

JOEL HARDIN PROFESSIONAL TRACKING SERVICES
TRACKING COURSE ANNOUNCEMENT
ALL TRACKERS WELCOME

At

Madison County, Sheridan, Montana

Date: July 17, 18, 19, 2009

Location: Alder Community Center / Fire Hall - Alder, Montana 59710 (see map)

Time: 8:00 a.m., Friday, July 17th – through – 2:00 p.m. Sunday, July 19th.

Course cost: \$185.00 tuition plus \$60.00 meals and course expenses for a total of **\$245.00** payable to Ruby Valley Search and Rescue.

A \$100.00 pre-registration deposit must be received by July 1st to reserve a student position in this course. **Make check payable to Ruby Valley SAR and mail to Fred Wilson at P.O. Box 876, Sheridan, MT 59749.**

Meals & Accommodations: Meals beginning with breakfast Friday morning 7AM-8AM and camping/tenting areas at the community hall at no cost. The closest Motels are in Sheridan, MT approximately 9 miles.

Contact: Fred Wilson at 406-596-2263 or email fwilson@3rivers.net for more information.

Prerequisites: There are No Prerequisites for this training presentation and opportunity; all interested persons are invited to attend. Tracking training is administered and presented at all levels to challenge those with previous tracking training.

Course Content: This will be a 24-hour course beginning Friday, July 17th at 8:00a.m. with registration and lecture including teaching aids to provide Novice and Basic tracker understanding of training mythology, 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 follow 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.

Law Enforcement students will participate in all phases of the training in order to understand the nature of “tracking” evidence as established by criminal case law. They will have hands-on experience in locating, recording and documenting “tracking” evidence for preservation and case/court presentations.

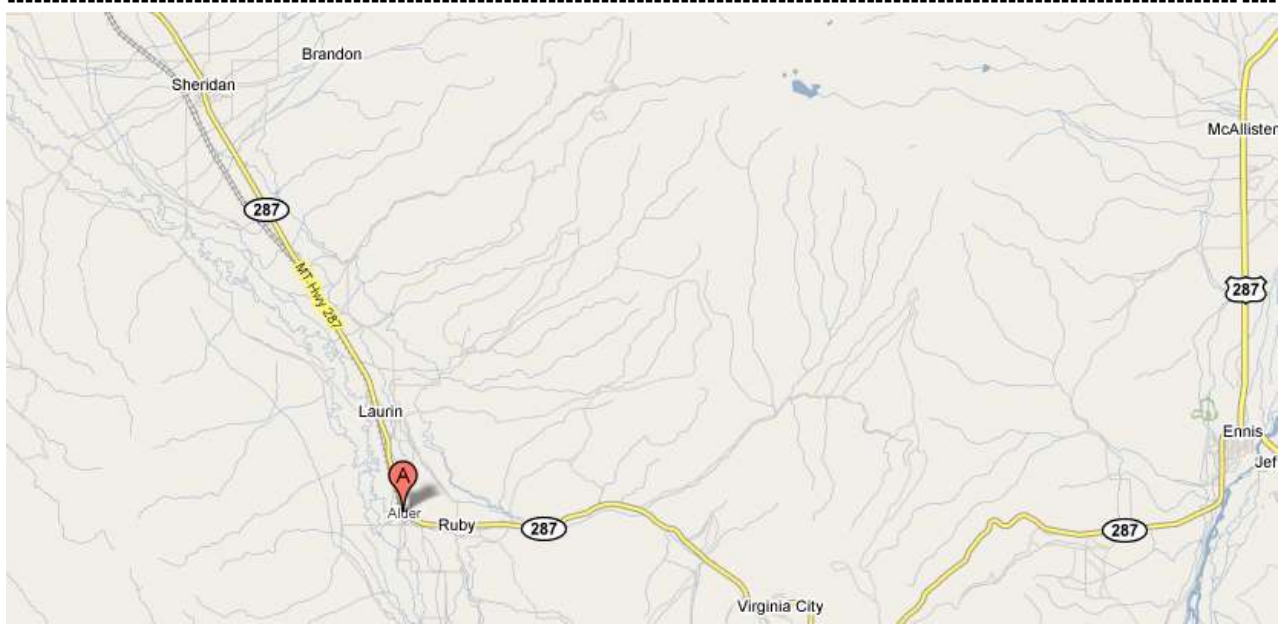
This is a “skill development” training program for Apprentice and Journeyman level tracking students. Students at these levels have acquired Basic Tracker understanding and will be introduced to practical tracking techniques and applications necessary to become a viable resource for SAR missions. Students 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 simulated actual SAR and law enforcement mission scenarios. For more on the course content, contact Joel at joel@jhardin-inc.com or (208) 926-4390 - <http://www.jhardin-inc.com>

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. Students need to bring a pen/pencil, note pad, small measuring tape, tracking stick and a three cell flashlight and should consider knee pads.

The community center has bathrooms with showers for those camping. Meals begin with Breakfast on Friday end with Lunch on Sunday being prepared and served by members and families of the Ruby Valley SAR group.

Registration: Students must pre-register for this course and pay the \$100 pre-registration fee by **July 1st**, to guarantee attendance and provide for meals and course expenses. Contact: Fred Wilson at 406-596-2263 or fwilson@3rivers.net for any additional information relating to meals, lodging and directions.

Sponsor Information: Ruby Valley Search and Rescue is sponsoring this course.



**Madison County, MT Search and Rescue
Course Registration Form
Ruby Valley Search and Rescue
July 17, 18, 19, 2009
Training Course Presented
at
Community Center/Fire Hall, Alder, Montana**

Student's Name: _____
Mailing Address: _____
City: _____ Ph: _____
State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Email address: _____

Current JHPTS Certification Level:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> New Student | <input type="checkbox"/> Novice | <input type="checkbox"/> Basic Tracker |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Apprentice Tracker | <input type="checkbox"/> Journeyman Tracker | <input type="checkbox"/> Sign Cutter |

This course will be located 9 miles South of Sheridan, at the Alder Community Center / Fire Hall in Alder, MT. Student lodging is your own; the closest motel lodging is in Sheridan, Montana. Camping is available at the Community Center in Alder, MT at no charge. Meals will be prepared and served by members and families of the Madison County SAR group beginning with breakfast at 7:00 AM, Friday July 17th and completing with lunch on Sunday, July 19th.

The cost for this course is **\$245.00** U.S. Includes tuition, meals and course expenses.

- Nonrefundable Deposit (\$100.00) enclosed
 Total cost (\$245.00) enclosed
 Vegetarian or other special food requirements _____

Note: You must send at least \$100.00 by July 1st, 2009 to be considered registered. Make checks payable to: Ruby Valley SAR.

Send this pre- registration form and check or MO to **Fred Wilson, P.O. 876, Sheridan, MT 59749**

JHPTS contact person for this course is Joel Hardin: (208) 926-4390 - joel@jhardin-inc.com

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