

HYATTSVILLE DOG TRAINING CLUB BEGINNERS TRACKING SEMINAR

When: SEPTEMBER 13 and 14, 2025

Where: FAIRHILL /COCKERHAM SITE IN ELKTON, MARYLAND

Presenters: TOM and JUDY HARDING

Cost: \$200.00 PER WORKING TEAM

INCLUDES LUNCH, AND SUPPLIES FOR WORKING TEAMS FOR BOTH DAYS

This seminar is designed to help **true beginners** learn the art of AKC tracking. The handler will learn the art of handling and reading a dog that is tracking a human scent on grass. Tom and Judy will also be teaching how to lay track, rules for handling a dog at a test, and teaching motivating skills to keep the dog engaged in following the proper scent on the track. All dogs and their handlers will be working throughout the seminar, should be able to physically move through the fields easily as this sport is not for the faint hearted. It is for those who are physically fit, both dogs and handlers!

If another member of the family wishes to attend as a spectator, it can be arranged for an additional fee but they will only be allowed to watch and will not be allowed to handle the dog or do the field exercises. Only one handler per dog. It is just too physically demanding for the dog to be handled by more than one person. Seminar is limited to 18 working teams only.

Check made out to Hyattsville Dog Training Club and send both check & form to:

Debra Barrows

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Questions: Intrepidgoldens4905@gmail.com

Information:

Handler Name and Address _____

Email Address _____

Phone number _____

Emergency Contact for the weekend _____

Dog's Name _____ Dog's Breed and Age _____

THIS IS A RAIN OR SHINE EVENT • THERE ARE NO REFUNDS!!!!

Tom and Judy Harding

We began tracking in 2006 with a pair of Standard Poodles named Drakkar and Tre'sor. Since that time, we have worked in every capacity at tracking tests and Tom is currently an AKC Tracking Judge. We have competed and trained at all levels of tracking and titled multiple dogs in tracking. Since 2011 we have taught tracking with many different handlers and dog breeds. Many of our students have gone onto achieve AKC titles in tracking.

We love the sport of tracking and enjoy introducing tracking to new handlers and dogs. Our approach focuses on positively teaching the dog the "Tracking Game" and believe it is an activity that should be fun for dog and handler.