

# Maureen Fielding

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Maureen's tracking history started in the mid 90's with her first GSD, where she learned forest tracking and search work to an advanced level with a Danish trainer Mogens Eliassen who was living in the Lower Mainland at the time.

She worked as a police dog quarry for a short time and had her introduction to urban tracking there with her colleague and mentor Joan Klucha, whom she studied under from 2002 until 2008.

She was not introduced to CKC tracking tests until 2008, when she passed her first TD with her second GSD Orrin von Bullinger, who came to be a Champion Tracker in both the AKC and CKC over the next 5 years.

Following in Orrin's footsteps, Griffin, his pack brother, became the first Mixed Breed Tracking Champion in the AKC in 2015, completing all 3 levels of TD TDX, and VST in under one year.

In 2017, CT Griffin achieved his CKC Tracking Championship in under 6 months, becoming the first Mixed Breed Tracking Champion in Canada in August 2017 in Red Deer under Judge Donna Brinkworth. He is also tracking joyously with ASCA with a TDX title so far. In 2018 Griffin was the first mixed breed CT to be invited to and take part in the AKC Tracking Invitational in Kentucky.

Maureen has been teaching tracking within her dog training business, K9 Leadership since 2008. She has been focusing on CKC and AKC field and urban tracking for the last several years, and in 2014 through 2017, her students totaled 117 tracking titles from TD to Championships in CKC, AKC and ASCA

Maureen credits much of her success to Sil Sanders, whom she met while attending his tracking seminar in Armstrong in 2010. She realized she had much to learn about field tracking in the CKC and AKC, and followed Sil closely for the next several years. Maureen is often seen mentoring at his seminars, and had joyfully followed along in the writing of the new Modern Enthusiastic Tracking Book by Sil Sanders.

Over the years, Maureen also attended seminars by Ed Presnall for Urban Tracking, Steve Ripley for Urban Tracking, and Donna Brinkworth for Field and Urban Tracking.