

Working Dog Conference

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Keynote

Simon Prins, Trainer - ACT!

Detection training, the next level

Implications of Physical and Mental Training for the Working Dog Team

Allie Bender, CDDBC - Pet Harmony

Canine enrichment for the working dog

Brian Farr, DVM - Penn Vet Working Dog Center

Fit to Work: Development of the Penn Vet Working Dog Center Physical Fitness Program

Paul Helms, LMT, CPT - Helms Performance

Workplace injury prevention for working dog handlers

Carlo Siracusa, DVM, PhD - Penn Vet Behavior Medicine

Understanding the science behind low-stress handling of dogs: the Penn Vet C.A.L.M. program

Novel Techniques for Training Successful Working Dog Teams

Hans Ebbers, Muenster Police Department

The release - always a challenge

Bob Dougherty, Law Enforcement Training Coordinator - Penn Vet Working Dog Center

Law (Re)Enforcement: A case study of how to minimize conflict in canine training

Esther Schalke, PhD - Bundeswehr School of Dog Handling

Motivation, arousal, drive - The dog world in upheaval

» Bridget Stewart Beardsley, Trainer - Penn Vet Working Dog Center

- » Jeanne Brock, Chief Instructor (ret.), LVT - Canine Performance Sciences, College of Veterinary Medicine, Auburn University
- » Kerry Lemerise, Puppy Program Manager - Guiding Eyes for the Blind
- » Carl Rothe, Senior Instructor - Puppies Behind Bars
- » Mandy Tisdale, CPDT-KA, Canine Training Manager - Search Dog Foundation

Panel: Insights on training auxiliary contributors to your working dog program

Use of Assessments in Optimizing K9 Training Programs

Jenny Essler, PhD - Penn Vet Working Dog Center

Exploring the possible use of behavioral testing in puppy and young dog aptitude in various working careers

Jennifer Lapin, PhD, Director of PennVet Evaluation and Assessment - University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine

Preliminary evaluation of working dog training

Jane Russenberger, BS - Guiding Eyes for the Blind

Measuring behavior using the Behavior Checklist and using the data to optimize genetic potential for key behavior traits important to guide dogs

Scott Thomas, Consultant - AKC Detection Dog Task Force

The value and pitfalls of working canine behavioral assessment- A review based on practice and research

Emerging Technologies for Advancing the Working Dog

Nathan Hall, PhD - Texas Tech University

Towards behavioral predictors of odor discrimination learning and military working dog performance

Melody Jackson, PhD - Georgia Tech

Wearable and environmental technology for working dogs

Jennifer Punt, VMD, PhD - University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine

Online performance, online learning

Dave Roberts, PhD - North Carolina State University

IoT, Cloud, and AI instrumentation to improve service dog breeding, socialization, and selection

Highlights from the Field

Lucia Lazarowski, PhD - Auburn University

Maintaining long-term odor memory in detection dogs

Erin Perry, PhD - Southern Illinois University

Training handlers on decontamination strategies for operational canines

Debra Zoran, DVM, PhD, DACVIM-SAIM - Texas A&M. Texas Task Force One

Comparison of Different Soaps on Skin Irritation during Repeated Decontamination of the Working Canine

Pratikshya Patil, DVM - National Veterinary Response Team

Lessons Learned at the United Nations General Assembly

Pete Coppolillo, PhD - Working Dogs for Conservation

Lessons Learned, Biosecurity on ships in the Falklands

Mallory DeChant, MS - Texas Tech University

Effect of Handler Knowledge of the Detection Task on Canine Search Behavior and Performance

Clara Wilson, PhD - Queen's University Belfast

Can Dogs Smell When a Human is Stressed?

Karen Meidenbauer, DVM, MPH - Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory

Odor Detection Canine (ODC) Selection, Breeding, and Early Training Techniques

Poster Session

Dakota Discepolo - Southern Illinois University

Impacts of decontamination on canine skin

Julia Humphires, CCLS - Studer Family Children's Hospital at Ascension Sacred Heart

Dogtors, the Best Medicine: Using Facility Dogs to Enhance the Pediatric Hospital Experience

Katherine Heckman - Pennsylvania University State

Is behavior testing predictive for eight week old service puppies?

Catherine Reeve - Queen's University Belfast

Perspectives and Attitudes Towards Medical Alert Dogs

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