

THE ART OF VST TRACKING SEMINAR



Saturday and Sunday June 16 and 17, 2012
University of New Hampshire Campus — Durham, NH

Presented by: Yankee Golden Retriever Club
Presenters: Ray & Alison Desmarais

This seminar is designed for tracking enthusiasts who have achieved a Tracking Dog or Tracking Dog Excellent title or are close to that goal, and are working towards a VST. The seminar will be geared to helping handlers better understand the art of reading their dogs while tracking on a VST site. The seminar will consist of both classroom work with a PowerPoint presentation and actual tracking. Each day all 10 teams will work a VST track of approximately 300 yards with various components.

The seminar will begin at noon on Saturday and extend into the late evening in order to run the first 10 tracks under evening/night test conditions. Sunday morning the teams will run another track utilizing head cam video, followed by classroom debriefing of each track. Handlers will take home a copy of their head cam videos on USB stick or DVD.

Registration is limited to 10 dog/handler teams and 20 auditors. Yankee members will have registration preference until February 1, 2012, followed by non-member Golden Retriever owners until February 15, 2012. Registration will then be open to any team that meets the qualifications. *Only one dog per handler is allowed, and due to the complexity of VST, teams will be limited to dogs that have already begun variable surface training.*

Beverages will be provided during breaks. Saturday evening dinner will be provided prior to running the tracks. Coffee and breakfast will be provided Sunday morning.

Working Teams: \$250 for Yankee GRC members; \$300 for non-members
Auditors: \$175 for Yankee GRC members; \$200 for non-members
All registrations are final! No fees will be refunded.

Questions? Please contact Susan Palius: susanpalius@att.net or 908-874-3820

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## Registration

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| Name                                     |  |
| Address                                  |  |
| Phone                                    |  |
| Email                                    |  |
| Brief description of your VST experience |  |

**Make your check payable to: Y.G.R.C. Mail to: Susan Palius, 492 River Road, Belle Mead, NJ 08502**