Managing the Home Alone Dog
Outline

Session 1.
I. What do owners complain about?
   A. Barking
   B. Destructiveness
   C. House soiling
   D. Escape
II. Possible causes of home alone problems
   A. Separation anxiety
   B. Fears and Phobias
   C. Aggression
   D. Illness, pain or injury
   E. Compulsive disorder
   F. Hunger, thirst or physical discomfort
   G. Sexual interest
   H. Excitement or play
   I. House training / scent marking
   J. Boredom
   K. What it’s not
III. Identifying the causes of home alone problems
   A. Taking a history
   B. Making observations of the behavior
   C. Examining the results of the problem
   D. Differential diagnosis
   E. When it isn’t a home alone problem
   F. Referring the case to others

Session 2
IV. Preventing, managing and resolving home alone problems
   A. Illness, pain or injury
   B. Compulsive disorders
   C. Hunger, thirst, physical discomfort
   D. Sexual interest
   E. Housetraining / scent marking
   F. Excitement / play
   G. Boredom
   H. Separation anxiety
   I. Fears and Phobias
V. Sample case histories and discussion