

**PINE RIVERS DOG TRAINING CLUB Inc**  
**SCENT WORK WORKSHOP WITH PETA CLARKE**

**DATES AND SESSIONS**

**PRE-WORKSHOP - FRIDAY – 27 MAY 2022**

**Scent Work trial** – 4 Elements at each of Novice and Advanced levels

**Judge:** Peta Clarke (NSW) and Silke Weyland (Cairns)

**Note:** Trial entries are handled separately from the workshop (via K9 Entries).

**WORKSHOP - SATURDAY & SUNDAY – 28 & 29 MAY 2022**

**YMCA Camp Warrawee, Joyner 4500**

Over the two day workshop, Peta will cover a range of general topics selected from the following:

- Handling skills and building teamwork
  - how handler movement influences the dog,
  - how to navigate a search area,
  - how and when to provide direction to your dog.
  
- Planning your training to achieve success at higher levels
  - how to set hides to further your training goals,
  - how to isolate components to build your dog's understanding of odour,
  - how to successfully train multiple hides, elevated hides and inaccessible hides.

Additionally, the workshop will offer sessions on each element including topics selected from the following, which will be specific to the element under discussion, eg:

- the requirements for each element as you progress from Novice,
- setting-up training scenarios,
- developing the key dog and handler skills specific for each element.

Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> May – 9am – 4:15pm	<b>General principles as above</b>
	<b>Containers – additional element-specific topics:</b> Type and arrangement of and distance between containers; distractions.
	<b>Interiors – additional element-specific topics:</b> Height of hides; multiple hides; accessible/inaccessible; blank areas.
Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup> May – 9am – 4:15pm	<b>Exteriors – additional element-specific topics:</b> Height of hides; multiple hides; accessible/inaccessible; blank areas.
	<b>Vehicles – additional element-specific topics:</b> Layout/ search patterns (any).
	<b>Wrap up</b>

Note: These topics and elements will be addressed on Saturday and Sunday (across skill/competition levels).

Peta will work with a limited number of working teams of varying levels, over the two days to demonstrate these concepts and provide valuable insights into structuring a training plan for your Scent Work dog.

### MEMBERSHIP OF CLOSED FACEBOOK GROUP

The workshop fee includes access to a closed Facebook group, where attendees can ask questions and submit videos for discussion. Before the workshop itself, Peta will also be including a 2 hour presentation in this Facebook group entitled “Training the Scent Work Dog – The Least You Need to Know”. This group will be open from 16 May and close on 5 June 2022.

### COST

Workshop attendance (audit only – unlimited audit spots)	\$80/day; \$140 for 2 days  (Includes morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea)
<b>Plus (if relevant):</b> Working spot per day (limit of 10 teams per day)	Additional \$30 / day  (max one working spot per participant; working spots are not guaranteed. Please see note below.)

**Note:** For a working spot, please indicate on your registration if you have a preference for any of the topics and/or elements – with an assurance that we will try to accommodate those preferences, but that it may not be possible to do so; if you are not allocated to a session covering a topic/element that you select, you can opt out of a working spot.

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Attendees are not permitted to record (image and / or sound) the workshop. The exception is that attendees with a working spot are welcome to video their own practical sessions.

PRDTC will video the entire workshop. The video will not be made available publicly. It will be used for training purposes only.

As wildlife, especially koalas live within the grounds of Camp Warrawee, dogs must remain on lead at all times.

**Enquiries:** Please email: [events@pineriversdogtraining.org](mailto:events@pineriversdogtraining.org)

Please see Registration form available on website Scent Work for Dogs:  
<https://www.scentworkfordogs.org/peta-clarke-workshop-2022.html>

Registrations close on **30 April 2022**.





**A little about Peta:** *Peta's experience in scent work with dogs began back in the 1990's with her first Boxer, Russell Clarke. Russell earned his TDX title and it was during this time that she learnt what "trust your dog" really meant. With only a start peg to go by and bush all around, there was nothing else to it! As long as the track layer had Russell's favourite thing in the world - a baby's dummy - he was driven to go find them.*

*While tracking had to go by the wayside for several years as Peta pursued a career as an exotic animal trainer, she was introduced to K9 Nose Work® in 2014. Since then she has enjoyed sharing this activity and sport, presenting many seminars and workshops on the sport of nose work, in both Australia and America. In 2018 she successfully completed her certification as a Canine Nose Work Instructor (CNWI) under the NACSW in America. She has competed successfully in Australian Canine Scent Work (ACSW) Nosework with two Chihuahua crosses, Quinn and Sparrow.*

*Peta has judged several ACSW odour recognition trials and judged at Nose Work 1 level. She enjoys volunteering in many different roles at Scent Work competitions as it allows her the opportunity to observe a variety of teams, which she regards as a fundamental part of her learning as an instructor. She also co-judged at the Inaugural level 1 Scent Work Games at the 2018 Advanced Epic Extravaganza in Canberra.*

*Peta said: "The development of the sport of Scent Work as a new discipline under the Australian National Kennel Club (ANKC) has been part of my life for the past 5 years. In 2020 I completed the Foundation Judges Training Program and gained my ANKC Scent Work judge's licence. I am so excited for the future of this sport."*