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Big House K9 Training

Client Training Plan & Temperament Evaluation

Buddy | Jamie Thompson (Sample Client)

CLIENT & DOG INFORMATION

Client	Jamie Thompson
Dog Name	Buddy
Breed	Golden Retriever
Age	14 weeks
Sex / Spay-Neuter Status	Male Not yet neutered (age-appropriate)
Household	Jamie, a first-time puppy owner, living with one other adult. This is the family's first dog.
Current Program	Puppy Skills, Private 6-Week Program (recommended, see below)
Training Location	In-Home and Big House K9 Training Studio
Date of Evaluation	[Evaluation Date]
Trainers	Brandon & Daneesha Big House K9 Training

CLIENT GOALS

Jamie loves Buddy's enthusiasm and wants to channel it into good habits early, rather than waiting for problems to become bigger as he grows. The goals below are realistic and typical for a happy, social puppy at this stage.

Obedience Goals

- Build a reliable foundation: sit, down, stay, come, and loose leash walking.
- Introduce a consistent marker word and reward system the whole household can use.

Household Manners

- Reduce jumping on people, both family and guests.
- Reduce mouthing and nipping during play.
- Finish house training.

Puppy Development & Confidence Building

- Give Buddy positive, well-managed exposure to new people, dogs, sounds, and environments during his key socialization window.
- Build his comfort with handling (paws, ears, mouth) for easy vet and grooming visits down the road.

Public Skills (Long-Term)

- Work toward calm, polite behavior on walks and in public spaces as Buddy matures.

These goals will be broken into small, age-appropriate steps. At 14 weeks old, short and successful practice sessions will always outperform long or repetitive ones.

BEHAVIORAL HISTORY

Buddy is a friendly, outgoing Golden Retriever puppy with no concerning behavioral history. Jamie describes him as "a lot of dog in a small package": enthusiastic, food-motivated, and eager to be wherever the people are.

Behavior at Home

- Buddy jumps on Jamie and other family members when excited, especially at the door and during play.
- He mouths and nips during play, which is typical puppy behavior but is starting to leave marks and needs to be addressed before his adult teeth come in.
- House training is in progress; Buddy has occasional accidents, most often when playtime runs long and he doesn't get an outdoor break in time.
- He sleeps in a crate at night and settles well there.

Behavior Around People & Dogs

- Buddy is friendly and social with everyone he meets, family and strangers alike, with no signs of fear or wariness.
- He has had positive, supervised interactions with a few neighborhood dogs and shows appropriate, if enthusiastic, play behavior.

Equipment & Environment

- Jamie has a crate, an x-pen, and a variety of chew toys already set up at home, which gives us a good foundation to build on.

TEMPERAMENT SNAPSHOT & EVALUATION

Buddy is a textbook example of a confident, social, food-driven puppy with excellent trainability. Nothing in his profile points to fear, anxiety, or aggression. His challenges (jumping, mouthing, and house training) are entirely normal for his age and respond very well to consistent, positive handling.

Temperament Scorecard

Ratings below use Big House K9 Training's standard scale (Low / Low-Medium / Medium / Medium-High / High unless otherwise noted). This is the same scorecard used in every Big House K9 Training evaluation.

Trait	Rating	Evaluator Notes
Human Assertiveness	Med	Confident and outgoing without being pushy or demanding.
Workability	High	Eager to engage and work for reinforcement.
Courage	High	Approaches new people, objects, and situations with curiosity rather than hesitation.
Energy Level	Med-High	Typical for a young retriever; channels well into structured play and training.
Environmental Focus	Med	Curious about his surroundings but not difficult to redirect back to his handler.
Touch Tolerance	High	Comfortable with handling of paws, ears, and mouth.
Self-Confidence	High	Assured in new situations and around new people.
Stress Type	N/A	No stress response observed during this evaluation.
Patience	Low-Med	Typical for his age; still developing the ability to wait calmly.
Resilience	High	Recovers quickly and fully from any startle or surprise.
Sight Sensitivity	Low	Not reactive to visual novelty.
Sound Sensitivity	Low	Comfortable with everyday household and environmental sounds.
Stability	High	Consistent, predictable, appropriate behavior throughout the evaluation.
Nerve Strength	High	Handles new experiences with confidence.
Eye Contact	Med-High	Offers good eye contact, especially when food is involved.
Following	High	Tracks and stays close to his handler.
Object Focus	Med	Interested in toys and objects, typical for his age and breed.
Human Focus	High	Very people-oriented and eager to be involved.
Nose Awareness	Med	Shows age-typical interest in scent.
Activity Focus	High	Alert and engaged with activity happening around him.
Affection Drive	High	Loves physical affection and connection with people.
Food Drive	High	Highly food motivated, a great asset for training.
Toy Drive	Med-High	Enjoys toys and play, typical of the breed.

Prey/Play Drive	Med-High	Enthusiastic about chase and retrieve games.
Retrieving Drive	High	Natural retrieving instinct, consistent with breed tendencies.
Switching Drives	High	Moves easily between food, toy, and affection as motivators.
Dog Focus	Med-High	Enjoys other dogs without being singularly fixated on them.

Trait	Rating	Evaluator Notes
Dog Friendliness	Neutral	Comfortable and appropriate with other dogs; neither pushy nor avoidant.
Tenderheartedness	Moderate	Responds well to gentle correction without being overly sensitive.
Forgiveness	High	Bounces back quickly from any mild pressure or correction.
Handshyness	None	No hand-shyness observed.

Ranking Desires

Food is Buddy's strongest motivator, with affection a close second. Toy and play motivation is also strong and gives us a great secondary tool, especially useful for reinforcing calm behavior after active play.

Problem-Solving Approach

Buddy is engaged, persistent, and clearly enjoys figuring things out. He does not give up easily when working on a new skill, and he stays focused as long as sessions are kept short and rewarding, which is typical and healthy for a puppy his age.

Strengths

- No fear, anxiety, or aggression anywhere in his profile.
- Extremely food and people motivated, which makes him very easy to train.
- Confident and resilient; recovers quickly from any surprise or new experience.
- Comfortable with handling, a great head start for future grooming and vet visits.
- Naturally social with people and dogs, with no signs of fear-based behavior.
- Already sleeping well in his crate, which gives us a strong foundation to build on.

Areas That Need Support

- Jumping on people when excited, especially at the door.
- Mouthing and nipping during play, which needs to be redirected before his adult teeth come in.
- House training is still in progress and needs a more consistent outdoor schedule.
- Leash walking has not yet been formally trained; now is the ideal time to start before habits form.
- Like any puppy his age, his patience and impulse control are still developing and will improve steadily with structured practice.

THRESHOLDS & BODY LANGUAGE

Threshold refers to the level of excitement or stress at which Buddy can still think clearly and respond to cues. For a confident, social puppy like Buddy, this is mostly about managing excitement and arousal rather than fear.

Under Threshold: Buddy Can Learn Here

- Soft, relaxed body and loose, wiggly movement
- Taking treats gently and engaging with his handler
- Four paws on the floor
- Responding to his name and known cues

Near Threshold: Rising Excitement

- Increased jumping or mouthing
- Difficulty holding a sit or settling
- Grabbing at clothing or hands during play

This is the moment to pause play, ask for a calming behavior like a sit, and reset before continuing.

Over Threshold: Time for a Break

- Persistent, hard mouthing that does not respond to redirection
- Unable to settle even with a calm cue
- Overtired "zoomies" that escalate rather than resolve on their own

At this stage, a short break, often in the crate with a chew toy, helps Buddy reset before continuing training or play.

4-STEP TRAINING PLAN

Step 1: Management & Safety

This step is about setting Buddy up to succeed and preventing him from practicing the jumping, mouthing, and accidents we want to change.

Immediate Management Steps

- **Set up a consistent potty schedule.** Take Buddy out first thing in the morning, after meals, after naps, and after play, rather than waiting for him to signal.
- **Keep chew toys within reach at all times.** Redirect mouthing to an appropriate toy immediately, every time.
- **Manage greetings at the door.** Use a leash or a brief sit request before opening the door to guests, so jumping isn't rehearsed.
- **Switch to a front-clip harness.** This helps prevent pulling habits from developing as Buddy grows.

Step 2: Foundation Skills

Buddy is highly food motivated and eager to learn, so foundation skills should come together quickly with short, consistent practice.

Foundation Skills to Practice

- **Marker word and name recognition.** Introduce a consistent marker ("Yes") and reward Buddy any time he looks at his name being called.
- **Sit, down, and stay.** Practice in short, high-success repetitions, several times a day.
- **Off / four-on-the-floor.** Do not engage with Buddy until all four paws are on the ground; reward generously the moment they are.
- **Loose leash walking foundation.** Begin indoors, rewarding Buddy for staying near your side before adding any outdoor distractions.

Step 3: Behavior Modification & Confidence Building

This step focuses on shaping Buddy's natural enthusiasm into polite, manageable behavior, while continuing to build his confidence through positive exposure.

Reducing Jumping & Mouthing

- **Turn away and remove attention the moment jumping or hard mouthing starts.** Reward calm greetings and gentle play generously.
- **Practice greetings with family members first,** before working up to visitors, so Buddy has plenty of successful reps.

Early Socialization

- **Continue safe, positive exposure to new people, dogs, sounds, and surfaces** during this key developmental window, always keeping new experiences upbeat and voluntary.

Step 4: Real-Life Practice & Proofing

Once Buddy is showing reliable skills at home, we build those same behaviors into busier, more distracting real-world settings.

- Practice door greetings with real guests, starting with people Buddy knows well.
- Take short leash practice walks in the yard, then the neighborhood, building distance and duration gradually.
- Continue structured socialization outings as Buddy completes his vaccination series, per his veterinarian's guidance.

TRAINING PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Based on Buddy's evaluation, we recommend starting with Puppy Skills, our private 6-week foundation program. At 14 weeks old, Buddy is still completing his vaccine series (typically finished around 16 weeks), so this program is intentionally kept private and one-on-one at our facility rather than in a group setting, giving him focused, individualized attention from day one with no unnecessary health risk.

Recommended First Step

- **Puppy Skills (Private, 6-Week Program):** Six weekly 1-hour sessions at our facility covering socialization foundations, basic obedience, body handling and grooming desensitization, confidence building, potty and crate training guidance, and manners (nipping, jumping, impulsivity, leash skills).

Recommended Training Path

- **Puppy Skills (Private, 6-Week Program)** to build his core foundation safely while his vaccine series finishes up
- **Beginner Skills** group class once he's ready, to build on his foundation with more distraction, duration, and socialization with other dogs
- **Paws Around Town** for real-world proofing: loose leash walking, calm greetings, and public manners
- **Bundling this path** into our **Puppy Life Ready** package (Evaluation + Puppy Skills + 2 in-home private sessions + Beginner Skills) offers meaningful savings over booking each piece separately; see Investment below

MAINTENANCE & LONG-TERM PLAN

Consistency is what will carry Buddy's progress forward as he grows out of the puppy stage and into adolescence.

- **Short daily practice.** A few minutes of foundation skills, twice a day, will outperform occasional long sessions.
- **Keep the whole household consistent.** The same cues, marker word, and expectations from everyone Buddy interacts with.
- **Continue structured socialization** throughout puppyhood and adolescence, not just in the first few months.
- **Expect an adolescent phase.** Around 6 to 18 months, many puppies test boundaries again. This is normal and very manageable with continued practice.
- **Progress to group class and public outings** as Buddy's skills solidify, following the path above.

INVESTMENT

Below is a summary of Big House K9 Training's programs and current pricing, so you know exactly what to expect.

Evaluation	\$175.00 (90 minutes, at our facility or in-home) — required first step, already completed
Recommended First Step	Puppy Skills, Private 6-Week Program: \$700.00 (six 1-hour sessions at our facility)
Puppy Jumpstart Package	\$825.00 (Evaluation + Puppy Skills; a la carte value \$875, save \$50)
Puppy Foundation Package	\$1,075.00 (Evaluation + Puppy Skills + 2 in-home private sessions; a la carte value \$1,175, save \$100)
Puppy Life Ready Package — Most Popular	\$1,275.00 (Evaluation + Puppy Skills + 2 in-home private sessions + Beginner Skills; a la carte value \$1,375, save \$100)
Beginner Skills	\$200.00 (6-week group class, capped at 4 dogs)
Paws Around Town	\$200.00 (6-week group class; prerequisite: Beginner Skills)
Additional Private Sessions	\$150.00 / 1 hour, at our facility or in-home
Scheduling	Contact us to get started: 520-412-7580 or info@bighousek9training.com

Recommended Training Path: Puppy Life Ready Package (Puppy Skills + 2 In-Home Sessions + Beginner Skills) → Paws Around Town

FINAL NOTES

Buddy is exactly the kind of puppy who thrives with early, positive structure: social, confident, and eager to learn. The jumping, mouthing, and house training hiccups are completely normal for his age, and none of them are cause for concern. With consistency now, Jamie can expect a well-mannered, confident companion as Buddy grows.

- Short sessions beat long ones every time, especially at this age.
- Progress is not always linear; a rough day is not a step backward.
- Management, like using the crate for breaks, is not failure. It's how we set Buddy up to succeed.

We are excited to work with Buddy and the Thompson family, and we look forward to being part of his journey from puppy to well-mannered companion.

Thank you for trusting Big House K9 Training.

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