

# NOVICE MANTRACKING WEEKEND

## An In-House Training Course Offered by **IDAHO STATE TRACKERS**



**WHEN:** May 1-2-3, 2009

**WHERE:** Kootenai SAR Building, 10865 Ramsey Road, Hayden, Idaho

**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. Classroom and field exercises are designed for students to:

- gain the experience to follow a simple line of human tracks
- learn to correctly draw a human track
- become clue-aware

**INSTRUCTORS:** Idaho State Trackers provides instruction by certified trackers. All ISTA members are certified through Joel Hardin Professional Tracking Services ([www.jhardin-inc.com](http://www.jhardin-inc.com)). ISTA instructional staff includes SAR, law enforcement, and retired Special Forces personnel. Lead instructors carry advanced certification (Sign Cutter or Journeyman).

### **CLASS SCHEDULE:**

#### **Friday, May 1, 2009**

6:00 p.m. to about 10:00 p.m. Kootenai SAR Building, 10865 Ramsey Road, Hayden, Idaho. Just north of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. This evening session will be classroom activities and will introduce step-by-step tracking and the training program.

#### **Saturday, May 2, 2009**

8:00 a.m. – Noon. Meet at the training site (Directions will be given at Friday night classroom session). Part of the morning will include track drawing instruction, after which 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.

7:00 p.m. to about 10:00 p.m. Night tracking.

#### **Sunday, May 3, 2009**

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

11:00 a.m. - Noon. Debrief, course critique, training logs, and handout of class Clue Awareness/ Novice Tracking attendance certificates.

### **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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**NOVICE MANTRACKING WEEKEND REGISTRATION FORM**

**May 1-2-3, 2009**

**Class Location:**

**Kootenai SAR Building  
10865 Ramsey Road  
Hayden, Idaho**

**Please send this registration form to the address below with the \$30.00 per-person class fee before April 20, 2009, If notification of cancellation is received before April 20, 2009 the \$30.00 class fee will be refunded. Class fees for cancellations after April 20, 2009 will not be refunded.**

**Send registration form and payment to:**

**Idaho State Trackers  
c/o Dave Newcombe  
12640 North Shamrock St.  
Hayden, Idaho 83835**

**Note: A maximum capacity (around 40 students) may be established for this class, based on the availability of instructors. Register early to insure your space.**

**PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY:**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip Code:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Work Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Cell Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Agency Represented/Unit Affiliation:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Previous tracking training?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Joel Hardin Professional Tracking Services certification? YES / NO**