

2023 SPRING APCA WORKSHOP AND CERTIFICATIONS HOSTED BY THE GASTON COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT

May 1st-4th, 2023

Hosted by the Gaston County Police Department



Registration fee of \$175 Covers:

- American Police Canine Membership/Certifications
- T-Shirt
- Breakfast, Lunch, & Dinner

Workshop's Week to Include:

- Trainers, as well as **APCA Master Trainers**, available throughout the week providing guidance, problem solving, & instruction.
- Canine 1st Aid Class featuring Dr. Jessica Hilderbran, Gaston County's own Animal Care & Enforcement Veterinarian.
- Real World Scenario based training utilizing Simunitions
- Armored Vehicle Deployments – You & your K9 partner will be transported in Gaston County Police Department's BEARCAT to participate in tactical deployments. You will work alongside members from their Emergency Response Team to gain experience in assisting during high-risk operations.
- Boat deployments – You & your K9 partner will board the Department's 32-foot Workskiff to a local lake where you will work a set training scenario.
- K9 Searches utilizing Night Vision
- **SNIFF OFF:** the APCA has held an annual sniff off BUT during this workshop, we will incorporate something new by crowning a Spring Seminar Champion (Trophy Included)! The top 5 teams from this Spring Workshop will be invited to the APCA National Seminar for the 'Super Bowl Sniff Off' where they will face off with the top 5 teams from the March Sniff Off. The Sniff Off Champion will then be crowned for the Association (Bragging Rights)!

Additional Event Questions Contact: Captain Billy Downey - 704-747-2464,
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