

Military / Police Symposium

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 International Working Dog Breeding Association
 Scandic Infra City Hotel
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Start Time	Stop Time	Speaker	Title
09:00	09:20	Dr. Eldin A. Leighton IWDBA Board Member	Welcome Setting the stage.
Description of Some Existing Breeding Programs			
09:20	09:40	Mrs. Brenda Sawyer Breeding Program Coordinator	Royal Canadian Mounted Police Canine Breeding Program, Innisfail, Alberta
09:40	10:00	Dr. Per Arvelius Breeding Program Manager	Swedish Armed Forces Breeding Program, near Stockholm
10:00	10:20	Mr. Scott Bruce Breeding Program Manager	New Zealand Police Breeding Program
10:20	10:40	Comfort break	Coffee / tea available
Acquiring Working Dogs in the Absence of a Breeding Program			
10:40	11:00	Dr. Rich Vargus US Dept. of Defense Civilian	Acquiring working dogs in large numbers: The US Military Experience.
11:00	11:20	MAJ Graham Harvey RAVC, British Army HQ, Blenheim Z3, Andover	Acquiring working dogs in large numbers: The UK Military Experience.
11:20	11:40	Mr. David Kontny Chief of Staff Joint Program Office for Countering IED, FBI	Collaboration on canine supply among civilian law enforcement agencies in the US and Europe.
11:40	12:00	FSGT Alan Grossman MWD Projects, Royal Australian Air Force and IWDBA Board Member	History of canine supply in the Royal Australian Air Force: 1956-Now.
What is the Cost to Produce a Healthy, Well-Bred Dog?			
12:00	12:20	Mr. Paul Mundell IWDBA Board President Formerly, President CCI	Canine Companions for Independence, a US- based non-profit, produces about 1,000 newborn puppies per year.
12:20	12:30	Questions and discussion from the floor.	
12:30	13:30	Lunch. Please use this time to meet and mingle.	

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To Breed or Not to Breed Dogs, That is the Question.			
13:30	13:50	Dr. Karen Overall Canine Behavior Specialist Co-Chair of SWGDOG IWDBA Board member	Choosing and measuring behaviors you think you need.
13:50	14:10	Ms Jane Russenberger Senior Dir. Genetics and Breeding, Guiding Eyes for the Blind	Measuring and scoring behavior traits in guide dogs.
Collaboration: When is the Time to begin?			
14:10	14:30	Dr. Eldin A. Leighton Animal Geneticist IWDR Developer	Benefits of working together to breed healthy, high-quality working dogs in large numbers.
14:30	15:00	General Discussion	
15:00	15:30	Comfort break	Coffee / tea available
Breakout Sessions			
15:30	16:45	Breed German Shepherd Dogs or Belgian Malinois	Get to know each other. Talk about common issues and problems. Discuss sharing germplasm.
15:30	16:45	Breed Labrador Retrievers	Get to know each other. Talk about common issues and problems. Discuss sharing germplasm.
15:30	16:45	Buy dogs from available sources	Get to know others in this group. Discuss issues and experiences. Consider forming alliances.
16:45	17:30	General Discussion	Question and answer session on any topic related to obtaining an adequate number of healthy, high-quality, purpose-bred working dogs capable of meeting mission requirements.