*Training for Success*. - 2020

This seminar will be a combination of presentation and discussion followed by teams working exercises based on the morning’s topics. Working teams will have opportunities to experience Fred’s **“Training for Success”** concepts while participating in the afternoon hands-on exercises. By observing the working teams, auditors will discover how these concepts can be used with their own dogs.

Whether you are a beginner in the sport of NoseWork / Scentwork or a seasoned competitor or instructor, you will appreciate Fred’s depth of knowledge and experience. Participants from all levels of NoseWork will learn how to apply Fred’s proven “Training for Success” concepts to their own dogs in practice and competition.

Working spots are 6 teams each day. Auditing spots are unlimited. Please note that working team participants must attend the morning presentation on the day they have a working spot because afternoon exercises will be based on the concepts discussed in the morning.

Presentations and discussions will include, but are not limited to, the following topics:

**Day 1**

**Morning presentation:**

• Building a detection dog training program—developing training goals for you and your dog by implementing proven training protocols.

• Hide Placements—using hide placements to educate yourself and your dog.

• Leash handling--building independence and hunt drive while working your dog on leash.

**Afternoon working sessions:**

• Exercises with working teams based on the morning’s presentation.

• Working team exercises will be NW1/Novice and NW2/Intermediate levels.

**Day 2**

**Morning presentation:**

• Converging odors–using converging odor setups to educate yourself and your dog.

• Inaccessible hides--how to increase your dog’s drive to focus on the source.

• Handler confidence--building confidence as a detection dog handler.

**Afternoon working sessions:**

• Exercises with working teams based on the morning’s presentation.

• Working team exercises for Sunday will be NW3/Advanced and Elite levels.

**About Fred Helfers:**

*Fred has been working with detection dogs since the early 1980s. He has trained and handled narcotic detection dogs for police agencies throughout the Pacific Northwest and internationally, taught professional and sport detection dog handlers, and authored the acclaimed book “Nose Work Handler, Foundation to Finesse.”*

*Since 2004, Fred has been training profession K9 handlers and presenting seminars and workshops for police departments in the U.S. and other countries. In 2012, Fred was introduced to K9 Nose Work® by Ron Gaunt and was inspired by the passion, dedication and camaraderie displayed by the K9 Nose Work® handlers and their instructors. Fred is an NACSW Certified Nose Work Instructor (CNWI) teaching nose work seminars and workshops throughout the United States, Canada, Australia, Sweden, Denmark and Italy.*