support dog training
8 week take the lead class in [REDACTED] for socialization
7 out of 12 week reactive class for fearful or reactive dogs - we were just not a good match

PLEASE LIST ALL SKILLS YOUR DOG KNOWS:

Sit, sit stay. Down, down stay, place, to crate, leave it, drop it, Center (between my legs) off leash
heel, threshold training – all about 90% its rare that she just drops – she sometimes has to think
about it for a second

Recall with distractions is very rare – outside of her threshold

Trying to get her to look at me when she is distracted with something (usually an animal) is quite
difficult

WHAT TRAINING SKILLS OR BEHAVIOUR ISSUES DO YOU HOPE TO WORK ON (BE AS DETAILED AS POSSIBLE):

[REDACTED] is a good, well-mannered dog towards humans. She lacks the confidence and social skills
to be able to read the room. I feel she thinks other animals are a treat.

My main goals would be to build her confidence with other dogs so that she was get out of her own
head and not think stranger danger all the time. I have been working pretty intensely with her

anxieties, and she has seemed to come full circle with going into stores, or being around loud noises, she used to cower in the corner while I cut the grass, now I have to shoo her out of the way. Her hackles are always up when new dogs are around, they eventually come down all the while she seems to want to play but she is so unsure. Things are much better when we are moving aka walking. Once we stop moving she starts to circle me and tell the other dogs to stay away. If they get to close she will growl at them. I want her to trust me and know that I will take care of things so she can just chill and be a dog. The growling incidents are becoming more often. This past week we were at the ferry another car pulled up next to us with a dog inside, my girl started to growl at them.

Having a bullet proof recall and faster response time to commands would also be appreciated.

HAS YOUR DOG EVER BITTEN A PERSON OR DOG, WITH OR WITHOUT INJURY (IF YES, PLEASE PROVIDE DETAILS OF INCIDENTS INCLUDING ANY INCURRING INJURIES):

She has not bitten anyone or anything. But her "corrections" or displeasure with other animals is escalating in my opinion. Things defiantly get worse when I am added to the mix. On one occasion she ran up to greet a dog when she broke her down stay- (when I was distracted). Things were fine until she started to circle the dog, at that point I felt things were going to go sideways and tried to recall her. She was not listening to my recall so I went to her and grabbed her collar to bring her to me that is when she was growling, barking (sounded horrific) and pinned a small dog. On 2 occasions in the past month she has started to do circles around me when we were out with other dogs telling the other dogs they are not welcome to get to close and almost giving them the stink eye (if that's a thing they do) to keep away. She will growl if they get to close.

ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION YOU'D LIKE TO SHARE ABOUT YOUR DOG?

She is so hyper vigilant, if I turn around or go in another direction while walking she needs to scan the area to try to figure out why. Same thing if I leash her while on a off leash walk.



Basic Info from Client Intake Form:

- 2.5 years (Jan 12/22) / Fi / GSD - adopted at 6 months old
- Allergies: *CHICKEN*
- Known Skills:
 - Sit, sit-stay.
 - Down, down-stay,
 - place, to crate,
 - leave-it, drop-it,
 - Center (between my legs), off leash heal,

- threshold training – all about 90% its rare that she just drops – she sometimes has to think about it for a second
- Recall with distractions is very rare – outside of her threshold
- Trying to get her to look at me when she is distracted with something (usually an animal) is quite difficult
- Previous Training:
 - did a 6 week support dog training
 - 8 week take the lead class in [REDACTED] for socialization - [REDACTED]
 - 7 out of 12 week reactive class for fearful or reactive dogs - we were just not a good match - [REDACTED]
- Sore right hip, may not be fully healed yet

CONSULTATION SESSION [REDACTED]

BEHAVIOUR CONCERNS (from Intake form & consultation discussion with owner)

- ☒ She lacks the confidence and social skills to be able to read the room. Owner feels she thinks other animals are a threat.
- ☒ Main goals would be to build her confidence with other dogs
 - ☒ Her hackles are always up when new dogs are around, they eventually come down all the while she seems to want to play but she is so unsure.
 - ☒ Things are much better when we are moving aka walking.
 - ☒ Once we stop moving she starts to circle me and tell the other dogs to stay away. If they get too close she will growl at them.
 - ☒ The growling incidents are becoming more often.
 - ☒ This past week we were at the ferry, another car pulled up next to us with a dog inside, my girl started to growl at them.
- ☒ Have been working pretty intensely with her anxieties, and she has seemed to come full circle with going into stores, or being around loud noises,
 - ☒ she used to cower in the corner while I cut the grass, now I have to shoo her out of the way.

- ☒ Goal: bullet proof recall and faster response time to commands would also be appreciated.
- ☒ her "corrections" or displeasure with other animals is escalating in my opinion. Worse when owner is around.
 - ☒ On one occasion she ran up to greet a dog when she broke her down stay- (when I was distracted). Things were fine until she started to circle the dog, at that point I felt things were going to go sideways and tried to recall her. She was not listening to my recall so I went to her and grabbed her collar to bring her to me that is when she was growling, barking (sounded horrific) and pinned a small dog.
 - ☒ On 2 occasions in the past month she has started to do circles around me when we were out with other dogs telling the other dogs they are not welcome to get to close and almost giving them the stink eye (if that's a thing they do) to keep away. She will growl if they get too close.
 - ☒ She is so hyper vigilant, if I turn around or go in another direction while walking she needs to scan the area to try to figure out why. Same thing if I leash her while on an off leash walk.
 - ☒ Had incident this week, she was in down position and a dog came up and approached, she tried to stand up but was reset into a down position, then she growled at the dog.
- ☒ Wondered if any behaviour was related to pain - going to see chiropractor vet doctor

SKILLS TO LEARN

- ☒ LAT - knows informally
- ☒ Let's Go - knows "this way" - might not be a formal u-turn
- ☒ Find It - sort of knows this by scattering in grass
- ☒ Touch - sort of knows
- ☒ D/CC combined with OC using the skills above

CURRENT EXERCISE / ENRICHMENT ROUTINE

- ☒ Walks - length, on/off leash, time of day, type of location
 - ☒ A.m. & p.m. walk, 30-45 mins
 - ☒ Has a dog walker on days when too busy with work
 - ☒ Goes off leash when with mom, but on leash with daughter or dog walker

NOTES

- ☒ well-mannered dog towards humans.
 - ☒ Goes off leash in [REDACTED] and is good passing dogs if consistently moving
 - ☒ Can walk in groups of dogs if continually moving forward
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SESSION 1 [REDACTED]

OWNER UPDATES

- N/A

PLAN

- ☒ Fake Millie - in xpen - LAT 3/3
 - ☒ [REDACTED] Passing by xpen - 3/3
 - ☒ Fake Millie approach [REDACTED] with owner, 1 step increments
 - ☒ Touch - full plan no distraction 3/3
 - ☒ LAT - ¾ at 8ft, ¼ at 4ft
 - ☒ Let's Go 3/3
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SESSION 2

OWNER UPDATES

- Sometimes difficulty with eye contact from other dogs
 - Doing well laying down around distractions - sometimes takes treats and sometimes not. Less likely to eat if someone gets too close

PLAN

- ☒ Outside acclimate
 - ☒ Novel dog #1 approaches
 - ☒ 30ft 3/3 LAT 3/3
 - ☒ 20ft 3/3 LAT 3/3
 - ☒ 10ft 3/3 LAT 1/3
 - ☒ 6ft 3/3 LAT 0/3
 - ☒ Bum sniff 1/1
 - ☒ Novel dog #2 approaches, 1 step increments
 - ☒ 30ft 3/3 LAT 3/3
 - ☒ 20ft 3/3 LAT 3/3
 - ☒ 10ft 3/3 LAT 1/3
 - ☒ 6ft 3/3 LAT 0/3
 - ☒ Novel dog #2 sniffed her bag of food on the ground, and once he left she moved and laid on top of the food, then sat on her mom's feet - both possible RG behaviours.
 - ☒ Stopped taking treats after being in Novel dog #2's proximity at 8ft for a few minutes while we were talking
 - ☒ Novel dog #2 growled at [REDACTED] from a distance, and needed lots of food to manage fixating and possibly growling again. [REDACTED]'s body language appeared soft and neutral, but interesting response from Novel dog #2!
 - ☒ Watch for & respond to escape behaviours - noted when she moved toward her resources and stopped taking treats. Removed Novel dog #2 completely, then she immediately began eating again.
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SESSION 3

OWNER UPDATES

- Had aggression with a neighbour with a big dog. [REDACTED] was fixated, he stopped to talk, cued let's go but she didn't respond, so owner tugged on the leash and [REDACTED] reacted. Owner had forgotten food that time.
- Didn't have treats today on walk, she responded to recall from distance with just verbal cue.
- Encountered several dogs today, on the long line. Had issues fixated when dogs were staring at her, too.
- Is better able to disengage from fixation when owner brings treats on walks.

PLAN

- ☒ Parking Lot dog pass bys - set up more natural, looping around
 - ☒ Novel dog #3
 - ☒ At 15ft
 - ☒ 10ft
 - ☒ 6ft
 - ☒ Parallel walk with Novel dog #3
 - ☒ 6ft apart
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