

FINAL EMAIL TO ATTENDEES – LARA AVERY SEMINAR – OCT. 28 & 29, 2023

Updates and Reminders for the Seminar

Hello!

We are SO EXCITED to have Lara present to us on October 28 & 29. If you have not yet checked out her Facebook page, be sure to do so. You'll see how she and her students are performing, the titles they are earning and the wide variety of breeds she works with!

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/657860154362066>

This email contains a lot of important information, so please read it thoroughly and reply where requested. Replies from Working Teams would be appreciated by Wednesday, October 25.

Things to Bring for Human Comfort

Bring your own chair. Bring note-taking supplies. (No video or audio recording, please.) Because the arena is not heated (but it is insulated), you should dress in layers. The forecast is always unpredictable, so be prepared for cool/wet/warm/dry. We will have a number of propane patio heaters distributed throughout the seating area. You may bring your own "Buddy" type propane heater if you like. Some folks find it helpful to bring a fleece blanket, gloves and hat if they are doing a lot of sitting.

The viewing area that adjoins the arena is heated and where restrooms, coffee, food, etc., are located.

Hours, Lunches & Refreshments

Each day's seminar will begin at 9:00 am and end at 4:00 pm, with morning and afternoon breaks plus a lunch break. The building will open at 8:00 am each day. You may set up on the first day you are attending; the facility is not available in advance. Chairs and crates may be left overnight, but do not leave valuables.

Coffee, tea, water, soda and fruit will be available all day. A light lunch (soup and sandwiches, etc.) will be provided each day. If you prefer something else, please bring your own. If you would like to contribute to our morning/afternoon snacks or lunch-time desserts, we would love it! Please email AskKathyLang@aol.com if you would like to bring something so we can plan accordingly.

Saturday Group Dinner

Saturday evening Lara will join us for a no-host dinner at a Mexican Restaurant in Auburn (about 15 minutes away). We will take a list of folks wishing to join us on Saturday morning.

Monday Private Lessons and Auditor Openings

We can accommodate a few more auditors and Lara still has a few openings for Monday private lessons. Here is the link for more information and to sign up:

<https://www.kathylangcaninecoaching.com/seminars2023>

Information needed from Working Teams

If you are registered for a WORKING spot, please send me an email (AskKathyLang@aol.com) that includes the following information: Breed, age and level of training for each dog you will be working (maximum of two dogs) along with your top three topics/exercises that you would like Lara to address for each dog. The more background information and/or examples you can provide, the more it will help Lara make the most of her time with us. Working dogs must not be aggressive, noisy or disruptive.

Be sure to bring all appropriate supplies for your dog (including water, treats, platforms, PVC boxes and any other training props you typically utilize) as we will not have anything available for purchase. (We will have a few items available to use for those who have not used props before and/or forget to bring their own.) Since the weather is due to be in the 40s to 50s, we recommend you bring a cover for your crate if your dog tends to get cold easily and/or a battery operated fan if your dog tends to get warm. Working Team Crating is on the dirt dressage surface, so bring something to put under your crate.

Special Note to Auditors

Auditors who need to bring their dog(s) with them in order to attend the seminar may crate them in their vehicles in the parking lot that adjoins the facility, or in one of the horse stalls that adjoins the arena. We simply do not have enough room to allow auditors to crate in the arena. Dogs must not be aggressive, noisy or disruptive.

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Dogs at Donida

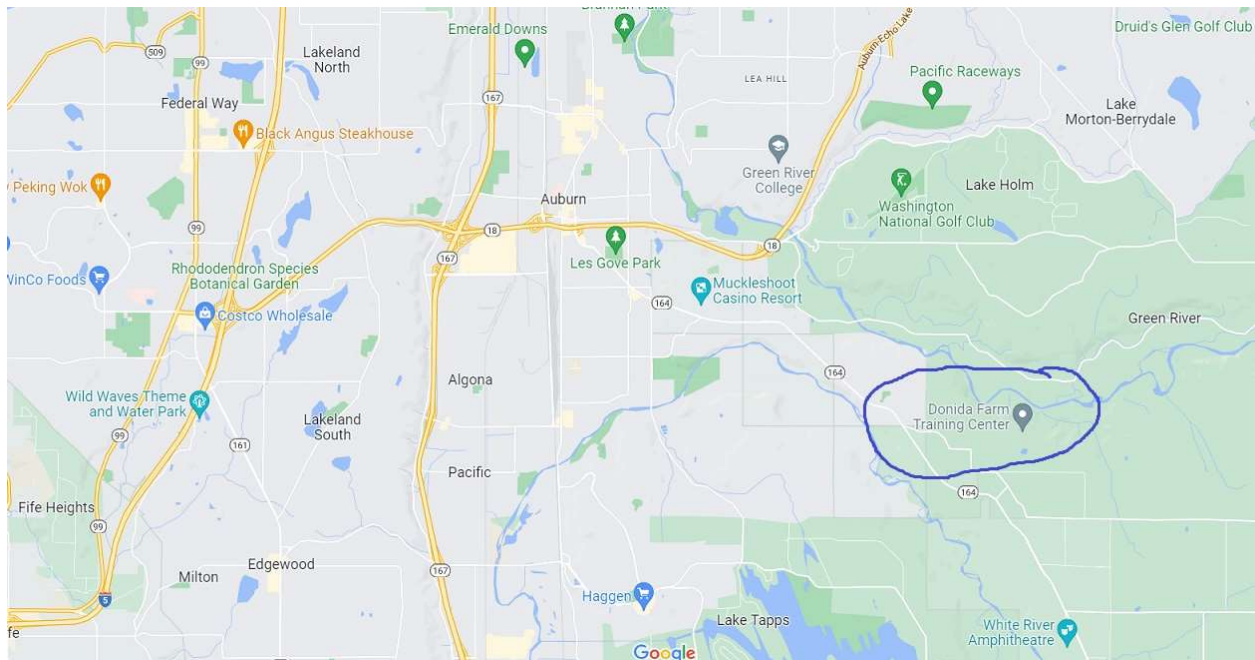
Dog potty areas will be clearly marked. Do not allow your dogs to potty outside those areas and please clean up after your dogs. Since this is a working farm, dogs are not allowed off-leash outside the arena. People and dogs are not allowed to go exploring the farm; it is home to many horses, cattle, chickens and cats so please respect their privacy and space.

Use caution in the morning and evenings as there have been coyote sightings. There are hundreds of acres of undeveloped land bordering the Farm.

Location & Driving Directions

Donida Farm Equestrian Center
16600 SE 376th St
Auburn, WA 98092-9431

From Interstate 5, merge onto WA-18 E toward Auburn.
Take the WA-164 E exit toward Enumclaw / Muckleshoot Reservation.
Turn left onto Auburn Way S / WA-164. Continue to follow WA-164 for 5.7 miles.



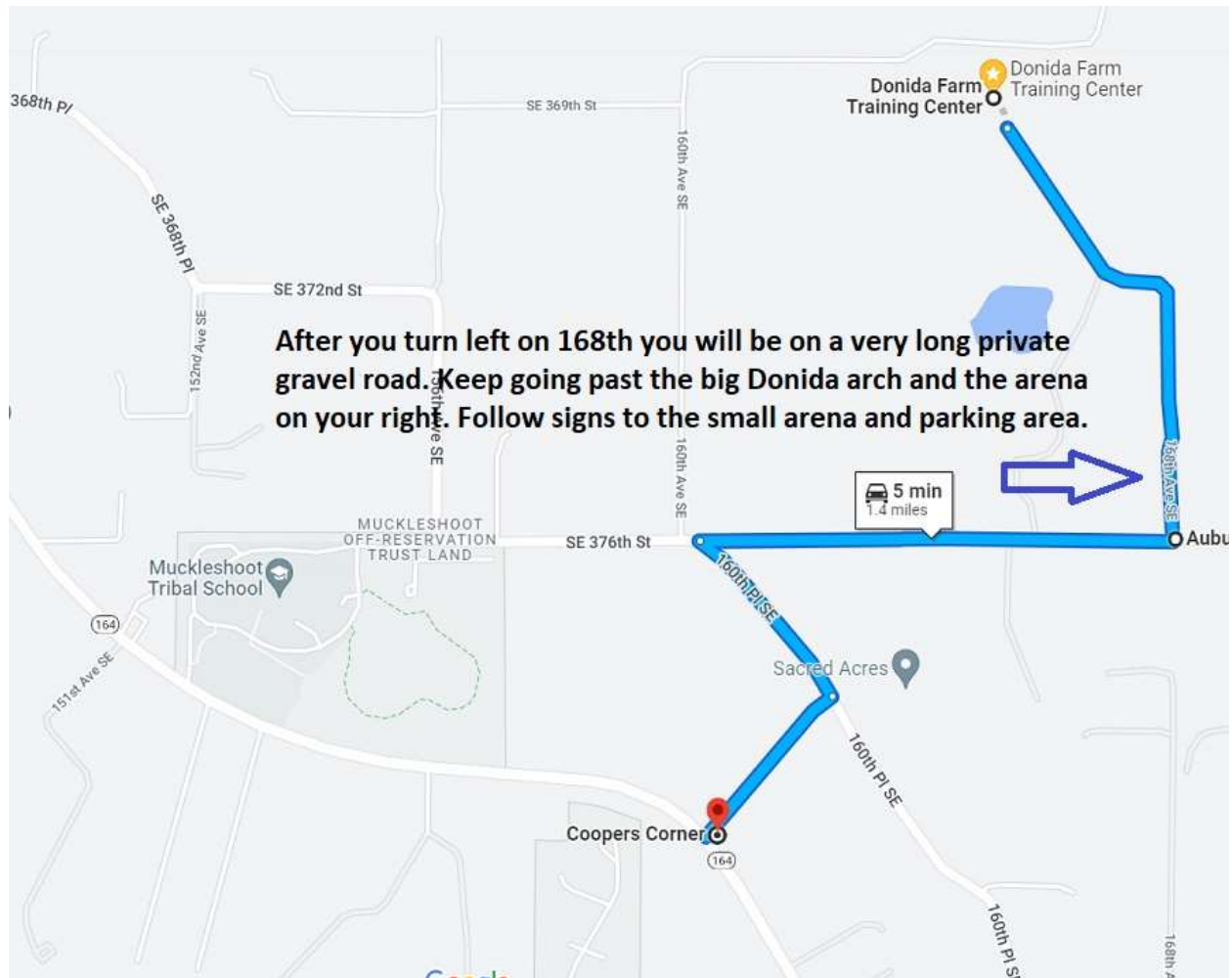
Turn left onto SE 380th Pl at “Cooper’s Corner.”

At the end of the road, turn left onto 160th Pl SE.

Take a sharp right onto SE 376th St.

16600 SE 376TH St is on your left. Look for the Donida Farm sign.

NOTE: Do not turn in at 166th (even if your navigation system tells you to!) because that leads to a private residence. Continue past the crest of the hill and the road will level out. Then you’ll see the Donida Farm sign on your left. You’ll turn left at the sign.



While on the gravel road you will go through trees and pass some private pastures and homes on each side. Continue driving straight and you'll pass through a gate to enter Donida. Follow the gravel driveway as it curves to the left and then the right. You'll pass under the Donida arch. Continue past the racetrack on your left, the outdoor dressage rings on your right, and the big arena on your right (where Kathy Lang holds her classes).

Keep going past the "Cook Shack" on your right and show office on your left. There will be a gravel parking lot in front of you; you won't be able to drive any further. The seminar arena will be on your right. Park in that gravel lot. Signs will direct you into the building. There will be signs marking the seminar/arena entrance.

Parking is very close to the arena on gravel, but if you have a crate dolly you may want to bring it to transport your equipment through the barn that leads to the arena. No parking in the back, please!

Other Important Notes

No audio or video recording is allowed.

No refunds unless we have a waiting list (we do not) and we can fill your spot; however, you may sell your spot to a friend provided you give us written confirmation.

Thanks for attending this seminar! See you soon!

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