

Jeffrey Riccio

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Personal Profile

- ♦ It has always been my dream to start a successful dog training business in my hometown of Plymouth, MA. I was in business there for a little over a year before purchasing my new property in Middleboro, MA. I am passionate and dedicated to my career and love making a difference in people's lives. I have been involved in the training of police and pet dogs, as well as their owners and handlers for the past 6 years and cannot see myself doing anything else. I am an active competitor and trial/training decoy in the Protection Sports Assn. (PSA) with my personal dog, a 6 year old Belgian malinois named Isis. Isis is also trained in Narcotics detection and has assisted law enforcement in school and jail searches while living in North Carolina. I also own a Labrador Retriever named Cooper, he is a trained explosives detection dog and my demonstration dog.

Education

Northstate K9 Academy/Tarheel Canine Training, Inc-Sanford, NC

01/07-03/07, K9 Instructor Certification- Basic and Advanced Obedience, K9 Detection Training, Personal Protection and Patrol Training, Behavior Modification, Search and Rescue Training

University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth- Dartmouth, MA

2002-2006, Bachelor's Degree-Sociology and Criminal Justice

Norfolk County Agricultural High School-Walpole, MA

1998-2002-High School Diploma-Marine Science and Animal Behavior

Experience

Professional Experience

Riptide K-9, Plymouth, MA- February 2011-Present

- ♦ Owner
- ♦ Head Trainer

Professional Experience

Tarheel Canine Training, Inc, Sanford, NC- March 2008-February 2011

- ♦ Senior Police K9 Instructor under Jerry Bradshaw and Janet Dooley
- ♦ Training police canines in detection (narcotics/explosives/cadaver), personal protection and search and rescue (250+)
- ♦ Training and instructing students, both law enforcement and civilian on the proper training and handling of police canines as well as certifying instructors.

Ponderosa Kennels, Smithsburg, MD- April 2007-March 2008

- ♦ Retriever Trainer for field trial retrievers under Pat Nolan
- ♦ Detection dog trainer
- ♦ Obedience Trainer

Activities

- ♦ Protection Sports Association (PSA) Competitor w/ Tarheel's "Lil evil" Isis, (2008-Present)
- ♦ Achieved PSA-1 with Isis (2011)
- ♦ Achieved PSA PDC and TC with Isis (2009)
- ♦ Fully Certified PSA Decoy (2009-present)
- ♦ PSA National Select Decoy 2012
- ♦ PSA East Coast Director of Decoys (2011)
- ♦ PSA National Select Decoy 2011
- ♦ Trial decoy for 25+ PSA Trials from 09'-12'
- ♦ Inducted into FENRIR K9 "Pro-staff" (2011)
- ♦ Instructed Police K9 Decoy school for Nosara Kennels, Nosara, Costa Rica (2012)
- ♦ Official Authorized Dealer for DOGTRA Products (2011)
- ♦ Appeared/Interviewed on "Larry King Live" for recovering body of missing child in NC w/ Cadaver Dogs (2010)
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- ♦ Appeared/Interviewed on WRAL News (Raleigh) for recovering body of missing child in NC w/ Cadaver Dogs (2010)
- ♦ Interviewed by Associated Press and Old Colony Memorial Newspapers
- ♦ Instructed PSA Decoy Camps in Baltimore, Maryland (2009), Stafford, Virginia (2010), Fredericksburg, Maryland (2011) and Franklin, New Jersey (2011), Carrsville Virginia (2012), Franklin, NJ (2012)
- ♦ Assistant Instructor under Jerry Bradshaw for TK9 Decoy school, Fort Belvoir, VA (2010)
- ♦ Assistant instructor under Jerry Bradshaw for TK9 Decoy school, Sanford, NC (2010)
- ♦ Assistant Instructor under Jerry Bradshaw for TK9 Police K9 seminar/Certification, US Virgin Islands (2010)
- ♦ Apprentice Judge for National Tactical Police Dog Association (NTPDA)(2009-Present)
- ♦ Attended K9 Legal Update Seminar w/ Terry Fleck, Baltimore, MD (2009)
- ♦ Attended International Association of Canine Professionals gathering, Austin, TX (2008)
- ♦ Attended "On Target" detection training seminar w/ Randy Hare (2007)
- ♦ Decoy for Metropolitan K9 Working Dog Club (2007)