

Janet Wilts
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Janet Wilts- Law Enforcement and K9 Experience

Work Experience:

Has worked 25 years as a Law Enforcement Officer (Yosemite, Pt Reyes, Whiskeytown, GTNP)
Currently working as Grand Teton National Park Investigator and Law Enforcement Specialist
Has a current Law Enforcement Commission 1985-2005 (Federal)
Currently responsible for all investigations and court cases in the Park

General Experience:

My dog Chayda (3 years old) is currently certified in wilderness, HRD, tracking/trailing, cadaver, avalanche, evidence, bomb detection and water

General K-9 Training and Experience:

19 yrs dog trainer and handler (trained or training 5 of my own SAR dogs) (training my 5th dog)

8 years narcotics dog training

2 years bomb detection training

Has been a certifying official for Narcotics/Bomb Detection, Trailing, Cadaver, HRD, Water, Avalanche, Wilderness, Evidence and Building Search for over 10 years.

Tested and certified more than 75 dogs, including High Country and Wyoming K-9 members, National Park Service Rangers, Ski Patrol and many other members of dog groups in Montana, Wyoming, Idaho, Utah and Arizona.

Conducted seminars in Arizona, Texas, Oregon, California, Montana and Wyoming (instructed the following topics: Trailing, HRD, beginning SAR dog training, beginning cadaver, avalanche, water, rappelling with K-9's, K-9 drives, scent theory, wilderness search, search strategy, GPS training and advanced wilderness search)

Assisted in training over 300 dogs in the various SAR dog disciplines

Participated as a student in over 15 seminars (obedience, disaster, avalanche, scent theory, trailing, cadaver, water)

Has participated in over 200 SAR missions as:

Incident Commander, Team Leader, Plans Section Chief, On-Scene Commander, Team Leader, Searcher, Dog Handler...and other assigned duties

Developed an easier method for rappelling with your K-9

Testing and Training Officer for Wyoming K-9 SAR (7 years)

Past president of Jackson Hole Search Dogs (3 years)

Helped form Wyoming K-9 SAR, including developing the testing criteria and standards

Member of Wyoming K-9 SAR (www.wyomingk9sar.org)

Member and Trainer/Instructor of High Country K-9 (www.highcountryk9.org)

Narcotics/BombDetection K-9 Experience:

Participated in K9 Narcotics Training taught by Alan Jenson (Jackson Police K9 Handler, Trainer and Testing Official) **400 hours**

Trained and certified 2 of my own dogs in Narcotics/ 1 dog in Bomb Detection. (NNDDA, NPCA) 1999-2007 (started training these dogs at the age of 8 weeks) **600 hours**

Assisted 3 inexperienced dog handlers in training their dogs for Narcotics detection. All 3 have certified their dogs through NNDDA or NPCA. **200 hours**

8 yrs narcotics dog training

Current DEA license