

Entries open July 1, 2011 and close at Secretary's Office at 5pm, August 2, 2011 after which time entries cannot be accepted, canceled, or substituted, except as provided in the Notice to Exhibitors.

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PWDCA WATER TRIAL

Hosted by

Nutmeg Portuguese Water Dog Club, Inc.



54 Flint Ridge Road, Monroe, CT 06468

Saturday & Sunday, August 20 & 21, 2011

Junior Certificate, Apprentice, Working, Courier, & Versatility Trial Levels



Judge:

Mr. Charles Robinson

NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

The water trials will be held in accordance with the provisions of the PWDCA Water Trial Manual, as revised through 2010 (the "Manual"). Copies of the Manual may be downloaded free of charge from the PWDCA website (www.pwdca.org).

Eligibility: Minimum age of dogs for Trial: 6 months. Minimum age of handlers: 12 years. A dog must have an Apprentice Water Dog Title in order to enter the Working Water Dog test must have a Working Water Dog Title in order to enter the Courier Water Dog test, and must have a Courier Excellent title to enter Versatility. A Junior Water Dog Certificate is not required in order to enter the Apprentice Water Dog test.

Event Secretary: All entries should be mailed to **Jane Freeman, 244 Talcott Notch Rd, Farmington, CT 06032. Email: SBF@aol.com**. Questions regarding the Trial should go to Jane Freeman. 860.678.7555 Request for return calls will be collect.

Entries and Closing Date: Entries must be made on the Official Entry Form or photocopy thereof. Entry Forms without a signed Participation Agreement ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE. Entries received without fees will not be accepted. Acknowledgment of entries will be made as soon as practicable. Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry fee. A collection fee of \$25.00 will be added to the amount of each returned check. Check should be payable to Nutmeg Portuguese Water Dog Club, Inc.

Entries open July 1, 2011 and close August 2, 2011 at 5:00 pm or on any earlier date when the entry limit is reached. After the Closing Date, entries cannot be accepted or canceled. There will be no refunds except as mentioned elsewhere in this Notice. There will be no substitutions of dogs after entries have closed. If, on the date that closes the trial, more entries are received than can be accepted, those entries will be chosen by random drawing.

Please let the Trial Secretary know immediately if you cannot compete so that we may fill the space with someone from the waiting list.

Day Of Trial Entries: Will be accepted if time allows and must be submitted by 8:00 am. See above for entry details

Entry Limits: The following spaces will be reserved: Apprentice: 5, Working: 5, Courier: 5, Versatility 3. The rest of the entries, including Junior Water Certificate, are taken on a first-come-first-served basis until 8 hours of judging is reached. On each day a dog may only be entered and exhibited once at any test level

Waiting list. After 8 hours of judging time has been initially allocated, all remaining trial entries will be put on a waiting list. The waiting list entries will be given judging time if any entry is withdrawn before or after the closing date. Any entries taken from the waiting list will be on a first-come-first-served basis.

Change of Entry Level: If a dog entered in a title level test earns that title at another PWDCA water trial before this trial, the dog may be moved up to the next test. These changes must be sent to the Trial Secretary, **Jane Freeman, 244 Talcott Notch Rd., Farmington, CT 06032. Email: SBF@aol.com**.

Non-Regular Entries (1) Entries received before the closing date for dogs who earned titles at their test level more than 30 days before the trial date ("Exhibition Entries") will be accepted if the trial does not fill with regular entries. (2) Applications for day of trial move-ups will be accepted to the extent time is available for judging such teams, but any team which enters on this basis shall be excused after the first exercise which they fail.

Refunds: Entry fees shall not be refunded in the event the dog is absent, excused by a veterinarian or judge, or barred from competition by action of the Trial Committee. If because of riots, civil disturbance or other acts of God beyond the control of the Trial Committee, it is impossible to open or complete the trial, no refund of entry fees will be made.

Bitches in Season: Bitches in season are eligible to enter the Trial, but owners must notify the Trial Secretary of the bitch's condition before the day's judging. The bitch must be crated in a separate area designated by the Trial Site Chair and will not be allowed near the trial area until they are to be judged. Bitches in season will be judged last.

Order of Judging and Judging Program: The order of judging within each test level will be determined by random drawing on or around the closing date and entrants will be notified as soon as practicable thereafter. The order of judging for the various levels will be determined at the same time

Substitute Stewards: A substitute steward must be named in the entry form in order for him/her to participate in the Trial. The Trial Secretary and Judge must approve requests for changes of Steward prior to the start of your trial level. A "Substitute Steward" is any person requested by the Handler/owner to act as his/her private Steward (in lieu of the official club steward) during the Trial. Substitute Stewards shall be responsible for knowledge of the Water Trial Manual and shall obey the Trial Judge

Equipment: Exhibitors may use their own water trial equipment provided such equipment conforms to the PWDCA's Water Trial Manual.

Vests and Footwear: Any person in or near the water must wear a USCG approved life vest and protective footwear as stated in the PWDCA Water Trial Rules & Regulations.

All Dogs Present: must be held on leash or confined to their crates except when being judged. All dogs must be under control at all times.

What to Bring: Crate, USCG-approved life vest (**mandatory**), appropriate protective footwear (**mandatory**), towels, chairs, shade devices, foul weather gear, trial equipment, leash, water dish, dog food, food for yourself, poop-scoop bags, sun screen, etc.

Trial Grounds Availability: The Trial Grounds are NOT available before Saturday

Registration/Equipment Inspection: Begins at approximately 8:00 am each day and will be available half an hour before the Judge's briefing for each level. The Judge's briefing for the first level will begin at approximately 8:30. The Trial starts at approximately 9:00 am and runs until the judge's assignment is finished. We reserve the right to adjust times if necessary

Food: Please bring your own food and chairs. There are shade areas for you and your dog.

Clean Up: You are responsible for cleaning up after your dog and yourselves. Please bring the necessary items for this purpose. Trash bins will be available.

Veterinarian on Call: There will be a veterinarian on Call.

Awards: NPWDC Rosettes will be awarded on the day of the Trial to all qualifying teams. Each team which successfully passes all exercises required at its test will receive a certificate from the PWDCA, Inc. reflecting the certificate or title earned.

All rights: to video tape, televise, advertise, photograph, promote and otherwise exploit this event are vested in the host club. All persons and animals in attendance who appear in any resultant effort grant the use of their likeness and voice without further consent.

Motels that take dogs:

PLEASE PICK UP AFTER YOUR DOG AND COVER YOUR BED WITH A SHEET

Red Roof Milford
10 Rowe Ave.
Exit 35 I-95
Milford, CT 06460

203.877.6060

NEW THIS YEAR REDUX

The new entry form is interactive. This means you may fill it out on line then print it off and mail with your check to the Trial Secretary.

If you prefer you can print it then fill it out by hand. However, the Trial Secretary strongly urges you to fill it out on line and print a second copy for your records

And

Nutmeg will be providing lunch both days for all two legged competitors. Please join us; it won't be fancy but it will be filling! Be our guests, we're glad you can attend

Saturday BBQ Fest

Time: at the conclusion of the trial on Saturday, August 20th

Location: The Kraus' home, site of the water trial.

Menu: hamburgers, hot dogs, pasta with chicken, vegetarian pasta, salad, garlic bread, assorted desserts.

Cost: \$15.00 per person

We hope to see all of you there to celebrate your and your friends' achievements!

Please make checks payable to Nutmeg PWD Club and send them with the reservation form below.

Send to:

Jane Freeman, 244 Talcott Notch Rd., Farmington, CT 06032

Nutmeg's Saturday Night BBQ Fest

Please send in by August 13, 2011 or, better yet, include with your entry

Name(s): _____

Amount enclosed: \$_____