

NOVICE MANTRACKING WEEKEND

An In-House Training Course Offered by IDAHO STATE TRACKERS



WHEN: October 14-16, 2011

WHERE: Indoor Classroom – Soltman Center Syringa Hospital, 607 W Main, Grangeville, ID
Field Training – Funkhouser Ranch, 285 Mill Road, Clearwater, ID

WHO SHOULD ATTEND: All interested persons are invited to attend, including search and rescue (SAR) volunteers, law enforcement personnel, prosecuting attorneys, and forensic specialists. There are no prerequisites for this course.

INSTRUCTORS: Idaho State Trackers provides instruction by certified trackers. All ISTA members are certified through Joel Hardin Professional Tracking Services (www.jhardin-inc.com). ISTA instructional staff includes SAR, law enforcement, and retired Special Forces personnel.

REGISTRATION FEE AND DEADLINE: \$20.00 registration fee. Deadline to register October 8, 2011.

CLASS SCHEDULE:

Friday, October 14, 2011

6:00 p.m. to about 10:00 p.m. Soltman Center, Syringa Hospital, Grangeville, Idaho. This evening session will be classroom activities and will introduce step-by-step tracking and the training program.

Saturday, October 15, 2011

8:00 a.m. – Noon. Meet at Funkhouser Ranch (Directions will be given at Friday night classroom session). We will proceed to the outdoor training area and begin 3-person team tracking (step-by-step) on simple lines of human tracks. Bring a sack lunch for the field site.

1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Continue tracking at the outdoor training area, then break for dinner at Funkhouser Ranch.

6:30 p.m. to about 9:30 p.m. Night tracking.

Sunday, October 16, 2011

8:00 - 11:00 a.m. Meet at the outdoor training area, continue tracking.

11:00 a.m. - Noon. Debrief, course critique, training logs.

WHAT TO BRING:

Students should be equipped for field response; a 24-hour day pack is sufficient for this course. Specific needs include:

- Outdoor clothing for any weather condition: rain or shine, the class will proceed. You will be on your hands and knees on the ground/mud.
- If you have marginal knees, bring kneepads.
- Carry plenty of fluids, such as water or sports drinks.
- Pencil, eraser, notepad, and a small measuring tape (3 or 6-foot).
- Flashlight: inexpensive 3-D cell variety are best (Maglites are too bright).
- Tracking stick or ski pole if available (we can provide this).

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