Nosework Matches

Looking to increase your dog's confidence in scent detection searches? Join us for fun nosework SDDA matches

Tuesdays April 8, 15, 22, 29, 8-9 pm Bowdog, Calgary

Instructor: Carla Simon, Hunter's Heart Kennels

Target odor: wintergreen scent.

Depending on the week, searches will include:

- Container/DOT (odor recognition test)
- Interior
- Exterior
- Vehicle (subject to weather and availability)

If you're getting ready for your first DOT (odor recognition test) or SDDA trial this is a great opportunity to practice with new distractions. If you're a newbie, we'll explain how to get your dog interested in searching with his nose.

Searches will be timed and feedback provided. Bring your videocamera. We will offer as many searches as practical in the available time.

Teams will search in this order: scent only, paired scent/food, then food only. Let us know if you'd like a blind search.

Bring a hungry dog and your dog's favorite rewards: toys, cookies, balls and/or tug toys. We recommend a non-tightening flat collar or non-tightening harness and 6 ft leash. (Chokes, pinch or prong collars, Jac Tracs, tightening harnesses and head halters are NOT suitable.)

Reactive dogs are welcome. All dogs must be on leash and under control at all times. Only 1 dog will be permitted inside the building at a time. Waiting dogs must be in their crates, preferably in your vehicle.

Questions? Email Carla Simon, webmaster@huntersheart.com or (403) 813-9831.

Cost: \$15/dog handler team. Preregistration recommended, but not required. Limited to 8 dog/handler teams. Entries on first come first served basis. If spots don't fill in advance, day of the event drop-ins will be allowed. **To reserve your spot, phone Bowdog at (403) 452-6996.**