

UBT TRACKFEST

APRIL 14-16, 2023, McComb, MS



United Blood Trackers will hold its annual “Trackfest” training, seminar and testing event on **April 14-16, 2023**, at **Percy Quinn State Park in McComb Mississippi**. This event is for both beginning and advanced handlers, as well as anyone interested in learning more about the use of tracking dogs for the recovery of wounded big game.

A feature of this year’s event will be dog training on Friday, April 14, which will offer personalized in-the-field training for tracking teams of any level of experience. Handler/dog teams will be assigned to an experienced trainer who will work with the team on specific needs or problems identified by the handler on the Dog Experience Questionnaire. The number of handler/dog teams will be limited, so register early if you are interested in this additional opportunity. For Friday, register for DOG TRAINING and complete the Dog Experience Questionnaire.

The seminar will be held on Saturday and Sunday, April 15-16. The popular Hit Site Evaluation and Walk in the Woods will be included in the presentations on Saturday. This simulation uses a roadkill deer to demonstrate how to interpret hit-site and blood trail evidence. Participants will practice using this information to identify where a deer has been hit and develop a corresponding tracking strategy. Other topics and demonstrations will include reading the dog during a track, line handling skills, and field obedience. Sunday will conclude mid-day with a roundtable discussion open to your questions. For Saturday and Sunday, register for the SEMINAR.

United Blood Trackers will offer UBT-II and UBT-III tests on Friday, April 14, and UBT-I tests on Sunday, April 16. For more information about UBT tests, go to www.unitedbloodtrackers.org/tracking-tests/. For UBT-I, UBT-II or UBT-III testing, register for TESTS and complete the Dog Experience Questionnaire.

SCHEDULE SUMMARY

Friday	Dog Training UBT-II and III tests Welcome Grill-out -- 7:00 p.m.
Saturday	Seminar Banquet -- 7:00 p.m.
Sunday	Seminar UBT-I tests

More details will be provided prior to the event

MEALS

Breakfast

Coffee and donuts will be available at the venue.

Lunch

Catered lunches on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday are included with registration.

Dinner

Friday 7:00 p.m.: Meet N' Greet – "Welcome to Mississippi!" grill-out will be held at the event site hosted by the Mississippi tracking community.

Saturday 7:00 p.m.: Buffet banquet on the Golf Course veranda. To attend, register for SATURDAY BANQUET.

LODGING

Host Hotels

Hampton Inn & Suites (6.6 miles from event site)

109 Manisha Drive, McComb MS 39648

601-249-4116

UBT Rate for 2 bed room: \$129.00* + tax and fees per night

*(other room types are available with UBT rates)

Dogs allowed; additional pet fee applies

For Group Rate reference "United Blood Trackers"

Percy Quin State Park (27 on-site cabins)

2036 Percy Quin Drive, McComb MS 39648

601-684-3938

Overflow Hotel

Quality Inn (5.6 miles from event site)

107 Scott Drive, McComb MS 39648

601-249-0080

Camping

Percy Quin State Park (on-site camping)

2036 Percy Quin Drive, McComb MS 39648

601-684-3938

Bogue Chitto Water Park and RV Campground (17.3 miles from event site)

1068 Dogwood Trail, McComb, MS 39648

Cabins and RV sites (30 & 50 amp sites with water and septic)

601-684-9568

www.boguechittowaterpark.com/media/Park_directions

REGISTRATION AND FEES

Each component - training, seminar, and testing – is optional and each requires registration.

DOG TRAINING

FRIDAY \$100

SEMINAR

SATURDAY & SUNDAY

Participant \$200 for two-day workshop

2nd participant same household \$100 for two-day workshop

**There is no discount for single day attendance*

TESTING

Spectators welcome.

SUNDAY UBT-I \$50 (member) \$65 (non-member)

FRIDAY UBT-II \$75 (member) \$90 (non-member)

FRIDAY UBT-III \$100 (member) \$115 (non-member)

Online registration closes **March 16, 2023**. Mailed in registrations must be RECEIVED (not postmarked) by **March 16, 2023**. Anyone wanting to register after March 16 will have to register on the day of the event and there will be a \$25 late fee.

REFUND POLICY

Cancellations/Refund requests made by March 23, 2023 will receive a full refund. Cancellations/Refund requests made March 23, 2023 and later will receive a refund less a \$25 fee.

DIRECTIONS

Percy Quin State Park

2036 Percy Quin Drive, McComb MS 39648

601-684-3938

From I-55: Take Exit 13 – Fernwood Industrial Park. Merge onto airport Fernwood Road traveling west. Turn right onto MS-48 and travel north, then turn left onto Percy Quin Drive. Welcome to Percy Quin State Park!

Phone contact on weekend of Trackfest: Cliff Shrader 225-802-1957 / cshrader@bellsouth.net

General Trackfest information: Marlo Ondrej (text or e-mail) 210-288-0553 / bluelacydogs@sbcglobal.net

DISTANCES

Event is:

91 miles from Jackson, Mississippi / Medgar Wiley Evers International Airport

93 miles from New Orleans, Louisiana / Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport

QUESTIONS

General Trackfest Questions: Marlo Ondrej (text or e-mail) 210-288-0553 / bluelacydogs@sbcglobal.net

Local/Site Questions: Cliff Shrader 225-802-1957 / cshrader@bellsouth.net

Registration Questions: Trackfest.Register@gmail.com / Debbie Senkbeil 713-203-9012

TRACKFEST REGISTRATION FORM

Name			
Street Address			
City, State, Zip			
Phone			
Email			
UBT Member?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		
Facebook User	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		
Name of 2nd participant from same household			
Dog Training <small>MUST COMPLETE QUESTIONNAIRE</small>	\$100 per handler/dog team	_____ @ \$100 =	
Seminar	\$200 per participant	_____ @ \$200 =	
2nd participant from same household	\$100 per participant	_____ @ \$100 =	
Saturday Banquet	\$30 per person	_____ @ \$ 30 =	
Tests	UBT-I	_____ @ \$ 50 =	
	Member \$50 per dog	_____ @ \$ 65 =	
	Non-member \$65 per dog		
	UBT-II	_____ @ \$ 75 =	
	Member \$75 per dog	_____ @ \$ 90 =	
	Non-member \$90 per dog		
	UBT-III	_____ @ \$100 =	
	Member \$100 per dog	_____ @ \$115 =	
	Non-member \$115 per dog		
TOTAL			
<small>By registering for/attending this event, I agree to hold United Blood Trackers, Inc. specifically and all property owners, staff, and participants generally, harmless from any claim for loss or injury which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of said persons or dogs while in or about the event premises or parking areas, and personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claim, and further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss, injury or damage to themselves or their dogs.</small>			

Register online with PayPal or credit card at www.unitedbloodtrackers.org

Register by mail with check payable to United Blood Trackers at: Debbie Senkbeil, 104 Piping Rock Drive, Montgomery, TX 77356. Online registration closes **March 16, 2023**. Mailed in registrations **MUST BE RECEIVED** (not postmarked) by **March 16, 2023**. Anyone registering after March 16 will have to register at the event and will be charged a \$25 late fee. Late registrants may not receive all handouts due to lead time necessary to prepare materials.

DOG EXPERIENCE QUESTIONNAIRE

Submit this form with all Dog Training and Testing registrations

Handler's Name _____

Dog's Name _____

Dog's Breed _____

Dog's Age _____

Does your dog work ☐ on lead ☐ off lead ☐ both

Has your dog ever tracked a wounded deer in real life? ☐ yes ☐ no

If he has, how many times? _____

Has your dog ever been worked on an artificial training line? ☐ yes ☐ no

If he has, how many times? _____

Please give a brief description of a typical training line that you have trained your dog on up to this point and specify any training problems you would like to work on (length and age of track, amount of blood, use of tracking shoes, number of turns, etc.)
