

K9 Nose Work Skill Building & NW2/NW3 Competition Prep Workshop with Jeff McMahon, CNWI Saturday, June 13 & Sunday, June 14, 2015

About Jeff

Jeff is a certified trainer specializing in the activity and sport of K9 Nose Work. He and his rescue dog Muriel trained weekly with K9 Nose Work & National Association of Canine Scent Work (NACSW) co-founder, Amy Herot, for almost five years. In 2009, Jeff began a mentorship with world-renowned behavior specialist and K9 Nose Work founding instructor, Penny Scott-Fox. Together, Jeff & Penny brought K9 Nose Work to a wide variety of dogs and dog lovers. Since becoming a Certified Nose Work Instructor (CNWI), Jeff has taken great pride in helping numerous dog and handler teams to grow their bond and find success in K9 Nose Work; a number of his students have earned the Harry Award, a special competition award recognizing rescue dogs who show exceptional skill and spirit in K9 Nose Work, and many of his students compete at NW3, the highest level of the sport.



Jeff & Muriel remain active competitors in K9 Nose Work, earning their second NW3 title in February 2013, and attending the NACSW National Invitational Trial in Rialto, CA in June 2013 as one of thirteen invited dog and handler teams. Jeff & Muriel will always be most proud of being chosen as the original Harry Award winners in December of 2008.

Jeff is an NACSW faculty member and trial certifying official, and he travels around the country instructing nose work teams at seminars & workshops. He has been an instructor at K9 Nose Work Camps in Georgia and Pennsylvania and just recently as a Georgia camp instructor in April 2014.

In addition to instructing classes and competing in trials, Jeff writes the official K9 Nose Work blog and edits the NACSW member newsletter. Jeff lives in Andover, MN with his wife, two kids and three dogs.

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K9 Nose Work Skill Building & Drills *with*

Jeff McMahon, CNWI

Saturday, June 13, 2015

All Levels -10 Working Teams

9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Ladner Fishermen's Hall

4481 Savoy Street

Delta, BC V4K 1P3

Skill Building & Search Exercises

Continued skill building is important for any dog competing in nose work. Do you know what excites and motivates your dog to want to search? Are you confident in your ability to ensure success for your dog, even when the searching gets tough? At this K9 Nose Work Skill Building Workshop you'll learn how to balance fun and simple motivational exercises with challenging searches that will develop and strengthen your dog's advanced scenting abilities.

Learn how to:

- Recognize what type of fun search exercises your dog will respond to best
- Set up search exercises for any environment or element of competition
- Plan searches with goals in mind
- Troubleshoot when searches don't go according to plan
- Evaluate any search outcome in a positive manner
- Introduce your dog to advanced searching skills thoughtfully and creatively
- Develop strategies to maximize your effectiveness as a handler

Cost: Working Spot - \$175.00

Auditing Spot - \$65.00

Limited to 10 working spots / unlimited auditing spots

Must be working on all odors

NW2/NW3 Competition Prep Workshop with

Jeff McMahon, CNWI

Sunday, June 14, 2015

5 NW2 & 5 NW3 Working Teams

9:00 am to 5:00 pm

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NW2 Competition Prep Workshop - For Teams preparing for their NW2 Trial and/or waiting to get into a NW1 Trial and/or who have been taking on-going lessons from a CNWI Instructor.

Competing at the NW2 level presents many challenges for nose work teams, and the path to success can be hard to find. This workshop will set you in the right direction and take your teamwork to the next level, all while keeping the game fun and exciting.

Want to know how to successfully work containers and luggage items, distractions, inaccessible hides, and converging odor? Want to know how to address your dog losing focus in the search, or lacking the stamina and intensity to hunt for a difficult first or second hide? Want to keep the lines of communication between you and your dog as clear as possible? This workshop will provide you with ideas, information and guidance to make the best choices for your team in a variety of search scenarios.

Limited to 5 Working Teams - Cost \$175.00

NW3 Competition Prep Workshop - For Teams who are preparing for their NW3 Title.

Competing at the NW3 level is a real nose work game changer, and the challenges of the level can put pressure on both dog and handler, but with a clear understanding of the challenges, a comprehensive training plan, and fun exercises and searches, any team can have fun and succeed at NW3.

This workshop will focus on:

- Defining the roles of dog and handler in the NW3 search
- Exercises to keep the dog's focus and intensity through longer and more challenging searches
- Games to promote search strategies and handling skills under a variety of NW3 search scenarios
- Understanding dog behavior in a clear area and knowing when to call finish
- And more!

Limited to 5 Working Teams - Cost \$175.00

**Please Note: Lunch will NOT be provided so please pack a lunch.
Bottled Water, Coffee will be Available.**

**K9 Nose Work Skill Building, Drills & NW2 / NW3 Competition Prep Workshop
With Jeff McMahon
Registration and Fees**

Working Teams (Maximum 10 per day)

- \$175.00 Skill Building & Drills working spot Saturday, June 13, 2015
- \$175.00 NW2 Competition Prep Workshop working spot Sunday, June 14, 2015
- \$175.00 NW3 Competition Prep Workshop working spot Sunday, June 14, 2015

Auditors (unlimited)

- \$65.00 auditor - Saturday, June 13, 2015
- \$65.00 auditor - Sunday, June 14, 2015
- \$120.00 auditor - Both days, Saturday & Sunday, June 13 & 14, 2015

Please note that a deposit of \$75.00 is required to hold your working spot, with final payment of \$100.00 by **January 15, 2015**. Please fill out the form and sign the cancellation policy, and liability waiver. You will receive an email confirmation upon receipt of your registration and payment.

Please pay by cheque or money order and mail to my place of business:

**Ona Steffensen
c/o RE/MAX Treeland Realty,
101-6337 198 Street, Langley, BC V2Y 2E3**

Please make cheques/or money orders payable to K9 Connections, UNLESS you are paying in US Funds, then please make cheque/money order payable to Ona Steffensen.

Your Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Province: _____ Zip Code _____

Phone/Cell: _____ Email: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

If applying for a Working Spot:

Dog's Name: _____ M/F _____ Age: _____ Breed: _____

Title Achieved? NW1 _____ NW2 _____ NW3 _____ Other: _____

Does your dog have any behavioral issues? _____

THIS SIGNED AND DATED FORM MUST BE INCLUDED WITH YOUR REGISTRATION

Cancellation and Refund Policy

All cancellations must be in writing and will be confirmed by return email.

- Full refund up to April 1, 2015 minus \$25.00 Administration Fee
- 50% refund up to April 15, 2015
- No Refunds for cancellations after April 15, 2015; no refunds for no-shows, and working spots are non-transferable.

I have read, understand and agree to the above:

Name: (Print)

Signature

Date

WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND INFORMED CONSENT

I understand that the behavior of dogs cannot be guaranteed. I also understand that the behavior of domestic animals is sometimes unpredictable and that some domestic animals are capable of inflicting serious personal injury or death, as well as extensive property damage. Knowing the, risks I agree to assume ALL those risks including, but not limited to; assuming the financial responsibility of any possible litigation arising from any incident which I may be involved.

I release, indemnify, and hold harmless Ona Steffensen, K9 Connections, Ladner Fishermen’s Hall, Jeff McMahon, Donna Toews, National Association of Canine Scent Work, and their Employees, Officers, Directors, Agents, or Contractors from any and all damages or personal injury. Any incident involving myself, the location or those pets or actions of other participants and spectators will be my sole responsibility and I assume all financial liability and will also assume all and any financial costs associated with my actions.

(_____)

In addition to the above, I understand that participating in this event, even as an auditor, holds some risk. My dog and I may be exposed to challenging, treacherous or unstable footing and accept all possible risks associated with participating or observing any type of detection style training or competition. I agree to release, indemnify and hold harmless Ona Steffensen, K9 Connections, Jeff McMahon, Donna Toews, National Association of Canine Scent Work, and their Employees, Officers, Directors, Agents, or Contractors including but not limited to the event location’s agents or owner, and to accept responsibility for all litigation and financial obligations arising from any unforeseen event in which I may be involved. (_____)

I have read, understand and agree to the above:

Name (Print)

Signature

Date

Name of attending dogs:
