



Good Time Canines

is proud to host two half-day seminars

NW3 Training & Trialing on July 29

presented by

Michael McManus CAPE, CNWI, CATT

This seminar is ideal for teams preparing for or already trialing at the NW3 level.

In each half-day seminar, Michael will set of a variety of exercises to test your team's preparedness for NW3 style searches. Expect in-the-moment and in-depth analysis and critique of handling as well as suggestions for further practice. Whether you have an auditing or a working spot, you will find Michael's conversational manner creates a relaxed atmosphere for learning during his extensive discussions throughout the seminar. Each half-day seminar may be slightly different, depending on the experiences of the working teams and the needs of the group, which offers an opportunity to acquire additional learning if you attend both seminars.

Date: Saturday, July 30, 2017

Morning seminar: 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Afternoon Seminar: 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Working teams: 8 per half-day seminar

Auditors: 20 per seminar

Venue: Washington Thoroughbred Breeders and Owners Association, Emerald Downs Racetrack, Auburn, WA

During the seminars, Michael will focus on:

- **Confidence Building:** Learn how to build your dog's confidence as well as your own when going into a trial. Dogs that lack confidence have a tendency to fringe, false and just plain skip odors. Handlers who lack confidence often fail to make the important decisions your dog relies on you for (calling alert/finish).
- **Problem Solving:** Determine when it is appropriate to make decisions for your dog. At the NW3 level, handlers tend to make more and more decisions for their dogs (too much patterning) and dogs sometimes lose the ability to make decisions on their own. Problem solving exercises will help handlers and dogs understand when to make these decisions.
- **Difficult Hides:** Understand inaccessible, converging, and distractions—the three biggest problems in NW2/3 searches—to increase clarity for you and your dog.
- **Blank Searches:** Know why this is the most important type of search to do with your dog and how it aids your decision-making.
- **Handler Psychology:** Recognize why the number one reason teams struggle in NW3 is handler psychology.
- **Mechanical Skills:** Increase your leash handling, footwork, reward timing and placement skills. Of these three skills, reward timing and placement is the most important and usually the one we let slip the most. Leash handling and footwork will be covered in light of Ethology (the study of animal behavior in its natural environment) and how your movements communicate things to your dog you may not be aware of.
- **Advanced patterning:** Discover how to do a pattern without taking freedom or drive from your dog.

Seminar Fees:

Working Team (dog must be working all three odors) Half Day Seminar: \$75.00

Auditor Half Day: \$ 55.00

Auditor Full Day: \$105.00

To register, visit <https://form.jotform.com/kmrcnw/nw3-Seminar-with-Michael>

See the next page for Michael's bio and information about his USCSS Games Seminar on July 30.

Be sure to check out Michael's United States Canine Scent Sports (USCSS) Games Seminar on Sunday, July 30. Not only are nose work games fun for you and your dog, you'll also find that training for and participating in games competitions enhances your skills for competing at upper levels of trials in all of the nose work venues.

For information about the Games Seminar, visit
<http://goodtimecanines.com/GamesWorkshop.pdf>

Meet the Presenter

Michael McManus CAPE, CNWI, CATT, Applied Ethologist, Nose Work Trainer & Doggy Dojo Founder

Michael McManus (Certified in Applied Pet Ethology, Certified Nose Work Instructor and Certified American Treibball Trainer) has been working with dogs for 8 years focusing on K9 Nose Work®, Treibball and Herding.

His dog Lumi has done well in Nose Work coming in 1st place at their second NW1 and earning numerous placements in elements. They are now competing towards their NW3 Elite Title, and he was among the first to title dogs not owned by himself in Nose Work.

Michael also attended the first Treibball Training Academy at the American Treibball Association Headquarters in Colorado and has been teaching clinics and classes successfully since then.

He is on a continuous path of learning and has studied with some of the best in the field of behavior and training including, Dr. Roger Abrantes, Dr. Ian Dunbar, John Rogerson, Penny Scott-Fox, Scott Glen, Janna Duncan and others. Michael McManus is also an Official Mentor for the Catch Canine Trainers Academy.

Questions about the seminar? Click [here](#) for a contact form.