**WAG is excited to host a Nosework Workshop with none other than**

**Dave Conroy & Todd Johnson**

**Saturday, April 19, 2025**

If you have trialed in NACSW or AKC scentwork there is a good chance that you have been judged by one of these judges.

In this workshop Dave and Todd will be sharing their judging experiences. What they see at trials and give insight as to what we as handlers can do to improve our teams’ successes.

**Working spots are limited so register early.** Dogs must be working at **the NW2, AKC SWA level and above**.

Teams will be divided into 2 groups via their working level. Each group will have an opportunity to work with both Dave and Todd.

This is an all-day workshop starting at 9 am. with the doors opening at 8 am.

Crating will be available inside for dogs that are non-disruptive. Only working dogs are allowed inside.

Snacks and water will be available. Lunch is on your own. There are numerous food options nearby.

Working Spot $195 *WAG member* working spot $180

Auditing Spot $65 *WAG member* auditing Spot $ 55

Location: WAG Dog Training Center, 2807 N US Highway 12, Spring Grove, Il

Registration is on-line and once payment is received a confirmation email will be sent confirming your working or auditing spot. <https://forms.gle/mJyoNZWaQfhUXGsH6>

Questions can be forwarded to Simone.SzulcCieplicki@gmail.com

**DAVE CONROY BIOGRAPHY**

Dave Conroy has been an AKC & NACSW judge for over 10 years. He brings an enthusiasm for the sport and a desire to help handlers and dogs work together as a team to achieve their goals.

Dave has been training dogs for over 40 years. Initially, he joined Milwaukee Dog Training Club with his Springer Spaniel, Tara. He eventually became an instructor and the Director of Training for the club. He worked for the Milwaukee Police Department for over 30 years. Based on his background, skill, and expertise, he was selected to be a K-9 handler for 9.5 of those years. During that time, he handled 2 different dogs trained in patrol and narcotic detection. He also helped develop the training program for Milwaukee Police Department.

He is one of the founding members of the Wisconsin Law Enforcement Canine Handlers Association (WLECHA). The Wisconsin Law Enforcement Canine Handler Association is dedicated to assisting police canines from all over the State of Wisconsin. The members planned and hosted an annual working conference which was developed to provide essential training to handlers and their canine partners.

**TODD JOHNSON BIOGRAPHY**

Todd Johnson joined the Milwaukee Police Department in 1992.  After 5 years of patrol work, in 1997, he was selected to become a handler for the department’s K9 Unit.  He would spend the remainder of the next 21 years working with Police K9’s.

During his career, Todd handled a total of 3 dual purpose, patrol and narcotic, K9’s.  In 2007, he was tasked with organizing and maintaining all training for the unit.  He became a certified K9 instructor in 2007 and started certifying Police K9’s throughout the state of Wisconsin, a position he still maintains and enjoys today.  He has mentored and trained over a dozen dogs and handlers for the city of Milwaukee Police Department.

After being introduced to scent work by Dave Conroy, Todd began judging for NACSW in the Midwest area 5 years ago.  He brings with him a vast exposure to all kinds of scent work from the law enforcement community.  He has trained K9’s to locate humans, narcotics, firearms, explosives and electronic devices.

Todd is also an adjunct instructor at Waukesha County Technical College where he teaches Police K9 and handler fundamentals.