



CONDITIONS

These water classes are open only to purebred Portuguese Water Dogs. The dogs must be in good health and proper fitness and condition for the class that they are registering for.

PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

I/we have received and read the “Club Safety Rules” and above statement of conditions as provided for water training by the Nutmeg Portuguese Water Dog Club, Inc. I/we agree and consent to obey and abide by all the rules and policies therein.

I/we agree that the Nutmeg Portuguese Water Dog Club, Inc. has the right to refuse this entry or any entry for any cause(s) which it deems sufficient.

I/we accept full responsibility for the care of my/our dog(s) before, during and after, the water classes.

I/we agree to hold the above-listed [clubs and organizations], [their] [its] members, directors, governors, officers, agents, judges, instructors, volunteer organizations, individual helpers, superintendents and/or show secretary(ies), the owner or lessor of the premises and/or any employees of the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss or injury which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of my/our dog(s) while in or upon the water class premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto; and I/we personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claims.

I/we agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss of my/our dog(s) by disappearance, theft, death or otherwise, and from any claim for damage or injury to the dog(s), whether such loss, disappearance, theft, damage, or injury be caused or alleged to be caused by the negligence of the club or any of the parties aforementioned, or by the negligence of any other person, or any other cause or causes.

I/we hereby assume the sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify and save the aforementioned parties harmless from any and all loss and expense (including legal fees) by reason of the liability imposed by law upon any of the aforementioned parties for damage because of bodily injuries, including death at any time resulting there from, sustained by any person or persons, including myself/ourselves, or on account of damage to property, arising out of or in consequence of my/our participation in this water class, however such injuries, death or damage to property may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may be alleged to have been caused by negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees or agents, or any other persons.

Notwithstanding any of the above, in the event that I/we or my/our dog(s) suffer any damage, injury, illness, or loss (including the death of my dog(s)), during the water class or am in any way involved in any other party’s claim of damage, injury, illness, or loss during the water class, I/we agree to arbitrate the claim according to the rules of the American Arbitration Association. I/we further agree to arbitrate any question of whether any such claim is subject to such arbitration. I/we agree that any such arbitration shall take place at an agreed upon site in the greater Stamford, Connecticut area within 45 days of the incident giving rise to the claim, or at such other place and time as the arbitrators shall agree. I/we agree that I/we will pay a pro-rated share of the costs of any such arbitration.

Signed by Participant: _____ Date: _____

Nutmeg Water Work Summer Schedule 2008

Registration Form

(Please print clearly – we suggest you keep a photocopy for your records)

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____ Cell Phone _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State & Zip: _____

Dog's Name: _____ Age: _____ Sex: _____ Spayed/Neutered?: _____

If registering more than one dog please photocopy this form and **use a separate form for each dog**. Additional dog will require an additional fee. Note: Classes will be held at the Kraus' home at 54 Flint Ridge Road, Monroe CT.

Introduction to Water

For beginner puppies and dogs to build confidence around the water. Goals of this class are to develop attention to handler, learn to swim and enjoy the water and begin the retrieve.

*Taught by Pat Stuart Volz, **Wednesdays** 11:30 am to 2:00 pm Fee per class: \$25 members, \$30 non-members*

June 11 June 18 June 25 July 2 July 9 July 16

July 25 July 30 August 6 Raindate: August 13

Junior Level/Apprentice Water Dog

For dogs and handlers who want to compete at the Junior/Apprentice Level. The focus is attention to handler, swim with handler, the retrieve, boarding and riding the boat and jumping from the boat.

*Taught by Jane Harding, **Mondays** 10 am to 12:30 pm Fee per class: \$25 members, \$30 non-members*

June 9 June 16 June 23 June 30 July 7 July 14

July 21 July 28 August 4 Raindate: August 11

Working Water Dog/ Working Level

Practice retrieves, boat work, including jumping, working towards the Working Water Dog Title. Dogs should have completed the Apprentice Level or have permission of the instructor.

*Taught by Jane Freeman, **Mondays** 2 pm to 5 pm Fee per class: \$25 members, \$30 non-members*

June 9 June 16 June 23 June 30 July 7 July 14

July 21 July 28 August 4 Raindate: August 11

The Courier Water Dog/ Courier Level

For dogs who have achieved the Working Level. There will be no assigned instructor. Handlers will be helping each other according to their own training methods.

***Thursdays** 10 am to 4 pm Fee per class: \$25 members, \$30 non-members*

June 12 June 19 June 26 July 3 July 10 July 17

July 24 July 31 August 7 Raindate: August 14

I am enclosing the following amount for class fees: _____ Payable to NPWDC, Inc. Mail to Marie Forgach, 7 DeMott Ave, Rockville Centre, NY 11570 (516) 536-2869; email: MAFxxx@aol.com. Please send by June 1, 2008.

For more information or questions contact Jane Freeman at SBF@aol.com, (860)678-7555.

Water Trial Dates (Pending Approval): Saturday, August 16, and Sunday, August 17 in Monroe, CT. Judge: Judy Murray. There will be a barbeque held on Saturday so plan on staying. Note: There will be NO September trial.

I have read and signed the participation agreement on the reverse side of this registration form. I have also read and agree to the Nutmeg Water Safety Rules attached separately.

Signature _____

Date _____



Nutmeg PWD Club Safety Rules

1. Any person who enters the water must wear an appropriate sized USCG approved life vest and close toed water shoes that can protect their feet from sharp objects.
2. No person may use the beach or Nutmeg Equipment without signing a waiver to hold the Club harmless from damage, injury or death. This waiver must be on file with the Nutmeg Club/Class Instructor prior to use of the property.
3. Club equipment may only be used for official Nutmeg sponsored events.
4. There must be at least two adults present on the beach when the Club boats are being used. An adult is defined as a person 16 years of age or older; however, at least one of the adults present must be 18 years or older.
5. Persons using the beach will clean up after their dogs and themselves. No glass containers will be permitted on the beach. Trash, including trash can contents, shall be removed from the beach by the end of the training day. The last instructor on the property at the end of the day shall inspect the beach and the beach house to ensure that all trash has been removed.
6. Nutmeg Water Equipment shall be used in an appropriate manner. Boats are for the sole use of dog and handler teams practicing water work with their dogs or as needed by the Club to set up a water trial site. No person shall stand on the boat platform while the boat is away from shore. All equipment is to be properly stored after use. Boats must be lifted onto land and all parts of the platform out of the water. Platforms shall be overturned at the end of the training day and oars shall be secured in the oar locker. The last instructor on the property at the end of the day shall inspect the beach to ensure the club equipment is properly secured.
7. Children under age 16 must be accompanied by their parent or guardian when on the property. Guardians shall sign a hold harmless agreement for their children and by doing so assume all risks and responsibilities for their children's actions. Guardians shall prevent their children from creating a distraction for working dogs and handlers. Unless directed by the class instructor, children shall remain away from the water and shall not play with club equipment. Children must wear USCG approved life vests when on or near the water.
8. Dogs shall be under the control of their handler at all times. Dogs that are considered a risk to other dogs or humans shall be muzzled while on the property or be excused by the property owner or any club official or instructor. Excessive barking will require the dog(s) be removed from the property.
9. Cigarette butts must be placed in the designated container.



For the convenience of those taking classes, the following equipment is available for purchase:

- Large Canvas Dummy.....\$15.00
- Small Canvas Dummy.....\$10.00
- Float Line.....\$35.00
- Hard Buoy Ball.....\$17.00
- 3 sided fetch toy.....\$10.00
- Wiffle Ball.....\$ 6.00
- Mesh Gear Bag..... \$10.00
- Floating Leash/Lead\$10.00

Total Merchandise ordered _____

Please circle the items desired and enclose a check payable to NPWDC, Inc with your class registration form. Merchandise will be delivered to you at class.

Name: _____ Phone: _____ email: _____

Class: _____

Some Guidelines for Nutmeg's Water Training Classes

1. Dogs learn best in short, well-planned sessions and then need some "down" time to absorb the lesson. Do not expect to be working the entire workshop. Bring a crate (and sheet to cover it) so your dog will have a quiet place to rest. Also have a plan for what you want to work on when you bring your dog out for his time to work. Your instructor will help you with this.
2. The fee covers ONE working dog and ONE handler. If you plan on working a second dog, it will require a second fee.
3. Please do not bring your bitch in season. It is very distracting to the other dogs. With a note from your vet, you will get a refund. Let us know as soon as possible so that someone on the waiting list may be able to go in your place. You could also come without a dog if you wish.
4. Sign up for as many sessions as you possibly can attend. You will see more progress if you train consistently both at water and at home.
5. There will be lots of distractions in this new environment. Your dog will not perform at the same level as he does distraction-free. Be prepared by strengthening your dog's desire to be with you. Be more interesting than the environment. Bring especially tasty treats, and some of your dog's favorite toys that can be used as rewards. And be sure your dog is both healthy and hungry. (No breakfast)
6. No one will be allowed to take a class unless payment has been received before the class. Instructors are not allowed to take payment.
7. If you need to cancel, in order to receive a refund, it must be at least two weeks prior to the beginning of classes. There are no refunds after classes begin unless you have a bitch in season or your dog is ill and you have obtained a veterinarian's note. All refunds will be subject to a \$5.00 administration fee per class.
8. By your request, if you cannot make a class we will attempt to switch you to another class. You must notify Marie Forgach (516-536-2869) 24 hours prior to the class that you will miss. Rescheduling will be dependant on class space.
9. Rain day make-ups will be held the week of August 11.