



HUNTER'S ON TRACK
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EDITOR'S NOTE:

Due to the cost of postage and printing we would appreciate it if you would register to have Hunter's newsletter sent to you by e-mail. Go to www.JCSDA.com in order to do so. Thanks members of JCSDA.

RECENT SEARCHES

For privacy reasons, some information may not be given out on these searches:

February-

5th-Severe weather stand-by

15th-Missing 6 year old and Missing 52 year old woman

22nd-Missing 6 year old

March-

21st-22nd- Water recovery/rescue stand-by

26th- Missing 4 year old

April-

3rd- Missing 9 year old

4th-5th-Water recovery/rescue stand-by

6th- Missing 93 year old woman

11th-Missing 7 and 9 year old in Southwest Louisville

12th- Thunder over Louisville Stand-by for anyone missing or Water recovery

18th-Earthquake stand-by

18th- Missing 6 and 4 year old

21st-Missing 72 year old man

22nd-Missing 7 year old

22nd-Missing 80 year old man

May 3rd- Stand by for Derby

TEAM BIO:

This month's bio is on one of our newest team members Christy Keller, and her German Shepherd Dog Shatzye. Christy just recently became a HAM radio operator her call sign is KJ4DMH. She lives in Meade County, and she is certified in CPR, First Aid, Wilderness Advanced First Aid, NIMS and Basic Search and Rescue and Blood borne Pathogens.



Christy and Shatzye

WILDERNESS MEDICINE TOPIC: Ticks, Ticks and More Ticks.

It appears again this year that we are going to be seeing a lot of ticks on our dogs and ourselves. This article is going to help you understand some of the tick borne diseases, and how to get a tick off of you. The most common diseases transmitted by ticks are caused by the Hard Ticks. These diseases include: Lyme's disease, STARI (Southern Tick Associated Rash Illness, Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever, and Tick Paralysis, there are many other illnesses however that both Hard and Soft Ticks can cause. To keep any of these illnesses away the best thing to do is use Permethrin, or an insect repellent containing DEET. If for some reason you are unable to close examination of the unclothed body will reveal the hard ticks, AKA Tick Check. When removing the tick you will always want to grasp the tick as close to the head (entry point) as possible WITHOUT squeezing it. Best method is with using Tweezers, or Commercially made Tick removers. You may have to keep pulling until the tick lets go. If for some reason any part of the tick is left on you, you can attempt to scrap the remaining part off as you would a bee stinger. Once the tick has been removed you need to wash with soap and water and watch for other signs of infection associated with the next few diseases. Lyme's disease has an expanding circular red rash that occurs at the site where the tick was attached. Flu-like symptoms often develop with the rash. Then the infection can spread body wide and cause arthritis, heart problems, and neurologically problems if left untreated. Antibiotics are the only treatment. STARI can look a lot like Lyme's

disease with a rash but there is no fever, and resolves itself in time. There is no treatment for this rash. Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever develops 2-14 days after tick bite. It has the characteristics of mild chills, loss of appetite and just not feeling good. It will progress to Chills, fever, bone and muscle pain, severe headache, and confusion. Most often this is treated with antibiotics. Tick paralysis occurs more often in Men than women do to more outdoor activity and more often in girls than boys due to long hair. It occurs 5-6 days after being bitten by a tick, and causes restlessness, irritability and numbness of the hands and feet. 1-2 days after these symptoms develop generalized paralysis occurs more so in the legs. However if the tick is located behind an ear it can cause facial paralysis also. The interesting thing here is all you need to do is find the tick and remove it for the symptoms to disappear; it could take a couple of days for all symptoms to disappear. PLEASE NOTE: on occasion tick paralysis can cause respiratory paralysis, which can lead to death.

SAR TOPIC:

Lost but Found Safe and Sound and Hug-A-Tree are programs that have been developed to help children when they are lost. The Hug-A-Tree program was developed by Ab Taylor after finding a missing child deceased, and The LOST but Found Safe and Sound program was developed by the National Park Service. Both programs use close to the same material, and JCSDA uses parts from both when educating children. The basis around the program is to teach children and adults what to do if they are lost. This includes taking a whistle with you on any hike, taking a garbage bag that can keep you warm and dry, making yourself big so you can be seen, and Hugging a tree if you find you are lost. One other thing you can do if you think about it is make an imprint of your shoe or boot before you head out with aluminum foil. Always tell someone where you are going and when you expect to be back. Along with these programs, JCSDA has a mascot named Hunter, you can see him on our website and you can learn more about both Hug-A-Tree, and Lost but Found Safe and Sound on the kids web pages. Keep watching the website because in the near future Hunter will also have an activity book. If you wish to schedule a program contact Holly at hollyhatfield6@insightbb.com for more information or how to do so. The program lasts a couple of hours, and includes a visit from our search and rescue dogs.

TRAINING MAY-AUGUST:

May-

17th- Otter Creek Park Camp Ground 10AM, Lost but Found Program and training

**24th-LMUSAR training 8:30-12:30 Louisville Fire Training Facility/
team training 12:30-2PM**

25th-Highview Park 12PM Training

June-

7th-Louisville Fire Training Facility 10AM

**11th-First Responder Alzheimer's class 11AM-4PM LMPD training
facility Taylor blvd.**

15th-Georgetown Indiana Elementary, 6PM

**21st-Team member Beth Lankford's house 5:30PM, cookout and
training**

28th-South Jefferson Forrest 6PM

July-

6th-Lapping Park 6PM

12th-Long Run 9AM

19th- Louisville Fire Training Facility 10AM

26th-South Jefferson Forrest 9AM

August-

**1-3 Wilderness First aid Class Place to be announced begins Friday
7PM-Sunday afternoon**

9th-Weekend off before school starts

15th-Land Navigation 6PM-10PM Fern Creek Training Facility

**23rd-LMUSAR training 8:30-12:30 Louisville Fire Training Facility
Team training 12:30-2PM**

30th-Classroom training TBA

We want to invite anyone who wishes to come to our trainings to see how we train, get volunteer hours for school, etc, please come and attend. Our dogs would love to look for you; it gives them someone *new* to look for. However before coming contact jcsda@jcsda.com to see if we are definitely going to be there.

You may place this page near your calendar for reference of when and where trainings are.

Other upcoming trainings to take advantage of:

There are 2 opportunities to take an ADVANCED WILDERNESS FIRST AID(Also known as Disaster first aid) course: August 1-3, and September 26-28 Costs: 50 dollars includes course material and books, for more information or to register for a class contact Holly at hollyhatfield6@insightbb.com

For those interested in Urban Search and Rescue or those who need hours, or wish to refresh their memory:

May 27th–7PM–9PM Okolona Station 1–Ropes and Pt. Packaging

June 12th–6PM–8PM Fire Training Center–Direction and Control

July 23rd–6PM–8PM Fire Training Center–K–9 First aid and Decon

August 15th–6PM–10PM Fire Training Center–Land Navigation

September 17th–6PM–8PM Place to be announced–Building Searches/Markings

October 29th–6PM–8PM Okolona Station 1–Communications

November 22nd–2PM–6PM Fire Training Center–Yearly review/Round Robin

December 17th–6PM–8PM Okolona Station 1 Refresh yourself on 1st aid/CPR/Disaster medicine.

All above classroom training or class/dog trainings open to everyone. Some strictly K–9 classes are not open to everyone to attend at this time.