Tracking Workshop - April 17-18, 2010



URBAN SEARCH TECHNIQUES AND THEORY

An Introduction to Variable Surface Tracking with Ed Presnall Introductory Urban Tracking Workshop - 2 Days

Introduction level workshop developed to introduce dogs and handlers to working on variable surfaces in an urban environment such as a business park, college or university. This is a hands-on working seminar limited to a set number of working participants. Each dog will be worked and evaluated on urban tracks during the workshop. Developed for novice to advanced level trackers to provide an introductory knowledge of urban work. This workshop is suitable for beginners or experienced trackers. A basic introduction to tracking (TD level) is an advantage to all participants however previous experience in urban tracking is not required.

Council Bluffs, Jowa

LIMITED TO 10 WORKING DOGS

Working Dogs - \$200 - Auditors \$100

Agreement

Your participation in this workshop acknowledges your acceptance and agreement to the following binding agreements:

I hereby agree to save and hold Ed Presnall and/or Pawmark LLC and/or Gerianne Darnell, their employees, agents and assigns harmless from any and all liability, including but not limited to reimbursement of all costs and attorneys fees, for damages and/or injury to self and/or to my dog, during any instruction period, before or after any session, and at any and all times while the dog or owner/handler is located on property used for the workshop and;

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Workshop Overview

- Overview of Urban Tracking (VST)
- What is VST?
- Why is VST different from TD & TDX?
- Scenting Properties and Scent Flow Analysis
- The Canine Olfactory System
- Understanding how good your dog's nose really is
- Training For Urban Search
- What are Components?
- The Building Block of all Tracks
- Why Component Training Works
- Training With Or Without Food
- Random Rewards Not Handouts
- Your Required Commitment
- Teamwork Is The Key
- Open Your Mind and Believe
- Your Job as a Handler
- When to Help and When to Hold the Line
- Keeping Your Dog Challenged
- Communicating With Your Dog



- Those Magic Words
- Line Handling Techniques
- Developing Your Daily Routines
- · Heading for the Start Flag
- Restarting Your Dog on the Track
- Rock Solid Article Indication
- Hold Up Meeting People
- Waiting for Traffic
- Easy Hey it's My Arm You're Pulling Off!
- Show Me the Track
- Multi-Dog/Handler Motivational Games & Exercises
- Starts
- Serpentines
- The Article Game
- Introducing Transitions
- Working Urban (VST) Component Tracks
- Individual Evaluation of Working Dogs and Handlers
- Discussion Periods
- Questions and Answers



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Ed Presnall, Walworth, Wisconsin



Author of Mastering Variable Surface Tracking: The Component Training Approach, creator of the Component TrainingTM method, tracking judge, technology consultant and trainer he spends the majority of his time teaching, training and writing about dogs Ed is an International authority on training dogs and handlers to track. As a member of the Dog Writers' Association of America (DWAA), Ed has been nominated ten times and twice awarded the prestigious Maxwell Award (the Oscar of the Dog World) for his published works. He has authored 8 books and over 200 short stories, articles and columns for a variety of dog publications.

Ed became involved with AKC tracking in 1994 and now judges Tracking at the TD, TDX and VST levels. Recognized by many as one of the leading and most innovative trainers in the sport he has earned 19 TD titles, 4 TDX titles, 5 VST titles, and 3 CT on ten different breeds of dogs while training dozens of other breeds and their handlers to advanced titles. His students follow in his foot steps with enthusiasm and pride. He has

worked with over 4,000 dogs in basic and urban tracking through his international seminars and workshops.

His years of experience in this field, working with over 138 different breeds of dogs, brings a refreshing motivational outlook on dog training to this sport. Ed and his dogs have appeared on several television shows and promotional events including the Animal Planet series *Breed All About It!* and the *AKC Eukunuba Classic*. In June of 2002. Ed's Field Spaniel "*Race*" participated as one of only five Champion Tracker teams in the first AKC National Tracking Exhibition in Villa Park, IL. In September 2003, his Border Collie "*Dillon*" participated in the First AKC National Tracking Invitational in Asheville, NC. In September 2005, his Irish Water Spaniel "*Beacon*" participated in the Second AKC National Tracking Invitational in Asheville, NC.







Registration Form

Complete and Mail Along With Your Payment LIMITED TO ONLY 10 WORKING TEAMS - UNLIMITED AUDITORS

Name	
Address	
City/State/Zip	
Telephone	
Cell Phone	
E-Mail Address	
Your Experience in Tracking	□ None □ TD □ TDX □ VST □ Tracking Judge
Tracking Titles Earned	□ None □ TD □ TDX □ VST □ CT
Breed and Age of Dog	Age:
Dog's Registered Name	
Dog's Call Name	☐ Male ☐ Female
Dog's Tracking Experience	□ None □ TD □ TDX □ VST □ CT
What do you hope to gain?	
Areas for specific work	☐ Starts ☐ Corners ☐ Motivation ☐ Articles ☐ Transitions ☐ Contamination ☐ Other:
Workshop Fees	□ \$200.00 Working with Dog □ \$100.00 Auditor (No Dog) Make Checks Payable to Gerianne Darnell



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PAY IN FULL OR SEND YOUR \$100 NON-REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT TO RESERVE A WORKING SPOT

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