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Power of Pairing **Michele Ellertson** Pairing. What is it? Why is it helpful? When might it be unnecessary? Michele will go in depth demystifying the pros and cons of pairing and provide some clarity on why this may just be the tool you need to take your training to the next level.	**It's in There!** **Sue Frisch** When we think of inaccessible hides, elevation is often the first thing that comes to mind however, elevation is only one type of inaccessible hide we find in nose work. The contained inaccessible is another type of inaccessible and it comes with its own set of challenges. Join Sue in a discussion of different types of contained inaccessible hides, of setting up training scenarios that will help provide clarity for your dog when working these problems and how to interpret your dog's changes in behaviors so that you can call alert confidently in the trial situation.	**I Want to be a Better Handler!** **Dorothy Turley** This is something we all say but what does it mean for you and your dog? Dorothy will look at what defines better handling and how you can improve with your dog. We will talk about practical ideas and exercises as well as the mental side of this issue to help improve your handling.	**Let's Talk About NW3** **Dana Zinn** For some people, NW3 is just another steppingstone in competition. They navigate through it with a relative ease. For others, it's a sticking point in which they never feel they will get past. It's normal for the latter teams to feel extremely frustrated or want to quit. Can competing ever feel good again? In this webinar Dana will discuss the highs and lows of this often-challenging level. What are some of the common errors and can they be avoided? How do you look forward to NW3 with hope instead of dread? Are the mistakes made fixable or flukes? Let's stop saying, "Just wait to you get to elite" and start embracing the ride that is NW3!	**Odor Now!** **Wendy Krehbiel** Help your dog build skills to prioritize, persist, and insist on the current odor problem. Over the 15 years Wendy has been involved in K9 Nose Work, she has seen a variety of ways that dogs' natural hunting instincts are displayed solving scent problems. They are masters of using their noses, but the competition environment adds a challenge of time and efficiency which can be at odds with their natural instincts. Because of the time limits in competition, dogs that have a sense of urgency to solve and complete each problem tend to perform better. This webinar will look at how to help the dog to prioritize each scent problem as they are encountered, persist with the problem until it is solved and also how to help develop and condition a sense of urgency and insistence with respect to locating odor. We will look at how you can help build these skills both in the foundation stages and for more advanced dogs through hide placement, search setup and handling.	**Weather the Storm** **Nancy Reyes** Join Nancy for Weather the Storm, a webinar exploring how temperature impacts scent behavior (availability and movement) and hide placement in nose work. Learn how varying temperatures can influence your dog's ability to detect odors and discover practical strategies to adapt your search techniques for optimal performance. Gain valuable insights to help your dog succeed in all kinds of weather conditions.
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Did You See That COB? **Laurel Scarioni** What is a "Change of Behavior" (COB)? When and where do they happen? Why do they matter? How can handlers recognize their dogs' changes of behavior and interpret their meanings? This webinar will help handlers recognize and understand the many changes in behavior that dogs display during searches and use that information to better understand and support their teammates.	**Pooling and Trapping Lifeline** **Jean Richardson** Are you getting stuck in pooling or trapping odor? Do you feel like you and your dog are drowning? Jean will review what Pooling or Trapping odor is and how you can set up exercises to have your dog better understand how to work their way out and to source.	**Same Place, Different Lesson** **Barbara Schwerdt** In this webinar we'll explore how to use the same location and layer training for the best learning and progress of the team. When is the dog ready for the next set of skills to learn and how do you know what to look for? How can we set hides for maximum learning and problem solving? We'll look at search locations and talk about hide placement for a variety of levels of teams.	**Speed Check Ahead!** **Sue Sternberg** Humans are always communicating with our non-verbal gestures, movements, and orientation, and of course our dogs are always listening whether at home in everyday life or when training or competing. In Nose Work, our pace, speed, cadence, length of stride and when we move communicate information for our dogs that can either support or hinder the search. Miscommunications with speed and movements are often the culprit for false alerts, or loss of our dog's speed and enthusiasm over time. There are immediate implications as well as long-term ones that can be minor or significant. As our dog's search partner, our job is to understand how and what we are saying by responding or not responding. In this webinar Sue will show how our movements and speed are being interpreted so that we can improve our communication and clearly say exactly what we want to be saying to our amazing search partners. She will include special considerations and implications for small and short-legged dogs.	**That's a Lotta Leash, Luigi!** **Carolyn Barney** The line that connects you and your dog is a personal choice. But there is more to it than just the pretty color. Understanding the mechanics and physics of leash handling means a better partnership and experience for you and your dog. Carolyn will look at factors to consider for leash selection. She will discuss whether to have different leashes and lengths for different elements or searches. Can your leash choice and handling affect your dog's search? Does it really matter what leash you use? Join Carolyn and find out.	**Blank, or not Blank, that is the Question** **Silke Wittig** Blank, clear or negative space are all terms used in scent work to describe an area without source target odor present. These searches continue to be a worry for competitors, especially for novel teams learning how to clear areas confidently. The human mind tends to overthink, and handlers start to doubt, overhandle ("check this"), often call a "desperation alert", and/or leave the search area frustrated. So how can we determine whether our dog is telling us there is odor present or not? And what should we do as handlers to support our dogs? In this webinar, Silke will review dogs' behavior sequences and search area set-ups, discuss handler and dog expectations, offer training suggestions, and much more so you can learn to embrace the blank.
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