



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

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### TRACKING COURSE ANNOUNCEMENT

**Date:** August 20, 21, 22, 2010

**Time:** 08:00 a.m., Friday, August 20 through 2:00 p.m., Sunday, August 21, 2010

**Location:** Northwest College Field Camp - Directions to the camp from Cody, WY: take Hwy. 120 north approximately 16 miles. Turn left (or west) on Hwy, 296, the Chief Joseph Hwy., and drive approximately 13 miles up and turn left on Painter Road which leads into the Northwest College Field Camp (turn will be flagged).

**Course Cost:** \$420.00 payable to WYSARA c/o K.T. Irwin at 137 Rio Vista, Cody, WY 82414. - \$100 deposit required to reserve space in this class, due by August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2010. **Wyoming SAR students receive a discount so please contact KT Irwin for that special course cost.** Students failing to pre-register will pay an extra \$25 at registration. You may use the PayPal credit card system to pre-pay course deposits. (Please see "registration info" below.)

**Meals & Accommodations:** Dormitory style bunk space is provided, Thursday night, August 19th through August 21<sup>st</sup> with check out the morning of August 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please provide sleeping bag or other, towel and toilet articles. Meals are provided from dinner Thursday evening, August 19 through lunch on August 22nd.

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, August 20 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 Basic, 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. 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. Students may want to bring knee pads. Joel will have copies of his book, "TRACKER" for purchase, \$20.00.

**Registration:** Students must pre-register by August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2010 for this course with a \$100 deposit. If you have any questions regarding the class or class location please contact [K.T. Irwin](mailto:K.T.Irwin@wysara.net) at (307) 587-7761 or by email at [leonberg@bresnan.net](mailto:leonberg@bresnan.net). Send your deposit made payable to WYSARA - c/o K.T. Irwin at 137 Rio Vista, Cody, WY 82414. 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 [The Wyoming Search and Rescue Association](http://www.wyomingsearchandrescue.org). 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:  
WYSARA c/o K.T. Irwin - 137 Rio Vista, Cody, WY 82414 - leonberg@bresan.net**

**Course Location:** Northwest College Field Camp – Cody, WY

**Course Date:** August 20, 21, 22, 2010

**Course Name:** 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.

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