

April 5, 6, & 7, 2024

An Introduction to Tracking with Ed Presnall & Debbie Maheu

A Component Training™ Workshop

Introductory and Advanced Tracking (TDU) Workshop – 2 1/2 Days

Pellissippi State Community College

Knoxville, Tennessee

Sponsored by the Oak Ridge Kennel Club



Hundreds of acres of open meadows dotted with lots of buildings, a dozen parking areas, roads, islands, berms, patios, and sidewalks will be the site for the weekend workshop.

We will take your puppy, older dog, or started dog to the next level in one weekend!

Do you want to be one of the best? Do you watch people at tests and wonder how they can be so calm when working through distractions? Ever wonder how some people just keep getting better and better at handling their dogs and earning more tracking titles? It takes great teachers, proper training, and lots of practice.

We are Ed Presnall and Debbie Maheu, and we developed Component Training™. We've been doing the teaching, the training, and the practice part for a long, long time. We've written nine, best-selling, tracking books and hundreds of articles on the sport. We've won at Westminster and the Eukanuba Classic with our CT dogs and have been on television and participated in the Breed All About It series on Animal Planet.

Along the way we have personally earned over 70 tracking titles on eleven breeds of dogs and our students have earned over 600 TDX, VST and/or CT titles. Additionally, we have passed over 20 VST/CT dogs in the past 2 years at our judging assignments.

We have worked with over 6,000 dogs and handlers at our national and international Camps and Workshops, encompassing 146 different breeds. Our ability to work with such varying breeds of dogs as well as our owning and handling a diverse group of dogs gives us a unique insight into the dog/handler team and how they must work together to become successful. Now it is your turn to become one of our students and yes, become successful with your dog.

Each attendee at this workshop will be invited to participate with us in our private Facebook group for two months following the workshop. Send us videos of you and your dog tracking for us to evaluate, tell us about your current problems or simply ask questions. We will be there for you!



Friday afternoon we will separate you into groups by skill level. Beginners will start on basic routines and transitions while the advanced level will work on advanced components, distractions, and teamwork.

Overview of Tracking
What Are Components?
Why Component Training Works
The Mental Game
Random Rewards Not Handouts
Teaching an Article Indication
Reading Your Dog

Basic Routines
Starts
Article Indications
The Article Game™
Transitions
Track Distractions
and so much more!

Limited To 20 Participants

Required Equipment

Non-Restrictive Harness
6-foot Leash & 10 to 40 foot Long Line
High-Value Treats (Not your normal dry kibble)

We will break each day for lunch. Multiple local restaurants are available in the area.

Friday April 5 @ 12 Noon

Meet at Parking Lot 10 @ Pellissippi State
10915 Hardin Valley Road
Knoxville, TN 37933
Bring a Chair

How to Create an Article Indication
Introducing Transitions
Introducing Components
Changes in Surfaces

2pm to 4:30pm
Working Component Tracks
One to Multiple Turn Tracks

Saturday April 6

Meet at Pellissippi State Community College
8:00am – Parking Lot 10

Discussion Period
Working Component Tracks
One to Multiple Turn Tracks

*Break for Lunch
End about 4:30pm*

Sunday April 7

Meet at Pellissippi State Community College
8:00am – Parking Lot 10

*Discussion Period
Working Component Tracks
One to Multiple Turn Tracks
Break for Lunch
End about 4:30pm*

Except in a weather emergency, dogs are not allowed in any building on the campus. As stated in the registration papers and Rules, you are expected to clean up after your dog.

We promise you a weekend filled with tracking, learning, watching, and doing ... not just listening. We want you to have an enjoyable experience and to be able to ask any question or make any comment without worrying about being “politically correct”. We are here to help guide you and show you a toolbox full of ideas and tools which can make your journey to your TD or TDU title easier.



Suggested Lodging

DoubleTree by Hilton
Oak Ridge, TN
La Quinta Papermill II
Knoxville, TN

Country Inn & Suites by Radisson
Knoxville, TN
Red Roof Inn West
Knoxville, TN

Always check with listed hotels to confirm pet policy at time of booking.

Agreement

Your participation in this workshop acknowledges your acceptance and agreement to the following binding agreements:

I hereby agree to save and hold the Oak Ridge Kennel Club, Ed Presnall, Component Training LLC, their members, employees, agents and assigns harmless from any and all liability, including but not limited to reimbursement of all costs and attorney’s fees, for damages and/or injury to self and/or to my dog, caused by my dog during any instruction period, before or

after any session, and at any and all times while dog owner's dog is located on property used for the workshop and;

I hereby grant to Oak Ridge Kennel Club, Ed Presnall, Component Training LLC, their members, employees, agents and assigns the right to photograph myself and my dog(s) which may participate or attend this work-shop/seminar and use such photo(s) and or other digital representation(s) or other reproduction of such likeness for publication processes, whether electronic, print, digital or electronic publishing via the Internet.

We Build Champion Trackers - One Dog & Handler at a Time!

Fee:
\$250.00 for ORKC Members
\$300.00 for Non-Members

REGISTRATION FORM FOR THIS WORKSHOP

<https://tinyurl.com/2p9zuys9>

For Additional Information Contact

Ed Presnall
ed@ctdawgs.com

