

DogBasics Intermediate class in group stay



Testimonials

Below you will find testimonials from some of our clients. They might have joined our puppy groups, dog training classes or they might have left their dog in our day care or home boarding. You can find more testimonials on the [DogBasics Facebook page](#) and on the [Google + page](#).



September 2015

“Can't recommend Caroline at DogBasics enough. Has a natural affinity with dogs and owners alike. We attended dog training weekly and felt that the sessions were extremely good value for the expertise involved. We also left our dogs with her when we went away for a weekend. It was so lovely to leave them in a friendly, dog experienced home. We will definitely continue to use Dog Basics in the future. Leon & Charlene ” Archie JR X & Pip Terrier X, Sea Palling Norfolk, came for training and boarding



July 2015

"Until Caroline moved from Stalham in June we had been taking our Labradoodle for training every week and found Caroline to be a wonderful trainer who has an enormous knowledge of dog behaviour and an incredible rapport with all her "pupils". Chico is a VERY lively dog who we found difficult to control as a pup but now, although still boisterous and playful, is very obedient with perfect recall. All thanks to Caroline. Her classes, as well as being a serious training session, are enormous fun for the dogs who all enjoy a playtime together at the end of class and they and us have made good friends . We also have a rescued Lurcher/ Saluki cross and both of them stay as boarders with Caroline. It's always a problem to get them to come home with us as they have such a wonderful time with her. Pat and Andy Lees " Chico Labradoodle and Suki Saluki X, North Walsham, Norfolk, came for training and boarding

The painting of DogBasics at Ingham, Norfolk above was made by Pat Lee, mum to Chico Labradoodle and Suki Saluki X



April 2014

"My young dog has recently spent the day in Carolines care. I have to say I was worried he wouldn't want to return home with me, because he was having so much fun with her! I want to say a HUGE thank you for the excellent service provided, it was great to know he was being looked after by someone so enthusiastic, caring and passionate about dogs. My only regret is that Caroline doesn't live closer to York, where I could make use of her more often!!! I would highly recommend her, not only does she ensure your dog is walked and watched, they have so much fun too - the 42 pictures of him, which she sent me afterwards proves it!! Thank you! " Blue Lab from York, Yorkshire, came for day care



February 2014

"Caroline is amazing with the dogs and our dog Holly loves her! We have really enjoyed the training sessions. Not only do you learn so much but they are good fun too. I went to the dog language theory class which was really interesting and helpful. It made me look at Holly and her behaviour differently. Caroline has got so much experience and knowledge about dogs and she has always been happy to provide advice and answer questions. We got Holly from 9 weeks and she is now 14 months. Caroline's advice, training and influence has helped to make Holly a gorgeous well behaved bundle of fun! Thank you! x " Holly Labradoodle from Hitchin, Herts, came for Dog training and dog day care



February 2014

"I would highly recommend Caroline as a dog trainer and for dog boarding. My dog absolutely adored going to stay with her, he couldnt wait to get in the house. Importantly I felt I could trust her to look after my dog. I found the puppy training he had gave him a good start and the training whilst boarding also showed an improvement in him all the time. I would also recommend the dog language course, I think every dog owner should be made to take the course. I also loved the fact that you could go on walks with her at virtually any time and she always arranges weekend walks, long summer walks and Christmas walks which are great fun, socialisation for the dogs and owners. " Charley Boxer from Luton, Beds, came for Dog training and boarding



February 2014

"Caroline was recommended to us from a guy i met while walking Buddy, and its not the first time DogBasics has come up in conversation, all positive i might add. We needed a trainer for our three month old energetic Labrador/springer as we had a bad experience with our previous one and attended the entry session, i was so relieved to find the lesson was held in such a calm environment and the fact that Caroline insists that the groups are kept small i could see that this was all about Buddy and not how many dogs could be taught at once.

From that entry lesson we have attended a first aid course for dogs which was invaluable and also a dog body language course which was very interesting. We have also been on the dog walks which Buddy absolutely loved as he could socialize with other dogs while doing lots of activities. Caroline is a superb dog trainer and DogBasics is a must for any dog owner. " Buddy Springer/Lab X from Hitchin, Herts, came for Dog training



February 2014

" My Husband and I would highly recommend Caroline. She understands dogs very well and also loves them very much. She is a natural at training, very skilled. She has strict standards and only wants the best for the dogs. She is a highly skilled lady who is happy to give advice if needed. I don't think you will find anyone better at dog training. Will be very sad to lose her from this area. " Molly Cockerpoo from Luton, Beds, came for Dog training



February 2014

" I took Winston our crazy adorable chocolate labrador to Dogbasics when he was 8 months, he is now over 2 yrs old and now a well trained obedient (still bit crazy) adorable labrador. The lessons were enjoyable for both of us, we learnt so much and the socialising was crucial. I also attended the **First Aid** class which was great as I no idea what to in an emergency except panic and ring the vets! I learnt how to bandage a wound area (prior to going to vet), treating stings, removing thorns or sharp objects from paws etc., treatment for sickness / diarrhoea and how to resuscitate your dog, this was obviously all very useful and definitely worth going just for peace of mind. Caroline is without doubt a fantastic dog trainer and her love for dogs shown throughout our time with her, Winston will miss his 'dog holiday' (boarding) as he always had a great time and made lots of new friends but most of all we will both miss Dogbasics and Caroline immensely. "

Winston Lab from Letchworth, Herts, came for dog training, dog boarding and First Aid



January 2014

" Back in 2005, we wrote a testimonial for Caroline (see below), who we had known for over

2 years. It is hard to believe that nearly 9 years has gone by and she is still looking after Holly and Sandy each week. Sandy is now very old, nearly 16 years, and needs lots of TLC. He is partly deaf, has quite poor vision and gets easily confused- often walking off in the wrong direction on walks! He cannot be left with anyone else outside the family- apart from Caroline- who, however many other dogs she is looking after, is endlessly patient, respectful and caring of him. He still enjoys life and still loves Caroline. Holly, although 11, has retained all her Basenji independence and character and is SO excited every time it is her day to go to Caroline's. In all the years that we have known Caroline, she has never stopped learning new things about dogs. She is SO knowledgeable about dogs and their psychology, reliable, fun and caring and patient with us owners. We cannot recommend Caroline highly enough, whether you are wanting to learn about your dog, take fun agility classes or leave your dog in her very capable hands. We are all going to miss her dreadfully- Hertfordshire's loss is Norfolk's gain. Kathy and Craig Lucia " Holly X and Sandy X from Hitchin, Herts, came for training, day care, boarding



January 2014

" I found DogBasics by chance, arranged to watch a puppy training class, joined up immediately & it's up there with one of the best decisions in my life. SERIOUSLY. Zac was four months old, adorable but getting his own way & becoming uncontrollable when we joined Dogbasics. Caroline found him highly spirited at first, but with her reward based training she taught me how to communicate effectively with Zac, so that he enjoys what we do together. Everyone loves Zac because he is not only beautiful, gentle & placid but also so very well-behaved. Well, most of the time!! Zac simply loves Caroline. Whenever he boards with her he immediately loses interest in me & collecting him is so difficult because he NEVER wants to leave! Caroline has such a fundamentally deep & genuine love for dogs & they're fully aware of it which is why they all love her. In classes & on walks other dog owners & I have watched in bewildered awe how Caroline calls the dogs to her, waits for them to settle & sit before giving them treats or water. Such affinity has to be seen to be believed. Caroline is an invaluable friend & I would do anything for her. She is articulate, intelligent & has an abundance of common sense - a rare trait in a young lady!! Everyone loves Caroline & she'll be sorely missed by Zac & I. Our loss, your gain. Dale " Zac Setter X from Stevenage, Herts, came for training lessons and dog boarding



January 2014

" Caroline is a really special person she is so in tune with the dogs that come to her and to

see their excitement when they see her is very touching. Her training is great fun, for both humans and dogs. I have used Caroline's doggie day care and boarding for a number of years and I'm struggling to find someone who's care matches that of Caroline's. I would have no hesitation in recommending Caroline's services to anybody - she is a gifted trainer and her love of dogs is very clear. Good luck, Caroline, with the new business you will be very successful! Nina and, of course, Hamish who misses you very much! " Hamish Golden from Luton, Beds, came for Dog training, day care and boarding



January 2014

" Henry our Whippet came into our lives some 4 years ago and at that time I wanted to obtain some basic puppy training. After searching on the internet I came across Caroline at Dogbasics. Her method of training is excellent and enjoyable. It is all reward based so the dogs know that they are going to get something nice for being good! I only did the basics training with Caroline and perhaps should have done a little bit more as Henry is very good at the basics, but being a whippet can be a little mischievous when out and about! Henry has stayed with Caroline for the odd day care, however, has always spent the summer holidays with her while I am away on mine. I can relax completely when he is with her knowing how well he is going to be looked after. He is always super super tired when we get him home and relaxed. I must say like others have said, he comes across as a bit fed up for being back with us! He always looks so well when we collect him. Her set up is literally home from home and Henry adores her. I have had many dog walks with Caroline on a weekly basis. Henry being a whippet is always a little focused on other things while we are walking but Caroline having experience with sight hounds knows how to deal with him probably better than me. She always has a very relaxed approach whereas I tend to be a nervous wreck! This isn't very often as Henry is reasonably good. The walks are lovely as Henry gets to meet and play with other dogs and I get to have a nice natter with a lovely person. I cannot recommend Caroline enough to anybody. She will look after your dog as if it were her own. I know that I will really miss her and Henry too. Norfolk is gaining a really special person. Love Claire & Henry " Henry Whippet from Luton, Beds, came for puppy training and dog boarding



January 2014

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Caroline performs magic on even the worse of behaved dogs. She loves them all. My pup, Ivy adores her, and can't wait to get out the car whether it be for puppy training, socialization or day care. We are very sorry to be losing her from the area. She more than enriched Ivy's life. " Ivy Portugese Water Dog from Lilley, Herts, came for puppy training and dog boarding



January 2014

"If you are reading this testimonial to decide whether to choose DogBasics for dog training, boarding, day care or behavioural advice then you have hit the jackpot. Ralph had his first entry lesson as soon as his vaccinations were done and we have never looked back. He is now almost 4 years old and thanks to Caroline Kjall Ralph is well mannered, socialised and obedient with a repertoire of tricks (including moon walking!). Happily he retains his sense of fun and huge character because thanks to Caroline this hasn't been 'trained out of him'. We trained most weekends for the first year because we loved it. The dogs adore her and she takes no nonsense from us owners. I don't know where she gets her patience from but I am very grateful for it. Don't be fooled by Basics being in the title. She understands and explains the dog psychology and makes sense of everything they do. Her advice has been invaluable and I'm confident that is why Ralph is the dog he is today and why we have such a great bond. Ralph has also enjoyed sleepovers and holidays with Caroline. He loves her and doesn't look back when I drop him off. I'm not ashamed to admit I have to put him on lead to take him home! I couldn't ask for anyone better to look after him. He has so much fun. No kennels or outside pens, he has been welcomed into a home with doggy sofas and loads of toys. Perfect. I am eternally grateful to Caroline for all the advice ranging from the best treats to first aid essentials. She has answered every one of my stupid questions without making me feel stupid. Thank you Caroline. Lisa Quinn " Ralph Labradoodle from Luton, Beds, came for training lessons and dog boarding



January 2014

"Caroline is an absolute gem! We were referred to Caroline when we first got our dog - Dicer, almost 5 years ago. Dicer means the world to us and Caroline knows that too. Caroline offers daycare and boarding for Dicer. The beauty with the service Caroline offers is that it's home from home; actually we are convinced it's even better!! An example of how we can be sure of this is when dropping Dicer off at Caroline's he never turns back. The hardest work for us is picking Dicer up from Caroline's home; we always have to use treats

to get him back into the car. I remember once Dicer had to be walked back to the car by Caroline as the treats didn't work either; Dicer has such a brilliant time when staying with Caroline. The service Caroline has to offer is priceless as Dicer is looked after so well - at times I feel even better than with us as his owners! Caroline spends every single moment with Dicer; with regular walks full of fun and play. Caroline is so loving coupled with excellent training skills for dogs; as owners we are always learning too. Most importantly Caroline's expertise and knowledge in dogs is paramount. It's a huge peace of mind knowing Dicer is looked after by Caroline even with the demands of our busy lifestyle. As dog owners we can assure you that your dog will always be looked after well and will have the best service and time whilst with Caroline. Caroline is extremely professional and reliable; she will never let you down. We highly recommend Caroline; you will never want to take your dog anywhere else!! We can't thank you enough Caroline for everything you do for Dicer. A Whoof Whoof - thank you Auntie Caroline - from Dicer too! " Dicer Lab from Stopsley, Bedfordshire, came for dog day care and dog boarding



January 2014

"Dogbasics has been a second home for my boy! If he has to be away from me there is nowhere else I'd rather him be. I always know he'll have had a busy day but most importantly, he would have had fun! Stan & I agree wholeheartedly with reward training, especially Stan, as he's partial to a treat or two! ;0) Thank you from the bottom of my heart for your training and guidance in raising my beautiful boy. What you've enabled us to have is immeasurable and I'm truly grateful. Stan wouldn't be the dog he is without your input. Love Gemma & Stan " Stan Lab from Stopsley, Bedfordshire, came for training lessons and dog boarding



January 2014

"Caroline has to be the Angel of Dogs. With extensive knowledge, and a historical background in everything doggie - including training, first aid, understanding different breeds and their personalities, she is an expert in her field. Only downside is, my dog loves her so much, she wants to stay there..... Dorothy " Millie Lab from Suffolk, came for training lessons and dog boarding





January 2014

"I can't thank Caroline at DogBasics enough. When I arrived at her classes 8 years ago, little did I know how much I would learn about dogs. All these years later I'm still learning from her. Caroline still supports me and offers help and advise (which having a dog with more than his fair share of issues, she is called on a lot). Caroline's wealth of experience in understanding dog behaviour and training is reflected in the many years she has been working with dogs. She is happy sharing it all to anyone attending her classes, which is just brilliant to any dog owners. I am truly grateful! Katie and Chester " Chester Viszla from Flitwick, Bedfordshire, came for training lessons



January 2014

"It had got to the stage when I did not think I would be able to keep my border collie, Galu. He was a nightmare, particularly on recall. Then we found Caroline and Dogbasics. What a godsend! Within just a few short weeks, Galu behaved well, mixed very well with other dogs, came back when called - a different dog! He loves going to Caroline and we still go walking with her and other dogs. We have also made good friends with the other dogs and their owners. Caroline really made a huge difference to my life, and of course to Galu's. Judy " Galu BC from Hitchin, Hertfordshire , came for training lessons and dog boarding



8 July 2012

"This testimonial is long overdue. We first took our highly spirited pup to an entry class in August 2010 and have continued to regularly attend classes and group walks ever since. During Zac's first puppy social group, my wife, Lynne, was extremely anxious to let him off the lead in case he didn't come back. There had to be at least 12 hours of daylight left before Lynne would even consider letting Zac run free. Caroline fully understood Lynne's concern and gave us a simple tip: run away from Zac when calling him. It worked and immediately gave Lynne the confidence to let Zac run free without any anxiety. Last week Zac spent a day with Caroline and had not seen her for a few weeks as she was on holiday. When I collected Zac he didn't want to come with me and, walking back to the car, I had to coax him constantly as he'd had such a great time with Caroline. DogBasics deserves full praise for successfully training of so many dogs and owners. Her approach to training works

and is thoroughly good fun. " Zac Setter X from Stevenage , came for training lessons and dog day care



5 June 2012

*"I was recommended to Caroline's puppy classes by my sister who also has a retriever. I was very impressed with the Entry lesson and following training sessions. The exercises helped Milo pick things up very quickly. The social classes were great for getting Milo used to being around other dogs. However it was the **Dog Language Theory** lesson that i found most helpful. It was there that Caroline gave me some great advice on what food would suit Milo, as he had been having trouble, and she even gave me a free sample of her own dogs food to try. The food by Burns that she recommend has been the only food that hasn't upset Milo's stomach and he's been doing very well ever since on it. We cannot thank Caroline enough, Milo also loves it! Caroline also put us in touch with a great website (ActivateYourDog.com) where we got a good quality lead and collar. Much better than others we had tried. Caroline was always very helpful, she has a lot of experience and really cares for each and every dog. Thanks again. Kerry " Milo Golden from Luton, came for socialising sessions and training lessons*



28 May 2012

"Caroline's dog training classes are great fun, both for humans and dogs! Caroline makes it easy to understand how to make things easy for your dog, so setting them up for success rather than failure. Hamish has grown in confidence hugely since I've been going. I occasionally have to leave Hamish in day care with Caroline but know that he'll have a wonderful time with his 'mates' and come home exhausted and happy! With any issues that have cropped up Caroline is always only too happy to help. I would have no hesitation in recommending DogBasics and Caroline to anyone wishing to enhance their relationship with their dog. Nina " Hamish Golden from Luton, came for Basic lessons and dog day care



24 May 2012

"I joined as a complete novice to dog ownership with a very overweight Max. Wanted to see how he mixed with other dogs and also to give myself confidence around other dogs. Learnt that a barking dog isn't necessarily going to bite. We both enjoyed the games, I learnt to trust Max off the lead and even today I still use Caroline's training tips. I have even managed to get Max to retrieve a ball, something I never dreamed he would do. I have recommended DogBasics to several people over the past year. I now meet up with a group of dog owners every day and as Max has now lost half his body weight, he is happy to run and play with the other dogs. Like Caroline, I strongly believe in rewarding good behaviour and this has certainly worked when training Max. Thank you Caroline! Angela" Max Tibetan Terrier X from Luton, took Basic Obedience lessons



24 May 2012

"I took my Lhasa pup to the social classes with Caroline, they were very good and gave Mylo a good start to his doggie life, would highly recommend. He certainly gave the larger pups a run for their money." Mylo Lhasa Apso from Luton, came for socialising sessions



15 January 2012

"Larka started with Caroline from 4 months old, started with puppy classes. Caroline was excellent, Larka was so shy, but that soon changed, Larka became such a confident dog. We had Larka booked in for day care (photos will speak for themselves in Caroline photo gallery) and boarding. We will recommend Caroline in all these areas, we felt relaxed and reassured that all would be well on our return to collect Larka. Caroline is professional and knows her job very well. Larka is not with us any longer, through illness, but we are sure our next dog will be straight back to use Carolines services. Carolines home was Larkas second home, all the best to your buisness Caroline in 2012." Larka Lab from Luton, took socialising, Basic and Intermediate lessons and boarding



30 July 2010

"I would really recommend Caroline and DogBasics. As a completely new dog owner she

has been a real help and people are always complementing me on our walks about how well behaved my dog is. Poppy loves the agility and going to see Caroline." Poppy King Charles Spaniel from Luton, took a Basic Obedience course and agility



23 July 2010

"I am so glad I found Caroline! We started with our timid 6 month old puppy straight from a rescue home. One of the biggest problems we had with Paddy was that he always ran off when off lead. Caroline gave us some advice which cured it almost immediately! We also found that the socials helped a great deal. Paddy is now a very friendly and confident dog whose favourite place in the whole world is DogBasics." Paddy from Lower Stondon, took a Basic Obedience course and boarding



22 July 2010

"I decided to attend DogBasics with my puppy after hearing so much about Caroline from people who had attended her courses in the past and I am so glad I did! I think that me and Harley have a fantastic relationship and I have much more confidence in both myself and Harley! I know Harley loves attending the classes and once he realises we are approaching Offley he can't wait to get out of the car!!! Thank you Caroline. Kerry" Harley Staffie X from Henlow, Bedfordshire, took basic obedience course



16 July 2010

"I would highly recommend Caroline. She is extremely friendly whilst always professional, calm and dedicated to teaching us owners how to train our dogs. She makes it all seem so easy and the results speak for themselves. I am very happy that I can board Lola with Caroline, she (Lola!) can't get out of the car quick enough when we go there. She's always exhausted when she comes home having been thoroughly exercised & socialised with any other boarding dogs. The socialising lessons have proved invaluable! Anita Lockett" Lola Golden from Luton, Bedfordshire, took socialising, basic obedience, agility, dog boarding,



10 July 2010

"We highly recommend Carolines Basic Obedience Course. We think it is very good value for money and every puppy, young dog would benefit from the experience. Communication is excellent, verbally and through a superb Website. Mr & Mrs Newman" Snoopy Mini Labradoodle from Luton, Bedfordshire, took a Basic Obedience course



2 April 2010

"I went to puppy training classes with our labrador Coco and Caroline provided excellent training with her great knowledge of dogs and was always happy to answer questions on particular issues with Cocos' behaviour at home. My 11 year old son did the training classes with Coco and his comment is 'it was absolutely brilliant'. He asked to do more training so he is now booked in with Coco to do puppy agility with Caroline. Thank you Caroline for showing us how to give Coco the positive training to produce good behaviour and many people have commented on how well behaved puppy she is. Karen " Coco Labrador from Knebworth, Hertfordshire, took a Puppy course



1 June 2009

"Malachy receives so many compliments for his good behaviour and nature in public places that I felt I should thank you for all your help with his training. We can take him anywhere and he will behave (sometimes only with the tastiest treats but he ho!) At 9 months he still has plenty of mad moments but I'd be worried if he was any other way. Your style of training was fun and informative and we enjoyed it immensely. Thanks Caroline. Nicola " Malachy Labradoodle from Luton, Bedfordshire, took Puppy and Basic Obedience course





9 April 2009

"Rocky and Herbie are our first dogs (after 20+ years of being cat owners) and without Caroline's support being a dog owner would have been a much more stressful experience! Her love for dogs, knowledge, determination and constant support has been an inspiration to us both. Our dogs adore her and without her support we would still be scratching our heads and tearing our hair out and may have had one dog with only three legs if it hadn't been for her calm approach in a recent crisis! Carol & Mark " Rocky and Herbie Lurcher from Hitchin, Hertfordshire, took IC course & day care



12 August 2008

"I went to just one training session and came home with Caroline's simple instruction to stop him pulling and.....it worked. So simple even my children can do it - now I don't think twice about walking him whereas before it was such a chore. Thanks Caroline - can't wait for the next bit of wisdom. Mrs L Rutter " Pepper Border Collie from Luton, Bedfordshire, took IC course



4 July 2008

"I have been going to DogBasics since Feb 2008 and not only does Benji love it but so do I . Caroline is friendly approachable and always willing to give advice or help, and put in that little extra. I am just about to get a new puppy and wouldn't dream of going anywhere else for his training, no doubt he will also look forward to his sessions with Caroline as much as Benji does. Thanks, Alison Milner " Benji Springer Spaniel from Ware, Hertfordshire, took IC course & Agility

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10 June 2008

“Caroline and DogBasics have been a huge help to us in training our now 15 week old Labrador Bitch puppy. I would highly recommend the Introduction Course in getting you started on the road to a peaceful and cooperative relationship! The lessons include just the right blend of professionalism and friendliness and the exercises and advice are currently being put into practice and proving brilliant! Thomasin Harris ” Clemmie Lab from Hinxworth, Hertfordshire, took IC course



3 June 2008

“Caroline is superb!! She is an excellent dog trainer, with so much valuable informaton and advice. Caroline is really down to earth and makes you feel so welcome. Holly and i have learnt some excellent training techniques and i now have a happy, obedient and well trained dog. I also have more knowledge of how a dog thinks!! Holly came to Caroline at 12 weeks of age for puppy socialising, and we still continue to see Caroline when we can. I fully recommend DOGBASICS ~ and have done to Family & Friends. I as so pleased with Holly, she is a pleasure to own. Thank You DOGBASICS, Thank you Caroline! Vicki Powlson & Holly” Holly Lab from Houghton Regis, Bedfordshire, took IC course



25 March 2008

“Since attending the introductory course with Marley, he has become a different dog, the course was fun and very informative, Marley enjoys his daily training sessions and is doing very well. I would recommend Caroline to anybody. Martin Furby ” Marley Boxer from Watford, Hertfordshire, took IC course



18 February 2008

“Caroline is very informative, I have had dogs for a long period and I have learnt new skills

whilst attending these courses, also Saracen has been enjoying himself and enjoys attending the courses. I would recommend them to everyone who owns a dog, regardless of their knowledge. Sam Allen "

Saracen Japanese Akita from Dunstable, Bedfordshire, took IC course

No Picture



18 December 2007

"I am the proud owner of an obedient, happy and healthy whippet. Friends and family all warned us against getting a whippet as they are supposed to be hard to train, but they are now all eating their words as my dog's good behaviour has amazed them all. I have by far the best trained and most obedient dog of all, with the only exception being when he sees a rabbit - but I guess you can't train instinct and generations of breeding out of them! Caroline's methods are amazing, watching her with the dogs is a real pleasure. The training is entirely reward based, is very kind, and great fun. I would recommend Dog Basics to anyone with a real interest in their dog's happiness and obedience. Gini "

Smokey Whippet from Hitchin, Hertfordshire, took Puppy class and Basic Training



11 June 2007

"Both dogs love going for their sessions with Caroline, who always has suggestions as to how get the best out of them, and who makes the lessons fun for both humans and dogs. She gives 100% to all the dogs in her classes. Thank you Caroline. Christine"

Bettekee and Tilly Keeshond from Shefford, Bedfordshire, took Puppy class, Basic Obedience and Agility



11 June 2007

"Joseph and I attended the Introductory Course and some Puppy Socialisation whilst we

were in the UK, waiting for Joe to be able leave the country and return with me to Spain. All Caroline's sessions are full of good practical advice and Joe and I learned a lot. I particularly like all the positive way in which Caroline works. We continue to try to put her ideas in to action, sometimes with more success than others :-) We are only sorry we are unable to carry on with our training but hope to visit when we are next in the UK next year. Sue Tasker"

Joseph Labrador from Spain, took Introduction Course



24 May 2007

"When we took on Stanley we had no idea about dogs or dog training. After looking around and speaking to people i knew with dogs Caroline came highly recommended. We booked onto the initial course and have been highly impressed with the results and information given. We come away from every session knowing something new and a worn out dog. Caroline teaches in a way that is easy to understand and seems able to answer any questions you have about dogs. We feel we have a much better understanding of Stanley and will continue to use DogBasics and Caroline in the future. Dave Tew"

Stanley Pug X from Westoning, Bedfordshire, took Introduction Course

No Picture



13 May 2007

"I would like to say, we did not attend many classes that Caroline taught, but the ones we did go to were very helpful, she has a lovely way with animals and explains herself very well, and the main thing is that the animals like her too, keep up the good work Caroline. Carol Etheridge"

Gunner Irish Terrier from Hitchin, Hertfordshire, took Introduction Course

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13 May 2007

15 May 2007

“Caroline demonstrated and introduced excellent ideas and strategies for training Bez and they all work! We just have to keep on practicing. Bez loves the socialisation classes and they too are helping him to deal with other dogs - we are looking forward to our next session! Melanie Fergus”

Bez Dalmation / Whippet X from Shefford, Bedfordshire, took Introduction Course



10 May 2007

“Caroline's course has been brilliant! The whole family have enjoyed learning how best to teach our puppy and it has been very successful. Caroline is always very positive and the dogs all love her. The introductory course has been good value for money and we will be continuing with other lessons in the future. Rosemary Gwinnnett”

Megan Border Collie from Hitchin, Hertfordshire, took Introduction Course, agility



27 April 2007

“We have used DogBasics for boarding our dog (Bailey) whilst we were on holiday. The initial tester visit was perfect and we felt happy that Bailey would be looked after and loved by Caroline just as the same as he is back home. Bailey had an amazing holiday at DogBasics and came home tired but clearly having had a great time. Carolines knowledge and passion for dog training is amazing and catching. The services offered are so great we then signed up for training classes and agility classes and travel a 3hr round trip to do so (so she must be doing something right). We've just welcomed into our home a second puppy and we wouldn't dream of her doing her training anywhere else but at DogBasics. Natalie Walker”

Bailey Working Spaniel from Cambridgeshire, took Introduction Course, agility, boarding

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20 April 2007

“Caroline has been so helpful, even before we collected our new puppy she was extremely approachable and supportive. She clearly has a great knowledge and understanding of dogs which she presents in a clear and accessible way. The classes are both fun and informative and we are grateful for all she has done for us so far. Wendy”

Pippin Springer Spaniel from Leighton Buzzard, Bedfordshire, took Introduction Course



20 April 2007

“I loved the puppy groups as did Missy and we hope to get back to them next weekend, I cant wait to do my theory and start teaching Missy some useful commands. I think the breed walking groups are a brilliant idea, as are the area walking groups, I have been trying to find someone for Missy and I to go for walks with. All in all a great service, thanks caroline. Lorraine Nickell ”

Missy Boxer from Dunstable, Bedfordshire, took Introduction Course



18 April 2007

“Thanks to Caroline's sheer endless love for and her immense knowledge of dogs (and all doggie related things), our little hooligan Kaja became the clever, adorable and nearly perfect dog we always wanted. Even better, Caroline taught us many valuable things to be the owner we wanted to be... Kaja just adored her and she has been and still is an inspiration for me. Really sorry we had to move!

Oh yes - we had hours of fun and met some great dogs and their people. What more can I say???? Micky & Kaja”

Kaja Irish Terrier from St. Albans, Hertfordshire, took Introduction Course, puppy social, agility, clicker training





4 March 2007

“ We (that is the whole family!) came along to Caroline's classes with our then Rottweiler pup Buddie. I found her advice and relaxed style invaluable and spent months afterwards continuing to train and teach our dog whilst appreciating how much I had been taught myself in such few sessions. The result is a beautifully well behaved gorgous dog! I particularly liked the structuging of the training with as many socialisation classes thrown in as you liked. Well worth the extra miles for me coming from Luton. I cannot recommend Caroline's advice experience and outlook on dogs enough and thought the whole package to be very good value for money! The only disappointment I had was that her day boarding was full! I think the newsletter is very worthwhile too. Klazina Hofmann-Coleman”

Buddie Rottweiler from Luton, Bedfordshire, took puppy class



28 February 2007

“ I have never known anyone love dogs as much as Caroline! Lottie loves her just as much and is absolutely beside herself with joy whenever we arrive at Caroline's. Her training sessions and tips have been invaluable. Day care is great and Lottie comes back exhausted - even better! If you want a well socialised dog under training where you can meet other like-minded owners, I have no hesitation in reommending DogBasics. Oh yes, Caroline's really nice as well!!! Wendy Wolstencroft”

Lottie Border Collie from Lilley, Hertfordshire, took Introduction Course, agility, dog day care and dog boarding



13 December 2006

“We had fun, learnt some invaluable lessons, and would absolutely recommend. Kaizer is now 18 months old and a perfect gem. Thank you, Ibz and Anita”

Keizer Weimeraner from Stevenage, Hertfordshire, took Puppy classes



12 December 2006

“Caroline is a god-send to us! My partner and I have busy lives which involve quite a bit of travelling. When Pan, our border terrier, needs looking after we drop him around to Caroline's safe in the knowledge he will have all the fun a dog could wish for and plenty of cuddles (which he thoroughly enjoys!). Caroline is also an excellent trainer and although we haven't done as much as we should have – Pan's behaviour (when he is being good!) is a credit to her! When he is naughty it's definitely down to us!! Pan always comes home and sleeps for hours – which for our hyperactive little man is a sure sign he has had great fun! Lara Caine”

Pan Border Terrier from Pirton, Hertfordshire, took Private training, Introduction Course and Dog Boarding



10 October 2006

“Hi my name is Archie, i am a 9 month old Cocker Spaniel, i first came to Caroline as a puppy for some training, it was great fun and i learnt how to be a good dog. I now visit Caroline once or twice a week for day care and i have a wonderful time, she looks after me and plays with me and takes me on walks and i get to meet lots of other dogs. I love it, it does make me tired but i have a great time. I love Caroline too bits and my mum says im a much better behaved dog now. I highly recommend Caroline and i wouldnt want to go anywhere else. Archie (Carol Stephens)”

Archie Cocker Spaniel from Luton, Bedfordshire, took Introduction Course and Dog Day Care



23 August 2006

“Jasper and I went to Caroline for puppy classes, which we both enjoyed immensely and found absolutely invaluable. She has a wealth of knowledge and experience and has a solution for every doggy-related problem under the sun. Jasper has also boarded at Caroline's, he had a fantastic time and came home worn out!! Jasper adores Caroline, he's always over the moon to see her and it's very reassuring that he's in such capable hands.

*We both feel very fortunate to have found her and I can't recommend her highly enough.
Julia Jenkins"*

Jasper Springer Spaniel from Hitchin, Hertfordshire, took Puppy & Basic Training & Dog Boarding



27 June 2006

"I can't recommend Caroline highly enough. Without her sound advice and friendly help my dog and I would have found it difficult to stay friends! She has calmed me down and bucked me up and is a constant inspiration. Thanks Caz. Dorothy Banyard"

Bruna Bernese Mountain Dog from Harpenden, Hertfordshire, took Basic Obedience & Advanced course & Dog Boarding



4 June 2006

"Dear Caroline, you have helped Bailey so much! Before, he wouldn't leave our sides but now he's happy to play with other pups and meet new people! You have inspired me so much and it's my dream to be as good of a dog trainer as you are, you are brilliant! Bailey has enjoyed the classes so much, he jumps out the car to meet his puppy friends! Thank you so much, I dont know what we would do without you! Emily Hanley "

Bailey Spanish Water Dog from Luton, Bedfordshire, took Puppy class and Basic Obedience course



27 February 2006

"Caroline's home is heaven for our labrador Millie. Having attended puppy training and Basic Obedience classes, we have a delightful and well behaved dog. Millie attends weekly creche which she loves, and leaps out of the car at her house at high speed and without a

backward glance!! Dorothy Wood”

Millie Labrador from Hitchin, Hertfordshire, took Puppy class, Basic Obedience course and Dog Boarding



12 January 2006

“Caroline was incredibly helpful and supportive from the moment we collected our puppy. As a first time dog owner, I don't know how we'd have got through the puppy stages with our sanity if it had not been for her help and advice. We did the puppy socialization and basic obedience courses and we now have a friendly, well-behaved dog who is a joy to be with. Kirstie Siedlecka”

Mia Large Munsterlander from Hitchin, Hertfordshire, took Puppy class, Basic Obedience course and Dog Boarding



11 October 2005

“Caroline's puppy training and socialisation classes have been fantastic. Treacle has had so much fun playing with all of her puppy friends and we have enjoyed watching this and the quiet nights that follow! We would highly recommend caroline's classes and other services. Treacle is already looking forward to her weekend at Caroline's house in December where I am sure she will have a great time and be very well looked after. Donna Lewis”

Treacle black Labrador from Arlesey, Bedfordshire, took Puppy class, Basic Obedience course and Dog Boarding



7 September 2005

“Caroline consistently provides a home from home for my labrador, Barley. She has constant fun, games, mental stimulation and the chance to play with all her doggy friends. The love, care, attention and fun Barley gets being with Caroline is absolutely fantastic!

Helen Freeman"

Barley blond Labrador from Hitchin, Hertfordshire, took Puppy class and came for Dog Boarding and Day Care



5 September 2005

"Caroline looked after my labrador bitch twice for me this year. She was clearly well looked after and loved during her stays - so much so that I don't think she actually wanted to come home with me! I was very worried about leaving her to start with - but I needn't have worried. Caroline did an excellent job and even sent me text messages during my holiday telling me how Molly was getting on. I would thoroughly recommend Caroline to anyone looking for a dog sitter. Nikki Annison" Molly black Labrador from Milton Keynes, Buckinghamshire, came for Dog Boarding



3 September 2005

"My dog loves it here and I would think of sending her nowhere else. Caroline is fantastic with all the dogs - they have so much fun with her. My labrador leaps out of the car as soon as we arrive and seems depressed to leave when we pick her up. Such a joy to know we can go away and know she is in such safe and capable hands. Christina Tyson "

Rosie black Labrador from London, came for Dog Boarding



1 September 2005

"Jax, our Labrador has stayed with Caroline for her holidays since she was a puppy and couldn't be happier. Not only does Caroline provide a loving home with lots of TLC, but she also walks, grooms and feeds them with such care that when Jax comes home again she needs to 'rest' from all the fun she's had... although I think she misses Caroline and the other dogs so much that she is just in a bad mood when she gets home! Being a

professional dog trainer also enables her to give dogs training and more structure to their playtime. Caroline is a pleasure to deal with and talk to and handles her job with incredible professionalism and perfection. I can only recommend her with the highest praise. Bele Duenas" Jax chocolate Labrador from London, came for Dog Boarding



1 September 2005

"Frida our golden retriever has been boarding with Caroline for three years and she always comes home healthier and happier than we've left her. She seems completely loved and at home at DogBasics and Caroline has always gone out of her way to accommodate Frida and our hectic schedule. We'd be lost without her! E. Goldner" Frida Golden Retriever from London, came for Dog Boarding



1 September 2005

"Caroline has taken wonderful care of my 2 Australian Shepherds and I would not hesitate to recommend her to anyone. She understands and cares deeply about dogs, and has taught me how to keep my dogs well exercised and happy! Jo Parker"

Poppy & Daisy Australian Shepherds from Ware, Hertfordshire, came for Dog Boarding



1 September 2005

"We would recommend Caroline to any dog and their owner. We first met Caroline when we were looking for help with our second dog Holly who was then five months old. Holly is a Besenji cross who has a strong character and goes "deaf" once she smells a rabbit! Caroline taught us a great deal as a family and we carry on learning new skills from her all the time. We have learnt to understand Holly and to manage her. Holly and Sandy have been going to Caroline's for day care once a week for two years now. Caroline has a real love of dogs and is completely trustworthy, extremely knowledgeable, calm, caring and fun! Sandy is an anxious dog who usually follows me everywhere but he loves it with Caroline"

and the other dogs and will even stay the night! Caroline walks the dogs more than once each day and has a number of toys and activites to stop them being bored. I have recommended Caroline to all our friends who have got puppies in the last two years and I know that they have found her classes invaluable. I often choose to go for walks with Caroline when I can as they are fun and I pick up lots of tips about ways to play with the dogs. We are extremely thankful that we met Caroline. Kathy and Craigh Lucia" Holly Basenji X and Sandy BC X from Hitchin, Hertfordshire, took private training, Dog Boarding & Day Care



1 September 2005

"We have known Caroline for over 4 years now. She helped us with basic training when we first got our dog (Flat Coated Retriever) and has looked after him on several occasions over the years. Caroline is basically a really kind and compassionate person who is undoubtedly absolutely dedicated to dogs and their welfare. She is a fantastic dog trainer (and trainer of people too) who can instantly communicate with dogs and establish a report with them. Any dog that she was looking after would benefit not just from the exercise and companionship but will probably go home having learnt a few tricks or even a little bit more obedience. I believe her to be a very capable person who I would trust with any dog no matter how challenging. Caroline is also great fun. Kathryn Wolkind" Cato Flat Coated Retriever from London, took private training and came to us for Dog Boarding



1 September 2005

"We rescued our Boxer cross, Jasper from Battersea when he was 8 weeks old. We are a couple who work extremely long hours at our own business and debated long and hard over taking on Jasper. However, what a find in Caroline at DogBasics who loves Jasper as much as we do. Jasper has day care twice a week and holidays with Caroline on a regular basis, and we never give a second thought about leaving him. In fact it is us who get a bit tearful about missing Jasper when we go away, he is more than happy to jump out the car and runs into Carolines as if he owns the place, it is definitely his second home. We are blessed that Jasper is an extremely well behaved, loving dog, however, his interaction with the other dogs at DogBasics and Caroline's devoted attention to all the dogs who stay with her has meant Jasper never seems to have a care in the world as, like us, he trusts Caroline

completely. We would have no hesitation in recommending Caroline at DogBasics. Sharen and David Broughton" Jasper Boxer X from Luton, Bedfordshire, came to us for Dog Boarding and Day Care



1 September 2005

"After putting our seven month old Working Cocker Spaniel (Jaffa) into a kennel whilst we went on holiday for two weeks we vowed never to do it again. Seeing the Dogbasics website, offering personal care and lots of walks, we knew we had found his holiday home. We had struggled with Jaffa, who is extremely energetic, and were on the verge of rehoming him when he stayed for a week in Hitchin. However, Caroline proved to be our saviour as we found someone that could provide advice as well as boarding, and for the past two years Jaffa has not only stayed during our holidays but has one day a week burning off some energy with country walks and playing with the other dogs. He has clearly benefited as well from the socialisation and informal training and clearly loves being there, to the extent that he often does not want to come home. That said our home life also changed radically, as he became the dog we always wanted. I would have no hesitation in recommending Dogbasics to potential customers. Dave Rawlings" Jaffa Working Spaniel from Radlett, Hertfordshire, came to us for Dog Boarding and Day Care



1 September 2005

"My parents have sent me to Dog Basics for the last 13 Months and I really love it there. My name is Murphy and I am not normally very bright, but Caroline has taught me lots of things, like how to sit and stay and how to come back to someone who calls me. Whenever I go to see Caroline there are always lots of other Dogs around for me to play with and Caroline ensures that we always play nicely together! My parents love it when I come back from a day at DogBasics as I'm so tired from all of the fun I've had that they always seem to go out for dinner and leave me to snooze. Please don't tell them, but when they do that, I use their bed and not my basket! If you have a Dog who needs looking after for anything from a day to a month, or who would like to learn some new tricks and skills like me, then DogBasics is great. I have moved recently so can't go to DogBasics as often as before, but I will still go back for holidays, and I'm really looking forward to it. Murphy (black) Labrador" Murphy Labrador from Meppershall, Bedfordshire, took a Puppy class & Basic Obedience course and also comes to us for Dog Boarding and Day Care

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1 September 2005

"Whether we need Noodles (Border Collie) to be looked after for the day or overnight we never hesitate in contacting Caroline at DogBasics. We know that not only will Noodles be cared for and enjoy a home environment but she will also really enjoy herself whilst there. She loves all the walks, the attention from Caroline and of course playing with the other dogs. Noodles loves her time at DogBasics and whenever we are approaching Caroline's house she immediately knows where she is and is raring to get out of the car and inside to meet up with all her doggy chums! Joanne Walker" Noodles BC from Luton, Bedfordshire, took a Basic & Advanced Obedience course, Dog Boarding and Day Care



1 September 2005

"Caroline has known our dog since he was a puppy....and has looked after him for a couple of weeks for the past four years ..she is superb and loving towards him at all times and he always come home looking healthier than when he is at home ..i cant recommend her enough. Gareth Sager" Dylan BC cross from London, came to us for Dog Boarding















