

Nutmeg Portuguese Water Dog Club Annual Meeting and Potluck Luncheon January 29, 2012

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Nutmeg Portuguese Water Dog Club held its annual meeting on January 29th in an office building café in Stamford, CT. This location was a change from the regular meet place in New Cannan, CT due to a conflict at the Teen Center. The accommodations worked well and even seemed a bit cozier.

The potluck luncheon opened the event with the usual good food Nutmeg's members are known for.

The meeting was then called to order and had over 30 attendees. As part of the regular order of business Jane Harding, as president, handed out three certificates of appreciation to Jane Freeman for all her work running the water trials, Mary Ann McGunigle for all her help with advanced level water training over the years and Mary Knoll for working on the Nutmeg databases for inventory and the like.

Also the following people were voted in as new members: Conrad Senior, Sharon Morell, Linda Strauch, Margie Labarre and Melinda Harvey. Welcome to all!

The following people were voted on for first time and will have their second vote at the Greenwich Specialty: Rene Ross/Becky Broussard, Robert Smith, Ellen Sard, Mary Anne Carpenter, Samantha and Bill Carrington.

After the close of the meeting Ann Camp presented Certificates of Merit to attending members who had submitted their titling achievements to her. 52 in all! Some of the highlights are...

AKC

MACH for PerryMason and Nancy Wentworth

Bronze Grand CH for Oz (Marie and Jane F.)

Several new AKC CH

Various levels of Rally and Agility

PWDCA

CWD and SROM for Piper and Ann Camp

WWD and AWD for several including an AWD for Dick Kraus and Diva!

USDAA

A lot of Agility titles including a lifetime achievement award for Nancy and PerryMason

Several APDT Rally titles

A couple nose work titles

A SAR air scenting certificate for Ted E. Bare and Marian Beland

Following this a special presentation on the sport of AKC Rally was presented by Ann Mendelbaum.