

HCNC Board Meeting Minutes
October 27, 2011

The meeting was held at the home of Maria Rizzuto. Attending were Terri Desnica, Maria Rizzuto, Patti Pigeon, Betsy Beaver, Diane Blandina, Claudia Walters, Sue Raney. Linda Morley-Roser attended as a guest .

The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved.

Sue Raney reported that HCNC received correspondence regarding National. Regional clubs are being asked to donate baskets for the event this year. It is unanimously approved that HCNC donate a basket, and a limit of purchasing items not to exceed \$150 was approved. Diane will ask club members who will be interested in working on this and who can drive the basket to the national this year.

Betsy Beaver reported that club expenses and income continues to track with previous years. The club collected \$1855 in dues. Ordinary expenses from these dues are Tax at \$60, awards at \$680, insurance at \$675, sponsorship of trophies for supported entry at Peak to Peak \$145, trailer repairs and tags \$165, National basket (estimated \$150). Events continue to generate support for club functions and for the most part, break even each year. The agility trial netted proceeds for working events of \$1266, the Regional Specialty netted -\$650 although trophies broke even this year, the awards banquet netted -\$135, The fun matches (10 and 11 combined) netted \$436, Draft Tests in Spring netted \$72, Water Tests had unusual expense with last minute judge change and additional hotel expenses as well as providing meals for all Craig patients who came to watch and netted -827.

Linda reported that rescue has seen steady activity over the last few months. Bella and Tugboat both were adopted recently. While we did not get the dogs from Minnesota after all, there was much support generated for rescue. Lori Moreland and Peggy Lange donated food, many members donated cash, supplies, and other support. Linda will keep looking for volunteers to help support rescue through helping with vet trips, phone contact, fostering and transport. Terri discussed the need for help with the fun match, particularly in getting conformation judges for the day. Maria will help with judges, Patti will help with hospitality, Sue will help with equipment.

A general meeting will be held in conjunction with the draft test on November 5th at Cherry Creek State Park.

The Regional was discussed. The input brought forward from Diane Blandina is that the membership would prefer a February regional in conjunction with our Rocky Mountain Cluster rather than a fall regional. In order to do so, we would not hold a regional in 2012, but work for Feb 2013. Claudia and Diane volunteered to work with Plum Creek and Peak to Peak to discuss this further. It was suggested that we consider a supported entry in the fall perhaps with Greeley shows in place of a regional for 2012.

Patti Pigeon reported that the Water Tests went well, were well attended and the committee will try for the same dates next year.

Patti Pigeon reported that the agility trial was well attended. We received good feedback and we will start working on next year's trial for the same weekend. It was a very successful fundraiser for our working events and will help offset expenses such as out of town judges.

Diane Blandina reported that the fall Draft Test plans are finalized. Terri reported that the spring dates for Rottie test and Berner tests are published. Maria will work around those for the Spring Draft tests.

Patti Pigeon reported that the Rescue Fundraiser for Christmas Carting will be December 3, 10, 17 in Golden. Betsy Beaver/Sue Raney moved that a new signboard for carting be commissioned. The motion was unanimously approved. Betsy will contact George Blevins to create the new design.

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

High Country Newfoundland Club
General Meeting Minutes
November 6, 2011

The meeting was held at Cherry Creek State Park following the conclusion of the Draft Test on November 6th. A quorum was present.

The Regional for next year was discussed. There was interest from some members regarding moving the regional back to the February cluster of shows. The deadlines for that shift have already passed, and if we move back to February, we will skip a year offering a regional. Claudia Walters and Diane Blandina will work on discussions with the shows to determine whether we can hold an independent specialty along with the shows in February 2013.

It was suggested that we may want to consider a supported entry in August with Greeley but no decisions were made at this time.

Patti Pigeon reported that the Water Tests for the summer were very well received. Attendance from throughout the country has increased. We had great stewards, several were new members who enjoyed participating, others were seasoned veteran drowners. The test enjoyed a good pass rate, and the committee will try for the same weekends at Chatfield again next year.

Terri Desnica reported that HCNC's first agility trial (which was held as a fundraiser to provide income to support our NCA working events) was very successful. It is a great fundraiser which requires just a few dedicated club members to participate for the one day, raising approximately \$1500 to support our expenses to deliver NCA working events for our members. Agility participants spoke highly of our hospitality and trial management. Terri will research a possible change in secretary for next year. Members commented that this is a fun activity producing a big payoff for HCNC in a short amount of time.

Diane Blandina reported that the draft tests were successful. Betsy Beaver reported that the test should break even, thanks to all the all-breed entrants. Terri Desnica reported that the Spring dates for the Berner test and Rottie test are already available. Maria Rizzuto will follow up and schedule our spring test around those dates.

Patti Pigeon reported that our Rescue Fundraiser, Christmas Carting, will be in Golden on December 3, 10, and 17 in Golden. The day starts with a short parade down Main Street, and then carting follows till 3:00 pm. Everyone is welcome, lots of riders mean we need petting dogs, people to help with riders getting in and out of carts, and carting dogs to give rides. Betsy Beaver/Sue Raney moved that George Blevins be commissioned to create a new sign for Christmas Carting. The motion was approved.

The Annual Banquet was discussed. Diane will do the Awards again this year. A spring date will be determined. After discussion, it was decided that no fundraising will take place at the banquet to cover the award costs.

The nominating committee was appointed. Diane Blandina will chair, Pat Drew and Johanna Matsuda will serve on the committee as well.

The New Puppy Buyer program is going well. Diane needs to get more packets out and submit more names to Sue Raney for inclusion in the email list.

The need to hold a fun day in the Spring was discussed. Sue Raney will email the membership to determine if anyone is interested in heading up this fun event.

The need to update the website was discussed.

Betsy Beaver and Maria Rizzuto moved that Claudia Walters be appointed to fill the open board position caused by Carol Perkowski's move to New York. The motion was passed.

Claudia Walters discussed her proposal to move the newsletter to a quarterly format. The attached schedule was distributed. The proposal was accepted by the membership.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

High Country Newfoundland Club-Newf News Calendar 2012

(General guidelines, all events subject to change.)

<p><u>January 2012 Issue</u></p> <p>Future Events Nominating Committee Peak-to-Peak Show Club Banquet & Application Forms Spring Draft Test</p> <p>Reports Fall Draft Tests Holiday Carting</p> <p>Membership Report Brag Photo Theme-Winter Newfs</p>	<p><u>April 2012 Issue</u></p> <p>Future Events July Water Tests Fun Match</p> <p>Reports Club Banquet Spring Draft Test</p> <p>Membership Report Brag Photo Theme-Dogs at Home</p>
<p><u>July 2012 Issue</u></p> <p>Future Events September Water Tests Fall Draft Tests Agility Trial</p> <p>Reports July Water Tests Fun Match</p> <p>Membership Report Brag Photo Theme-Outdoor Dogs</p>	<p><u>October 2012 Issue</u></p> <p>Future Events Holiday Carting Peak-to-Peak Show Fall Draft Test</p> <p>Reports September Water Tests Agility Trail</p> <p>Membership Report Brag Photo Theme-Water Dogs</p>



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High Country Newfoundland Club
Board of Directors Special Meeting
December 17, 2011

The meeting was held at Anthony's Pizza in Golden. Attending were Sue Raney, Terri Desnica, Maria Rizzuto, Patti Pigeon, Betsy Beaver, Claudia Walters, Diane Blandina. Pat Drew attended as a guest.

Terri called the meeting to order and reviewed that the purpose of the meeting was to appoint a replacement to the board position vacated by the resignation of Ron Horn as Vice President.

It was moved (Sue Raney/Maria Rizzuto) to move to Executive Session to discuss candidates for the position.

Once the board returned from Executive Session a motion was made to nominate Claudia Walters to fill the term remaining of Vice President. The motion was approved unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.