

WHAT IS TRACKING?



A sport anyone can do with their dogs.

ANYONE INTERESTED IN WATCHING YOUR DOG HAVE FUN?

Learn how you and your dog can have fun outdoors together.

EVER NOTICE YOUR DOG HAS HIS/HER NOSE TO THE GROUND MOST OF THE TIME? EVER WONDER WHY?

Ever wonder what is so interesting to them all the time?

Does your dog need a job? Does your dog love to use his nose? Do you want to get outside, get some exercise and meet other dog owners?

Have you ever been amazed by the ability of a dog to track a human scent, whether in police work or search and rescue? While only qualified dog and handler teams can perform those important jobs, ANY DOG can enjoy the fun and non-competitive sport of TRACKING! It's a great way to get outdoors with your dog, have fun with other tracking enthusiasts, and let your dog enjoy using his natural abilities.



Tracking Club of Massachusetts Spring Beginners Clinic

Saturday and Sunday, April 21 & 22

Located at Peoples Place, 73 City Hall Ave, Gardner MA

9:00 am to 4:00 pm both days

Clinic Fees: **15 Dog/handler teams/Non-members: \$175.00. Auditors/Members: \$75.00 (if member by Jan 1 2018)**

Registration is limited to the first 15 dog/handler teams with registration fee, rabies certificate, a completed application, and signed hold harmless agreement. All Auditors are welcome.

INSTRUCTOR: **Martha Campbell**, AKC TD, TDU, TDX Judge

Goals for the clinic:

1. Show you that your dog can track.
2. Teach you how to train your dog to track.
3. Start your dog tracking.
4. Equip you to pursue and AKC tracking title, if you wish.

What to bring:

1. Appropriate clothing and footwear for any and all weather conditions (The clinic is held rain or shine)
2. Portable chair
3. Paper, pens, clipboard and whatever other note taking equipment you may want.
4. Lots of food rewards for your dog to find.
5. Old gloves, socks, wallets for a dog to find.
6. Flat buckle collar and short lead, or tracking harness (nonrestrictive) and tracking line.
7. Water bowl and lots of water for your dog.
8. Flash Drive
9. Crate for your dogs to nap
10. Lunch

Conduct of the Clinic:

1. The clinic emphasizes understanding tracking rules and regulations, as well as teaching the needed training techniques.
2. Equal time is devoted to lectures in classroom setting and hands –on tracking in the field.
3. Each entered dog will complete 7 or more short tracks during the weekend.
4. In order to give proper attention for every team, attendance is limited to 15 dog/handler teams.
5. Coffee, donuts, pastries and soft drinks are provided the morning and breaks. Drinks and dessert is served each day to go along with your sandwich for lunch.

TRACKING CLUB OF MASSACHUSETTS

REGISTRATION FORM For Dog/Handler or Auditor

APPLICATION FOR BEGINNERS TRACKING CLINIC April 21 & 22 2018

Your Name: _____

Dogs Call Name: _____ Breed: _____

Email address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Cell Number: _____

Have you had any tracking experience? Is so, briefly describe: _____

What do you hope to get out of this clinic? _____

Are you registering as a working team or as an auditor: _____

Signature

Please remember that space is limited to the first 15 dog/handler teams registered.

Please include a copy of dogs rabies vaccination certificate as well as signed "Hold Harmless Agreement" and the above completed form with a check payable to **Tracking Club Of Massachusetts**. Mail to:

Martha Campbell

239 Burrage Street

Lunenburg, MA 01462

978-660-4242 (Cell)

For secretary

Dog/Handler: []

Amount received: \$____.____

Auditor: []

Mailed directions: []

Date received: ____/____/____

Check #: _____

Tracking Club of Massachusetts

Hold Harmless Agreement

For Dog/Handler or Auditor

Event Date: April 21 & 22 2018

I understand the attendance of a dog training event is not without risk to me, members of my family, guests who may attend, or to my dog/s. I understand there are dangers involved in attending an event in which dogs are around strange people and other dogs, and that some accident or injury may result. I am willing to assume those risks for myself, members of my family, my guests, and/or my dog/s.

I do hereby waive and release the Tracking Club of Massachusetts, Inc., its instructors, participants and guests, and the host training site, from any and all liability of any nature, for injury, damage or death which I or my dog may suffer, including specifically, but not without limitation, any injury or damage results from the action of any dog, and I expressly assume the risk of any such damage or injury while attending this training clinic, or while on the training grounds and surrounding areas.

In consideration of and as inducement to my participation as a guest or participant in any Tracking Club of Massachusetts, Inc training seminar, I hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless the instructors, members and guest of the host training site and the Tracking Club of Massachusetts, Inc, from any and all claim or claims by any member of my family or any guest that may accompany me to these events, while on the training grounds or surrounding areas, as a result of any action by any dog, including my own.

I understand that it is my sole responsibility to maintain control of my dog/s at all times while on the training grounds or surrounding areas.

Host Training Site: People's Place Gardner MA & Highridge Wildlife Area, Gardner

Signature (Parent or Guardian if a minor)

Printed Name

Date

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