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• Do you run your business or does your business run you?
• Are you pleased with your business or does it need improvement?
• Are you considering starting a business and want to avoid the nightmares you hear about, and many that you don’t?

Poor planning is the major reason many small businesses fail to thrive. Proper analysis and planning, from the start, will help avoid problems that plague so many small businesses. Teri offers a comprehensive, insightful and entertaining slant to small business ownership. If you currently own a pet styling business or if you plan to open one, this power packed seminar should be among your top priorities.

This full day seminar is designed with the small business owner in mind. Common problems, pitfalls, do and don’ts will be addressed. Topics will include:

• Defining your business plan and following it!
• Building your dream salon from leases to loans to build-out.
• Finding qualified help How do you pay them?
• Setting your prices while being fair to yourself!
• Getting clients and keeping them!
• Getting the most out of your grooming time Speed Grooming 101

Seminar Only Pre-registered: $125.00 Seminar & Trade Show Pre-registered: $175.00
NDGAA Members Seminar Only Pre-registered: $115.00 Seminar & Trade Show Pre-registered $155.00
Seminar only at the door: $150.00
Pre-registered attendees will be guaranteed workbooks. Space is limited. All prices shown are per person.

Sign up now!
For more information e-mail Teri at k9styler@aol.com
**Meet Our Contest Judges**

**Teri DiMarino, NCMG** - Teri, a National Certified Master Groomer has a lifetime of grooming, retailing and marketing experience. A salon owner for nearly thirty years, a multiple competition Best in Show and Best All Around Groomer award winner, Teri has also garnered International Gold Medals as a member of three Gold Medal winning GroomTeam’s. Teri now writes the monthly grooming column for “Pet Business” magazine. Having sold her South Florida salon in 1999, Teri now resides in Southern California and still grooms in her mobile business, “State of the Arf Mobile Pet Styling.” Teri will judge Division C tournaments and Best In Show Div. A and Best Groomed Dog Div.'s B & C.

**Julie Ostoski, NCMG** - Julie, a National Certified Master Groomer has consecutively been a member of GroomTeam every year since 1996. Julie has won multiple “Best in Show” and “Best all around Groomer” awards. In addition she earned the “American Groomer of the Year” at Intergroom 2000 & 2001 and first runner up in the “Oster Invitational 1999”. Working out of Pampered Paws in Satellite Beach, Fl, Julie’s passion is expressing herself in Competition, Judging, Breeding & Handling her Lakeland Terriers. Julie will judge Division B tournaments and Best In Show Div. A and Best Groomed Dog Div.'s B & C.

**Sarah Hawks, NCMG** - Sarah, a National Certified Master Groomer and NDGAA Certifier is primarily known for her hand-stripping and Terrier grooming ability. Sarah has also studied under some of the top American Cocker Spaniel and Poodle people in order to film edit and produce a line of Grooming Education Videos. She has judged in the US and abroad and won the “Cardinal Crystal Grooming Achievement” award for “Judge of the Year” in 1998, an award she is most proud of. Sarah owns and works at “Dog Works” in Newark, DE. Sarah will co-judge Division A tournaments and Best In Show Div. A and Best Groomed Dog Div.'s B & C.

**Chris Pawlosky, NCMG** - Christina is a National Certified Master Groomer, Professional Handler of approximately 20 different breeds, and accomplished Breeder. Christina is also a very popular speaker and judge at seminars across the country and holds the position of National Training Manager (Pet) for the Oster Professional Products. Christina is the owner and operator of the Pet Connection located in Warren, Ohio. She is a multiple Best in Show; Best All Around Groomer; Best Scissored Poodle in Show Award winner; Intergroom Gold medalist; and, International pet styling gold medalist. Chris will co-judge Division A tournaments and Best In Show Div. A and Best Groomed Dog Div.'s B & C.

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**Prior To Competition Start:**

At the beginning of each class the judge/judges will examine the dogs:

- Competitors will be asked if there is anything they would like to bring to the judges attention.
- Insufficient coat or other physical defects (skin disease) will be disqualified.
- Breed and size will be checked for proper class entry and time allocation.
- If the entry is in the incorrect class, the contestant may enter the correct class, provided it has not taken place. If correct class has taken place the contestant will forfeit entry fee.
- Contestants registered to compete MUST compete; or they will be charged admission for both days of the show.
- Competitors entering 3 or more classes may have an assistant at the show at no additional charge.

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**Sportsmanship**

The NDGAA has created and maintains a show and contest environment that promotes camaraderie, fun and most of all, a valuable learning experience for competitors and attendees alike. Good sportsmanship is absolutely essential to maintain this environment. Therefore, any competitor that displays unsportsmanlike conduct (as determined by the show committee) inside the ring or witnessed in any public place over the course of the show weekend, shall be subject to the following:

1). The contestant will be immediately disqualified from any further competitions for the remainder of the weekend, including the finals and will forfeit all entry fees.

2). Any awards and prize money will be immediately returned to the Show Manager and any placements/points will be forfeited.
Trade Show Exhibitors

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Blue Ribbon Grooming Supplies
Carey Air/Ecoquest
Clipper Vac
Davis Manufacturing
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Epiderma Pet
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Wag’nTails Mobile
Whal Clipper Corp.

Door Prize $500 Cash Door Prize

Entry form must be validated at each booth to be eligible for the drawing on Sunday at approximately 5:00 PM.

Winner must be present!
General Contest Rules

**Attention:** Each tournament is limited to 30 combined entries in A-Open, B-Intermediate & C-Entry. Send entries EARLY for guaranteed space.

No pre-scissoring or shaping before any class. Evidence of this will merit disqualification.

All dogs entered in competition must have a minimum of six weeks’ growth of hair. Since coat grows differently on all dogs, acceptable coat length will be defined as follows: The coat must be sufficient to allow the contestant to make a distinct change in the dog’s appearance. Rolled coats on hand-stripped dogs, as above, there must be a distinct change in the dog’s appearance.

Dogs should be free of mats, freshly shampooed and dried, with ears cleaned, toenails clipped prior to the competition.

The genital and stomach areas can be pre-trimmed (for sanitary reasons) according to breed standards, as well as the pads under the feet including poodles. **No part of toes are to be clipped.** All other trimming shall be done in the ring only.

Dogs can be chalked; hair spray may be used provided it is not overdone. Please use a towel on your table if chalking.

All dogs must be on leads or in cages. Only dogs participating in the contest and/or other programs are permitted in the hotel and must be crated when left alone in sleeping rooms.

Contestants late for any class **will not** be permitted to compete if the contest has started and will forfeit entry fee. Contestants must provide their own dog(s), equipment and table.

A contestant may not display any business establishment in the ring.

An employee/rep of a tournament sponsor is not eligible to compete in that particular competition.

No coaching from ringside is allowed. Violators will be disqualified.

No rough handling of animals. Violators will be disqualified.

No visual aids (pictures) are allowed in ring.

**Attire:** Competitors are expected to dress professionally. Excessive short shorts, cutoffs, miniskirts, tank tops and tee shirts are inappropriate. Shoes must be worn. Flip-flops are not allowed.

After judging of all classes, finalist may freshen up their dogs before they return for final judging, but no additional clipping, scissoring or coat shaping is permitted.

All grooming equipment must be removed from the ring after the class competition unless you are in the next competition.

Classification of breeds determined by AKC breed standards. Purebred dogs not being groomed to AKC standards of appearance will go into the Mixed/Misc. class.

In the event a competitor challenges the eligibility of another competitor verbal protest must be made prior to the start of the class.

Competitors fraudulently entering a class for which they are not eligible will be required to forfeit all titles and return any prize money, prizes, trophies, plaques, ribbons etc. to the Show Management. Groom Team points will be forfeited.

**All 1st place winners MUST have win picture taken with Sponsor and Judge. 2nd, 3rd and all competitors desiring photos are encouraged to do so.**

**Contestants registered to compete MUST compete; otherwise, they will be charged admission for all 2 days of the show.**

Each first place regular class winner will be eligible to compete for Best Groomed Dog in B & C Divisions, and Best In Show in Div. A, providing; that the winner returns to the ring at the time the Best Groomed Dog competition is held.
**Eligibility:** There will be 3 Divisions, A-Open, B-Intermediate & C-Entry. All will compete together and be judged simultaneously. Separate prizes will be awarded in each division.

**Division A - Open** is open to all contestants. **Division B - Intermediate** is restricted to groomers who have not competed or who have competed but not had any placements in Division A. You may stay in this division until you have won 3 first places or Best All Around Groomer two (2) times or Best Groomed Dog two (2) times in Division B. **Division C - Entry** is restricted to new competitors and those who have competed but not had any placements in B or A Division. You may stay in this Division until you have won 3 first places or Best All Around Groomer two (2) times or Best Groomed Dog two (2) times in Division C.

**Note:** Advancement to a higher division based on 3 first place wins applies only if there were at least four (4) competitors in the class when the 1st place wins were awarded. A Group Win or Placement in a Two or Three Tier competition automatically advances the contestant to the next highest Division from where she/he was eligible prior to the group win or placement. Groomer/handlers, owner/handler/breeders, contest judges, instructors and certifiers must enter either A - Open or B - Intermediate Division.

**Entry Fees:** $35.00 per dog includes admission to 2-day trade show. Entry fees must be paid in full by Oct. 16th, 2006. Entry fees will not be refunded for any reason after Oct. 17th, 2006.

**Classes:** There are 5 regular class tournaments in all 3 Divisions - A - Open, B - Intermediate & C - Entry. They are:

- **Andis Poodle Tournament** - For contest purposes, 11 inches and under at the withers will be allotted 1-1/2 hours. Over 11 inches to 17 inches at the withers will be allotted 2 hours. Over 17 inches at the withers will be allotted 2-1/2 hours. Face and feet must be clipped in the ring. Tail clipping is optional (European Style). Various moustaches are allowed. Any show trim is permitted. Banded Topknots are to be set, banded and sprayed during competition time. If a contestant brings the dog in the ring with the topknot banded it will be taken out, brushed out, lines reset, banded and sprayed during competition time.

- **Wag'n Tails Sporting Tournament** - Includes American and English Cocker Spaniels, English Springer Spaniels, English Setters, Gordon Setters, Irish Setters and other sporting breeds. Time 2 hours.

- **Show Season Terrier Tournament** - Includes all Terrier Breeds that will be trimmed with clippers or scissors, (Hand Stripping is optional. See Hand Stripping Note). Time allotment will be 1-3/4 hours for dogs 17 inches and under at the withers. Over 17 inches will be allotted 2 1/4 hours.

- **TechnoGroom All Other Purebreds Tournament** - All other purebred dogs that do not qualify for the Poodle, Sporting or Terrier classes, groomed to breed standard of appearance, (Bichon, Giant Schnauzers, Bouviers, etc.) 17 inches and under at the withers will be allotted 1-3/4 hours. Over 17 inches will be allotted 2-1/4 hours.

- **Kenchii Shears Mixed/Misc. Tournament** - Dogs of mixed-breed parentage and any purebred that will be groomed in a style other than it's breed profile. Examples: Poodle in a Bedlington, Cocker in a Suburban, Bichon in a Panda/Teddy Bear. Poodles CANNOT have face or feet clipped in traditional poodle style. 17 inches and under at the withers will be allotted 1-3/4 hours. Over 17 inches will be allotted 2-1/4 hours.

**Hand Stripping Note:** With the exception of the Sporting Class when a contestant will hand strip and clip only in accordance with the specific breed clubs acceptable "Clipped Areas", i.e. clipping the cheeks on a Schnauzer or Scottish Terrier, the time allotment will be 2 hours for dogs 17 inches and under at the withers. Over 17 inches will be allotted 2-1/4 hours.

**Coat Length:** All dogs entered in competition must have a minimum of six weeks growth of hair. Since coat grows differently on all dogs, acceptable coat length will be defined as follows: The coat must be sufficient to allow the contestant to make a distinct change in the dog's appearance. Rolled coats on hand-stripped dogs, as above, must be a distinct change in the dog’s appearance.

**Best In Show** will be chosen from all 1st place winners in Division A.

Best All Around Groomer award in each Division will be chosen by a point system; 3 points for 1st, 2 points for 2nd, 1 point for 3rd in each class provided there are at least four (4) contestants in the class. If the class has less than four (4), the points awarded will be calculated as follows: Number of entries minus the placement number equals point/points awarded. Points will be totaled and highest points will be named Best All Around Groomer of the Division. In the event of a tie, the groomer with the most 1st placements will win. If there is still a tie, the groomer with the most placements will win. If there is still a tie, a point will be assigned for every groomer they have beaten in each class. Highest points will be named Best All Around Groomer of the Division.
When the allotted class times are up, the judges will examine the dogs by hand and comb through the coat, taking the following into consideration when making their decisions:

**Degree of difficulty plays an important role in a judge/judges decisions.**

**Poodles:**
1. The suitability of the trim to the dog's conformation.
2. The quality of the clipper work:
   A. Whether pattern is placed correctly, evenly, & clipped with the appropriate blade, whether clipped lines are definite, straight, neatly beveled where they meet body coat.
   B. If there is no pattern and the body is clipped overall, whether the groomer has used a blade complimentary to the coat.
   C. Whether the feet, face and tail are clipped with the appropriate blade, whether the clipped lines on face are straight and clipper work is smooth with no tufts of hair around the lips and eye corners. Whether feet are clipped clean between toes and pads.
3. The quality, uniformity and smoothness of the scissoring
   A. Whether the finish is like that of plush velvet, free of scissor marks.
   B. Whether legs are scissored evenly & are of sufficient fullness to balance the dog.
   C. Whether the topknot and tail are properly shaped and in balance to each other.
4. The degree of difficulty of the clip. This does not mean that fancy patterns should take precedence. Overall all scissor trims can be as difficult with certain coat textures.
5. The dog's overall finished appearance with emphasis on balance, symmetry and smoothness of finish. The trim should hold together when the comb is passed through the coat.

**Terriers, Sporting and All Other Purebreeds:**
1. The suitability of the trim and how it conforms to the accepted breed standard and profile.
2. The quality of the clipper work: whether the clipped areas have been clipped with the appropriate blade, whether they are neat and smooth, all clipped lines are straight.
3. The quality, uniformity and smoothness of the scissoring and/or thinning.
   A. On scissored breeds, whether the finish is plush and free of scissor marks, and whether legs are scissored evenly and of sufficient fullness to balance the dog, whether the head is properly trimmed and balanced.
   B. On breeds with eyebrows or falls and beards, whether the trimming is correct and points up the distinctive features which characterize the breed.
   C. On breeds with furnishing or feathering, whether they blend smoothly.
4. The dog's finished appearance with emphasis on balance, symmetry and smoothness of finish.

**Hand-Stripped Breeds:**
1. The suitability of the trim to the accepted breed standard and profile.
2. Whether the body coat has been neatly stripped with appropriate tool or finger and thumb; whether there are visible pink or bald patches afterwards (this is undesirable). The hair must always be removed with the lay of the coat and without pain.
3. If clippers are used to trim the soft coat on the head and ears, the front of the neck or on the insides of the back legs, whether these areas are trimmed neatly and smoothly with the appropriate blade and clipper work is smooth.
4. If scissors or thinning shears are used to trim the furnishings, the quality of work.
5. The dog's overall finished appearance with emphasis on balance, symmetry, smoothness of finish and preservation of the distinctive features that characterize the breed. Whether the dog has a smart, definite outline with furnishings blending in to look natural rather than jutting out.

**Mixed-Breeds/Miscellaneous:**
1. The originality and execution of the clip and its suitability to the dog's conformation.
2. If clippers are used; the quality of the work, whether the clipped areas look neat and smooth.
3. If scissors or thinning shears are used: the quality, uniformity and smoothness of the work.
4. Dog's overall appearance, emphasis on balance, symmetry and smoothness of finish.
Halloween Party Saturday Night

8 to Midnight
Hot & Cold Hor D'our ves
Cash Bar, DJ

Join us for a "Get A cquainted" gathering

Friday Evening - 7pm - 11pm
Hospitality Suite
Enjoy Munchies, Beer, Soda
Bring your smiles & grooming stories to share!

Prizes awarded for:
Best Costume 2 - '07 Admits!
Best Group Costume 4 - '07 Admits!
The Career Start Contest, the first of its kind, provides a platform for new groomers to compete, learn new techniques and prepare for their future.

CONTEST RULES & REGULATIONS: The competition is limited to students enrolled in a state accredited school; graduates with a maximum of one year's experience, including time spent as a student; or, individuals serving in the capacity groomer/handler apprentice, including time spent as a bather, for a period of not more than one year. In addition, competition is also limited to those who have not competed prior to event weekend. Contestants excluded from Oster Career Start Contest are professional handlers, owners/handlers/breeders with breed-specific recognition in the AKC show ring, and others with significant recognition in the industry. Contestants from previous Oster® Career Start competitions are prohibited from competing again. Competitors must provide their own dog, any purebred groomed to breed profile, with minimum of 6 weeks of coat growth. Oster® clippers and blades must be used during the competition. Contestants will be given 1-1/2 hours for dogs 17 inches and below and 2 hours for dogs over 17 inches. After the contest the ambassador will schedule 10-minute consultations with each groomer and their dog at the Oster® Professional Products booth at no charge. If contestant is proven to be inaccurate or untruthful all prizes and product will be forfeited and returned to Oster® Professional Products to be redispensed to contestant meeting contest criteria. Contest entry is capped at 15 contestants. $35 Entry Fee.

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Schedule of Events
Friday...Oct. 27th

9:00/5:00.. "Business Basics Workshop for Groomers" -with Teri DiMarino, NCMG. Seating is limited, see page 4 for details. Pre-register on page 32 & 33.

7:30/9:30.. "Oster "Career Start" Contest" - SEE BELOW!!

7pm/11pm.. "Hospitality Suite" - Enjoy a get acquainted gathering, enjoy muchies, beer, wine and soda. Bring your smiles and stories to share!

7:00 pm ... Pre-Judging for the Oster Career Start Contest
Don’t Miss the Exciting, New Oster Career Start!

✦ Pizza for all
✦ Door Prizes
✦ The first 20 people through the door will receive a fantastic gift from Oster
✦ Watch the Exciting Grooming Contest
✦ Everyone will be there and so should you!

7:30/9:30pm .. Oster Career Start Contest - Judging & Awards to follow.

Oster Professional Products presents
Mini-Demo's at the Oster Booths

Don't miss these 15/20 minute live demos' being held all weekend at the Oster Booths...

Friday, Oct. 27th
Oster Career Start Grooming Contest
See Page 15 for all of the exciting details!

Saturday, Oct. 28th
Bichon profile made easy w/ blades & combs-1 & 2
What to do to creat the ideal Bichon head
Grooming Brussels Griffon for correct Profile Side 1

Sunday, Oct. 29th
Grooming Brussels Griffon for correct Profile Side 2
Setting Clipper Lines on the Poodle
Creating the Poodle Outline Part 1 & 2

Free 10 minute critiques available throughout the day... Ask at the Oster Booth!
Contestants! Setup will precede each tournament. Please arrive at least 30 minute prior to tournament start-up. Be Prompt! Judging & Awards will follow each tournament.

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**National Premier Competition (Ballroom) - Division A, B & C**

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<td>“Pet Skin Care and the Groomer” - Dr. Fleck. Dr. Fleck begins with a basic review of the anatomy and physiology of the pet's skin. Next, he will talk about the identification of skin types and the choice of a cleansing agent shampoo and skin enrichment ingredients. Then, he will discuss the specific ingredients found in commonly used pet products and how these ingredients effect the pet's skin. Finally, Dr. Fleck will present the skin and hair treatment program and how it works after the groom is completed. Jamaica Room.</td>
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<td>“The Sad Truth: Pet Accidents and Death in your Facility”, Teri DiMarino, NCMG. Tragedy in the salon is something one is never quite ready for. Teri will walk us through various salon disasters we think will never happen to us. Real-life stories will be drawn upon and groomer/client reactions will be discussed so we can all learn from the experiences of others. This is a good group therapy for those who have experienced catastrophe and a good insight for those who have yet to encounter it. Jamaica Room.</td>
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8:00-10:30 ... Andis Poodle Tournament
1:00 - 3:15 ... Kenchii Shears Mixed/Misc. Tournament

Best All Around Groomer from Div's A, B & C will begin at approx. 4:15 PM.

All first place winners from Div A, B & C tournaments both days please report to the ring at this time for Div A Best In Show and Div B & C Best Groomed Dog judging and awards.

8:30.... Registration opens If you have pre-registered by mail, pick up your admission badge. At the door registration will begin at this time.

9:00 - 9:15 .... Oster Academy ... “Grooming Brussels Griffon for correct profile - 2” - Oster Booth

9:00 - 10:00 .... “Grooming the Lakeland Terrier” - Julie Ostoski, NCMG. If you want to learn how to groom the perfect Lakeland... You won't want to miss this. Breeding and handling this fun breed for 10 years, Julie will take the guess work out of the hand stripping and clipper work. She will also show you exactly how the head is to be done completing a profile correct Lakeland ready for any presentation. Jamaica Room.

10:15 - 10:30 .... Oster Academy ...

10:45 - 11:45 .... “Proper Routing, Scheduling and Maintenance” - Dina Perry. These three are keys to making mobile easy. By routing and scheduling your unit the smart way you can make more money and ease the stress of any day. Proper maintenance of the vehicle and its components can make sure your unit is out there working properly and extend the life of your entire unit. Let's take control of our business with a great daily checklist and smart routing. Jamaica Room.

12:00 - 1:00 .... Lunch - Ballroom will remain open during lunch.

1:15 - 1:30 .... Oster Academy ... “Creating the Poodle Outline Part 1” - Oster Booth

1:30-3:00 .... “Developing your Creative Eye” - Sue Zecco, NCMG & Jay Scruggs. Have you ever sat ringside at a grooming competition and thought to yourself “Why didn't that dog win”? If so, you must see this seminar. Sue Zecco and Jay Scruggs (two of the top retired competitors, now judges) will select dogs that were groomed in competition and go over the strong points of the grooming and where slight changes would have made a difference. This demo could be the difference between winning third or placing a strong first for the competitor and show the audience how to separate your salon with outstanding grooming. A MUST SEE for everyone who wants to enhance their grooming skills. Competitors are encouraged to sign up for this demonstration. Jamaica Room.

3:30 - 3:45 .... Oster Academy ... “Creating the Poodle Outline Part 2” - Oster Booth

6:00 pm ... Ballroom Closes - See you next year - Oct. 26th - 28th, 2007!!
Notice to all competitors, certification registrants, exhibitors, etc.

Many hotels are banning dogs from their premises because of the inconsiderate actions of those bringing dogs for competition, certification testing and use during the show. We must insist the following rules and regulations be adhered to, by signing your contest entry form or your certification test registration form you are agreeing to abide by the rules listed herein as well as the hotel rules listed below; and also agree to hold harmless the owner or lessor of the premises and you assume all responsibility of any acts of your dog(s).

✔ Pets must be crated at all times!
✔ The only exceptions for not being crated are: being exercised in designated area, undergoing preparation for competition or certification testing or in the contest ring.
✔ Contestants who are not staying at the hotel must provide a crate for their entry when it is not in the ring. A holding area will be provided for that purpose.
✔ Dogs will not be allowed to be walked around the exhibit hall.

Attendee's should bring plastic sheeting to be placed under and to the rear of dog crates & newspaper and small plastic baggies for disposal of dog waste and food waste. If your dog has an accident in a public area PLEASE CLEAN IT UP!

THIS MINI WORKSHOP WILL CONSIST OF TWO PARTS

- Orientation ... An extensive explanation of the testing procedure and NDGAA membership programs and benefits, followed by a question and answer session.

  PIZZA & SODA BREAK

- Breed Demo’s ... Demonstrations will be conducted on some of the certifiable breeds. This portion of the program is intended to offer additional knowledge and to assist and answer questions you may have about proper grooming techniques, breed standards, patterns, topknots, stripping & carding.

If you are already a member you can enjoy attending this mini-workshop at a discount! You must list your membership # on the form on page 32.

If you are not yet a member, an application is provided on page 38. After Oct. 17th if space is available you may register at the door at $70 per person.

Whether you’re testing on Monday or some time in the future, you won’t want to miss this opportunity to attend the mini-workshop which will help prepare you for certification testing. Come and meet our certifiers, become familiar with the certification procedure, learn about the NDGAA and its Registered and Certified members and the many benefits they enjoy. All participants will receive a "Certificate of Attendance". All attendee's will also receive NDGAA’s official educational literature booklet to use as a reference in their shops. Time permitting we will discuss some of the topics within this booklet.

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Mini-Workshop Saturday Eve. 7 - 10 PM

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Acceptable breeds for Certification testing:

*Non-Sporting
Mini or Toy Poodle or Bichon,

*Sporting
American or English Cocker Spaniel or English Springer.

*Terrier - Long Legged breeds
include: Miniature Schnauzer or Wire Fox or W heaton or Bedlington or Kerry Blue.

*Terrier - Short Legged breeds
include: West Highland, Scottish, Sealyham or Hand-stripped Cairn. (must groom 2 terriers)

Important: If you are not yet NDGAA Certified in any breed group and if you are taking only 1 part or phase of any group (i.e. sporting written exam but no practical) it is required that you apply for Registered Membership until the time that you complete and pass at least one group, and thereby attain Certified Status. Applicant’s being tested must have a 75% in written and practical in order to pass individual breed certification, (overall average must be 85% for NCMG status), grades below 75% are unacceptable for a reasonable degree of proficiency in individual breed phases. Overall averages below 85% are unacceptable for National Certified Master Groomer® status.
Certification Test Registration Form

Registration Deadline for Testing is Oct. 13th

Name_______________________________________________________
Shop Name ___________________________________________________
Shop Address _________________________________________________
City__________________________________ St ______ Zip ___________
Home Address _______________________________________________
City__________________________________ St ______ Zip ___________
Daytime Ph# _________________________________ Memb#___________
Tests already completed with us___________________________________
Are you preregistered for the show ___________________
Are you registering for the mini-workshop (fill out form on page 33) ______________

TEST SESSION • MONDAY, Oct. 30th, 8:30 A.M. $85 PER PHASE

☐ Non-Sporting-$85 ☐ Sporting-$85 ☐Terrier(2 dogs)-$85 ☐ Master Exam-$85
$85 fee includes both written and practical skills exam in each breed group
If taking the practical skills exam you MUST also take the written exam
If taking written only at this test site fee is $50 per test -
☐ NS written ☐ SP written ☐ TR written - NDGA Member # ________

☐ Enclosed is $30.00 for the 14 Breed Profile guidelines, AKC ID chart, written exam study guide, program
guidelines & master exam study materials.......................................................$__________.

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED FOR TESTING....................$__________

If space permits you may register at the door @ $100 per test

Method of Payment

Charge my ☐ Mastercard ☐ Visa ☐ AmEx in the amount of $______________
Cardholders Name______________________________________________ Exp. Date______________
Credit Card #___________________________________________________
Signature______________________________________________________

Mail to: NDGAA, P.O. Box 101, Clark, PA 16113

If you fail to report at the assigned time and area to take your written and/or practical examinations your testing fees for that phase will be forfeited. There will be no refunds or credits awarded for "No Shows". All fees owed must accompany this application. Fees will only be refunded in the event this Certification test is canceled by NDGAA. I agree to absolve the officers & certifiers of NDGAA of all legal claims for loss or injury to myself, my dog(s) & equipment while attending this testing session. I agree to abide by all the rules and regulations & to accept the Certifiers decision as final and binding.

Signature ____________________________________________   Date_____________
NDGAA Member Preregistration Form

Save $ by preregistering by Oct. 16th

Name ____________________________________________
Salon Name _______________________________________
Address ___________________________________________
City __________________________ State _________ Zip ________
Daytime Phone: ________________________________

Charge my ☐ Mastercard ☐ Visa ☐ AmEx - Exp. Date__________

Cardholders Name_____________________________________________
Credit Card #__________________________________________________
Signature ____________________________________________ ______

Method of Payment
Charge my ☐ Mastercard ☐ Visa ☐ AmEx - Exp. Date__________

Cardholders Name_____________________________________________
Credit Card #__________________________________________________
Signature ____________________________________________ ______

Total Due $______________

NO REFUNDS AFTER Oct. 17th
Payment must be in our office
BY OCT. 16th:
NDGAA, Inc. P.O. Box 101, Clark PA 16113
Phone: (724) 962-2711 Fax: (724) 962-1919

Trade Show + Contest Viewing ... $20 per day
Trade Show + Contest Viewing + Lectures .. $40 per day
Business Basics Workshop w/Teri DiMarino - $150
NDGAA Mini-Workshop - $65

Agreement: Neither NDGAA, nor the Radisson, their sponsors, agents, employees, or representatives shall be liable for any loss, damage, harm or injury to the property or person of the applicant or its representative resulting from fire, accident, theft or other cause. Attend at your own risk.

Office use only -- Ck#______________ – $______________ Date ________________
Non-Member PreRegistration Form
Save $$ by preregistering by Oct. 16th

Name __________________________________________
Salon Name ______________________________________
Address __________________________________________
City _____________________________________________ State __________ Zip __________
Daytime Phone: ________________________________

Charge my ☐ Mastercard ☐ Visa ☐ AmEx - Exp. Date__________

Cardholders Name_____________________________________________
Credit Card #__________________________________________________
Signature ____________________________________________ ______

Seminar Fees After Oct. 16th payable AT THE DOOR are:
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Registration Deadline 10/16/06
After 10/16 you must pay at the door

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Office use only – Ck#___________ — $_____________ Date __________
I agree to absolve the sponsor/employees of NDGAA/Radisson Hotel for any legal claim for loss or injury that may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing thereto. I personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claim. I agree not to hold the aforementioned parties legally responsible for any claim of loss or damage to my dog(s), equipment or myself by disappearance, theft, death or injury to be caused by negligence of NDGAA or any of the parties aforementioned, or due to negligence of any other person, or any other cause or causes. I agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the competition. I understand that the judges will enforce these rules and that their decision is final and binding. I also understand that I will be held financially responsible for any damage done to hotel property. Make check payable and mail to: NDGAA, P.O. Box 101, Clark PA 16113 (724) 962-2711.

Signature ___________________________________________    Date ____________

Groomers Name _______________________________    Salon Name _______________________________
Address ___________________________________________    City ____________ State _____ Zip ________
Daytime Phone: _______________________________

$35* Entry Fee Per Dog    ☐ Division A**    ☐ Division B    ☐ Division C
*Entry fee includes 2 day admission to the trade show
** Div. A is GroomTeam Sanctioned
☐ - Poodle --- List Size _______________________________________
☐ - Sporting ---- List Breed _______________________________
☐ - Terrier -- List Breed _____________________________________
☐ - Mixed/Misc. - List Breed ___________________________________
☐ - All Other Purebreds - List Breed _____________________________

*Previous Wins (B & C /Div’s. Only)
Use additional sheet if necessary

☐ - Oster Career Start Grooming Competition - $35 (includes 2 day trade show)
☐ - Those entering 3 or more classes can register 1 assistant at no charge.
Name _______________________________________________________
☐ - Owners of borrowed dogs can watch you compete @ $5 pp.
Name __________________________ Tournament_____________________

Total Due $___________

Please keep rooms CLEAN! See Pages 20 & 35 for Important Hotel & Show Information.

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Signature ___________________________________________    Date ____________

If space is available you may enter the contest at the door -- fee is $60 per dog.
Contest, certification and program dogs only! All other pets will not be permitted on hotel property!

$115.00 per room per night -- Please reserve the following accommodations:
Number of rooms required________ # of people in each room_________
*Will you be bringing a dog(s)___ Smoking____ Non-Smoking___
Arrival Date _____________ Time __________ Departure Date _____________
Rooms held only on a Guaranteed (major credit card) or advance deposit basis only.
How will you guarantee your reservation: [ ]MasterCard [ ]Visa [ ]American Express
[ ]Diners Club [ ]Carte Blanche [ ]Discover Card [ ]1st nights deposit

Name _____________________________________________
Phone#_____________________
Address ______________________________________________________________________
City__________________________________________________________State___________Zip____________
Credit Card#_________________________________________________Exp Date__________

1. Requests received after above date are subject to space availability only. Every effort will be made to confirm rate/room desired.
If not available, a room will be assigned at the next available rate and room type.
2. Hotel check in time is 3:00 P.M.. Check out time is noon.
3. Failure to cancel your reservation 3 days prior to arrival will result in forfeit of deposit. _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _

HOTEL NOTICE: If you or your dog damage, destroy or steal hotel property, you are responsible to make restitution to the satisfaction of the hotel. Behavior which could result in such action may be, but not limited to, stealing or damaging towels or linens, improper clean-up after the dog, plugging up drains with dog hair, grooming supplies strewn around the room, actual grooming in the room without cleaning up the hair, causing destruction to room furniture and failure to pay room charges.

Attention: For transportation from the Orlando airport to the Radisson at the Port we recommend the Cocoa Beach Shuttle Service. Price is $30 pp one way or $60 pp round trip. When making reservations let them know if you are bringing dogs. Call in advance to book your reservation at 1-800-633-0427 or 321/784-4144. Shuttle is only available until 7:00 pm.

Vicki can save you money! Call her at (724)456-1026
Vicki has discounts available on flights to Florida from all over the United States which will save you money! Call and identify yourself as attending the NDGAA seminar in Cape Canaveral and she will help you pick the best flights at greatly reduced prices.
Email Vicki at vickimicsky@earthlink.net

"Fun In The Sun' Groomers Seminar
Radisson at the Port, Cape Canaveral, Fl
Oct. 27th, 28th & 29th, 2006
Join by Oct. 13th and preregister for the show- you can take advantage of all of the member specials!! plus we'll take $20 off the new member fee, you'll pay $65 (normally $85). Just send in this application along with your preregistration form by Oct. 13th. Not coming to the show? You can still take advantage of this great offer by joining at the discounted fee of $65 if you join by January 15th, 2007!

**APPLICATION FOR REGISTERED MEMBERSHIP**

NATIONAL DOG GROOMERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA, INC.

Name_____________________________________________________ Home Ph_______________________

Home Address____________________________________________________________________________

City/State/Zip__________________________________________________ Date of Birth ____/____/____

PROFESSIONAL - Mail will be sent to business address unless otherwise requested.

Business Name________________________________________________ Bus. Ph ____________________

Address _________________________________________________________________________________

City/State/Zip _________________________________________________________________

Email address: _____________________________ Web Address ________________________________

Position - Owner[ ] Co-Owner[ ] Employee[ ] Mobile [ ] How Long?

BACKGROUND – List a brief history of years grooming, graduated from, apprenticed under, etc.

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$65 This application must be accompanied with a $85.00 Registered Membership fee.

Please send $85.00 check/money order (Canadian checks/money orders please send $71.00 in US funds) to:
National Dog Groomers Association of America, Inc., P.O. Box 101, Clark PA 16113
Phone (724) 962-2711, Fax # (724) 962-1919. Email - ndga@nationaldoggroomers.com

Membership dues are $40 per year – Please allow 4 weeks processing time.

I am paying by Check [ ] Mastercard[ ] Visa[ ] American Express[ ]

Cardholders Name________________________________________________ Exp Date________________

Credit Card Account Number____________________________________________________________

Thank you for choosing the NDGAA. The applicant must ascribe to our "Code of Ethics". Please allow 4 weeks for processing your Registered Membership. Membership is non-transferable and subject to revocation. The information given on this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature________________________________________________ Date________________
In Memory...

Liz Paul
1953-2006

The grooming industry mourns the loss of Liz Paul, one of the most popular, competitive and gifted groomers in the world. She was truly an icon within our industry. She will be sadly missed by family and friends and will never be forgotten.
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