HUNTING GAMES – THE FOUNDATIONS

🎾 Game 16 – Pick up and HT

Bring it to the hand.

🎾 Why This Game Matters

Delivery begins before we take the toy. Combine Hand Targets with the drop.

🎾 What You'll Need

- Your dog
- Toy/object
- High-value treats
- Phone on tripod

🎾 Step-by-Step-Guide

1. Set Up

Confined space. Fluent hold is required before proceeding.

2. Build the Behaviour

a. Warm up with a few games of HT and HT II.

Option A.

Hold your target hand at the height of your kneecap and walk backwards.

Option B.

Hold your target hand and height of your kneecap and keep standing.

Goal for both options:

- mark when the toy touches your hand OR when you could have taken the toy
- after toy drops, feed at your feet.

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If your dog drops the toy before marking:

- remove your hand
- wait for pick up
- try again

3. Add a Layer

- start moving away from the toy
- gradually increase distance between you and the toy
- be patient and resist taking the toy from your dog's mouth

🎾 Daily Use

Play in different environments.

🎾 Checklist

1. Is contact intentional?
2. Is your hand steady?

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