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Amy Herot, K9NW Co-Founder



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 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 Association, 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 has competed nationally with her Dutch Shepherd, Maya and took 3rd place in Narcotics Detection at the Gold Coast K9 Working 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 APR1 IPO title.

Amy holds a Bachelor of Science from NYU and is nationally certified through the Certification Council for Professional Dog Trainers (CCPDT). 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 Dog Trainers' Forum (SCDTF), Southern California Schutzhund Club, California Narcotics Canine Association (CNCA) and International Association of Bomb Technicians and Investigators (IABTI). Amy gives 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 one of the country's most experienced K9 Nose Work® instructors and is a co-founder of NACSW™. In addition to teaching many of the top competitive teams, she has also reviewed hundreds of trial videos that have provided important insights into training and handling for success. Amy is owner of the Los Angeles based All Good Dogs, LLC. www.allgooddogs.biz

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Dorothy Turley, CNWI, CPDT-KA



Dorothy is a professional, full-time dog trainer in the Olympia, Washington area. Her business, Let's Talk Dogs, specializes in pet dog training, behavior issues and K9 Nose Work®. She began dog training as a hobby in 1995 and quickly became involved with rescue and education work as a volunteer. She eventually transitioned to training others and quit her day job in 2002 to pursue dog training as a full-time professional.

Dorothy teaches classes, private lessons and also hosts educational seminars and workshops. She has also traveled as the working assistant to Kathy Sdao, MS, CAAB (Bright Spot Dog Training). She is a Certified Pet Dog Trainer-Knowledge Assessed (CPDT-KA) and a Certified Nose Work Instructor (CNWI) and continues her education by attending seminars and workshops. She has graduated from the Dogs of Course Instructor training, CNWI instructor training and 3 sessions of Bob Bailey's "Chicken Camp."

Over the years she has also volunteered and worked at her local shelters and various rescue groups.

In early 2010 Dorothy attended her first K9 Nose Work® seminar with Ron Gaunt. She was hooked. She knew this was a great activity that she wanted to share it with her clients. She began working with her dog and car reactive dog, Zoey, and never looked back. She had no plans to compete with this particular "problem" dog so was thrilled when Zoey not only earned her NW1 title but also took first place. Dorothy is now a Supervising/Elite Certifying Official for the NACSW™. She is also an experienced trial and ORT host, National Trial Coordinator, Trial Representative and Score Room Lead for the NACSW™. She shares her life with her husband and 3 dogs (all mutts) in Rochester, Washington. She is currently trialing with her Chihuahua mix, Brigitte, at the NW3 level. Dorothy and Zoey had the honor of attending the National Invitational in November, 2017. Though mostly retired at age 14, Zoey still enjoys the occasional Summit or EST trial.

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Khara Schuetzner, CNWI, CPDT-KSA



Khara's interest in nose work started in 2009 via a rescue dog named Cooper. She trained with Cooper for 12 months on HRD, but after a surgery he became environmentally sensitive and extremely reactive, thus ending his HRD career. In 2010, she discovered K-9 nose work at the Atlanta APDT Conference, and was so hooked, within in 2 years she completed her CNWI.

After much encouragement from mentors, and despite his fear of new environments, she started seeing the benefits of transitioning Cooper from HRD to nose work. As a team, they received the Most Improved Award at Georgia Camp in 2014. One of Team Cooper's most defining moments was during a trial, with thunder, sleet, and tornado sirens going off, Cooper kept searching interiors like nothing was happening. Nose work helped him overcome his fears, and it helped Khara understand the power of the dog's nose. Team Super Duper Cooper have gone on to earn his ELT1, and Khara has gone on to compete with 4 of her other dogs.

Khara shares her love of K9 Nose Work® with students across the state of Oklahoma and uses nose work to help build confidence in her clients with sensitive dogs. Currently, Khara teaches in Shawnee, OK and travels for nose work as a NACSW™ Certifying Official and Judge. Khara's knowledge of scent detection is enhanced beyond the pet world through her training and handling of a Nationally certified cadaver dog, K9 Blitzkrieg. In addition to scent work, Khara and her dogs have completed their CGC, Therapy Dog titles and competed in herding, and dock diving. She enjoys sharing her knowledge of both pet and professional scent work through private lessons, group classes and seminars.

Khara has a strong belief in life, "We humans need to listen more to what the animals are telling us and learn to work with them.... not against them."

Khara's adventures have been supported by her husband Gabriel, SRL and their five dogs: Sasha/Dobe mix(14y.o.), Paco, Argentina Sreet Dog, still working toward NW2(12y.o), Blizzard, White GSD, (11y.o.), Cooper, lab(10y.o.), Blitzkrieg, lab(5y.o.). They love to go hiking and camping with their pups.

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Jean Richardson, CNWI



Jean is the owner of Wells Creek Dog Training on the Central Coast of Oregon and has been involved in dog training in various forms since 1984. She began training her personal dog for obedience competition at that time and has continued to learn along the way. She has competed and trained her own personal dogs to titles in AKC Obedience and Rally, Agility, Herding, Coursing, Tracking, Field Trials, Conformation and K9 Nose Work®.

Since becoming a CNWI in 2011 she has brought K9 Nose Work® to the central coast of Oregon, teaching many classes for various organizations in the area including Safe Haven Humane Society and the Emerald Dog Obedience Club. She has since gone on to become a NACSW™ Certifying Official and is now the CO Training Liaison in charge of Certifying Official education and training as well as the NACSW's National Trial Site Advisor.

Before moving to Oregon in 2008, she was an Instructor for Guide Dogs of America in Sylmar, Ca, helping to train and then pair hundreds of guide dogs with visually impaired recipients. She has also been involved in teaching obedience, puppy and reactive dog classes in Southern California as well as Oregon.

Jean and her husband currently share their home with Field Champion Heirline Five O Clock Charlie, VC RN CA TDX ELT1 L1V. Charlie has the honor of being the first Basset Hound in the country to earn a NW3 and NW3 Elite title. Field Champion Heirline Whirlybird, TD, NW2 L1I, a Basset Hound and Fasth von Herzensfreude NW3 L2C L2I, a German Shepherd.

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Carolyn Barney CNWI, CPDT-KA



Carolyn has been training dogs and their people professionally since 1985. In 1991 she founded Gemini Dog Training, a full-service training and daycare facility and then DOGS! Learning Center in 2007. Over the years, Carolyn focused much of her time on behavior modification through private consulting and training classes. She has educated and coached owners of fearful, aggressive, reactive, and/or socially challenged dogs. Carolyn's teaching background includes: group classes and workshops on clicker training skills, reactive dog management, and a variety of dog sports that included: agility, obedience, tracking, and earthdog. Carolyn attended the first CNWI training course on the east coast and is currently teaching nose work two nights a week. Her students range from those using the activity for enrichment for dogs with behavioral challenges to those that have achieved their ELTCH and are trialing in Summit.

In November 2001, Carolyn made dog training history along with 117 other dog trainers in the USA, passing the first standardized professional certification test created by what is now known as the Certification Council of Professional Dog Trainers. For the last three decades Carolyn has trained and mentored 100's of potential dog training instructors. Many of her previous students and staff trained through her instructor programs have gone on to become Certified Pet Dog Trainers (CPDT-KA), running their own classes and businesses.

The desire for a better understanding of the canine mind and behavior has been the motivating factor in all aspects of her dog experience. Beginning with traditional training techniques, she knew there had to be a better way. Pursuing that better way has evolved into clicker training and a more thoughtful scientific and effective use of operant and classical conditioning. Carolyn believes that training and behavior modification should be safe, enjoyable, and successful for both the dog and the humans who love them. Most importantly, she maintains an open mind to new information and what every dog has to teach the human student. Carolyn has been training, competing, and titling dogs for over 35 years in obedience, conformation, tracking, agility, earth dog, and for the last decade in K9 Nose Work™. Carolyn's PRT, Steiff, earned the NW Elite title and participated in the 2014 NACSW National Invitational. Carolyn's Border Collie, Breezy, has her ELT3 title and participated in the 2017 NACSW National Invitational winning one of the searches and placing in another. Her young rescue dog, Sam, has his NW1 and is preparing for NW2 competition.

Along with her training and behavior work, Carolyn wrote Clicker Basics for Dogs and Puppies. Carolyn has 2 DVD's from the Clean Run Instructor Conference, one on Agility Foundation and one on Scaredy Dogs. Carolyn has co-taught canine cognition/behavior courses at Harvard University Extension School with Bruce Blumberg PhD, lectures to dog trainers occasionally and worked for many years as a behavior consultant for the MSPCA, providing reactive dog training classes and behavior therapy for shelter dogs and their families. She teaches multiple K9NW classes each week from beginning students to teams with their elite titles. Carolyn's full-time job is Training Director of Operation Delta Dog, a not for profit that trains shelter dogs for veterans with PTSD and Traumatic Brain Injury.

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Leah Gangelhoff CNWI, CPDT-KA



Canine Behavior and Training Specialist Leah Gangelhoff owns & operates Stay Curious Nose Work and Flint Hill K-9 Training, LLC serving the Greater Birmingham, AL area and beyond. She is a Certified Professional Dog Trainer-Knowledge Assessed (CPDT-KA), a Senior Faculty Member at the National Association of Canine Scent Work (NACSW™), an NACSW™ Trial Judge and Trial Certifying Official, and a Certified Nose Work Instructor (CNWI). Leah has owned and operated her own canine training and behavior business since 2001 - 5 yrs in Los Angeles and since December 2006 in Birmingham, AL. During that time she has developed thousands of private comprehensive education courses for dogs and their owners for puppy, obedience, and serious behavior issues of all kinds, including fear and aggression.

Leah has over 1000 hours of professional narcotics detection training with a large group of dogs prior to the birth of nose work as a pet dog sport, with mentors Ron Gaunt and Amy Herot from 2004-2006. Leah has personally passed professional detection certifications (both written and search tests) in narcotics detection (POST standards) with Evolution K9 in northern California and with the Oxnard Police Department separately with two different dogs (German Shepherd and Papillon, probably the first and only in narcotics detection).

She is a Judge and Certifying Official (C.O.) for National Association of Canine Scent Work™ K9 Nose Work® Trials from 2011 to present. She is an NACSW™ Senior Faculty Member and has collaborated with Founders and Faculty to create and teach Continuing Education courses for Certified Nose Work Instructors. She has currently developed and is teaching a Continuing Education webinar series for NACSW™ Certified Nose Work Instructors (CNWI). She has developed and presented over 30 NACSW™ approved workshops nationally and internationally in K9 Nose Work® since 2011.

Leah has trained and trialed her own dog, Konner, a German Shepherd, in K9 Nose Work® all the way up through the new NACSW™ Summit Division for Elite Champion teams. Leah and Konner have competed in four Summit Trials and have achieved the highest title possible in K9 Nose Work®, a Summit title, recently placing 2nd Overall with pronounced designations and first and second placements in many Summit trial searches. Leah has an NW2 title with her Belgian shepherd, Zephyr, and has begun training in K9 Nose Work® with her 11 lb terrier mix shelter dog, Bruno Mars.

Leah has had the honor and joy of being invited by the Camp Director and K9 Nose Work® Founders to teach at 17 K9 Nose Work® Training Camps since 2011. She currently specializes in teaching K9 Nose Work® classes and privates locally and coaching groups, clinics, and seminars nationally and internationally in the sport of K9 Nose Work®.

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Dana Zinn, CNWI, CPDT-KA



Dana Zinn has been working with and training dogs since 1999. Her many years of dog training experience include working at the spcaLA as an Animal Behavior & Training Specialist. It was the time working with dogs in the shelter that drew her to the sport of K9 Nose Work®; not only for her own dogs, but for the many dogs in need of a "job" to do.

Dana was involved in the first publicly offered Nose Work class in Long Beach, CA. She not only participated but eventually assisted in instruction. From there Dana became involved in the development of the K9 Nose Work® instructor certification program. Dana was one of the first participants to be certified as an instructor for the K9 Nose Work® curriculum approved by the National Association of Canine Scent Work, LLC. She is proud to be a founding faculty member and a certifying official for sanctioned NACSW trials across the country. She recently became a Supervising Certifying Official, which means she is involved in the training of new COs for NACSW.

In regard to K9 Nose Work®, her learning never stops as she continues to teach classes, instruct at camps, and compete in trials. One of her proudest moments was placing first in the 2014 NACSW National Invitational.

Dana has participated in a variety of canine activities such as obedience, herding, agility and of course Nose Work. Dana moved from California with her family to Golden, Colorado in 2008 and has brought the sport of K9 Nose Work® with her.

Dana strives to increase her knowledge about canine behavior and instruction. She has attended and helped coordinate many seminars featuring some of the world's most sought after speakers. One of her most memorable educational experiences was working with and learning from the renowned dog behavior expert and trainer John Rogerson. She has traveled to England and Washington state to work with and assist him on many courses including his 21-day Instructors' Course.

Dana is a member of the Association of Pet Dog Trainers and a member of the Colorado Trainers' Networking Group. Dana was certified as a professional dog training in 2005 by the Certification Council for Professional Dog Trainers (CCPDT).

Dana currently shares her life with her wonderful husband Ken, two beautiful children Jessica & Ben, and her two Labrador Retrievers.

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Chris Mason, CNWI



Chris Mason is a Certified Nose Work Instructor with the National Association of Canine Scent Work (NACSW). She has been training her own dogs since 1989 (obedience, agility, flyball, show ring), and training and competing with K9 Nose Work® dogs since 2008. Chris and her dog GoGo are the first K9 Nose Work® team with a Bull Terrier to achieve the Elite Level in K9 Nose Work® competition. She is currently competing her two dogs at Elite and NW3.

Chris's focus within the sport of K9 Nose Work is working with breeds and types of dogs not always associated with canine performance sports, such as lazy mutts, stubborn bull breeds, terriers with minds of their own, and sighthounds from other planets. She has developed a unique set of tools, skills, and exercises for success with Nose Work dogs with their own agendas.

Chris was a professional horse trainer and riding instructor for over 30 years, instructing and competing in equestrian sports and teaching people how to better understand their animals. She started riding at age 5 and competed in show jumping and dressage through her 20s. After moving to the east coast, she ran a combined-training competition barn in Maryland and finished her career specializing in dressage. In 2000, Chris retired from equestrian sport and moved back to her home state of California.

Chris also volunteered as a zoo keeper for several years at the Los Angeles Zoo, where she worked with birds, rhinoceroses, elephants, tapirs, and various other exotic animals.

The only thing she loves doing as much as working with animals is teaching people to work with animals.

Chris lives in Los Angeles, California with her husband, and two Bull Terriers.

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Jason Heng, CNWI, CPDT-KA



Jason is the owner of HengTen K9 in the Austin, TX metro area specializing in teaching K9 Nose Work®. Jason has attended hundreds of hours of K9 Nose Work® training seminars taught by the founders of the NACSW™ in addition to other talented instructors and professional trainers. Jason works with the NACSW™ as a Certifying Official and Judge for NACSW™ Trials/ORTs. He also had the pleasure of instructing at the; Colorado, Georgia, Pennsylvania, Texas and Wisconsin K9 Nose Work® camps. Jason attended his first K9 Nose Work® camp in GA in 2012. A proud camp moment was receiving the Red Bandana Award in 2013 and seeing the difference a year makes in the confidence of his dog Atlas.

As an instructor, NACSW™ Certifying Official for Trials and Nosework enthusiast he travels extensively for all things related to Nosework. Jason's dog Atlas earned NW1, NW2, and NW3 Titles in 2013, NW3 Elite in 2015, and ELT-CH – accumulating 1000 points in Elite Division trials in May 2017, scoring high enough to also qualify for the 2017 NACSW National Invitational where they competed with 46 of the top qualifiers in November 2017 in Springfield, MA.

Jason spent a year as a K9 handler with a GSD doing bed bug detection for a pest control company. He logged hundreds of detection hours all over Texas. At the pest control company, he also trained an additional bug detection dog as part of a grant with the US Department of Agriculture.

He has competed at all levels, NW1 through Summit in over 100 NACSW™ trials and other Nosework venues in over 20 states with his 3 Shiba Inu and Labrador. Jason continues to compete, Atlas at Summit League level, and Bailey and Lexi in the Elite Division, trialing over 30 times at the Elite Division trial level.

Jason has been teaching K9 Nose Work® classes since 2012 and is a NACSW™ Certifying Official for trials. Since becoming a CNWI in 2013 he has been working to grow Nosework in Texas by hosting over 30 trial days at all levels. In addition, he continues to share his extensive trial experience with teams throughout the country through seminars and handler coaching.

Before moving to Texas in 2009, Jason, his wife Katy and daughter Jamie lived in Colorado for many years.

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Kimberly Buchanan, CNWI



A founding member of NACSW™ and one of the founding 7 Certified Nose Work Instructors, Kim has been training since 2007 and competing in K9 Nose Work® since its inception. She and her Belgian Tervuren Oscar were one of the first few teams to title to an NW1 and NW2. She and her Terv Emmy were the first to have earned the challenging NW3 title as well as the first to have earned the NW3 Elite title (= NW3 x 3) in 2011. Kim and Emmy successfully competed in the 2013, 2014 and 2015 National Invitational events. Kim and Emmy earned a 2nd place in the first Elite trial in 2015. Kim qualified both Emmy and her male Tervuren, Zen, for the 2017 National Invitational. Kim ran Zen in 2017 and placed in individual searches as well as 4th place overall.

Kim's younger dogs are working hard to fill Oscar, Emmy and Zen's big paw prints. Zen is still competing at the Elite level, closing in on his ELT-CH. Story is trialing at the NW3 level, Cartoon at NW2 and Tricks is currently working on her ORT's.

Kim and her dogs have also trained and competed in Schutzhund, French Ring, Dock Diving, Agility, Herding, Tracking and Obedience. They have competed nationally as part of the Purina Incredible Dog Challenge, AKC and USDAA Agility and internationally in the 2011 and 2012 FMBB World Championships of Belgian Shepherds in Belgium and Italy.

Kim is a K9 Nose Work® Trial Judge and Certifying Official (NW1 – Elite). She is currently teaching K9 Nose Work® classes, running on-line education for NW enthusiasts and hosting other K9NW activities in Southern California through her company, Joyride K9 Dog Training. She is enthusiastically helping to bring the sport of K9NW to other regions of the US as Senior Faculty with the National Association of Canine Scent Work, LLC®

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Sue Sternberg



Sue Sternberg has over 35 years of canine behavior experience, including: animal control officer, kennel and animal care technician at various shelters, veterinary assistant, behavior consultant at the ASPCA, temperament evaluator, kennel and animal shelter owner, shelter dog expert and advocate, successful competitor in a variety of dog sports, skilled teacher of dog trainers/professionals and internationally recognized speaker. Sue founded, and was the director of, Rondout Valley Animals for Adoption for over a decade. RVAA is an open admission, private shelter dedicated to pet owner outreach, safe animal adoptions, and quality of life. Sue has known Dana Crevling for over 20 years and is a guest speaker at K9 Nose Work Training Camps and has been on staff with the Dogs of Course Instructor Training Courses since the inception in 1999.

Sue is a dog behavior expert, author, and an innovator in the field of shelter dog welfare. She spends a lot of time on the road traveling to educate people on canine communication, body language, and aggression thresholds. Sue developed programs to prevent pet relinquishment and overpopulation, to match families with safe pets, and to help shelters attend to the mental health of the animals in their care. Her contribution to the shelter and dog training communities was recently honored by the Association of Professional Dog Trainers granting her a lifetime achievement award.

Sue was bitten by the Nose Work bug in 2014 and had been joyfully addicted ever since. She is an avid student of the sport going to as many K9 Nose Work Training Camps, seminars, classes and workshops possible with her busy schedule. Sue has worked three dogs in the sport and is currently starting her fourth Nose Work teammate. Chappy, her red Heeler mix, is a NACSW Champion that has placed High in Trial and second in the demanding Summit League.

Sue lives with two wonderful, adopted Heeler mixes. She is an accomplished fiddle player, an amateur paleontologist, loves Earl Grey tea, and is a major Star Trek fan. Her unique style, sense of humor, and frank, open approach create a fun, motivating, learning environment.

You can keep up with Sue on Facebook.

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Jill Marie O'Brien, CPDT-KA, K9NW Co-Founder



Jill Marie has been working with and training dogs since 1987. As co-founder of the National Association of Canine Scent Work® and K9 Nose Work® Jill Marie has focused her attention on the development of the K9 Nose Work® program. Her work has taken her to almost all the States of the Union, Canada, New Zealand, Australia, Japan and most recently Sweden. K9 Nose Work® the activity and sport competition is one of the fastest growing sport

In 1996 Jill Marie joined spcaLA and developed the agency's first Animal Behavior and Training Department since its inception in 1877. During her time at spcaLA she created the HEAL program (Helping Enhance Animals' Lives) to improve and enrich the lives of the animal clients in the shelter, developed the Standards Program for enhanced assessments, behavior modification and placement recommendations and wrote the dog training curriculum for the TLC program designed for at-risk youth. Jill Marie's tenure working in the shelter environment has given her a unique insight into how successful dog/human relationships are developed and sustained.

Jill Marie's years of dog training experience includes developing a behavior assessment protocol for use in the shelter environment, agility instruction and competition, tracking, Animal Assisted Therapy, Schutzhund and canine detection training along with many hours of K9 Nose Work™ development and instruction. As one of the founders of the sport of K9 Nose Work™ and the National Association of Canine Scent Work, LLC™ she is a strong believer in activities that enhance and cultivate teamwork between dog & handler.

Along with her involvement with the NACSW and K9 Nose Work, Jill Marie operates her own dog training and consulting business in the Los Angeles area. She shares her life with her son, Aedan, and husband, Jim, and two dogs, Raven and Grip.