



High Country Newfoundland Club's Newf News Summer 2008 Issue

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Upcoming Events

HCNC Water Work Clinic
Sunday, June 22, 2008
9:00 AM - Noon
Chatfield State Park
Details on next page

No Frills Water Test
July 26-27, 2008
Chatfield State Park
Watch for Premium List
on the website:
www.highcountrynews.com

General Meeting &
CGC and Obedience Fun Day
Saturday, August 9, 2008
Hounds On The Hill
960 Lincoln St.
Denver, CO
Details in this issue!



Start Your Summer Off With A Splash! Attend HCNC's Water Work Clinic!

All levels of experience welcomed! This is a great opportunity to find out if your Newfoundland dog likes to play water games, swim, and ultimately be a water rescue dog! We'll work at exposing your dog to water activities, play lots of fun water games, give you training tips and have a great time.

Newfoundland Dogs of all ages welcome! Leonberger dogs of all ages welcome! Breeders, please encourage your puppy buyers to attend – this is a great way to get to know club members and join in the fun!

Cost for HCNC members: 10.00 per dog/handler team

Non-members: 20.00 per dog/handler team

Place: Chatfield State Park Gravel Pond (directly south of the main lake at King Fisher parking area)

Time and Date: SUNDAY, JUNE 22, 9:00 am to 12 noon

Bring: Your dog, a crate, a leash, a life jacket and water shoes, lots of treats for your dog, water for you and your dog, sunscreen for you, chairs and tenting optional. Park entry fee of \$6.00 required at Chatfield State Park entrance gate. We will be sharing the beach area with dive classes.

To register for the clinic, please fill out the slip below and mail it to Sue Raney at 6040 Routt St, Arvada, CO 80004. Call Sue at 303-421-3282 or Patti Pigeon at 303-279-8224 for more information.

Please mail the slip below to RSVP for the clinic. See you soon!

Yes! I will attend the HCNC Water Work Clinic!

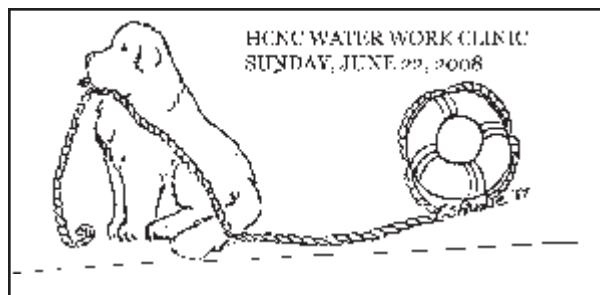
Name (print) _____

Dog's Name _____

Address _____ Phone _____

My experience with water work is: _____

Clinic registration enclosed _____ Amount paid _____



GENERAL MEETING
&
CGC and OBEDIENCE FUN DAY

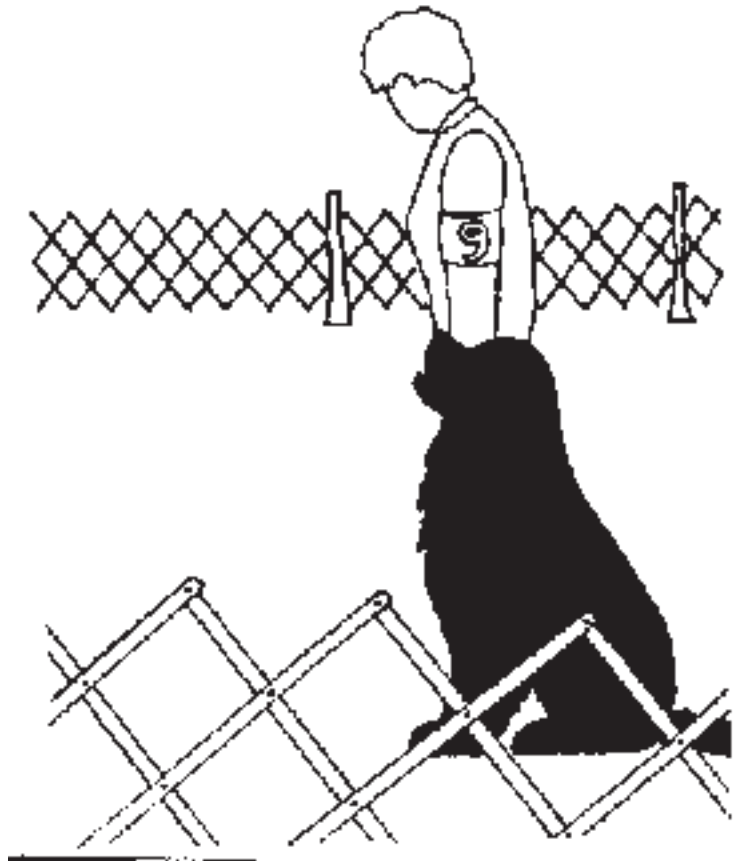
Sunday, August 9, 2008
10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Our new club president, Terri Desnica, welcomes members to Hounds On The Hill for our next General Meeting followed by an opportunity to learn about and practice for the AKC Canine Good Citizen Test. You will also have chance to learn and practice basic obedience while participating in a mini Fun Match. Wondering about Rally? Experience the fun and challenge of Rally through a practice course and an introduction to Rally Signs.

The General Meeting will start at 10:00 AM followed by the CGC and Obedience Fun Day.

Hounds On The Hill
960 Lincoln Street
Denver, CO 80203
(There is parking behind the building)

RSVP 303-830-1226 or desnica5008@msn.com



FOCUS ON...

The AKC Canine Good Citizen Program

Welcome to the AKC's Canine Good Citizen® (CGC) Program. Started in 1989, CGC is a certification program that is designed to reward dogs who have good manners at home and in the community. The Canine Good Citizen Program is a two-part program that stresses responsible pet ownership for owners and basic good manners for dogs. All dogs who pass the 10-step CGC test may receive a certificate from the American Kennel Club.

Many dog owners choose Canine Good Citizen training as the first step in training their dogs. The Canine Good Citizen Program lays the foundation for other AKC activities such as obedience, agility, tracking, and performance events. As you work with your dog to teach the CGC skills, you'll discover the many benefits and joys of training your dog. Training will enhance the bond between you and your dog. Dogs who have a solid obedience education are a joy to live with—they respond well to household routines, have good manners in the presence of people and other dogs, and they fully enjoy the company of the owner who took the time to provide training, intellectual stimulation, and a high quality life. We sincerely hope that CGC will be only a beginning for you and your dog and that after passing the CGC test, you'll continue training in obedience, agility, tracking, or performance events.

A key component of the CGC Program is the 10-step CGC Test. All dogs who pass the CGC Test receive a certificate from the American Kennel Club.

The 10-steps:

1. Accept a friendly stranger.
2. Sit politely for petting.
3. Appearance and grooming.
4. Out for a walk. (Walking on a loose leash)
5. Walk through a crowd.
6. Sit and down on command/staying in place.
7. Come when called.
8. Reaction to another dog.
9. Reactions to distractions.
10. Supervised separation.

For additional information on the AKC Canine Good Citizen Program visit the AKC website at:

www.akc.org

NEW MEMBER APPLICATIONS

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Aurora, CO 80013
H: 303-680-6040
pfs17@juno.com

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General
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C: 303-917-0468
flarsen@cherrytower.com

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1761 West Chaffee Place
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ritz1@hughes.net

sponsors: Dallas & Ken Anderson

Annual Awards Banquet

Submitted by Johanna Matsuda

Our Awards Banquet/General Membership Meeting was held on Saturday, May 10, 2008 at the American Lung Association of Colorado in Greenwood Village.

The delicious lunch was catered by Carol & Jeff Jefferson. If you didn't attend, you missed an awesome lunch. Linda Morley-Roser handled all the reservations & Greg Szymskie was our announcer. Thank you Carol, Jeff, Linda & Greg for your help.

Last year our club members worked hard with their Newfs. Here is a summary of the titles earned last year:

- 6 Champions
- 2 Obedience - CD
- 2 Obedience - CDX
- 4 Rally Novice
- 2 Rally Advance
- 4 Rally Excellent
- 1 Tracking Dog
- 2 Water Dog
- 2 Water Rescue Dog
- 2 Breeder of Champions
- 1 Brood Bitch

1st Place at the National: CD, Graduate Novice & Brood Bitch

- 2 Group Placements

Unfortunately, we didn't award any Draft Dog titles. Please work with your Newfs; a wonderful way to bond with your dog just ask the above owners.

We had three (3) Living Legends, Newfs that are 10 years or older.

We highlighted the memories of three wonderful Newfs that crossed the Rainbow Bridge last year.

BRAGS

Our Own Seaman

On the 200th anniversary of the Lewis and Clark expedition my Newf, Echo, made several public appearances. One of these, at the Rapid City Public Library, had two men dressed as Lewis and Clark. I did not know any pictures had been taken until this one appeared on the library web-site.

Submitted by Holli Jelkin

Ed: Unfortunately the picture quality was not high enough for the newsletter.

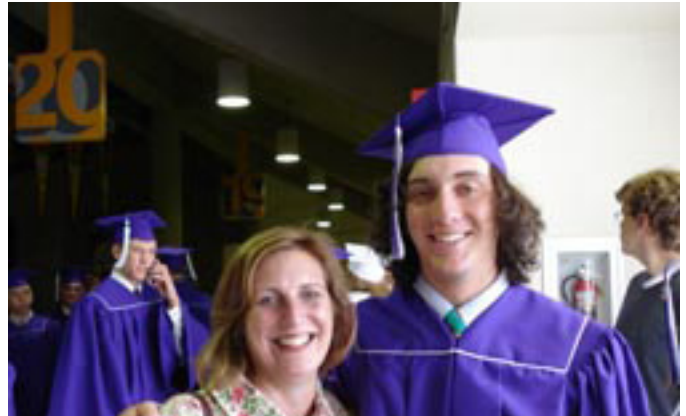
MBISS / Select / AM/CAN/INTL CH Misty Mtn's As You Like It, RA, WD, DD, CGC, TDI (Oliver), passed the Draft Test at the Newfoundland Club of America National Specialty in Rhode Island. He also took a Group One at the Central Wyoming Kennel Club Shows.

Submitted by Ron Horn



National Brag

Ch Springhaven's Honest Reagan shined as a Top 20 Dog and went on to receive a Select in the Best of Breed Competition at the NCA National in Warwick, RI. Congratulations to Bob McAllister and Reagan.



Brag from the Raney's:

Sweetbay's Quin, CD, DD, WRD, RE! Quin's having a great year -- finished his CD in February, re-qualified for Draft Dog in April, and earned his Rally Excellent title at the recent Mountain States Dog Club shows in May. We love ya, Dude!

Proud parents Sue and Mark congratulate our eldest, Matt (water steward extraordinaire) on his successful graduation from High School! YIPPEE!!



MORE BRAGS...

April 20, 2008, Manitouloa's Hallelujah!, call name Halle, earned a DD on her first attempt. I am so proud of her.

Submitted by Pat Drew



My boy Windhaven Storm of Kirenska "Storm" took his first points, a 3 pt major his second weekend out showing!

Submitted by Karen Benenati.



Congratulations to John LeVett and Gryffin! Gryffin (Twin Oak's Gryffindor Tower, CD, TDx, WRD, DD) earned his TDX (AKC Tracking Dog Excellent) title on Sunday, March 23rd. I think Gryffin is the first Newf to earn this AKC TDX title in the State of Colorado. We are so proud of Gryffin and John!

Submitted by Johanna



On April 11th ZZ earned his Carting Intermediate Single Title from the Mile High Rottweiler Club at their 2008 Independent Sieger Show at the Boulder County Fairgrounds. Not only did he earn his title, he came in 2nd Place ahead of all the Rotti's!! There were a total of ten dogs in his class. For the Rotti Club test they are scored on their performance of the course while pulling 40 lbs. in their cart as well as pass/fail, and all breeds compete together in one group.

Terri Desnica & ZZ



BISS / Select / VN AM/CAN/INTL CH Misty Mtn's Love At First Sight, CD, TD, RE, WRDX, TDD, AM/CAN CGC, TDI (Lucy), won the Versatile Newfoundland Bitch class at the Newfoundland Club of America National Specialty. This is the third time in the last four years she has won this class. She also took Best in Show (Veteran) at the Rio Grande Kennel Club Shows.

Submitted by Ron Horn

The Whelping Box

Club members Linda Morley Roser & Shine Sturtz are both excited to announce that Kendra (Ch Kilyka's Legacy Kendra Tempest) is expecting a large litter on June 6. The sire is Monk (Ch Kilyka's Fireside Black Fire, CD). Both parents have all their health clearances and strong working attitudes. Kendra has her own web page via her breeder, Dejah Petsch and Tempest
Newfs: <http://www.tempestnewfoundlands.com/kendra.html>

Everyone is welcome to visit and help socialize puppies once they are old enough to have visitors. Contact Linda at 303-688-6494 (home); 303-971-9590 (work); or 303-884-7755 (cell).

Submitted by Linda Morley

Water Permits

Members that have renewed their dues may request Water Practice Permits for Chatfield State Park from Patti Pigeon:
ppigeon105@aol.com

Pet Prescriptions

Member Patti Pigeon will assist members with their pet prescriptions through her employer:

Peoples Pharmacy
Full Service Pharmacy
Your Compounding Pharmacy &
Your Veterinary Compounding Specialist
255 Union Blvd. Suite 100
Lakewood, CO 80228
303-987-0707
vetcomp@peoplespharmacyonline.com
Patricia Pigeon, RPh

Craig Hospital Volunteers Needed

For more than twenty years the High Country Newfoundland Club members have provided Newfoundland Therapy Dogs for Craig Hospital. We currently have eight members active in the program. Because of the demand for our dogs at the hospital, we would like to add a few more participants. Our dogs work at the hospital every Monday evening between 6:30 and 9:00 p.m. Individual members volunteer at least one Monday per month. Dogs must be at least one year old and well enough trained to visit safely in patient rooms where major medical equipment is being used. Dogs must be well groomed and have had a bath within twenty-four hours of making a visit. Handlers must attend a Craig Hospital orientation session and allow the hospital to conduct a background check. If you would be interested in becoming a part of this program, please contact Ron Horn, 303-797-8642, for additional information.

West Side Story

Another year has gone by, another National is over but what fun we had!!

Though Rhode Island proved to be truly a wet one this year, there was winning to be done.

In Sweeps, Marci's "Kizzy" won the 15-18 month class plus the 12-18 month bitch class from the regular classes. Marci is very proud of her girl!

Peggy hated missing this year but was kept abreast every couple of days of the happenings! Peggy was there in spirit!

Summer is suddenly upon us hitting 90 degrees ALREADY! We hope all of you on the East side and beyond have a safe and happy summer!

Meet the Breed at CSKC

I'd just like to say thank you so much to everyone that participated in Meet the Breed at the Colorado Springs Dog Show on Saturday. I heard a lot of wonderful comments from the public regarding the Newfs and I would love to have you guys back again next year.
Thanks for a GREAT job!!!!

Cydney Jones

Thunder a Problem?

I have ordered the item described below because Mada is afraid of thunder so hopefully this will help ease her fears and I won't have to listen to the weather channel at 2 in the morning!!

Check out Through a Dog's Ear, the new book and CD series that provides an indispensable source of cutting-edge research, heartwarming stories, and practical sound-based solutions to help your dog live a happier and healthier life. <http://www.throughadogsear.com>

Submitted by Marilyn Miller

GROWING WITH GRACE

It has been a busy Spring for Mom and me. Since settling back into Colorado Springs we have enjoyed being close to our old friends and our old trails and especially the fact that we are closer to them now that we live "downtown". Almost every day starts with a nice walk before breakfast. We have discovered that there is another Newf living just one block away. His name is Oliver and he was rescued by Libby who named him after a well known club member. Apparently, Oliver's Mom, Scarlett, hooked Libby up with Linda Morley-Roser and the rest is as they say "history". Besides walking, we have been carting and doing rally. We practiced quite a bit for the draft test but we didn't pass so I believe more carting is in my future. I guess I can say the same for rally but we'll get to that later in the column. The Draft Test was held in Golden, CO and the committee and judges did a very nice job of making it a successful event. On Sunday, there was a practice test which was a nice addition. Look for a Fall Draft Test later this year.

The next big event we attended involved quite a bit of travel. We flew to Boston followed by a drive to Warwick, RI. The flight was uneventful but getting to the National site proved to be a challenge. Since our flight was slightly delayed, the shuttle service we reserved to Warwick never materialized. Fortunately, we were able to get a lift from two very nice club members with a mini van. Yes, that makes three people, two very large kennels, two newfs and luggage galore in one bright blue mini van. Add in a very rainy day and you have the perfect start to our 2008 National. Thanks to Bob McAllister for the ride. Mom decided that we were going to fully participate in the National so everyday was full of activities and fun. I actually had the most fun the first two days. We were entered in Rally Advanced. The first day we made it to about the sixth or seventh station on the course before I decide to have a little fun. I got what Mom calls "that look in my eye" and when requested to sit I decided to play. Front paws out front and butt in the air, I just went crazy and started to circle

the ring. Mom didn't join in so I finally came back to her and we were excused from Rally for that day. Mom wasn't very happy with my behavior as I had previously gotten my CD and RN in the first three tries. Our record was now ruined and Mom was apparently publicly humiliated. Sad to report but it was worse the next day. I thought it would be fun to just start out with the ring circling so I did it at Station 1! Not a good idea. Once I came back to Mom she put the leash on me and told me to sit. When I did not sit it was quickly followed by a correction, a sit and a quick exit out of the ring. Believe me, I had to sit on command the rest of the National. With the worst behind us we went on to enjoy the show. We were in the Honors Parade, took third place in the Senior Showmanship event and participated in the Best of Breed competition. Our friend Reagan was a "Select" so we basked in his glory by holding the ribbon (very large) and the Lenox China (very cool) as they had their pictures taken. Then there was the stuff that just happens at a National; I was reunited with my breeder, Joan, who thinks I'm very spoiled but is proud of me anyway, I was very helpful in training Nelson not to sniff girl's butts, I think I had three baths in the rain, I went to beach and "fished" which is not a good sign for water training this summer, my aunt joined us mid-week and they went to the Newport mansions, there was dinner every night with friends for Mom and usually a doggie bag for me and I heard the Clam Bake and Goodbye Banquet were special events shared with fellow HCNC members.

Upon returning from the National, Mom left me home and went to the Awards Banquet. Johanna Matsuda planned a very nice event and Carol Jefferson provided a wonderful catered lunch. Mom brought me home five awards. So, it is just possible that Mom and I will become the team we know we can be and bring home a title this year. Cross your fingers, we're entered in Rally at the Springs show.

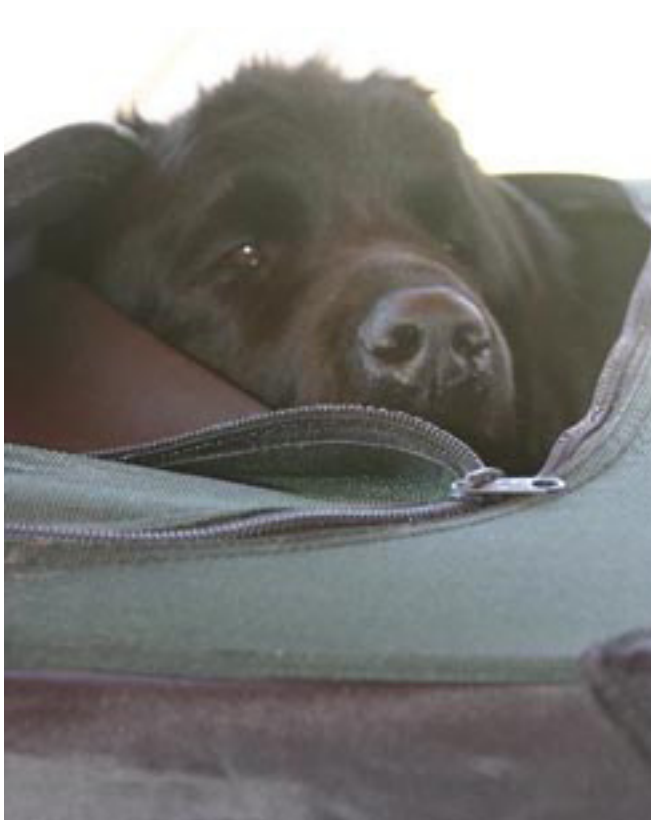


NCA National

Honors Parade on the left and Best of Breed Competition on the right.



Shine's Photos from the Draft Test



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Take Your Dog to Work Day	June 23, 2008	Everywhere!
Buckhorn Valley KC	June 28-29, 2008	Loveland, CO
Roaring Fork KC	July 12-13, 2008	Eagle, CO
HCNC Water Tests	July 26-27, 2008	Denver, CO
Greeley KC	August 16-17, 2008	Greeley, CO
Cheyenne KC	August 30-31, 2008	Cheyenne, WY
Rio Pecos KC	Sept. 6-7, 2008	Roswell, NM
Evergreen KC	Sept. 6-7, 2008	Greeley, CO
HCNC Water Tests	Sept. 13-14, 2008	Denver, CO
Boulder Parade of Lights	December 6, 2008	Boulder, CO
Writers Square Christmas Carting	Dec. 6, 13, & 20, 2008	Denver, CO

Save The Dates for HCNC's Water Tests!

As in the past, the premium with all the details will be posted to the HCNC web site. But save these dates so you don't miss out on all the fun!

HCNC Sponsored Leonberger Water Test, WD, WRD, WRDX Friday July 25
 NCA Water Tests for Newfoundlands (No Frills): WD, WRD, WRDX Saturday July 26 and Sunday July 27
 HCNC Sponsored "Wild Card Water" on Saturday, July 26 following the Water Test
 (details in the premium!)
 HCNC Sponsored Tadpole test on Sunday, July 27 following the Water Test

HCNC Sponsored Leonberger Water Test, WD, WRD, WRDX Friday, September 12
 NCA Water Tests for Newfoundlands : WD, WRD, WRDX Saturday Sept 13 and Sunday Sept. 14
 HCNC Sponsored "Wild Card Water" on Saturday, Sept. 13 following the Water Test
 (details in the premium!)
 HCNC Sponsored Tadpole test on Sunday, Sept. 14 following the Water Test

To volunteer to steward, please contact Patti Pigeon at 303-279-8334 or Sue Raney at 303-421-3282.
 See you at the lake!