

**5/15/2017 Search: Acton 5 yob FOUND by MESARD Dorothy Smail & Tala approx.. 2:20am**

**MWS Press Release 5/15/2017:**

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On Sunday Evening around 6:00pm a 5 year old New Jersey boy became separated from his relatives while hiking, off of the Hussey Hill Road in Acton Maine. Once the relatives realized he was missing they searched for several hours with no results and then called the York County Sheriff's Office around 8:00pm to report the boy lost in the woods.

Maine Game Wardens, along with York county deputies, Maine State police, Acton fire department and York County EMA responded to searching.

Canine teams from the Maine warden service, a bloodhound team from New Hampshire, and Maine Search and Rescue Dogs (MESARD) volunteer K9 team responded.

Game Wardens on the Incident Management Team gave out assignments and at approximately 2 am Monday morning, MESARD handler Dorothy Smail and her K9 Tala, located the boy in their search area, about approximately ½ mile from where he was last seen in the woods. He was then brought back to his relatives and taken to a local hospital to be checked out.

Maine Warden Service Officials remind people to stay together while hiking, do not take shortcuts, have proper clothing for the weather, and a safety backpack.

Officials also recommend looking for a lost person about 15 to 20 minutes and then call the Maine Warden Service so that professional search resources and management can get started to find the person.

**Lieutenant Kevin Adam**  
**Maine Warden Service**  
**Maine Search and Rescue Coordinator**

More media links for Acton Search: MESARD find Dorothy Smail & Tala 5/15/2017 2:20 am

<http://www.wcsh6.com/news/local/volunteer-rescuer-and-dog-find-lost-5-yr-old-in-acton-woods/439719392>

<http://bangordailynews.com/2017/05/15/news/york/acton-boy-5-found-nearly-8-hours-after-going-missing/>

Chris Grecco, 5, was found several hours after he went missing during a hike in Acton.

By [CBS 13](#)