

## The Leonberger Club of Ontario

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## **Introduction to Tracking Workshop**

(All Breeds Welcome – open to dogs 12 weeks and older)

Saturday, October 18, 2014

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		Lawn chair to sit on
	What to bring:	Soft training treats for your dog  Flat collar (or head halter if that is what you use to walk your dog)  6 foot leash (long line if you have one, but not necessary)
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		\$60.00 per dog for non-LCO members \$25.00 audit only
	Cost:	\$50.00 per dog for LCO members
	Time:	10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. (Lunch provided)
	Instructor:	Michelle Ross (Author of "On the Right Track: A Beginner's Guide and Workbook on Tracking")
		Paris, Ontario N3L 3E2

Please note: Because a spot will be reserved for you at the time of registration, no refunds will be issued after October 10, 2014

## **About Michelle Ross.....**

Michelle Ross is a retired Animal Health Technician who initially worked in a small animal practice before moving on to the Ontario Veterinary Hospital in Guelph, where she did research and assisted with teaching. She was also an accomplished Equestrian and horse trainer for many years before becoming involved in showing and training dogs in 1986.

Over the years, Michelle and her dogs have competed in Canada and the US in many dog sports. She became hooked on the sport of tracking in 1988 when she tracked her first dog competitively.

Michelle started to formally teach tracking at a time when very few were teaching the sport. After a number of years teaching, and many inquiries from people too far away to participate in a class, she decided to put her efforts together in a simplistic training manual to make tracking more accessible to people interested in getting a start in this exciting sport. "On The Right Track: A Beginners Guide and Workbook on Tracking" was written to help the average person teach their dog to track.

Michelle is not a purist in her approach to teaching. Over the years, she has found that dog owners often have much of the information locked in their brain with respect to how to train and motivate their dog. When they encounter challenges, it is because they have often forgotten how to unlock that information. Michelle helps dog owners do just that; through her refreshing approach, dog owners learn how to think and trust their feelings, then apply them to their training program. Michelle's success speaks for itself. She has had many students go on to get titles in tracking, and many more who enjoy it simply as a break from everyday life.



Tracking is a sport that forces you to get outside to enjoy the day and enjoy your dog!