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The Black Hawk County Sheriff's Office has teamed up with Lark Brewing to release "Deputy Jarvis Golden Ale" beer.

The development of the beverage and the partnership with Lark has occurred in an effort to raise funds for the up-coming United States Police Canine Association (USPCA) Narcotics Detection Trials. These trials are being hosted and held in Black Hawk County during the days of March 26th - 28th, 2023. Partial proceeds raised from the sale of the limited edition beer will be donated by Lark Brewing to the Black Hawk County Sheriff's Office to help cover hosting responsibilities at the trials. We are expecting between 70 and 100 dog teams from across the state of lowa to attend the three day event.

The beer release and fundraiser is occuring at Lark Brewing (located at 6301 University Ave. in Cedar Falls) on Saturday January 14, 2023 at 2pm.

We will also have Black Hawk County K9 Unit patches available for a \$10 donation and for a \$5 donation; donors will receive a "Deputy Jarvis Golden Ale" 11" x 14" poster while supplies last!

Jarvis will be out at the event to meet and greet the public. We'll also have some fun handouts for the children while supplies last! We encourage everyone to come out for a tail-wagging good time!

The United States Police Canine Association (USPCA) is the Nation's Oldest and Largest Police K-9 Organization. Since 1971, they have been training and certifying police dogs in General Patrol Dog use, Tracking, Protection, Narcotic Detection, Explosive Detection, Arson, Fish and Game and Search and Rescue.

These national certifications have been upheld by more than 48 U.S. Supreme and Federal District Court rulings as a 'Bona-Fide' test for Police use. The USPCA represent the very finest in Police Dog Training and Certification and strive for constant improvement. Breeds include the German Shepherd Dog, Belgian Malinois, Retrievers, Labradors, Border Collies, Bloodhounds, and so on.

The United States is broken down into various 'Regions' that participate and hold field trials each year. Iowa is Region 21. Those teams meeting top scores are invited to attend the National Police Dog Field Trials where the National Champion is selected.