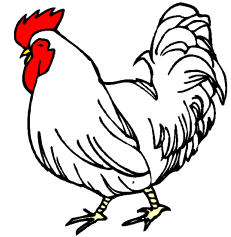
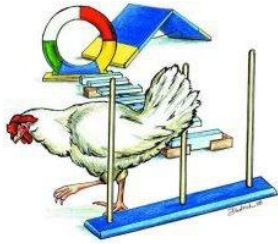


C.L.E.A.R Dog Training is privileged to host Terry Ryan (USA) in Brisbane for a two day '*Chicken Camp*'



## 'Poultry in motion: clicker training a chicken as a pathway to training dogs'

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> -Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2012 at Mt Gravatt Show grounds**

Parking available on grounds. Morning tea and sandwich lunch provided.

**Why train chickens?** To make for more accomplished animal/dog/horse/people trainers!

**Who should attend?** Anyone who wants to improve their training skills.

*"It is pretty well true that when you can train a chicken you can train almost anything"* Bob Bailey

Unlike a dog or a horse it's impossible for a trainer to punish, correct, reprimand, intimidate or force a chicken to do anything — she'll just freeze or fly away! Praise and patting are equally ineffective. So to keep a chicken motivated, wanting to work and to learn new behaviours the trainer must rely on a high rate of food reinforcement as well as good eye-hand coordination, correct timing and keen criteria selection. This workshop will considerably improve the skills of all attendees – both experienced trainers prepared to think outside the box and new trainers without the baggage of fixed '*training*' ideas.

### **Trainer or observer?**

Trainers work with a chicken and will capture and shape simple behaviors using targets, a clicker and food reinforcement. The observer status is perfect for people who learn best by listening, watching and taking notes rather than 'doing'.

### **Topics covered:**

How chickens acquire and process information; the basics of classical and operant conditioning; observation and graphing of behavior; mechanical skills with special attention to timing and eye-hand coordination; record keeping; systematic desensitization, capturing and shaping behaviours; use of targets; coaching skills and team-building; discrimination trials re colour, shape and line definition; extinction trials; decision making based on rapidly changing behavioural criteria; good timing; task analysis; reinforcement of discrete responses and non discrete responses; latency and fluency.



Chickens will be provided by [City Chicks](#) [Brisbane's Backyard Chicken & Coop](#) Trusted Suppliers

Click below to see video clips of previous camps with Bob and Marian Bailey and Terry Ryan.

At the end of an advanced chicken camp (20 seconds)

<http://www.youtube.com/user/CDTTingalpa?feature=mhee#p/c/EEC898FD91609759/7/jgpArvSfxNc>

Chicken camp with Bob Bailey and Terry Ryan: chaining (34 seconds)

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SnTW80wX5BE>

Chicken training camp Aug 2000 (Dr Sophia Yin -1.50 min)

[http://drsophiayin.com/resources/video\\_full/chicken\\_training\\_camp](http://drsophiayin.com/resources/video_full/chicken_training_camp)

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