



TRACKING STEP BY STEP... JHPTS - VISUAL TRACKING AND TRAINING INC.

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2020 TRACKING COURSE ANNOUNCEMENT

JIM CREEK NAVAL STATION, ARLINGTON WASHINGTON

Training Offered By SNOHOMISH COUNTY TRACKERS

AND JHPTS -VTATI 3-DAY TRACKING TRAINING COURSE

Date: April 17-19, 2020

Time: 08:00 a.m., Friday, April 17, 2020 through 2:00 p.m., Sunday, April 19, 2020

Location: Jim Creek Navy Facility, 21027 Jim Creek Rd, Arlington, WA 98223. This Navy Base encompasses 5,000 acres in the foothills of the Cascade Mountains.

Course Costs: \$365 - Make payable to JHPTS or PayPal account Joel@jhardin-inc.com.

Tuition includes classroom materials and use of facilities all meals and rooms. Students will arrive on Friday, April 17th. Meals begin with Lunch Friday and end with lunch on Sunday, April 19th before your departure.

A \$100 deposit is required to reserve space in this professional tracking class and **must be received prior to April 4th, 2020 due to the time required for Navy vetting processing.** Balance must be paid at registration. Linens will be provided for the beds, bring your own toiletries.

Meals & Accommodations: Private and family style room accommodations with linen are provided along with bathroom and shower facilities, Friday and Saturday nights. Dining room with buffet tables and seating for approximately 50. Meals and snacks are provided beginning with lunch on Friday and end with lunch on Sunday.

All rules and regulations applying to U.S. Military and Federal Government Property are applicable at Jim Creek. Contact Bill Buck for proper base entry paperwork when pre-registering.

Due to the location and administration requirements, foreign nationals will not be authorized to attend. Late registration may be denied due to US Navy vetting requirements. Be sure to get your application submitted prior to April 4, 2020.

This will be a dual level training course inviting JHPTS certified trackers and all other interested persons with no previous law enforcement or search and rescue experience. Training will focus on law enforcement officer initial response and investigation of possible criminal misconduct incidents and or verifying reports of missing persons and initial search operation.

There are NO prerequisites for this training presentation. This tracking course is open to all U.S. persons with tracking interests regardless of previous experience or training. All tracking students will be provided training at an appropriate level for their development and upward progress.



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Course Content: Novice and Basic Tracker Training Levels. This will be a 24 hour course beginning at 8:00 am Friday April 17th, 2020 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.

Advanced Tracker Training Levels: 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 and law enforcement initial response and investigations. Advanced Trackers will locate and examine scenes, preserving, documenting and presenting tracking evidence, while working simulated crime scenes. Additionally, students at this level will be learning training and advanced tracking techniques and methodologies. They learn how to locate, document and secure tracking evidence as well as presenting their knowledge and skill.

Student Needs: Students should be physically fit and equipped for SAR & law enforcement field response. Field practice will continue during any inclement weather, students should be properly prepared with wet/dry, cold/hot weather gear. Knee pads may be helpful. 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 two or three cell incandescent flashlight.

Registration: Students should pre-register to secure class placement by April 4th, 2020 with a \$100 deposit made payable to JHPTS or payment to **PayPal** account, Joel@jhardin-inc.com. Mail registration form and \$100 deposit made payable to JHPTS to: Bill Buck at 15911 23rd Lane SE, Mill Creek, WA 98012

If you have any questions regarding the class, or class location or facility, please contact: Bill Buck, 425-760-5389, Email- ruggslakebuck@gmail.com

Pre-registered students failing to attend this course without a reasonable excuse will be assessed the \$100.00 service fee.

Arriving early? There are two no frills but clean hotels in Arlington available for you to book a room: Smokey Point Motor Inn (\$70/night) 360-659- 8561 and Quality Inn, Arlington, WA, (\$72/night) 800-249-8071.

Sponsor Information: This course is sponsored by Snohomish County Trackers in Affiliation with JHPTS-VTATI. All law enforcement personnel, SAR volunteer mission responders and operational coordinator personnel or Homeland security personnel and others with sincere interest in learning "professional" tracking 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:

Bill Buck – 15911 23rd Lane SE; Mill Creek, WA 98012

ruggslakebuck@gmail.com – (425) 760-5389

Course Location: Jim Creek Navy Facility, 21027 Jim Creek Rd, Arlington, WA 98

Course Date: April 17-19, 2020

Course Name: JHPTS-VTATI LE Course Jim Creek 2020

Student Name:

Mailing Address:

City:

Prov/State:

Postal Code:

Phone #:

Group/Unit/County:

E-Mail Address:

Current JHPTS Certification *(please check one)* (you may double click on the appropriate square and change the default value from Not Checked to Checked)

New Student

Basic Tracker

Apprentice Tracker

Journeyman Tracker

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Deposit Enclosed \$100.00

Tuition Fee Enclosed

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Applicant: Please note any requests, dietary needs or questions that you have and wish a response from the contact person.
