



TRACKING STEP BY STEP... JOEL HARDIN PROFESSIONAL TRACKING SERVICES

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2011 TRACKING COURSE ANNOUNCEMENT

Date: Sept 30 – Oct 2, 2011

Time: 08:00 a.m., Friday, September 30th through 2:00 p.m., Sunday, October 2, 2011

Location: Covington, Georgia (FFA Camp – www.georgiaffacamp.org)

Course Cost: \$ 395.00 payable to Georgia Trackers Alliance, c/o Mona Hand, 366 Angie Court, Lilburn, GA 30047. - \$100 deposit required to reserve space in this class, due by September 2, 2011.

Meals & Accommodations: Bunk-style accommodations are provided Friday and Saturday nights. Meals are provided from Friday morning breakfast through Sunday lunch.

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, September 30th 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 Apprentice and Journeyman Tracker students. Students at these levels have acquired Basic Tracker understanding 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. Journeyman Tracker students will be provided advanced training objectives working with Novice and Apprentice students and separately in simulated actual SAR and law enforcement mission scenarios.

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. Joel will have copies of his book, "TRACKER" for purchase, \$20.00.

Registration: Students must pre-register by September 2, 2011 for this course with a \$100 deposit. If you have any questions regarding the class or class location please contact Mona Hand at 770-313-7185 or by email at monahikes@gmail.com. Send your deposit to: Georgia Trackers Alliance -GTA - c/o Mona Hand - 366 Angie Court, Lilburn, GA 30047. Pre-registered students failing to attend this course without a reasonable excuse will be assessed the \$100.00 service fee.

Sponsor Information: This course is sponsored by Georgia Trackers Alliance (GTA). All interested law enforcement and SAR volunteer personnel are invited to attend.



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TRAINING COURSE REGISTRATION

Course Applicant : Please complete this form and send via email attachment or regular mail to: GTA c/o Mona Hand – 366 Angie Court, Lilburn, GA 30047 – monahikes@gmail.com

Course Location: Covington, Georgia – FFA Camp _____

Course Date: September 30 – October 2, 2011 _____

Course Name: JHPTS Tracking _____

Student Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____

Prov/State: _____ **Zip Code/Postal Code:** _____

Phone #: (____) _____ **Group/Unit/County:** _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Current JHPTS Certification *(please check one)*

New Student Basic Tracker Apprentice Tracker

Journeyman Tracker Sign Cutter

Deposit Enclosed **\$100.00** _____ Tuition Fee Enclosed \$ _____

Applicant: Please note any requests or questions that you have and wish a response from the contact person.

