

Urban / Rural Trailing	Dates: Wednesday May 13 to Friday May 15, 2009
Cost: \$150.00	Instructor: Jon Wieringa & Susan Taller
Organization: King County Search Dogs	
Maximum number of students for this class: 12	
Description of Class: A three-day intensive course focusing on skills specific to the urban/rural trailing dog and urban/rural trailing problems. Training Degree: Intermediate	
Instructor Bio: Jon Wieringa has been involved in search and rescue for fourteen years, K-9 SAR for thirteen years, and search management for eight years. Outside of search and rescue he works as the head of ER/ICU technical/nursing services for Seattle Veterinary Specialists, a 13 doctor, 24-hour hospital in the Seattle area which includes surgery, neurosurgery, internal medicine, radiology, and critical care specialties. He has been teaching canine first aid to SAR K-9 handlers, law enforcement personnel, and the general public for over ten years. Jon is currently a canine handler, search manager, and EMT with King County Search Dogs. He works an Australian Cattle Dog, Loki, in trailing, cadaver, water, and avalanche search.	
Course outline: Introduction to scent theory introduction to problems in urban/rural trailing improving starts/cutting trails, direction of travel – working out your starts split trails – becoming solid on scent discrimination and subject loyalty. Trail/no trail – following up on tips and sightings – was the subject ever here? Urban intersections /Rural– techniques to improve performance. If times allows, we'll discuss dangers unique to urban / rural search scenarios.	
Important Note: Your camping fee is included in this course fee. However MEALS are not included in the course fee. If you wish to have meals during the pre conference class you may purchase meal tickets upon arrival at the Conference Registration Tent. Meals are \$5.00 each.	
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