Training Visit Report for Cooper

Date: 11/19/19	Time of Visit: 1:30pm – Training Day 7/9

Notes

Took Cooper to Mountain View Cemetery and worked with "decoy" dog and assistant trainer to work Cooper under threshold in presence of another dog on leash. Worked on "Watch Me", "Find It", and "This Way". Stayed at least 20 feet away and did not let dogs look or face each other directly. Cooper remained very calm the whole time. Used hot dogs as high value reward. It's important not to rush it or push Cooper beyond what he is feeling comfortable with.

Back at house, practiced going to place and reinforced for staying longer periods on towel.

It's very obvious that you have been doing great work with Cooper on his foundation exercises and focusing. He was easy and relaxed, even when other leashed dog in sight and was not too focused on the other dog to do "watch me", etc. Great work!!

Instructions

Continue to work on focus exercises without distractions – watch me, find it. When on walks, reward for focusing on handler and practice "this way" about-faces. Continue to do NFF (nothing for free) and ask him to do something before getting something he wants (play, go outside, eat, pets). Just keep doing what you are doing to continue his progress and follow direction of Reactive Class instructor for dog-dog interactions.