

The DOG TRAINING CENTER OF CHESTER COUNTY Presents.

## K9 Nose Work Learning Experience Focus and Motivation with Jeff McMahon, CNWI



**Saturday & Sunday, November 10 & 11, 2018**

We are pleased to welcome back Jeff McMahon to DTCCC for these two K9NW workshops. Success in K9 Nose Work is all about believing that your dog will search for odor and find hides every time you step up to a search area. Having that belief is easy if your training is all about making the game clear, consistent and rewarding for your dog.

### **Saturday, November 10: Focus & Motivation**

This workshop can cater to a variety of skill levels and is best for dogs who have been searching for 2 odors for at least 6 months.

This workshop will be specifically addressing the dogs' needs

- Identify what a focused and motivated search dog looks like
- Recognize what type of fun search exercises your dog will respond to best
- Improve your dog's independence in common search scenarios
  - Use your environment to help the dog learn
  - 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  
Limited to 10 working teams. Audit spots available.

[Saturday-Details and Registration](#)



### **Sunday, November 11: The Handlers Role in K9Nose Work**

For all levels

Most teams have a tough time settling into the right partnership, and many teams are given a "one size fits all" approach to handling. This workshop is geared to identifying dog's preference as searcher using fun games and then identify handler preference and getting both dog and handler working to strengths and comfortable with deviating from strengths if needed.

This workshop would be specifically addressing the dogs' needs - truly learning how to want what the dog wants - growing their skills and utilizing training choices that minimize handler involvement in the dogs' learning experience. Limited to 10 working teams. Audit spots available.

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## 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 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 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.