

## 2019 TRACKING COURSE ANNOUNCEMENT

**Date:** 4/5/2018-4/7/2018

**Time:** 8:00 a.m., Friday, 4/5/2019 through 4:00 p.m., Sunday, 4/7/2019

Location: Camp Killoqua, 15207 E Lake Goodwin Rd, Stanwood, WA 98292

**Course Cost:** \$395.00 payable to SCVSAR MTT and send to SCVSAR MTT, c/o Bill Buck – 5506 Old Machias Rd., Snohomish WA 98290 - \$100 deposit required to reserve space in this class, due by 3/8/2019. Late registration is \$425.00

**Meals & Accommodations:** Your registration fee covers h<u>eated</u>, dormitory style accommodations with mattress only from Friday and Saturday nights. Additional night accommodations are available for \$25/person/night. Participants must bring their own bedding and towel. Mattresses are thin so packing additional padding/blow up mattress is advisable. Meals are provided from breakfast 4/5/2018 through Lunch 4/7/2018.

There are NO prerequisites for this training presentation. This tracking course is open to all persons with tracking interests regardless of previous experience or training and will focus on primary training for beginning or novice student interests. This will be a certification course for all eligible students. All tracking students will be provided training at an appropriate level for their development and upward progress.

**Course Content:** This will be a 24 hour course beginning at 8:00 am Friday 4/5/2018 with registration and lecture including power point presentation to provide Novice and Basic tracker understanding of training methodology, techniques and procedures. The presentation supports field training by providing student understanding of training methods, manner and objectives. "Tracking" is a first response primary search resource used to verify witness statements, establish the "PLS", direction of subject travel and following the physical evidence to the missing person. Field training will allow "student tracking team" experimentation and "hands-on" practice of fundamental tracking techniques. Novice students will progress from initial identifying a print, to "step-by-step" every track concept of following an identified sign line and practical tracking team response.

This is a "skill development" training program for all Tracker Students. Both, beginning and advanced students will begin with the understanding of the Basic Tracker foundational methods and will be introduced to practical tracking techniques and applications necessary to become a viable resource for SAR missions. Students at all training levels will be individually challenged with additional advanced tracking concepts and techniques.

Actual mission simulations under the guidance of instructors, assist student understanding of team and operational tactics and techniques in realistic and practical situations. Mission simulations offer students the opportunity to practice and experiment with appropriate application of search management concepts, interview and interrogation techniques, crime scene investigation, and evidence protection and reporting while engaged in developing tracking skills for actual SAR and law enforcement mission scenarios.



## TRACKING STEP BY STEP... JHPTS - VISUAL TRACKING AND TRAINING INC.

225 Mill Road, Clearwater, Idaho 83552-5116 208-926-4390 joel@ jhardin-inc.com www.jhardin-inc.com

Please bring to this training course your current training manual and tracking logs. Should you anticipate challenging the certification board for advancement: Please advise your trainer in advance so that person may prepare a recommendation and your training records; you must bring your personal tracking and training logs and records.

**Student Needs:** Students should be physically fit and equipped for SAR field response. Field practice will continue during any inclement weather, students should be properly prepared with wet/dry, cold/hot weather gear. Knee pads may be helpful. Students need to bring a pen/pencil, note pad, small measuring tape, 5/8 inch doweling or similar, 36 to 40 inches long, with three rubber bands to use as a tracking stick and a three cell flashlight. Signed copies of Joel's book are available by direct contact with Joel at <u>Joel@jhardin-inc.com</u>

**Registration:** Students must pre-register by 3/8/2018 for this course with a \$100 deposit. Late registration is \$425.00. If you have any questions regarding the class or class location please contact Bill Buck at (425) 760-5389 or by email at <a href="ruggslakebuck@gmail.com">ruggslakebuck@gmail.com</a>. Please make your check payable to SCVSAR MTT and send to SCVSAR MTT, c/o Bill Buck – 5506 Old Machias Rd., Snohomish WA 98290. Pre-registered students failing to attend this course without a reasonable excuse will forfeit their \$100.00 deposit.

**Sponsor Information:** This course is sponsored by SCVSAR Man Tracking Team. All interested law enforcement and SAR volunteer personnel are invited to attend.