



A DOG'S LIFE: Wayne gets Nyx ready for a demonstration

Breakfast business

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Development Wainuiomata had a guest of the four-legged variety last week at their monthly breakfast meeting.

Just over twenty people braved the cold to listen to Wayne Severn give a talk on drug testing in the work place.

Wayne brought along Nyx, a drug testing dog, trained to smell for marijuana and methamphetamine on people and property.

Wayne said dogs were the "most efficient" way to find drugs.

As well as drug testing in the work place, Wayne's business ScentTECH Ltd also tests for methamphetamine in the home.

He said it was important to get properties checked out for methamphetamine.

"Meth can destroy a property. The

cost can be tens of thousands of dollars to decontaminate," Wayne said.

He suggested having policies in place around drug testing in every work place and to be open with workers about what this means.

He said this was especially important due to the new laws around health and safety in work environments.

"It's up to the employers to provide a safe environment for the employees," he said.

Development Wainuiomata's next breakfast will take place on Friday, June 24.

The guest speaker will be Camilla Welch of Label and Litha.

The group's AGM will follow the meeting.

■ For more information about Wayne Severn and ScentTECH Ltd head to www.scenttech.co.nz.