

Movers and Shakers

Portuguese Water Dog Club
of the Carolinas



NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2012

TidBit These porties are ready for waterwork - Just like their ancestors



The existence of the Portuguese Water Dog along the Algarve on the coast of Portugal can be traced back to very remote times. Evidence exists which indicates that in pre-Christian times, the "water dog" was held to be nearly sacred, and severe penalties came to those who killed a "water dog". There are many theories surrounding the dog, but none dispute that this remarkable dog has an ancient ancestry. The first written description of the Portuguese

Water Dog is dated to 1297, and concerns a monk's report of a dying sailor who had been brought out of the sea by a dog which had a "black coat of rough hair, cut to the first rib and with a tuft on the tip of his tail". Due to the historical clip still in use, many writings describe the breed as a "Lion Dog". It is said that the current day Poodle, Kerry Blue Terrier, and Irish Water Spaniel are possibly ancestors of the "water dog".
from: <http://pwdca.org/breed/>

President's Message

Reflections

Little did I know that a Portuguese Water Dog would open up my life to so many great people and friendships, much less being asked to be President of such a GREAT group of people.

Linda Fowler was very gracious for fulfilling the role as president when I was originally asked two years ago. I also want to personally thank all the previous Presidents, Board Members and Club Members who have laid the foundation for the most wonderful club! I feel very privileged to have been part of the club for several years and to be able to watch the growth, the number of members that have joined and the reputation of our club.

The successes of our club are based on the talents and contributions of ALL of our members. Thank you!

Wishing all of you the best Holiday Season. May your New Year be filled with enjoying time with family, friends and fur friends. Have fun training (I plan to work on this!) and be safe in your travels.

Connie

Really great news!! We will have a new colorful and informative website very soon. Our very own computer gurus Pete and Jennifer Wenk will be hosting and creating the new site with input from the board. We are so fortunate to have them offer their services to the club in this capacity. The time, effort and expertise for a good website is substantial. Jennifer and Pete, thank you so-o-o very much. Thanks also goes to Jay Manion for his years of service to the club for the current website. Thanks Jay, your hard work is appreciated!



We also have the newsletter back in action as you can see. If you have information you would like included, please contact Morgan Jennings at perfectPWD@me.com.

This is going to be a great year!

Connie



Job Well-Done!!!!



Big Congratulations to Sandy Christy for winning the *Paul Johnson Trophy* (owner-handler champion) and to Linda Fowler for winning the *Member of the Year* award.



STAR AWARDS 2011

Dog	Title	Owner
Addy	NA, CH	M&R Nicewinder
Areia	CH, AWD	Sandy Christy
Bela	JWC, RN, CGC	Cristi Wetherholt
Betsy	CWDX	Maggie Martin
Bliss	OA, SROM	M&R Nicewinder
Boomer	AWD, SROM	M&R Nicewinder
Bubbles	WWD, CH	Martha Ruskai
Chaney	Versatility	Melinda Griffin
Chase	GROM	Pam Cuda
Cole	RN	Karen Latham
Darcy	AWD, WWD, CWD, NA, NAJ, OA, OAJ	Ken&Janet Slagle
Dega	JWC	Vicki Storrs
DJ	Champion	Judy Percival
Ember	JWC, RN	Bri Tesarz
Gidget	AWD, WWD	Cam&Ron Salvary
Gypsy	WWD	Bonnie Bryan
Jade	JWD	Patricia Tirrell
JD	AWD, WWD	Sandy Foster
Katie	CDX	Shirley McKee
Lucy	OA, SROM	M&R Nicewinder
Maggie	OA, THD, CWDX, SROM	Tom Leather

Dog	Title	Owner
Magill	WWD, CWD, MXJ, XF	Chris Bach
Max	NF, THD	Judy Leather
Missy	NAP, NJP, NAC	Martha Ruskai
Oscar	Versatility	Maggie Martin
Penny	CWD	Gail&Dave Diehl
Pesa	MXJP	Candy Lawhorne
Pesci	JWC	Peg&Fred Burton
Raz	GCH	Jill Flebotte
Razzel Dazzel	CH, GCH, CD, CDX, CWDX	Raymond Brooks
Rixa	UDX2, OM2	Louise Mowbray
Rory	CD, VCD-1, CWD	Cathy Tinaglia
Ryder	CD, VCD1, CWDX	Louise Mowbray
Sabato	JWC	Benita Bottom-Svitchan
Sadie	JWC, AWD, WWD	Janice Reilly
Sammie DoodleBug	AWD	Cristi Wetherholt
Savoy	NA, NAJ, BROM	Benita Bottom-Svitchan
Siena	NA	Benita Bottom-Svitchan
Sophie	CWDX, Versatility	Lisa Brooks
Summer	AWD	Ann Frye
Truman	WWD	Skip&Lorna Roush



My husband Dan and I prefer the work ethic native to a working dog. We also spent weekends on our boat and wanted a dog that liked the water. After quite a bit of research we determined that a Portuguese Water Dog fit this criteria. That was the easy part! Of course we first looked in the newspaper for a dog and of course there were none. PWD's aren't listed in the newspaper which I didn't know at that time.

I don't recall how we finally found out about the first breeder, it may have been through the Courier. This was in the early 90's. Anyway, the first breeder, located in Mississippi, had no puppies and a long wait list so she told us about a breeder in Minnesota who also had no puppies and a long wait list. On to a breeder in Colorado who also had no puppies and a long wait list. At this point we were quite frustrated and disappointed. The next breeder was located in Virginia and we were in luck because she had puppies. Well, when she found out that we lived in a rural area she wouldn't sell us a puppy. What!?! Rural is good right? The dog has room to run! Maybe so, but it was mid-October when I

contacted the breeder and she was afraid that someone would steal the puppy and use her as an offering in a ritual because she was black. Shocked and totally frustrated we continued our search.



We finally spoke with a breeder in Florida who had one puppy left from a recent litter. The only reason this puppy was available was because the people who were going to buy her had not sent the deposit. I told the breeder I would overnight the money and she shipped the puppy from St. Petersburg/Tampa to Charlotte.

When the airline personnel brought the crate out I went running up to it and started to cry! The puppy was a Rottwiler or it may have been a Doberman, I don't remember. In any

case, it definitely wasn't a PWD and I thought the breeder had been dishonest with me. The guy asked me what was wrong and I told him this wasn't the dog I thought I was getting. He said not to worry because there was another crate coming out. After more than a year we finally had our first Portuguese Water Dog. We named her Preta, which means black in Portuguese.

Sadly, Preta had chronic kidney failure and we had to put her down when she was five years old. Because of her health problems we didn't work her and she was instead a well-loved family pet. Still in mourning for Preta, we got Surge. Unbeknownst to us a friend, Leonard Shaffer, spoke to a breeder and told her that we really needed another puppy. It was with Surge that we became active in water work and in the club.

Our perseverance brought us our first sweet Portuguese Water Dog. We are richer in spirit for having this wonderful breed in our life and for the particular dogs that have graced us with their wisdom, talent, acceptance and love. We feel blessed for our good fortune.

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Movers & Shakers General Membership Meeting

November 20, 2011

Report from Linda M. Fowler, Secretary:

Call to Order

L. Fowler, President, called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM at the Lake Lynn Lodge in Concord, NC.

Approval of Minutes

Previous meeting minutes from July 15, 2011 had previously been distributed to the membership for review. Approved as written.

Reports

President's Report: L. Fowler took the opportunity to recognize and thank her Board and Officers who served from 2010 through 2011. Those present were acknowledged by the meeting attendees.

Vice President's Report: C. Rego had no report at this time.

Secretary's Report: S. Christy had no Secretary report at this time.

Treasurer's Report: Isaacson has not submitted a summary Treasurer's report year to date for the calendar year. Pending.

Committees

Supported Entry: L. Guthrie reviewed the planned activities for the 2012 Supported Entry in Greenville in February.

Dr. David Smith from California will be our Sweepstakes judge.

Wendy Wilhauck will be the breed judge.

Membership: L. Fowler reminded the group that we had approximately 130 members in 2011 and that membership renewals are now due for 2012. So far (12) twelve have already been received. A number of renewals were also submitted at this meeting.

Trophies: M.B. Johnson reported that Sea glass and additional trophies have already been purchased for the Supported Entry. She also distributed a wood puzzle design for potential trophies for next year. Bri Tasarz has graciously agreed to serve at the Trophy Chair for 2012.

Water Trial Committee: M. Martin reported that the Water Trial activities are already underway. One judge has agreed to officiate and we are searching for a second. Several judges invited have declined because they want to compete at our Trial. Our "regular" photographers are unable to attend, but we have found another dog photographer in the area. We have two new Trial Secretaries for next year – Julie Asbed and Sandy Foster.

Resource Guide: L. Roush reported that the Resource Guide is posted on the web site. Members were encouraged to continue submitting information, since we will be updating on a continuous basis. Additional forms were available for information updates and can also be obtained by contacting L. Roush.

Website and Sales: J. Manion was not available for a report. We are awaiting an update of the website with the final membership listing for 2011 and the updated membership/renewal for 2012. The store operated two boutiques at the National Specialty. Although unconfirmed, we believe that we made approximately \$900.

Tracking: L. Mowbray was present and reported that there were very successful tracking runs at the National Specialty. The "beginners" tracking workshop was cancelled October 8 due to lack of participants.

Newsletter: M. Jennings was present and reminded everyone that she needs news submitted for the newsletter. perfectpwd@me.com

Rescue: M. Ruskai is asking members to notify her if they are available to foster or assist in the transport of dogs when needed for rescue. We are also encouraging members to let local shelters know that we would appreciate notification of the Club if a PWD is "turned in".

Sunshine: C. Rego reported that cards have been sent to members expressing condolences and get-well wishes. B. Bryan who previously accepted this job of 2012 will unfortunately be relocating out of our area.

Beach Weekend: M.B. Johnson graciously hosted the annual beach weekend in October. Although we had a smaller turnout than usual, all attendees enjoyed the outing and the good food. M.B. Johnson has graciously agreed to coordinate the outing for next year.

Annual Meeting: S. Christy was complimented by the group for the evening's activities. The meeting was held in conjunction with our Club awards presentation and Holiday gift exchange. We also plan to hold a membership meeting in the area in conjunction with the spring shows. A flier will be distributed to the membership in December. The concept was approved by the group.

Old Business

2011 PWDCA National Specialty

L. Fowler once again took an opportunity to thank all of our members for their time, energy, volunteerism and donations to the National Specialty. A note was received from B. Bryan to all of our Club members who donated auction items. We will have shirts (without the sleeve logo) on sale for the National Specialty as well as our black Movers and Shakers (short and long sleeve) t-shirts.

Election of Officers 2012-2014

No additional nominations were received at the last membership meeting, so the ballot is uncontested and will stand as printed. C. Rego was "crowned" President for the upcoming term. Connie thanked the membership for their vote of confidence and her Board for their willingness to serve.

New Business

PKC Open Show: L. Guthrie reported that PKC will be holding an "Open Show" similar to a match on January 21, 2012 in Charlotte, NC. For further information, please contact her or the Piedmont Kennel Club.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned by C. Rego at 7:53PM. The next meeting will be held in conjunction with the Greenville, SC Supported Entry on Friday, February 18, 2012.

The meeting was followed by awards and trophies.



Movers and Shakers 2012 Calender

Month	Day	Activity
January	10 (Tue)	Board Meeting 8:00 PM phone conference
	21 (Sat)	PKC Cabin Fever Open Show - Charlotte, NC (not an M&S event) Conformation/Rally "Show and Go" Contact Lou Guthrie at (704) 770-8656 or RoughSeasPWDs@aol.com
February	17 (Fri)	PWDCA Supported Entry - Greenville, SC (Hosted by M&S) Foothills Dog Show Cluster Conformation. Obedience & Rally Contact Lou Guthrie at (704) 770-8656 or RoughSeasPWDs@aol.com 1st Quarter M&S General Membership Meeting/ Cocktails & Dinner Reservations-Clint Eastham at (864) 616 -2930 or jcemet123@yahoo.com
	18 (Sat)	PWDCA Supported Entry day
	19 (Sun)	PWDCA Supported Entry show continues
March	13 (Tue)	Board Meeting 8:00 PM phone conference
	29 (Thur)	Speedway Classic - Concord, NC Greater Monroe, Kennel Club, et. al. Conformation, Obedience & Rally Contact Roxanne Hunter at (704) 786-1286 or Roxanne_Hunter1728@yahoo.com
	30 (Fri)	Speedway Classic continues
	31 (Sat)	Speedway Classic continues 2nd Quarter M&S General Membership Meeting/ Gathering
April	1 (Sun)	Speedway Classic continues
	7 (Sat)	Piedmont Kennel Club Dog Show - Charlotte, NC (not an M&S event) Conformation Contact Lou Guthrie at (704) 583-2387 or RoughSeasPWDs@aol.com
	8 (Sun)	Piedmont Kennel Club Dog Show continues
	21 (Sat)	Land Workshop for Water Work - Creedmoor, NC Movers and Shakers members only; \$10/participant [dog] Contact Jill Flebotte at (919) 528-3948 /cell (919) 264-4070 or seabunz@aol.com \$10/participant [dog]
	22 (Sun)	Club Picnic / Fun Day - Creedmoor, NC Contact Jill Flebotte at (919) 528-3948 /cell (919) 264-4070 or seabunz@aol.com Covered dish required
May	8 (Tue)	Board Meeting 8:00 PM phone conference



Movers and Shakers 2012 Calender cont.

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June	9 & 10 (Sat & Sun)	Jill's Pond Water Practice - Creedmoor, NC All levels for Movers and Shakers members only; \$10/participant [dog] Contact Jill Flebotte at (919) 528-3948 /cell (919) 264-4070 or seabunz@aol.com
	23 & 24 (Sat & Sun)	Jill's Pond Water Practice - Creedmoor, NC All levels for Movers and Shakers members only; \$10/participant [dog] Contact Jill Flebotte at (919) 528-3948 /cell (919) 264-4070 or seabunz@aol.com
July	19 (Thur)	Southern Splash Water Trial - Lake Montague, NC (Hosted by M&S) Workshop/Practice day for Juniors/Apprentice participants Contact Jill Flebotte at (919) 528-3948/cell (919) 264-4070 or seabunz@aol.com
	20 (Fri)	Southern Splash Water Trial continues Open practice for Apprentice and higher levels Contact Jill Flebotte at (919) 528-3948/cell (919) 264-4070 or seabunz@aol.com 3rd Quarter M&S General Membership Meeting
	21 (Sat)	Southern Splash Water Trial continues Trials with judges Chuck Robinson & TBA Trial Secretary Sandy Foster at (919) 368-2638 or sjfoster@nc.rr.com
	22 (Sun)	Southern Splash Water Trial continues Trials with judges Chuck Robinson & TBA Trial Secretary Sandy Foster at (919) 368-2638 or sjfoster@nc.rr.com
August	24 (Fri)	USSPWDC Splash Away at Callaway - Pine Mountain, GA (not an M&S event) Practice Day Contact Judy Leather at (706) 788-9734 or tjleather@winstream.net
	25 (Sat)	USSPWDC Splash Away at Callaway continues Trial Day Contact Judy Leather at (706) 788-9734 or tjleather@winstream.net
	26 (Sun)	USSPWDC Splash Away at Callaway continues Trial Day Contact Judy Leather at (706) 788-9734 or tjleather@winstream.net
September	11 (Tue)	Board Meeting 8:00 PM phone conference
	29 (Sat) - Oct 5 (Fri)	PWDCA National Specialty - Lake Geneva, WI (not an M&S event) Contact pwdca.org
October	20 - 22 Sat,Sun,Mon	PWD Beach Weekend - Oak Island/Southport, NC (M&S event) Contact Mary Beth Johnson at (910) 278-6811 or mjohanson146@ec.rr.com
November	dates pending	Greater Monroe Kennel Club Show - Concord, NC (not an M&S event) M&S General Membership Meeting and Holiday Party & Awards - Concord, NC Contact Sandy Christy at (704) 788-9766 or DSChristy@carolina.rr.com



Movers & Shakers PWDC of the Carolinas

PWDCA Supported Entry for Conformation, with Obedience and Rally Available

February 17-19, 2012
Foothills Cluster at Carolina First Center
One Exposition Ave., Greenville, SC

Show Superintendent: MB-F, Inc. 336-379-9352 Go to Infodog.com for premium list.

Entries close Wed., February 1, 2011 (12:00 Noon)

For additional information please contact Lou Guthrie @ 704-583-2387 or roughseaspwds@aol.com

Host Hotel: La Quinta, 65 West Orchard Park Drive, Greenville, SC 29615 <http://www.lq.com/lq/> Call 1-866-527-1498.

For reservations, call the Group and Tour Dept. at 1-866-527-1498. Identify yourself as members of the Movers & Shakers. For RV Parking see premium for details.

Friday, Feb. 17: Hendersonville (Check judging schedule for show times.)

Breed: Mr. Wilhauck and Group: Mr. Hartinger

FRIDAY EVENING: Movers & Shakers PWD Party. Location is private room at the Wingate Hotel. Catered BBQ (chicken and ribs and tons of sides) for \$20 per person. DELICIOUS!!!!

Party starts at 6:00 with BYOB cocktails. M&S will also have a spectacular raffle to support M&S events. All are welcome.

Please RSVP to Clint Eastham: Jcemet123@yahoo.com by Feb. 1, 2012.

Raffle: We are collecting items for a Movers & Shakers Raffle. We welcome donations of any type. Give donations to Linda or Connie or bring to the party. Drawing will be Friday night at party.

Everyone is welcome to the party -- you do not have to be showing or a member to attend.

Supported Entry Day: Saturday, Feb. 18: Greenville Kennel Club All-Breed Dog Show

Regular Classes and Veteran and Puppy Sweepstakes (Show times to be determined)

Breed and Group Judge: Mrs. Wendy G. Willhauck

Veteran & Puppy Sweeps Judge: Dr. David Smith

Spayed and Neutered Veterans may be entered in Veteran Sweeps.

Fabulous TROPHIES and Participation gifts too. See premium list for details. Special thanks to our trophy donors.

Sunday, February 19: Spartanburg Kennel Club

Breed: Mrs. Downey Group: Judith Ann Smith

RALLY & OBEDIENCE All 3 Days

Judges are: Mrs. Knight, Dr. Knight, Col. Chester, Ms. Brown, Mrs. Propst

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE: MOVERS&SHAKERS.ORG

Supported Entry Committee: Lou Guthrie, Chair; MaryBeth Johnson and Bri Tesarz trophies and participation gifts; Clint Eastham party arrangements, Linda Fowler & Connie Rego raffle/auction

Please pass this flyer along to all your PWD friends.



How to Enter the M&S Supported Entry (Great Trophies)
all classes, all placements, & participation gifts)

ENTERING PUPPIES (under 18 months of age on Feb. 17, 2012)

First, you must answer yes to the following questions before you can enter:

Is your dog at least 6 months old by 2/17/2011

Is your dog intact (has not been spayed or neutered)?

There are two events at the M&S Supported Entry for puppies.

The first is Puppy Sweepstakes: This is open to PWDs who are 6 months old and under 18 months of age on the day of the show. PWDs entered in Sweepstakes must **FIRST** be entered in the regular show. Dr. Smith, a PWD breeder is the judge and in addition to the trophies offered the winners receive prize money (no, not thousands but just a percentage of the entry money). No points toward a Championship are awarded for Sweepstakes

The second event is Regular AKC Classes. This is where one bitch and one dog will receive points. When you fill out the entry form this class is entered first. Be sure to check the correct age classification for your dog.

You may enter these two events at the same time – and you may also enter Friday and Sunday Regular AKC classes at the same time.

Conformation & Obedience

(Entry Fee Includes \$3.00 AKC Event Service Fee Per Entry & \$.50 AKC Recording Fee First Entry Only)

First Entry of a Dog Unless Otherwise Specified..... \$26.00

Each Additional Entry of the Same Dog Unless Otherwise Specified..... \$22.00

Puppy Classes as a First Entry..... \$22.00

Bred by Exhibitor Classes as a First Entry..... \$22.00

Junior Showmanship Only..... \$10.00

Junior Showmanship as an Additional Class..... NO FEE

Rally

(First Entry Fee Includes \$3.50 AKC Recording Fee Per Entry & \$3.00 Each Additional Entry)

First Entry of a Dog..... \$26.00

Each Additional Entry of the Same Dog..... \$22.00

Before you go on-line to enter get out your dog's registration number, full name, breeders' names, sire and dam's name, and date of birth. Oh, and don't forget to have your credit card handy.

Go to INFODOG.com

Click on **SHOW INFORMATION**

Click on **ENTER AN AKC SHOW**

Read the Rules and click **I AGREE** at the bottom of the page.

Enter your dog's registration number or name. If you have entered your dog in a previous show it will show up. If not you must enter **ALL** the information requested. Follow the directions on the screen, clicking Continue when you are done.

The next screen you will need to click Conformation Shows. Then click on shows **CLOSING** ---- (THE CLOSING DATE IS Feb. 1, 2012 12 Noon) (Note that they will open up entries 4 weeks before this date.)

Look for the shows that are happening in Greenville, SC. The next screen asks for agent information (professional handlers) and Junior Showmanship information. Click **CONTINUE**. The next page is where you select which class you want to enter.



Regular Class Choices (the first box) are: (remember this is the age of the dog on the day of the show)

6-9 month old puppies

9-12 month old puppies

12-18 dogs

Novice (good class for older dogs that have never been shown before)

Bred-by-Exhibitor (Open to only the breeder/owner of the dog)

American Bred

Amateur Owner Handler

Open

BOB (for CHAMPIONS only)

Ignore all the other possibilities.

Click on the class you want – The system automatically places your dog in the correct sex class (if you have correctly indicated the sex on the earlier page).

Next if you want to enter SWEEPSTAKES you click on the ADDITIONAL CLASSES drop-down list and choose the class you want your dog in for Sweepstakes. It is usually the same class.

The system will then give you a list of the entries you have made and indicate how much money you owe. Then you just do the regular on-line shopping stuff of giving them your cc #, billing address, etc. It is a good idea to print out this page so you have a record of your entry.

That is it your dog is now entered.

ENTERING DOGS OLDER THAN 18 MONTHS: You can follow these directions but just skip the Additional Classes stuff as these dogs are too old for Puppy Sweepstakes.

VETERANS: (dogs older than 7 years on the day of the show). There are both Sweepstakes and Regular Classes for Veterans. For Sweepstakes the PWDs may be altered (spayed or neutered). **For Regular classes the dogs/bitches must be intact.** Follow the directions above to enter.

TO GET A COPY OF THE PREMIUM LIST

Go to INFODOG.com

Click on Show Calendar

Click on Shows in timeframe Feb. 15

Click on ALL BREED

Find Hendersonville KENNEL CLUB and click on it.

On the left hand side of the screen is the option of premium list in HTML or PDF format. Click on whichever you want – download it, print it out and you have it.

The premium list has trophies, directions to show site, hotel phone numbers, etc.



Happy Holidays!!

