

About Face K9 Academy & Let's Talk Dogs are proud to present
Dogs in Odor - Painting the Scent Picture, 3.0
And...

Handling Skills and Strategies
What to do when your dog is in odor

A NACSW Authorized Seminar with

AMY HEROT

NACSW™ & K9 Nose Work® Founder

March 12 & 13, 2022

Olympia Hotel at Capitol Lake, Olympia, Washington

This will be Amy's only visit to the Pacific Northwest in 2022!

Dogs in Odor - Painting the Scent Picture, 3.0

Saturday, March 12, 9:00 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.

The canine-human partnership is one of constant two-way communication. When working detector dogs of any type, the handler must learn to be an astute observer of the dog. The dog is the architect of a beautiful drawing of what is happening with odor. The process in which the dog recognizes odor, responds to odor, triangulates odor and/or works out a series of complex odor problems is the process the handler must learn, follow and support. Every change of behavior in the dog is another brush stroke that progresses the scent picture for the handler.

The handler's responsibility is to take in that information and assess its meaning, identify a strategy and support the dog in pursuit of the odor. The subtleties in the changes of behavior are significant as the dog encounters more challenging searches, environments and odor problems. All becoming more challenging under the time pressure in competition.

This latest updated version of Dogs in Odor includes even more new video, added observational concepts, and more information helpful to those trialing at Elite and Summit levels. Through lecture and video review, this seminar will cover the details of dog communication in painting that scent picture. Videos of many kinds of odor problems and environments are included to illustrate how the dog works a problem and what the handler needs to focus on to provide the right support. The alert is part of a chain reaction of events that create an overall scent picture that the dog must decipher hide by hide.

This seminar is open to all K9 Nose Work® and scent work enthusiasts.

Handling Skills and Strategies. What to do when your dog is in odor

Sunday, March 13, 9:00 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.

The conversation that occurs between dog and handler in scent detection is very personal and unique

to that partnership. This dialogue begins with first observing how the dog works odor, followed by the handler gleaned information about the source of odor based on their dog's changes of behavior. The next step is for the handler to respond to that information through: movement, non-movement, leash handling, or voice, all of which provides feedback to the dog. This two-way communication between dog and handler becomes a conversation.

Handling Skills and Strategies takes a closer look at the choices we make as handlers in response to our dog's changes in behavior. Finding the right strategy for you and your dog, for the right purpose at that moment in time, is the art of handling. The brush strokes painted by the dog provide us with clues about what is happening to odor in the environment. Though we may observe these changes in behavior, we are not always sure what is the best course of action in response to them. This seminar will help you to learn what to do when your dog is in odor.

Through lecture and video review, Amy will review the many handler choices we have available, and why and when we might apply certain choices over others. Videos of many types of handler scenarios encountered, with good or bad results, will help illustrate how you might provide the right support for the conditions at hand. Learn how to make the best handling choices for you and your dog and your partnership.

Amy is one of the country's most experienced K9 Nose Work® instructors and has worked with thousands of dog and handler teams, including many of the top competitive teams. As a NACSW™ Certifying Official and Judge, she has also reviewed hundreds of trials that have provided important insights into training and handling for success.

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Amy Herot NACSW™ & K9 Nose Work® Co-Founder & Instructor

Amy is a professional K9 trainer and handler and brings over a decade of experience to her work. She has certified teams in Narcotics and Explosives detection and has logged over 1500 instructional hours in detection dog training. As co-founder of K9 Nose Work® and the National Association of Canine Scent Work®, LLC (NACSW™), she has sought to bring that experience to companion dogs and handlers through the development of K9 Nose Work® classes and sport events.



In the canine sport world Amy has trained dogs for tracking, agility, sheepherding, protection sports and detection. She competed nationally with her Dutch Shepherd, Maya, and took 3rd place in Narcotics Detection at the Gold Coast K9 Work Dog Trials and 1st place, open division, at the Oxnard Police K9 Foundation Inaugural Trial, 2009. Her Belgian Malinois, Seven, is a nationally certified explosives detection dog and took 1st place in the Explosives Building search at the 2009 Ventura County Sheriff's K9 Trial and holds an APR 1 IPO title.

Amy holds a Bachelor of Science from NYU and was nationally certified through the Certification Council for Professional Dog Trainers (CCPDT) from 2004 to 2019. Additionally, she is a graduate of the Balu Academy for

Dog Trainers and is a John Rogerson associate here in the U.S.

Her professional memberships and affiliations include the Association of Pet Dog Trainers (APDT), Southern California Schutzhund Club (SCSC), California Narcotics Canine Association (CNCA) and International Association of Bomb Technicians and Investigators (IABTI). Amy has given much volunteer time and expertise to the betterment of shelter dogs. Some of Amy's other achievements have been the 2007 President's Volunteer Service Award, spcaLA's 2005 Outstanding H.E.A.L. (Helping Enhance Animals Lives) Volunteer and 2006 Volunteer of the Year. Amy is owner of the Los Angeles based All Good Dogs, LLC. www.allgooddogs.biz
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WEEKEND DETAILS

LOCATION

Olympia Hotel at Capitol Lake, 2300 Evergreen Park Drive SW, Olympia, Washington, 98502

SCHEDULE

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WHAT TO BRING

*Note taking supplies.

*Your own reusable beverage holder. We like to be as green as possible.

*Chairs are provided but you are welcome to bring something more comfortable than the metal fairgrounds chair.

FOOD

Coffee and water will be provided by the hotel. Lunch is on your own. If possible, plan to bring a lunch or research nearby locations before the seminar weekend. The lunch break will be one hour. Please plan to eat lunch outside of the conference room in order to avoid indoor unmasked time.

VIDEO AND AUDIO TAPING

Audio and/or videotaping is not allowed

DOG POLICIES

This is a non-working dog seminar. Please leave your dogs at home or secured in your vehicle if you must bring your dog. There is no indoor crating option.

HOTEL INFORMATION

Click [here](#) for a partial list of hotels in the area. Please check pet policies & fees before making reservations!

CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDITS

NACSW™ CNWI: Applied for

CCPDT: Applied for

REGISTRATION INFO & FEES

Registration for each day is limited to 50.

Wait lists will be maintained once limits are reached.

Everyone at the event, must be Fully vaccinated (2 weeks after your last vaccination) for COVID-19. Proof of vaccination will be required in advance of the event. You will be asked to provide an electronic photo of your vaccination card prior to the event.

\$175 – One day

\$300 – Saturday & Sunday

Pre-payment via PayPal is required in full. The payment link will be sent separately. This payment link will be confirmation of your registration and let you know that you have a space. You must pay in full within 48 hours of the receipt of the payment link to hold your space.

Registration ends 8:00 a.m. on Monday, February 28, 2022 or when full.

When you register, you will be asked to electronically sign the Cancellation policy and Liability waiver below.

CANCELLATION POLICY

All cancellations must be in writing and will be confirmed by return email. Your cancellation will not be valid without a written confirmation of receipt from Let's Talk Dogs, LLC.

- Cancellations before 5:00 p.m., February 11, 2022 full refund minus \$25.00 administrative fee.
- Cancellations between 5:00 p.m., February 11 and 5:00 p.m., February 25, 2022 will receive a 50% refund if the host can fill your space. If the host can't fill your space, no refund will be issued.
- No refunds for cancellations after 5:00 p.m., February 25, 2022
- No refund for no-shows.
- *No refunds will be issued if you can't provide proof of vaccination.*
- Participants may transfer registration to another person for non-working seminars. The participant is responsible for finding a replacement and working out reimbursement arrangements. The participant must notify us of who is replacing them via email and should include the replacement participant in that email.

COVID-19 EVENT DETAILS

The following guidelines are in effect for this trial due to COVID-19.

- *Everyone at the event, must be Fully vaccinated (2 weeks after your last vaccination).* Proof of vaccination will be required in advance of the event. You will be asked to provide an electronic photo of your vaccination card.

- All attendees at the event, regardless of vaccination status, *must* wear a mask while indoors. This will be strictly enforced. The only exception will be the speaker while presenting and anyone who is *actively* eating or drinking (mask off, drink, mask right back on).
- *Everyone* at the event must sign a waiver with the following info:
 - I represent and affirm that to the best of my knowledge and belief: (1) I do not have COVID-19 nor am I waiting for test results; (2) I have not been tested and found positive for COVID-19 or if I have tested positive for COVID-19, I certify that I have been released by government officials and/or health care providers to resume normal activity without limit; (3) I have not during the past 14 days experienced symptoms associated with COVID-19 including fever, coughing, or shortness of breath OR if I have had symptoms, I am now symptom free and have had a negative test; and (4) I have not within the past 14 days, to the best of my knowledge and belief, been in contact with or exposed to any known carrier of COVID-19 OR if I have been in contact with a known carrier, I have had a negative test. I am representing my condition as of signing, and if, as of the later time of the event, there has been any change in any of the conditions represented, I am obligated to formally notify the event host of the changed conditions at the time of and before participating in the event. I agree to follow any specific event guidelines, precautions and requirements to mitigate the possibility of event participants or attendees contracting or spreading COVID-19. I understand the risks of contracting or being exposed to COVID-19 associated with my attendance at this event, and I knowingly accept those risks. I agree to waive, release and hold harmless all Released Parties from and against any claim, liability, loss or expense arising from or based upon a COVID-19 infection acquired by myself or any of my family members or associates as a result of or contemporaneous with attendance or participation at this event.
- Event will be limited to 50 attendees.
- There will be very limited refreshments and gathering in groups will be discouraged. Attendees should plan to eat their lunch outside of the building.
- *Everyone* at the event is encouraged to maintain social distance and be respectful of the wishes of others.

LIABILITY WAIVER

I understand that participating in a Nose Work seminar, whether as a participant, a volunteer or a spectator, holds some risk. These risks include, but are not limited to, that the behavior of dogs and other domestic animals is sometimes unpredictable, cannot be guaranteed, and can result in serious personal injury or death to bystanders, as well as extensive property damage. In addition, I and/or my dog may be exposed to challenging, treacherous or unstable terrain and footing during the Event.

Acknowledging my awareness of the risks associated with participating or observing any type of detection style training or competition. I hereby waive and release any claim or cause of action that I may otherwise have against Amy Herot, Jill-Marie O'Brien, K9 Nose Work®, National Association of Canine Scent Work, LLC®, Dorothy Turley, Let's Talk Dogs, LLC, Rachelle Bailey-Austin, About Face K-9 Academy, Amy Herot, Thurston County Fairgrounds and their respective employees, officers, directors, agents, or contractors (collectively, the "Released Parties") for any claim or cause of action for personal injury or property damage (collectively, a "Claim") arising out of or in connection with events, accidents or other occurrences at the Event, except to the extent that the Claim arises out of the intentional misconduct or gross negligence of the Released Party. I further agree to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless each Released Party from and against any and all claims, damages, costs and expenses arising out of or in connection with any Claim that is based, in whole or in part, on acts or omissions by me or by any person or animal for whom or for which I have or had responsibility or control.

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Please contact Dorothy at letstalkdogs1@gmail.com if you have any questions.