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Want to be on our *Resource List*

The Board has approved starting a Resource List of handlers who have successfully passed a NSDA certification in the last two years. This would be on our website and available to the public.

Law Enforcement would be able to access it, plus those who might want to join a team or those from another area who might just want to come train with you.

Information included would be your name, your dog's name, your city and state, the discipline and your means of contact.

If this applies to you, please contact Rena Ferguson at davefe@cablone.net. State that NSDA has your permission to publish this information and whether you would prefer to list your email or your phone, or both. You will save her hours of time writing to everyone.

2014 BOARD MEETING DATES

October 2
November 6
December 4

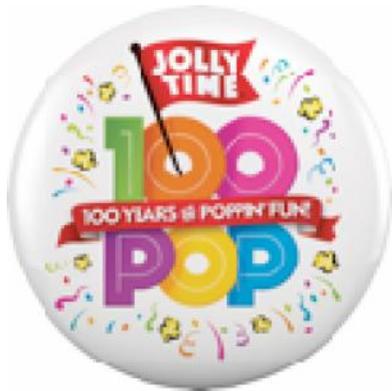
Contact Secretary, Julie Gibson by September 25 for the call-in number for the September meeting.

YOU STILL HAVEN'T REGISTERED FOR ATTERBURY?

***Last day to register
at the reduced rate***

OCTOBER 9-12 NSDA FALL SEMINAR

Camp Atterbury, Edinburgh, Indiana.
Registration form attached to this newsletter. For more information, contact jmeyer@n-sda.org



JOLLY TIME DONATES \$1,000.

As part of their 100th year birthday, JOLLY TIME Popcorn conducted a Kernels of Kindness contest. 100 Winners were selected from 6,620 applicants, based upon their work on behalf of the community. NSDA's President, Norma Snelling was selected to receive a \$1,000.00 check, which will be made out to NSDA . This will help us in our efforts to support the volunteer canine search and rescue handlers across the country. She will be featured in their on-line gallery the week of October 20th.

Thank you to our Executive Director, Shayla Price for her efforts in our fundraising.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR STEPS DOWN

Shayla Price, Executive Director for NSDA is stepping down from her position. She has recently moved to a new state and will soon be starting new employment. It is uncertain at this time what her schedule will be. NSDA would welcome her return in the future after settling into her new routine.

WHY HAVE A *TEAM* MEMBERSHIP ?

Cost per person for full membership for one year

Number of Members	Cost per person
5	\$36.00
10	\$18.00
15	\$12.00
20	\$ 9.00
25	\$ 7.00

Annual membership for one person is \$40.00.



TESTING REBATES

Apply for a \$300.00 refund to bring in a NSDA evaluator(s) for testing three or more handlers. While funds last, we are reimbursing teams or groups of handlers up to \$300. toward evaluator travel expenses. See our website Testing Information page @www.n-sda.org.

The Other End of the Leash
For Land HRD and Air Scent Handlers

If you wanted to respond last month and found no address – my error.

Please send your answers to snelling@n-sda.org.

Scenario:

I worked a 30' - 40' grid pattern on a one acre size property.

The air was moving from west to east, varying from 2-3 mph to gusts of 6-8 mph.

The source was approximately 60' upwind of a Pine tree and had been in place for 20 minutes.

My 9 month old dog came to the 20' pine tree. She tried to climb it and leaped into the air, trying to reach the branches.

She returned to me and gave her final response of jumping on me. She ran directly back to the tree and focused up into the branches while dancing and turning circles.

I could not get her to voluntarily leave the tree.

Problem: I know this is not the location of the scent source!

As the handler, should I have:

1. Scolded the dog and told her to get back to work?
2. Encouraged the dog to check out the entire tree?
3. Ignored the dog and walked away until she followed?
4. Taken the dog to the source and shown her?
5. Praised the dog and returned back to work?
6. Leashed the dog and returned to the car?
7. Your choice

Write to me c/o the newsletter at snelling@n-sda.org and tell me what you would do and why. You may use your name or not, as you choose but please include your experience level and discipline.



CONGRATULATIONS

Heather Van Valkenberg

Passed the NSDA Trailing II

September PODCAST Sunday September 21st

8:00PM Eastern 7:00 PM Central
6:00 PM Mountain 5:00 PM Pacific

Guest Speakers represent:

Louisiana Search and Rescue (LASAR), California Rescue Dog Association (CARDAs), and Matanuska Susitna Valley (MATSAR), in South Central Alaska.

NSDA guests will discuss how to work with the local Emergency Management Agencies, Sheriff Departments, and other requesting agencies, with an emphasis on making these agencies aware of local SAR Dog Team capabilities and how to request local units to receive the maximum value the teams can provide.

They will discuss the importance of advance coordination and training with agencies Search Dog Teams are apt to support in our respective areas across the country.

Once at the Talkshoe site, you'll see that you have three ways to participate and/or listen to the program.

1. you can phone into the show. The moderator will have your phone muted initially but if you want to ask a NSDA presenter a question, hit *T or *8 on your phone or text a message that you'd like to speak.
2. You can log onto the program, listen to the show on your computer, text your questions into the moderator and he will pass your questions to our guest speakers.

3. If you can't get to a computer, you can still participate live by calling Talkshoe at (724) 444-7444 and entering the code 21763.

Send your questions in advance to host Larry Welker at: lewelker@mac.com.

To listen and participate go to:
<http://www.talkshoe.com/tc/21763>

If you can't tune into the live show, you can download the PODCAST after the program and listen to it at your leisure. You can also go to iTunes and enter 'NSDA' as a search term. You will then be able to download the PODCAST.

Zeus, featured in a recent NSDA newsletter has died



At 7'4", Zeus held the Guinness World Record's 2012 edition as the world's tallest dog ever. Zeus died last week with symptoms of old age. He was five. He went through about 60# of dog food every month.

In spite of looking intimidating, he was known to do nothing more than slobber on strangers. He was also a therapy dog, serving the Kalamazoo, MI. area.

NEW FUNDRAISING DIRECTOR JOINS NSDA

Pat Reagan comes to us after twenty years experience as a teacher and with the Mississippi State Department of Education. She was a Senior Specialist in Federal grant programs and was a grant reviewer. She recently published an inspirational book, Higher Places. Look for more to come about Pat.

OPEN POSITIONS IN NSDA

Please note that NSDA exists only because of the volunteers who work within it. We have no paid personnel. Without you, we are gone. How many hours can you spare to help us keep growing in order to help you ?

Many of these positions require multiple people!

Thank you to the people who stepped up last month to fill some of our positions. We still need:

NSDA Conference coordinator

- a. Seek out teams in all regions of the country willing to sponsor a seminar
- b. Review the disciplines best suited for the local needs, the terrain available and realistic number of participants
- c. Provide teams with our procedures and step by step methods of preparation
- d. Assist in locating instructors. Increase our existing list.
- e. Advertise and promote the seminar

Assistance can be found for any subsections of this position

Requires initiative, cooperative efforts dealing with people, systematic implementation

Develop a team of Presenters

- a. Locate speakers for state and national conferences for law enforcement and SAR coordinators
- b. Develop a standardized program, with informational handouts, power points and photos
- c. Develop your own committee

Requires organizational skills, ability to delegate duties to develop programs aids

Federal Standards/ NIMS/Other canine teams.

- a. Seek out and stay on top of current and new regulations and guidelines
- b. Advise NSDA board so we can update our certifications and procedures.

Traveling ?

The most pet friendly U.S. cities for travelers, based on walkability and number of hotels that welcome pets are:

- (1) Albuquerque, NM;
- (2) Portland, OR;
- (3) Tucson, AZ;
- (4) Tampa, FL;
- (5) Indianapolis, IN

Source: priceline.com

NSDA BOARD TRAINING

Our volunteer Board conducts all of our business by conference call and email in order to keep your costs low. We will be holding a special training weekend in Dallas, TX. in November to plan our upcoming year, to introduce our new Fundraising Chair and to allow new Board members who have never had the opportunity to meet, a chance to become more cohesive in going forward.

KIBBLES & BITS

by Susan Bulanda



If anyone has questions please send them to me at susanb21@juno.com with NSDA in the subject line.

There is a new poisonous substance to add to the list of toxic and noxious substances that are a threat to our pets -- medical marijuana. What does that mean to us as K9 SAR personnel?

First, if we are looking for and find someone who has a dog with them or near them that shows signs of marijuana poisoning, it could mean that the person nearby is also affected by marijuana.

Second it means that there is a greater risk of our dogs coming in contact with marijuana as we search buildings and homes. While this has always been a threat or consideration at least, the instances are likely to increase. We need to keep abreast of which states allow medical marijuana so that we are aware of the increased risk.

Statistics have shown that as medical marijuana is approved in many states, so has the increase in marijuana poisoning in pets. They suffer from both inhaling the smoke and eating the plants. While few if any pets die from exposure to marijuana, most if not all do require treatment from a veterinarian. This means that pet owners as well as SAR dog handlers must be careful that their pets do not have access to edible products that contain marijuana as well as to the plant itself.

Signs of poisoning usually manifest itself between 30 and 60 minutes after exposure and sooner if the exposure is a result of inhaling the smoke. Signs include vomiting, stumbling, dilated pupils and urinary incontinence. Since there is a risk of heart issues, a veterinarian may want to monitor the pet for a day or more.

Keep in mind that even if you do not have medical marijuana in your home, taking your pet to visit a friend who does have it in their home can expose your pet to the risks of medical marijuana. For those who do not know what marijuana looks like you can go to Google and select "Images," do a search and you will find pictures of all kinds of medical marijuana.

http://blog.vetdepot.com/medical-marijuana-tied-to-increase-in-pet-poisonings?utm_source=contactology&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=DecemberNewsletter74#sthash.S6JktXx3.dpuf

Robotic Systems in Search and Rescue

By Larry Bulanda, MSEE

Due to family commitments, (our son's wedding on Sept 6), Larry was not able to continue this article for September. He will have another installment for the October newsletter.

In response to the call to share missions, here one from the distant past by Susan Bulanda

The Blizzard of '93 PA

Because there were warnings in the media that a severe blizzard was due, a woman called the police to search for her husband and son who decided to go camping on an island in a local river.

Coventry Canine SAR Unit was called by a local fire department dive squad to assist in locating a man and his 6 year old child who had decided to go camping on an island in a near-by river. It was 2 a.m. and the snow had just started to fall in what would be the blizzard of the year.

When the team arrived, a dog was scented on the man's vehicle, which was parked near the river. The dog followed a trail that led from the vehicle to the river and then across a small strip of land that bordered a canal.

Divers and dog teams worked from zodiacs, searching the islands in the river and in the canal as the blizzard raged on. Divers and dog teams also looked for any sign of debris or an overturned canoe that would indicate that the man and his son had overturned in the river.

The search was suspended at about 6 a .m. with no sign of the man and his son. Later we learned that he had not gone camping but was in a motel with a girlfriend.

The most important lessons learned in this search were to be sure that you have the right equipment and vehicle to handle severe weather, also to trust your dog.

Search-and-rescue drones fly again after court throws out FAA case

By Jeff John Roberts Jul. 21, 2014

Summary:

A nonprofit that uses lightweight unmanned aircraft to search for missing people will resume its aerial operations after a court ruling. Meanwhile, the FAA suffered another setback in its attempt to exert authority over drones.

Texas EquuSearch, a nonprofit that says unmanned aircraft can do the work of 100 volunteers, will resume the use of drones in missing-person searches following a court ruled that an FAA email had "no legal consequences."

The search-and-rescue group had previously used five-pound drones made of foam and plastic to survey rough terrain, but stopped doing so

earlier this year following a warning by the federal aviation regulator.

Texas EquuSearch challenged the warning before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia, where it also claimed that the FAA has for years "harassed and interfered" with its members "before, after and during search and rescue activities."

The three-judge panel wrote in a short order that it would dismiss the case because the email did "not represent the consummation of the agency's decision making process, nor did it give rise to any legal consequences."

The ruling (posted below) amounts to a technicality — the court basically said Texas EquuSearch's lawsuit was premature — but it does for now lift a current legal cloud over the nonprofit.



"Texas EquuSearch is free to resume its humanitarian use of drones ... Therefore, the organization and its volunteers plan to resume their use of this life- saving technology immediately," said lawyer Brendan Schulmann by email.

The ruling is also likely to draw renewed attention to the FAA's predicament when it comes to addressing the growing popularity of unmanned aircraft, which have the potential to transform a range of industries from farming to news photography to movies.

While the FAA has declared that nearly every commercial use of drones is banned, the agency does not appear to have the legal authority to impose such a measure. The issue is that, while Congress has instructed the FAA to develop policies, it is behind schedule in doing so — and is instead relying on policy statements that don't have the same force as regulations.

The next big test for the FAA will come in a case over a commercial photographer in Virginia, where the FAA is appealing a lower ruling that it had no authority to impose a \$10,000 fine.

The current law over civilian drones is not a free-for-all, however. The FAA does possess clear authority to regulate them near airports, while state and city authorities can also enforce privacy

and public order laws against people who use drones irresponsibly — like a New York man who flew one near hospital windows last week.

Texas EquuSearch

They Gave All



K-9 Kye

Photo credit: Oklahoma City Police Department

K-9 Kye, a 3 year old Belgian German Shepherd that had been with the Oklahoma City Police Department for about two years, died after suffering a heart attack.

Kye had been rushed to an emergency vet where he underwent surgery for multiple stab wounds while attempting to take down a felon. Sgt. Stark released his partner, Kye, who apprehended Mark Salazar behind a business in the area.

When Sgt. Stark arrived, the suspect was actively stabbing Kye with a knife. According to police, Sgt. Stark tried to separate Salazar from Kye before he shot at Salazar, killing him.

Kye was laid to rest on August 28 at First Southern Baptist Church. The funeral services were conducted with full police honors.

THE LAST HOWL

By Sue Wolff

Opinions expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of the National Search Dog Alliance.



Does your state have a statute that makes harming or killing a police K-9 in the line of duty a felony? Does that statute include SAR dogs?

The news media would lead the public to believe that all crimes against a police dog are considered a crime against a police officer but that is not true in all states. All but two states have police K-9 protection laws in place that make it a crime of some degree to assault, injure or kill a police dog. Although the laws vary in their severity, many provide prison time for offenders while others have a small monetary penalty.

South Dakota and the District of Columbia do not have any K-9 protection laws. In these states, people who hurt or kill a police dog are usually prosecuted using animal cruelty statutes.

In 2000, Congress passed the Federal Law Act making it a federal crime for anyone to willfully and maliciously harm any police animal or attempt or conspire to do so. The law provides up to a ten (10) year prison sentence for anyone who permanently disables or disfigures the animal, or causes serious bodily injury or the death of the animal.

Now what does this mean for the SAR dog? Not much...unless it is spelled out in the state's statute

The State of Florida statute Title XLVI, Crimes; Chapter 843.19, Obstructing Justice, identifies a police dog, police horse, fire dog and SAR dog. A SAR dog is defined in Section 1(c) as any search and rescue dog that is owned, or the service of which is utilized, by a fire department, a law enforcement agency, a special fire district, or the State Fire Marshal for the principal purpose of aiding in the detection of missing persons, including, but not limited to, persons who are lost, who are trapped under debris as the result of a natural, manmade, or technological disaster, or who are drowning victims.

Punishments are provided for persons who intentionally and knowingly cause great bodily harm, permanent disability, or death to, or use a deadly weapon upon, a police dog, fire dog, SAR dog, or police horse; who actually and intentionally maliciously touch, strike, or cause bodily harm to a police dog, fire dog, SAR dog, or police horse; who intentionally or knowingly maliciously harass, tease, interfere with, or attempt to interfere with a police dog, fire dog, SAR dog, or police horse while the animal is in the performance of its duties.

Punishments for these first degree felonies and misdemeanors in the first and second degree are defined in Chapters 775.082, 775.083 or 775.084. Chapter 843.19, Section (5) states a person convicted of an offense under this section shall make restitution for injuries caused to the police dog, fire dog, SAR dog, or police horse and shall pay the replacement cost of the animal if, as a result of the offense, the animal can no longer perform its duties.

So who's going to find out what your state laws cover? Each handler needs to research these statutes or, if there is a team training officer, they could do it and provide it to members as an educational aid.

If your state statutes do not define and/or cover punishment for harm to a SAR dog, then you need to go to work. Get your team members involved as well as other SAR teams nearby.

Do your homework. Hash out among yourselves what you want covered in a new law or added to the current laws covering police K-9s. Put it in the format used by your state indicating your additions/changes in red. Then find your State Legislative representative or, if you know one who is sympathetic to animal's rights, approach them to sponsor your changes.

This can be a long process so don't get discouraged. Finding a representative who understands what SAR dogs do and wants to see them protected will make the procedure go faster. Having a state law which protects police K-9s is also advantageous and will make it easier to safeguard SAR dogs.

Now go out there, do your research and protect your SAR K-9. They're worth it.

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National Search Dog Alliance 2014
Statement of Financial Income and Expense
 January 1 through September 4, 2014

09/04/14

Cash Basis

Ordinary Income/Expense**Income**

43350 · Olympic Senior Care	1,000.00	
43360 · Amazon Smile	14.33	
45030 · Interest-Savings, Short-term CD		173.07
45040 · Interest - Checking		0.25
46420 · Inventory Sales (Merchandise)	587.04	
46430 · Certification Field Test	1,495.00	
46440 · On Line Certification Testing		590.00
47210 · Membership Dues - Individual	6,317.82	
47230 · Membership Dues - Team		1,800.00
49061 · 2014 Pennsylvania Seminar		2,325.00
Total Income		14,302.51

Cost of Goods Sold

50700 · Cost of Inventory		109.75
Gross Profit		14,192.76

Expense

60300 · Glen Thompson Memorial Award	1,000.00	
60900 · Business/Registration Fees	120.00	
65010 · Business/Financial Software	653.37	
65020 · Postage, Mailing Service	284.00	
65021 · Shipping for Alliance Depot	146.30	
65040 · Office Supplies	109.58	
65070 · Web/Trng Sites and Hosting Fees		13.57
65075 · Hosting Fees	94.99	
65080 · PayPal Cost-Membership Dues	159.36	
65090 · PayPal Cost-Inventory Sales		16.49
65100 · PayPal Cost-On Line Training	36.38	
65120 · Insurance - Liability and Bond	1,694.00	
65130 · Other Misc Costs		550.00
66200 · Evaluator Admin Supplies	217.81	
66400 · AKC Grant - Evaluator Travel	371.09	
66500 · Evaluator Travel (Non Grant)	1,148.94	
66000 · General Test/Training Cost - Other		20.00
67330 · 2014 Pennsylvania Seminar	2,341.74	
67000 · Regional Seminars - Other	2,500.00	
68100 · BOD meeting/travel	2,545.43	
Total Expense		14,023.05

Net Ordinary Income		169.71
Net Income		169.71



TRAINING, SEMINARS & CONFERENCES

REACH OVER 1,300 SAR K-9 HANDLERS. LIST YOUR TRAININGS, SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES IN THE SAR DOG ALERT.

Contact Temporary Editor Norma Snelling at snelling@olympen.com

September 19-21, PACSAR Pennsylvania Canine SAR is hosting another AWDA wilderness K-9 SAR Seminar, Denver, PA. Deborah Palman, and Jimmy Canfield will be returning as lead trainer and evaluator for the field work. Anyone interested please email Mike Surabian at vp.pak9sar@gmail.com. Limited to 32 teams: 16 air scent and 16 track/trail.

September 20-21, SAR200 – Ground Search Operations, Level II, Camp Atterbury, Edinburg, Indiana. For more information call Lillian Hardy at 812-526-0013 or e-mail lhardy@dhs.in.gov

September 28-October 3, CSAR Seminar, Camp Lakewood, Potosi, MO. For more information, see www.csar.org For Registration go to host <http://www.mrck9.com/2014-csar-seminar.html>

September 28-October 3, 2014 Fall Workshop, Holiday Lake 4-H Camp, Appomattox, VA. Old Dominion K-9 and Sumner County (TN) Emergency Management. For more information, see <http://www.olddominionsar.com/instructors.html>

October 9-12, NSDA Fall Seminar, Camp Atterbury, Edinburg, Indiana. Registration form attached to this newsletter. For more information, contact jmeyer@n-sda.org

October 11, SAR101 – Skills day, Camp Atterbury, Edinburg, Indiana. For more information call Lillian Hardy at 812-526-0013 or e-mail lhardy@dhs.in.gov Camp Atterbury, Edinburg, Indiana. For more information call Lillian Hardy at 812-526-0013 or e-mail lhardy@dhs.in.gov

October 31 – November 2, 2014 – Cadaver Dog, Level One Workshop, Western Carolina University at Cullowhee, North Carolina. On line registration starts August 13 at <http://hrddog.wcu.edu>

June 2015 NSDA Summer Seminar, Camp Reed, Spokane, Washington



NSDA Area, Disaster, Trailing and Land HRD Seminar Camp Atterbury, Edinburg, Indiana October 9 – 12, 2014

Registration Fee if postmarked on or prior to September 1, 2014:

\$385.00 for Non-Members \$200.00 without a K-9 One dog per registrant
\$290.00 for Members \$150.00 without a K-9 No Partial Registrations

Registration Fee if postmarked after September 15, 2014:

\$385.00 for everyone with a K-9; \$250 without a K-9

Lodging Wednesday through Saturday; Meals Thursday breakfast through Sunday breakfast;

Classes Thursday AM through Sunday noon.

Name & K-9 name will be on certificate as written here. Please PRINT ALL so I can read it!

Name: _____ Address _____

City/State/ZIP: _____ Phone # _____

NSDA Membership # _____ Expiration Date: _____ *

*For membership information, contact ckelley.sardog@yahoo.com

Affiliation: _____

Email (**PRINT LEGIBLY**): _____

Canine Name & Breed _____ M / F

I will be staying: on-site

I will be staying off-site

Indicate class you would like to attend - check only one:

Area Search Beginning Intermediate Advanced ***

Land HRD Beginning Intermediate Advanced *** Challenge ***
**

Trailing Beginning Intermediate Advanced ***

Disaster Area Beginning *** Intermediate ***

**Required to work on pile:
steel or composite toe boots,
knee pads, gloves, long
sleeves, helmet**

Disaster HRD Beginning *** Intermediate ***

*** K-9 required to perform a consistent, recognizable, trained final response.

Beginning Disaster classes are for those K-9's proficient in Area or HRD and wish to move to disaster training. Instructors require previous training, a trained final response and appropriate equipment to work the pile.

NSDA Area, Trailing and HRD Seminar, Camp Atterbury, October 9 – 12, 2014

Scenario/Challenge HRD	Vynn Stewart, Little River County TX Sheriff’s Department Robin Stanifer, Vigo County IN Search and Rescue
Land HRD	Lisa Higgins, LaSAR Paul Martin, Western Carolina University
Area	Sharon Jones, DOGS-East, Inc. Kim Veldheer, K-9 ONE Search and Rescue
Trailing Association	Mark Holmes, Detective CID Port Arthur, TX K-9 Handler Corbin Hodge, Instructor, United States Mantrailing
Disaster Area	Lillian Hardy, Indiana DHS, SAR Section Chief Ann Wichmann, SARDUS
Disaster HRD	Deana Hudgins, Ohio Search and Recovery Canines Julie Cramer, Director, Great Lakes Search and Rescue K-9

ON-SITE ACCOMMODATIONS

Included in the registration price will be individual rooms with a community bathroom in each building. Each room will have one set of bunk beds. We will make every effort to house one person in each room, but at this time we are unable to make that guaranty. You will need to provide your own sheets, pillows, blankets, soap, toilet paper, etc. Also, you will need to sweep out each building, empty the trash and clean up on Sunday before you leave.

Dogs in crates allowed in rooms.

SEMINAR T-SHIRTS (Be sure to mark # of t-shirts and circle size(s))

I would like to order _____ seminar t-shirt(s) @ \$10.00 each – Size: S M L XL 2 XL
(Add cost of t-shirt(s) to registration check.)

Registration Fee _____
T- Shirt Fee _____
Evaluation Fee _____

Total Check Enclosed _____

Mail to:
NSDA 2014 Seminar
c/o Jan Meyer
1123 Eagle Creek Road
Wildwood, MO 63005

In Case of Emergency

Contact: _____ Tele #: _____

REGISTRATION

Mail copy of registration form along with check payable to NSDA, current canine shot records (a minimum of Rabies, Distemper/Parvo, Bordetella vaccinations or titer within last month) and a signed NSDA Hold Harmless Form to: NSDA 2014 Seminar, 1123 Eagle Creek Road, Wildwood, MO 63005. Your registration will be acknowledged by email within two weeks of receipt. No registrations will be accepted after October 1, 2014, or after the classes are filled – whichever occurs first. Check or money order only – no PayPal accepted for registrations. No refunds after October 1, 2014. No partial registrations accepted.

Check-in/Check-out

Check-in and registration will begin Wednesday at 4:00 PM at the Search and Rescue Academy. Check-out will be 1:00 pm on Sunday.

AGAIN THIS YEAR: If you know someone who would like to attend and be a helper (runner, subject, etc.), NSDA will provide meals and a bunk for that person and there will not be registration fee charged. Please distribute to friends, family and teammates. This will be on a first come, first serve basis. Helpers will be expected to help all day on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and till noon on Sunday. Ask each helper to fill out form on page 6 and return to jmeyer@n-sda.org or snail mail to the address above.

Address

Camp Atterbury Joint Maneuver Training Center; 3008 Old Hospital Rd; Edinburgh, IN 46124

Valid driver's license, auto registration and proof of current auto insurance required to enter base. No one will be allowed on base if they did not register as an attendee or helper with NSDA.

Contact Information

For additional registration information, please contact Jan Meyer jmeyer@n-sda.org

Motels in Edinburgh

Check individual motels for information regarding pets.

All motels are on I-65 Exit 76

Best Western

11780 N US Highway 31 Hwy
Edinburgh, IN 46124
812-526-9883

Hilton Garden Inn

12210 N Executive Drive
Edinburgh, IN 46124
812-526-8600

Hampton Inn

12161 N US 31
Edinburgh, IN 4612
812-526-5100

Comfort Inn

11711 N US 31
Edinburgh, IN 46124
812-526-9899

Holiday Inn Express & Suites

12225 N Executive Drive
Edinburgh, IN 46124
812-526-4919



Acceptance of Risk

NSDA 2014 Seminar, October 9 - 12

Held at Camp Atterbury, Edinburgh, Indiana

It is extremely important that you know and remember that your participation in search & rescue (SAR) operations and SAR-related training involves risk to you and your dog. The eventualities of personal property damage, bodily injury or death are real and so diverse that no one can specify everything that can go wrong. Please do not participate in these activities if you believe that they are perfectly safe. They are not!

I am aware and accept that during the course of the activities in which I am participating at Camp Atterbury under the arrangement of NSDA or other individuals, organizations, corporations, or agencies coordinating activities with NSDA or their representatives, whether volunteering, working or attending the NSDA Seminar, that certain dangers exist to me and/or my dog, including the risks of injury or death.

In consideration of and for the right to participate in such activities, I do, hereby, assume all of the above-mentioned risks and will hold and save harmless NSDA and its representatives, whether paid or volunteer, from any and all liability, claims and demands of every kind and nature whatsoever which may arise in connection with my participation or the participation of my dog in any of the above-mentioned activities.

Additionally, I hereby consent to the administration of any emergency medical treatment which may be required, as determined by NSDA and its representatives, whether paid or volunteer, and will hold and save harmless, any person who procures or renders such medical treatment from any and all liability, claims or demands of every kind and nature whatsoever, which may arise out of or be attributable to, the requesting of or performance of the above-mentioned medical treatment.

The terms of this acceptance shall hereby serve as a release and assumption of risk for me, my heirs, executor, and administrator and for all members of my family, including any dependents or minors who accompany me or join me in participating in the above-mentioned activities.

In executing this acceptance, I am not relying on any statements, promises, opinions or assurance, either expressed or implied, by NSDA and/or its representatives, whether paid or volunteer, concerning the conditions or circumstances I may or will encounter while participating in the above-mentioned activities.

Additionally, I hereby certify that all of the information that I have submitted is true. I am aware and accept that any false statement made is reason for disciplinary action or termination of my right to participate in the above-mentioned activities.

Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____

In case of emergency contact: _____ Telephone: _____

NSDA Helper Form

2014 Camp Atterbury, Indiana

Please Print Legibly

Name: _____ Phone number: _____
Address: _____
City/State/Zip: _____
Email Address: _____
SAR Team Affiliation: _____
In case of emergency please contact:
(Name/Phone number/Relation)

Please be sure to dress for the weather (rain gear, boots, gloves, long pants, bug spray, etc.). We may ask you to sit in the woods for several hours each day. Please wear muted or dark color clothing. **Valid driver's license, auto registration and proof of current auto insurance required to enter base. You will not be allowed on base if you did not register with NSDA.**

Email a completed form to jmeyer@n-sda.org prior to September 15, 2014, or mail to NSDA 2014 Seminar, c/o Jan Meyer, 1123 Eagle Creek Road, Wildwood, MO 63005.

NSDA will provide you with meals beginning with Thursday breakfast through Sunday breakfast. We will also provide you with a bunk in which to sleep beginning Wednesday night through 1:00 pm on Sunday. You will need to bring your own sheets, blankets, pillow, soap, towel, shampoo, etc. Registration will begin at 4:00 on Wednesday, October 8, 2014.

Thank you, in advance, for your help and support.