

### **Moving On From Hides, Close Proximity Hides and Converging Odor Puzzles**

It's never too early to train for multiple hides. We need our dogs to move on from a found hide without conflict and without getting in their way. We also need to introduce converging odor and close proximity hide puzzles to our dogs early and often so they learn how to solve those problems with confidence as they move up the levels of competition. In this workshop we will start with some basic games and handling skills and then put those skills into action in some multi-hide searches with coaching. This workshop would be appropriate for teams of all levels from beginners to advanced and the skills learned would be beneficial for trialing in all scent work organizations.

- Limit of 10 working spots and unlimited auditors
- Prerequisite – all levels welcome. Teams on primary, pairing or odor only are welcome

### **Handling Skills for Container Searches**

Stop fearing your container searches! Learn how to be a better handler to set your dog up for success in container searches of all levels. Learn why dogs false alert in container searches...or do they? Many of the issues that come up in container searches are due to our handling and what we are telling our dogs. But other problems are simply due to the containers we use and how odor finds its way out of those containers. We need to show our dogs all of those different odor puzzles and be the best handler we can be to support our dogs as they solve those problems. Participants in this workshop will get in-the-moment coaching and recommendations on how to turn their container searches into a positive and successful experience

- Limit of 12 working spots and unlimited auditors
- Prerequisite – all levels welcome. Teams on primary, pairing or odor only are welcome

### **The Challenge of Distractors, Purposefully Placed or Not!**

Who's ready to learn how to "Train Dirty?!?" Trials take place in the real world, not in a pristine training space bubble. Our dogs need to learn to work through whatever distractions may be in or near the search area and that when they get to odor, the party starts! If a dog has excellent odor obedience and trains with distractions often, trial searches will be a breeze. A dog with odor obedience will also be easy to train on distractors in containers. Distractors in the search area should be introduced early and often for teams to succeed in trials for all scent work organizations and levels of competition.

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### **Welcome to NW3**

Don't be intimidated when entering your first NW3 trial – be prepared! If you're preparing for NW3 Trials now or in the future, you do not want to miss this workshop! We will cover the NW3 rules, scoring and

how to earn that coveted NW3-Elite title with confidence without getting stuck in the NW3 black hole. The biggest challenge in NW3 is not knowing the number of hides. In this workshop we will learn how to cover the search area and learn to read what our dogs are telling us so that we call Finish! correctly. In addition to these topics we will also cover building stamina, conquering those trial nerves and practicing NW3-type searches. This workshop will be part lecture and part searching and would be more beneficial as a full day workshop as opposed to half day.

- Limit of 12 working spots and unlimited auditors
- Prerequisite – teams should be working at the NW2 (or equivalent) level or above

### **Blank Searches and Unknown Number of Hides – Embrace Them, Don't Fear Them!**

Whatever level your team is working at, blank searches should be included in your training plan. While you may not see a blank search until you reach the upper levels of trialing, blank AREAS are a part of all our searches, right? It's important to understand what our dogs are telling us during the search. In this workshop the focus will be on reading our dogs and covering the search area. So, whether you are new to trialing or you're preparing for a level where you will have an unknown number of hides, this workshop is for you!

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### **Wait - It's Not on a Chair? Fun with Non-Traditional Hides**

Sometimes our dogs become object oriented based on the way we train. Our dogs are so smart that they also learn what types of objects we typically place hides on. Sometimes the hide setters at trials get creative, in every organizations. In this workshop, we will throw tradition out the window and play with some unconventional searches. Our dogs need to know that odor can be anywhere, so let's train for it!

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- Prerequisite – all levels welcome. Teams on primary, pairing or odor only are welcome

### **Introduction to Dog Parkour**

Parkour is a way for you and your dog to interact with your environment. Your dog will be encouraged to jump, climb, balance on, go over, crawl under, and go around different obstacles in their everyday world. This physically low impact but mentally challenging sport is open to all dogs.

In this workshop we will teach the dogs all of the novice parkour behaviors and may even touch on some intermediate behaviors if we have time.

We will cover all safety requirements and embrace IDPKA philosophy of being safe, having fun, letting the dog choose and building confidence.

- Number of working spots will depend on the space available
- Prerequisite – all are welcome. Teams should have some basic obedience skills and be able to work in a group setting with other dogs working at the same time.

***Do you have a specific workshop topic in mind? Contact us and we'll put something together!***

**Costs:**

Full day workshops are \$800, half day workshops are \$400

All travel expenses (mileage, lodging, airfare, rental car, meals, etc.) must be covered by host