

VST Techniques and Tips

Offered by Sacramento Dog Training Club, Inc. (SDTC, Inc.)

Presented by Kyla Smay, AKC Tracking Judge

Tuesday, February 4, 2020

9:00 AM-4:00 PM



**Location: Sky's the Limit Dog Training Center,
7936 Maverick Lane, Vacaville, CA**

SDTC, Inc. is pleased to present Kyla Smay, a tracking enthusiast, exhibitor, and AKC tracking judge approved for TD/TDU/TDX tests. Kyla has been involved in tracking since 1987 when she acquired her first Belgian Tervuren. Since then, she has attained tracking titles on all five Tervs she has owned, two TDs on Labradors, and an ASCA TD with her Silken Windhound; for a total of 8 TDs, 4 TDXs, and 2 VST/CTs (Tervs). Kyla has also coached people to TD/TDX/VST with their own dogs and has taught multiple tracking seminars working with a wide variety of breeds. Kyla has also titled dogs in conformation, obedience, agility, rally, Nosework, draft (carting), and parkour.

Through lecture and the use of video examples, Kyla will share her perspective on teaching urban tracking. The goal of the presentation is to help you in your journey to earn urban tracking titles.

Topics will include:

- Options for teaching non-veg/hard surface tracking
- Using the environment to help design training tracks
- Transitions of surface and other types of transitions
- How to develop a training plan to overcome training problems
- Transitioning to blind (unknown) tracks
- Handling techniques
- Common phenomenon in training and performance

NOTE: Anyone who is interested is welcome to attend. However, this presentation will be geared towards those who already have a basic understanding and/or are involved in AKC tracking at the various levels.

Fee: \$75.00 (Limited to 30 attendees)

Registration Deadline: Wednesday, January 22, 2020 (sorry, no refunds available)

Please bring a chair and towel (**ALL chairs MUST have a towel under them** to protect the flooring in the building), paper/pen, and lunch.....there is no food available in the immediate area.

Limited parking: Carpooling with fellow attendees will be greatly appreciated!

All dogs are welcomed but will need to be crated in the vehicles due to limited space available in the training building. Please clean up after your dog. Thank you for your cooperation.

Information and Registration: Cindy Hult, 8019 Dreyfus Way Elk Grove, CA 95758
916-691-3050 (home) cahult@frontier.com

A confirmation and additional information will be emailed about 2 weeks prior to the presentation.

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Please Print Clearly

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Please include an email address as all correspondences will be sent by email. Thank you.

Release of Liability: Please read and sign the following statements to indicate your acceptance of responsibility:

I agree to hold Kyla Smay and Sacramento Dog Training Club, Inc. (SDTC, Inc.), its officers, directors and members; Sky's the Limit, its owners, premises and any employees of same, harmless from any claim of loss or injury which may be alleged to have been caused by my dog or any person or thing on the premises or grounds. I personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claims. In addition, I hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss or injury to myself, my dog or my children by any means. I assume responsibility for actions of myself, my dog, and my children as it affects others and their property. I understand that SDTC, Inc. and Sky's the Limit assumes the right to expel from the grounds any person or dog which in its opinion engaged in any conduct which may be prejudicial to the sport of dog obedience/tracking. I agree to abide by all rules and regulations of this event.

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____