

Does Your Dog Smell?

THE TRACKING CLUB OF VERMONT

PRESENTS

A TRACKING CLINIC FOR BEGINNERS

(No prior experience necessary!)

Saturday, May 1, 2021

AT

751 TINMOUTH ROAD, DANBY, VERMONT

9:30 AM TO 4:00 PM

Raindate May 2, in case of extreme weather

Tracking is a stimulating sport for dog and handler and an excellent way to develop that special bond with your dog while participating in an activity that you will find both challenging and rewarding. If you have been wanting to try tracking but don't know where to begin, if you're curious to learn more about the sport, or if you have an eager dog that spends a lot of time with her nose down, this clinic is for you.

The day will consist of classroom and outside presentations and hands on exercises in the field both with and without your dog. The instructors and assistants are experienced TCV Club members who were all beginners once and understand the questions and confusion that can confront those just starting out. They have learned over the years from others and experience and are eager to help newcomers to start out correctly. All instructors have earned tracking titles with their dogs.

The seminar is structured to provide handlers with a foundation of training principles and techniques to begin tracking training with their canine companion and, if desired, working towards the Tracking Titles as offered by the American Kennel Club (AKC). Participants will leave the seminar with a fundamental knowledge of scent theory, tracking equipment selection and handling, tracking training theory, AKC tracking test regulations and requirements, track setting and mapping, interpretation of a dog's actions while tracking and common tracking problems (both human and canine) and their solutions. In addition to the formal presentation, there will be opportunity for questions and discussion.

Clinic starts promptly at 9:30AM

1 hour break for lunch, food not provided

\$100 per working team (1 person and 1 dog)/TCV Members \$80

\$60 per auditor/ TCV Member \$50

Working teams limited to 10

The field work associated with this clinic could require walking through high grass and over uneven terrain. Participants should be in reasonably good health and physical condition. Like a tracking test, this clinic will go on, rain or shine. When the lecture portion of the clinic is taking place, your dog will be expected to wait in your vehicle.

Please enroll early, using the attached form, as the clinic fills quickly and the number of working teams is limited. A confirmation with directions and a list of things to bring for you and your dog will be sent after receipt of paid enrollment.

COVID PROTOCOL:

Masks will be required at all times indoors and when you are near people outdoors.

Any participant may be asked to leave if they are showing obvious signs of COVID. Please do not come if you are experiencing any symptoms.

All participants are expected to read the Vermont cross state quarantine rules which currently mandate a 14-day quarantine for people coming from certain counties/states.

Social distancing practices will be observed at all times. Maintain 6 feet of space.

Questions? Contact Dee Bort at 802-775-3830
or email her at rdskn17@hotmail.com

The Tracking Club of Vermont (TCV) was founded in 1991. It is an American Kennel Club (AKC) licensed club dedicated to the promotion of the sport of tracking. TCV offers AKC Tracking Dog (TD) and Tracking Dog Excellent (TDX) tests in April and October and a Variable Surface Tracking (VST) test along with instructional clinics and seminars. Find the web page for the Tracking Club of Vermont at www.trackingclubofvermont.org.

ENROLLMENT FORM

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Mail this form, both signed waivers AND your check made payable to Tracking Club of Vermont
to: Dee Bort, 97 Killington Avenue, Rutland, VT 05701

Please print clearly

Name _____

Address _____

Phone No. _____ E-mail _____

Dog's Breed _____ Dog's Call Name _____

Dog's Age _____ Dog's Gender _____

Prior tracking experience, if any:



AGREEMENT TO HOLD HARMLESS, Waiver of Liability and Informed Consent

I understand that tracking with the TRACKING CLUB OF VERMONT, INC. is not without risk to me, members of my family or guests, my dog(s), other participants, or members of the general public who may attend or be present.

I hereby waive and release THE TRACKING CLUB OF VERMONT, INC. (TCV) AND ALL THE LANDOWNERS WHO ALLOW TRACKING ON THEIR PROPERTY DURING TCV EVENTS and all of their members, officers, boards, and agents from any and all liability of any nature, for injury or damage that I, my family, guests, or dog(s) may suffer while tracking at any time with THE TRACKING CLUB OF VERMONT, INC.

Additionally, I hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless THE TRACKING CLUB OF VERMONT, INC. AND ALL THE LANDOWNERS WHO ALLOW ME TO TRACK ON THEIR PROPERTY DURING TCV EVENTS, and all of their officers, board members and agents from any and all claims, or claims by any other participant, member of the general public, any TCV member, or any member of any family or other person accompanying me or while on the fields or the surrounding area thereto as a result of any action by any dog, including my own during TCV events.

COVID-19 Waiver

Hereafter, American Kennel Club will be referred to as AKC.

Hereafter, Tracking Club of Vermont headquarters and test fields will be referred to as Site.

Hereafter, Tracking Club of Vermont will be referred to as Club.

I attest that to the best of my knowledge, I do not have COVID-19 at the time of attending this event and understand the risks of unknowing exposure to this and other illnesses by or to myself, my family, other participants, and third parties. I have not been tested and found positive; am not waiting for test results; and do not have symptoms. I agree that I will not knowingly expose others to any illness I may have or be at risk to have. I will follow all AKC and Club rules and requirements to reduce any exposure and possibility of contracting or spreading the virus. I will also fully cooperate with and follow any City, County or State guidelines that have jurisdiction in the area in which the event is taking place. If any of the above should change prior to my arrival at the trial site or during the completion of the event that is the subject of this consent, I will inform AKC and the Club and proceed accordingly in light of the new information.

I agree that I am attending this AKC and Club event entirely at my own risk and assume all risk and full responsibility for my own health, wellbeing, and safety during this event. I fully agree that AKC and Club, the owners/board members, employees, assistants and volunteers are in no way liable for any present or future COVID-19 exposure incurred at any time by any person, in attendance or not in attendance, during or after this event. I hereby waive and release AKC, the Site and Club, the owners/board members, employees, assistants and volunteers from any and all liability for damages or personal injury to me, my dogs or my property.

Further, I hereby indemnify and hold harmless AKC, the Site and the Club, the owners/board members, employees, assistants and volunteers from any and all claims by or liability to any third party arising out of my participation in the Site and Club event. Any liability to anyone for any incident involving myself, the location, or those pets or actions of other participants and spectators will be my sole responsibility and I assume all financial liability and will also assume all and any financial costs associated with my actions.

Signature

Print name

Date Signed