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Entries will open on June 1, 2023 and close at Co-Secretary's Office at 5 p.m., July 31, 2023 after which time entries cannot be accepted, cancelled or substituted, except as provided in the Notice to Exhibitors.

PREMIUM LIST

PWDCA, INC. WATER TRIAL



Hosted by
**Portuguese Water Dogs
NorthEast Club**

Ingallsides, Scarborough, Maine 04034

**Saturday, August 19th and Sunday, August 20th, 2023
Junior, Apprentice, Working, Courier & Master Trial Levels**

**Judge Both Days:
Catherine Gadd
Dieppe, New Brunswick Canada**

NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

The water trials will be held in accordance with the provisions of the PWDCA Water Trial Manual as revised through 2022 (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 to enter Junior and one year of age to enter the Apprentice level and above, unless the dog has successfully passed the Junior level. Minimum age of handlers: 9 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 the Master level. A Junior Water Dog Certificate is not required in order to enter the Apprentice Water Dog test except as mentioned above.

Event Co-Secretary: All entries should be mailed to **Susan Lefebvre 7323 Oak Hill Road Loudon NH 03307**. Email: flatwater51@gmail.com. Questions regarding the trial should go to **Susan Lefebvre 603-892-6191**.

Entries and closing Date: Entries must be made on the Official Entry Form or a 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 each return check. **Check should be payable to: PWDsNE.**

Entries close July 31, 2023 at 5:00 pm. or on an earlier date when the entry limit is reached. After the closing date, entries cannot be accepted or cancelled. 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 close of entries, more entries are received than can be accepted, those entries will be chosen by date received. ***Please let the Trial Co-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.

Day of Trial Move Up: If time allows, dogs will be allowed to move up to the next trial level after receiving consent from the trial judge and the trial Co-Secretary and paying the appropriate fees.

Entry Limits: All entries including Junior Water Certificate, are taken on a first come first served basis until 35 dogs or 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 level test. These changes must be sent to the Trial Co-Secretary, **Susan Lefebvre 7323 Oak Hill Road Loudon NH 03307. Email: flatwater51@gmail.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 move-ups and day of trial entries will be accepted to the extent time is available for judging such teams. Move-ups will be given preference.

Refunds: No refunds of entry fees shall be made after the closing date except to owners of bitches in season who choose to withdraw and provide a bitch in season excuse from a veterinarian. **Bitches in Season:** Bitches in season are eligible to enter the Trial, but owners must notify the judge or the Trial Co-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 Co-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 - August 19: Master, Courier, Working, Apprentice, Junior, August 20: Junior, Apprentice, Working, Courier, Master.

Substitute Stewards: A substitute steward must be named in the entry form in order for him/her to participate in the trial. A handler is allowed the use of one substitute steward when competing at the Courier and Master level. The use of a substitute steward is allowed for the Timed Swim at the Junior or Apprentice levels. For all other exercises at any level, the use of a substitute steward must be approved by the judge and the Trial Co-Chair prior to the briefing.

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 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, poop-scoop bags, sun screen, bug spray, etc. Be advised the trial site does not have potable water.

Trial Grounds Availability: Grounds will be available at 7:00 am Saturday and Sunday.

Registration/Equipment Inspection: begins at approximately 8:00 am each day unless otherwise notified 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 am. The Trial will start at 9:00 am and run until the Judge's assignment is finished. We reserve the right to adjust times as necessary.

Miscellaneous: The site will be open for set-up beginning at 1 pm on Friday August 18, 2023. A light practice for dogs entered will be available until 4 pm. Exhibitors should plan to help steward for each other so everyone may have a chance to work their dogs. Bitches in season will be asked to practice at the end. There are shade areas for you and your dog. Day of trial: lunch will be provided for all volunteers.

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.

All Rights to videotape, 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.

Directions to Ingallsides:

From Maine Turnpike North or South - Take Exit 42 straight onto Haigis Parkway

Ingallsides is 1/2 mile on right.

From Route 1 - Go North on Route 1 past the Scarborough Marsh. Turn left at Haigis Parkway (Irving Station). Ingallsides is 1/2 mile on left .

Hotels:

Wyndham Hotel, 363 Maine Mall Road, S. Portland, 207-775-6161

Hampton Inn, 171 Philbrook Ave., S.Portland, 207-773-4400

Holiday Inn Express, 303 Sable Oaks Dr., S. Portland, 207-775-3900

Marriott Suites Hotel, 700 Roundwood Dr., Scarborough, 207-883-6800

Best Western/Merry Manor 700 Main St. So. Portland 207-774-6151

A Block of 12 Rooms have been reserved QQ. Rates are \$199.00 per night plus 9% tax, breakfast included. This rate is available for August 18 to August 20, 2023. Tell them you are booking the rooms reserved for the PWDsNE Club. Note: The pet fee is being waived for these days. Rooms must be booked by July 18, 2023.

Camping:

Wassamki Springs Campground, 56 Saco St., Scarborough 207-839-4267

Powder Horn Family Campground, Hwy.98, Old Orchard Beach, 207-934-4733

Wild Acres Family Campground, 179 Saco Ave., Old Orchard Beach, 207-934-2535

Emergency Vet Info:

Maine Veterinary Medical Center, 1500 Technology Way Scarborough ME (In Enterprise Business Park, between Haigis Parkway and Scarborough Downs) 207-885-1290

Volunteers

PWDsNE invites you to consider volunteering for our water trials. Trials run smoothly when help is given. Please help us make the water trial a memorable event for all. Areas you are able to help:

	Master	Courier	Working	Apprentice	Junior
Gate steward	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Land Steward	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Boat Steward	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Grounds set-up	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Grounds clean-up	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wherever Needed	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>