



Newf News

January, February, March 2020

The High Country Newfoundland Club



Meet the breed: Adults like dog hugs too



Learning to Cart Seminars in January and February



Meet the Breed; Catch up time for members too



Posing at the Meet the Breed Event

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COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Ad Hoc Constitution/Bylaws Claudia Walters/Steve Gunther
/Johanna Matsuda

Awards Banquet 2020 Karen Benenati

Holiday Carting/Tree Pulling Steve Gunther

Breeder List HCNC Linda Morley Roser
Chatfield Park Liaison Patti Pigeon and Terri Desnica

Community Service **OPEN**
NCA Draft Test October 2020 Joyce Boone, Chair
Katherine Payne, Secretary
Sue Raney, 3rd Member
Steve Gunther, Chief Steward

Draft Clinic Sue Raney, Chair
2020 Draft Test Committee

Email List Club Secretary

Facebook Administrators Claudia Walters/
Mark O'Connor

Fun Day and Picnic 2020 **OPEN**
Fun Match **OPEN** Chair & Committee

Health Clinic **OPEN**
Historian Kady Eckstrom

Holiday Party 2020 **OPEN**
Meet the Breed 2020 Mark O'Connor

Membership Mark O'Connor
National Ad Claudia Walters

National Club Basket **OPEN**
NCA Agility Trial **OPEN** Chair & Committee

2020 NCA National Opening Ceremony And Parade **OPEN**

2020 NCA Regional Specialty Marci Smilanich, Chair
(November) Committee: Noreene Rodgers,
Shine Sturtz, Steve Gunther,
Kady Eckstrom, Janet Heym

2020 NCA Water Test July Mark, O'Connor, Chair
Kathy Sylvia, Secretary
Sue Callister, 3rd Member
2020 NCA Water Test Chair-Mark O'Connor
(September) Secretary-Claudia Walters
3rd Member-John LeVett

New Puppy Buyers Mark O'Connor
Rescue Steve Gunther

Spring Fling **OPEN**
Sunshine Sue Schneider
Water Clinic **OPEN**

Webmaster

Matt Sidesinger

WATCH YOUR MAILBOX FOR HCNC ELECTION BALLOTS



All Club Communications to Members and Board should be sent
to HCNCSecretary@gmail.com.

HCNC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Johanna Matsuda

Open

HCNC Membership News

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HCNC Membership Chairman

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NCA Membership Information: www.ncanewfs.org/members/shtml

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

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General

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General

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Sponsors: Caleb Liston &
Steve Gunther

General

ROSS, Jessica and Sean

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80126

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Mark O'Connor

From the CDC website: “The virus that causes COVID19 spreads mostly from person to person.....” “At this time, there is no evidence that companion animals, including pets, can spread COVID19 to people or that they might be a source of infection in the US.” Go ahead & continue to hug & kiss your Newf!



Johanna

HCNC has our permit for Chatfield State Park beginning May 1 to Sept 30th. These permits are available to members after dues are paid for the 2020 year.

This is what I received from Chatfield:

“I know there's a lot of rumors swirling around about park closures and additional restrictions. In the Public Health Order 20-24, Gov. Polis's administration has made it clear that state parks will remain open for outdoor recreation and fitness.”

"There are some closures (offices, entrance stations, campgrounds, playgrounds, and picnic areas) but the rest remains open. We do require people follow the restrictions listed in the order and limit group size and maintain at least 6' spacing between individuals. There's been a lot of publicity about people disregarding those measures. If it continues to be ignored, the agency will consider more restrictive measures. Please make sure the people in your groups are very diligent about that.”
Submitted by Patti Pigeon, Chatfield Liaison

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

The annual membership renewal form is included in this issue of NewfNews
The HCNC Bylaws state:

SECTION III - Membership Dues

1. The Board of Directors shall set the amount of annual membership dues for the ensuing fiscal year. Any changes in dues shall be made no later than January and the membership shall be notified of any such changes.

2. Dues will be payable May 1 of each year; notice of dues will be in the March and April issues of the club newsletter.

3. Dues will be considered as delinquent on June 1 of each year.

4. Dues are considered an obligation to the club and are non-refundable.



HIGH COUNTRY NEWFOUNDLAND CLUB
Serving Newf Fanciers in Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming

HCNC MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM
Renewals are due annually on **MAY 1ST**

Please make checks payable to "HCNC" and mail to **Mark O'Connor, 8284 Rossman Gulch Road, Morrison, CO 80465**. Memberships are due annually. ALL memberships expire 4/30. General (voting) membership – Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, Wyoming. All others are affiliate memberships.

Last Name: _____		First Name: _____	
(Important) NCA member?	Yes	No	
Last Name: _____		First Name: _____	
(Important) NCA member?	Yes	No	
Address: _____		Is this a change? _____	
City: _____	State: _____	Zip: _____	
Home Phone: _____		Mobile Phone: _____	
Email: _____		Publish?	Yes ___ No
List only one email address. Please UPDATE email address.			
FAX: _____		Publish?	Yes ___ No

Please check appropriate membership renewal line. All memberships types receive the newsletter.

- _____ General Membership – voting – in region - \$30.00 (if you joined in Feb. - **Apr. of the current year, your dues are current until the following May**)
- _____ Affiliate Membership – non-voting – out of region - \$30.00
- _____ Junior Membership – (ages 8-18) - \$15.00

HCNC By-Laws: 2. Lapsed – A membership shall be considered lapsed and automatically terminated if a member's dues remain unpaid 30 days after May 1 of each year. Any lapsed membership may be reinstated only by approval of the Board. In no event shall a member be entitled to vote at a membership meeting if dues are unpaid at the time of the meeting.

Sharing your Newfie expertise is just one way you can help others within HCNC.

Below is a list of codes. If you have expertise in any of these areas and would be willing to mentor others as part of your club service, please circle the code below.

This information will be included as part of the membership directory so others interested in learning can contact you for help, ideas, etc.

A Agility

B Boarding (babysitting other people's Newfs)

C Conformation (Evaluation, Instruction, Handling)

D Draft Work

E Education (General Public, New or Perspective Owners, Workshops)

F Foster

G Grooming

H Health Issues

I Internet (Webmaster, Updating Home Page, Mass Mailings)

J Judges Education

M Mentor

O Obedience

P Puppies (BL = Black; BR = Brown; G = Gray; L = Landseer)

R Rally

S Stud (BL = Black; BR = Brown; G = Gray; L = Landseer)

T Tracking

Th Therapy Visits

U Rescue (Transportation; Database Upkeep; Surrender& Applicant Liaison, etc.)

V Volunteer (Committee Chair, Board Member, Fun Match, Hospitality, Parades)
Specify interest _____

W Water Rescue Work

Other _____

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UPCOMING HCNC ELECTIONS

The HCNC Nominating Committee has submitted the slate of eligible candidates for the upcoming election in May. The slate of candidates is as follows:

Watch your mail for the HCNC Election Ballots. We will be voting on two new Board of Directors, Treasurer and President of our Club.

You will find detailed instructions on how to submit your ballot included in the envelope.

Vote for One President:

Kady Eckstrom
Mark O'Connor

Vote for Treasurer: Florence Larsen

Vote for Two Board Members:

Hilary Perry
Shine Sturtz

Ballots will be sent by mail to all GENERAL members in good standing. The ballots must be returned in the provided pre-addressed envelope sealed with members' signature over the seal. Ballots must be returned by May 7, 2020, to be counted.

Meet our candidates on the following pages:



KADY ECKSTROM Biography:

I am Kady Eckstrom, and I am running for the position of President. I have been a member since 1979 and have served the club in a wide variety of positions. These positions have included:

- President
- Vice President
- Board Member
- Newsletter Editor for approximately 10 years
- National Specialty Chairperson 1984 & 1989
- Regional Specialty Chairperson several times
- Regional Specialty Chief Ring Steward many times
- Chairperson of HCNC's **first** Draft Test, and other draft tests
- Secretary of Water Test
- Volunteer for many HCNC Working Events (steward, etc.)
- Co-Founder of HCNC Rescue, and was one of the first members to do therapy work at Children's Hospital, as well as at Hospice and Nursing Homes
- Served on the Nominating Committee many times
- Member of NCA since 1979
- HCNC Historian
- Chairperson of Awards Banquet many times
- Chairperson (and participant) of many Breeder's Showcases, including HCNC's 'Award Winning' booth at the 1980 Gaine's Classic Breeders Showcase
- Chair / Co-Chair of HCNC's Christmas Carting event for 27 years
- Chairperson for several all-breed fun matches
- Judge for several Newf and all-breed fun matches

I purchased my first Newfoundland in January 1979 and acquired the second in the fall of that year. Since that time, I have never had less than 2, usually 3 or 4. I joined HCNC in the Spring of 1979 and joined the NCA during the summer of 1979. I have been a member of both organizations continually since that time. I also joined Flatirons Kennel Club (all-breed club) in the Spring of 1979 and have served as Treasurer, Vice President and Board Member for that organization.

KADY ECKSTROM continued

I am currently a Life Member of FKC and an Honorary member of HCNC, as well as an NCA member and an NCA Newf Ambassador.

I have trained many dogs to their CD's, one to a WD, personally handled several to their Championships and bred several litters of puppies under the 'Fireside' Kennel name, producing many Champions, Obedience & Working Titles, and ROM's, including BIS Champion Dryad's Flagship DD ROM.

Professionally, I have been a Veterinary Technician and an all-breed groomer, as well as spending the last 30-plus years in customer-service and law enforcement. For the last 18 years I have been a Records Technician at the Boulder Police Department, a job I very much enjoy (except that it takes time away from the dogs 😊).

Privately, when not 'going to the dogs', I enjoy camping with my husband of nearly 29 years (Larry), old movies, knitting, crocheting, cross-stitch, (all crafts, really), sewing, gardening, cooking, spending time with my 3 kids, their spouses/partners and my 6 wonderful grand-kids, and I'm a

jigsaw puzzle fanatic. I also don't mind the occasional craft beer or glass of wine!

My focus as President of HCNC would be to return the club to a cohesive, inclusive, fun and educational organization with the best interests of the breed as our base. I would like to see us present more events of interest to the general pet owner, as well as to people who are working and/or conformation focused. I would try to encourage new members to step into committees, both to increase their enjoyment of the club and to broaden our available 'volunteer base'. I believe we ALL can learn from each other, be it training tricks, grooming tips, or even just some fun new fact about the breed. I think by encouraging ALL Newf owners to become **active** members in HCNC, we will get more **active** participants at ALL club functions, including meetings. I feel that while the board should oversee the club's functions, the general membership should have more input on major decisions; it is after all, an organization FOR the *members* and their dogs. I think the future of the sport of dogs lies with our youth, and I would like to see us increase the 'families' in our membership and offer events that encourage our young people to participate.

KADY ECKSTROM continued

I believe my history with the breed, the club, and my over-all experience would be an asset to the Board and the general membership of HCNC.

Sincerely,

Kady Eckstrom
Facebook – Kady Eckstrom
Phone – 303-666-9084
Email – tamshine@aol.com

MARK O’CONNOR Biography:

I have owned Newfoundlands for 17 years. Lucy was our first, our goofy girl, followed shortly by Panda, my heart dog. With these girls I competed in conformation, draft, water work and obedience. Both girls got their CD’s (obedience title) and Panda earned both Jr. and Sr. level NCA water titles (WD, WRD.) These two led our Newfoundland Journey.

Over the past year I have organized and hosted a grooming clinic at our home-attended by over 30 attendees and nearly 20 Newfoundlands. I also organized a water seminar for beginners. With support and teamwork from other club members these events increased our membership by over 20 members (20%) in one year. As an NCA Newf Ambassador I have helped 4 families adopt Newfoundland puppies this past year-and those families also joined our club. In 2019, I attended every club event (except one) and every meeting the club held. I organized a fall hike that many new and old members attended. I served as Chief Steward and a committee member for a very successful September Water Test. I am chairing both the July and September water tests in 2020. I greatly enjoy every one of these events.

As President I will continue to lead through action.

I am a member of the Newfoundland Club of America and have been an HCNC member since 2012. I started serving on the HCNC board in 2013 and have been a board member, Vice President and am currently Treasurer. I am also the Membership Chairperson, an NCA Newfoundland Ambassador and have chaired

MARK O'CONNOR continued

many successful water tests. Currently I have three Newfs, Daley (7), Navy (3) and Fanny (2). Daley was my first Champion and Grand Champion and he also has his CD. Navy has also earned his Championship and Grand Championship. Fanny is our Landseer baby girl and she completed her Championship at 20 months. I enjoy hiking with the dogs but my favorite

is water work. There's great fun to be had in water by building trust and growing as a team. It is an experience not to be missed! Professionally I'm a Certified Financial Planner and Investment Portfolio Manager for a firm in Lakewood. Mainly I do this job because working with Newfs doesn't pay enough. If we haven't met, I hope we do soon. See you around the lake!



FLORENCE P. LARSEN Biography

CARMEL COMPANIES

Florence Larsen is a Commercial Property Manager with extensive expertise in Tenant retention, Financial Management, Interior Construction and Lease Analysis. She successfully opened and managed The Cherry Tower Office Building in Denver, Colorado, and previously operated a major, profitable commercial office building in New York City. She drives significant savings for Property Owners by being a conscientious fiscal steward who derives a profitable revenue stream based on her ability to build trust, rapport and outstandingly loyal Tenants.

Ms. Larsen is passionate about providing outstanding service to create long-term and highly satisfied Tenants. Her total commitment to unsurpassed Tenant satisfaction resulted in Tenant retention above and beyond industry standards. Her strengths include fiscal responsibility without sacrificing Tenant comfort, knowledge of Lease Analysis mechanics, Tenant Finish Projects with attention to the details that speak quality in appearance, functionality and design. All of which created profitable Tenant relationships with high profile corporate and professional Tenants.

FLORENCE LARSEN continued

In 1987, Ms. Larsen achieved the RPA designation (Real Property Administrator) through BOMA (Building Owners and Managers Association). She has been a member of BOMA since 1982.

Ms. Larsen graduated from CUNY, Lehman College, Bronx, New York.

In March of 2018 there was a very welcomed addition to Florence's life –

a Newfoundland she named Nicola! Florence and Nico have been spending time learning about and enjoying all of the fun things that Newfoundlands can do.

People, challenges and volunteer work are among the things that Ms. Larsen likes to do. She and Nico, her Newfoundland, have found these things and more, in her Volunteer role at Craig Rehabilitation Hospital in Englewood, Colorado.

HILARY PERRY Biography

Hi HCNC! My name is Hilary Perry and I would be honored if you would consider me for one of the two open Board of Director positions.

The main reason I am hoping to be on the Board is to have the opportunity to give back to our wonderful club. We got Wilson, our first Newfoundland, in January 2018. One of the first things we did was to join this club and what a great decision that was! Wilson was not our first dog but he is our first Newfoundland and I have been continuously impressed with the breed. I have become active in water work, tracking, nosework, obedience, and Wilson is a certified Therapy Dog, all because of connections I have made with club members. So many members have supported me in this journey and have become my friends.



HILARY PERRY
continued

I am not a show person or anything like that, I am just a person who loves my dog and loves developing the bond we share. I think that Newfoundlands, with their wonderful personalities and dignity, are really special. I love to share my puppy with others and he is a wonderful ambassador for the breed. I would like to help our club meet the needs of our diverse members by being a representative of the “regular pet owner” group! There are so many things we can do with our dogs that are super fun and your dog doesn’t have to

have special talents or a lot of training to do them.

A little more about me; my husband Scott and I have lived here in Colorado for almost six years. I have two adult daughters who live in California. I also have quite a bit of volunteer experience, I was a Girl Scout leader for both of my daughters from kindergarten through high school, and also served on the Executive Board for our local Girl Scout chapter. I was PTA president and served on the Board as well. I was a CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate), have served Meals on Wheels, and am currently enjoying my work with Wilson through the Alliance of Therapy Dogs. Basically, I have been volunteering since I stopped working in order to raise my children; it is just a part of who I am.

So please vote for me if you would like more representation from a dog owner, philanthropist, team player, and ultimately someone who is hoping to share the love we all share for our dogs - voting for me is voting for this perspective. I am looking forward to meeting you and your dogs!

Thank you!
Hilary Perry

SHINE STURTZ Biography

Shine Sturtz has had Newfoundlands since birth, and has grown up in the High Country Newfoundland Club. Starting out as a Junior on a family membership, Shine was attending club activities before she could walk.

“I have so many wonderful memories of growing up with HCNC, it makes me sentimental about this club, which is certainly where a large part of my passion comes from.” --S.S

SHINE STURTZ continued

Shine then moved on to join HCNC on her own membership and was an active member until she took “time off” from the club to take several, 2 to 6 month adventures in South East Asia.

*“I learned more about myself, and life in general, from traveling abroad than I can even express. That kind of travel has given me a unique perspective on the world around me; what hard work really is, what poverty is, what love is.” -
-S.S.*

While abroad Shine stayed in touch with the club’s current events, getting the newsletter, and mentoring co-owners via email. Upon returning to the states Shine jumped right back in to “club life.”

Shine has been active in all aspects of the Newfoundland and HCNC for as long as she can remember.

Participating in Junior Showmanship as a child, and now showing her own dogs, as well as handling for others. Shine has been an active and consistent participant either stewarding, entering, or chairing water tests, draft tests, regional specialties (trophy chair), fun days, as well as consistently attending general

membership and board meetings, either in person, or calling in.

Shine has bred litters under her own kennel name (Naiad), co bred-litters with her co-owners (Mt. Evans, Fireside) and raised litters for others (Fireside, Blackwatch). Not too long ago, Shine had the honor and privilege of judging puppy and veteran Sweepstakes at the HCNC Regional Specialty in Pueblo. Shine is always available to new or old members of HCNC, on Facebook groups, email, or the phone.

“Every person has both something to learn, and something to teach. And I believe the first step is to Show up. I think in order to really understand what is going on in the club, one has to attend meetings and events, talk to people, and be available. This is especially important in board members.

The captain(s) of a ship should tour it at least once in a while. If you haven't been there, all you have is hearsay.” --S.S.

These days you are most likely to see Shine with Whisper—they earned their WD at Chatfield this past year, and are now working towards a DD!! But you might also see her with Sombra—Kady Eckstrom's girl, and Whisper's litter-mate—either at the beach, a fun day, meet the breeds or the conformation ring.

SHINE STURTZ continued

"I waited a long time for Whisper. It was important to me that my puppy be the right one! I wasn't specifically holding out for a Monk breeding [Monk was one of Shine's previous babies, a boy she co-owned with Kady Eckstrom] but when that became an option, I knew that would be my puppy!" --S.S.

Shine has followed several different "career paths" preferring to follow passion, freedom, and "the pursuit of happiness" rather than be tied to a desk. Creating a lifestyle that allows Shine to make her own schedule and be her own boss, has allowed Shine to prioritize the things that matter to her.

"every time I find myself wondering if I made the right decision, vis-a-vis a "career" I think of the people who are limited by whether or not their boss approves time off for another silly dog event. I am the boss! And I highly approve of dog events! I am even more fortunate to have in my life a partner who supports the dog stuff and a young lady who is learning to love it as much as I do!" --S.S.

Currently Shine runs her own local cleaning business, in addition to being an artist, most recently designing, creating and donating the ring favors for the 2019 regional—her work has also shown up at many fundraisers both locally and at the National Specialty. Shine also works for a local professional handler. Shine shares her life with her partner Darren O'Connor, and his daughter

Alex (you might have seen her at any number of club events, including the 2019 water work shop, water test, fun day and Holiday party.)

Shine Sturtz believes the High Country Newfoundland Club can, and should function as a whole, cohesive unit, for the breed she was born loving, but also for the fellow humans who have "Newfy Fever." She has spent her whole life in and around this breed, and this club, and she feels it is time for her to take her service to the breed, the club, and the membership to the next level by serving on the board of directors.

Shine can be reached for further questions or comments any number of ways:

on Facebook: Shine Sturtz
by phone/text: 303-870-0521
by email: shine@sturtz.org

"Thank you for your consideration! If I haven't met you yet, I hope to do so in the near future. If I have known you my whole life: Thanks for being a part of this Newfy World!!"-S.S.

UPCOMING EVENTS 2020

HCNC Annual General Meeting, Election Results and Board Meeting

When:

Saturday, May 9, 2020

10:00 AM Get Together

11:00 AM Annual General Meeting

Board Meeting Follows General Meeting

Where:

Canyon Ranch Condominium Club House

Highlands Ranch, CO 80126

This is a great meeting location so we are including an opportunity to enjoy the company of your fellow club members prior to the start of the Annual General Meeting.

Sorry, no dogs allowed.

If shelter in place regulations have not been lifted by the meeting date, we will update the membership on the alternate plans by email.

***Please send agenda items to: Claudia Walters
newfperson@mac.com***

In light of the current world wide Covid19 virus spread and recommendations and directions by the CDC and government; the committee has all agreed it is in the best interest to postpone our draft test from May 2020 to October 2020.

DRAFT TEST 2020 HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED

The 2020 Draft Dog For All Seasons - NCA Draft Test that was scheduled for May 15 and 16th, 2020 at Fairmont Park in Golden has been postponed and rescheduled to **October 17th and 18th, 2020.** There are no conflicting events for the October dates in Colorado. **See attached flyer.**



UPCOMING EVENTS continued


HCNC is sponsoring a July water test. The test dates are July 25-26, 2020 at Chatfield Reservoir in Littleton, Colorado. Our judges are Kevin Gallagher and Bethany Karger. Committee members are as follows:

Test Chair: Mark O'Connor Email: mark_e_oconnor@yahoo.com

Test Secretary: Kathy Sylvia Email: kathy@newmexiconewfs.com

Third Committee Member: Susan Callister Email:susancallister@comcast.net

The premium list will be available by May 15, 2020.



High Country Newfoundland Club
— NCA Water Tests —
September 12 & 13, 2020

Judges:
Dwight Gorsuch and Donna Tibault

Committee:
Chairperson: Mark O'Connor
Secretary: Claudia Walters
Third Committee Member: John Levett

Chatfield State Park - Littleton, Colorado
WD/WRD/WRDX
See flyer for logo merchandise.

**NCA REGIONAL SPECIALTY
SEPTEMBER 4, 2020**



**Greeley, CO
Sept 3-7 FIVE days of shows**

NCA REGIONAL SPECIALTY SEPTEMBER 4, 2020
“NEWFOUNDLANDS, ELEVATED”



ELEVATION 5280 FT.
GREELEY, COLORADO.
FIVE DAYS OF SHOWS!

WHAT A GREAT WAY TO SUPPORT THE DOG SHOW FANCY AND OUR BREED

WE HOPE TO SEE ALL OF YOU THERE HEALTHY

Breed Judge - John Ramirez

Sweeps Judge - Donna Thibault

Offering Obedience and Rally

There will be a get together in Greeley after the Regional

This event is NCA approved

We are having a raffle for an awesome Aeolian Dryer. See attached flyer.

Chairperson: Johanna Matsuda

Members: Megan Golden-Liston and

Claudia Walters



RAFFLE



NEW Aeolian Dryer!

Raffle to benefit the September 2020 NCA Regional Specialty in Greeley, Colorado

Previously known as the Monster dryer, this dryer packs a punch! Out performs most duel motor dryers on the market. Powerful! Variable speed! 11lbs! Optional heat setting! Expandable hose! Great for puppies and adults at home or at shows!

ENTER TO WIN

Tickets: 1 for \$5, 5 for \$20!

Paypal: mattsidesinger@gmail.com

Please uncheck box for "paying for goods and services" and add in comments number of tickets, name, and address.

Questions? Contact Katie: Katiesidesinger@gmail.com

Made with PosterMyWall.com

Get your raffle tickets for this awesome dryer today!

Do not need to be present to win!

Introducing the September 2020 High Country Newfoundland Club/NCA Water Test logo and gear

High Country Newfoundland Club
NCA Water Tests
2020

Official Gear and Goods

Whimsical Art on Fun Products!

10% of Sales to benefit HCNC
Enter **HCNC20** at checkout.

sara england
Designs
SaraEnglandDesigns.com
or call: **301.685.1239**

Sara England has customized one of her amazing art pieces just for our club. Follow the link below for details on all the customized items.

You can also order anything on her website and 10% of the sales will benefit HCNC. Be sure to use code HCNC20 at checkout. Shipping is free on orders over \$45.

<https://www.saraenglanddesigns.com/products/newfoundland-hc>

We are looking forward to boatloads of Newfs and their people at the September NCA Water Tests at Chatfield State Park on September 12 and 13 (pending NCA approval).

Your September Water Test Committee:

Mark O'Connor-Chairperson

Claudia Walters-Secretary

John LeVett III-Committee Member

**NEWFOUNDLAND CLUB OF AMERICA
DRAFT DOG FOR ALL SEASONS**

**2020 DRAFT TEST
BDD, DD, TDD, DDX, TDDX
*All Breed Draft Test & **Tad-Pull**

***Open to all breeds
This is not an NCA event

Hosted by:
High Country Newfoundland Club
October 17th & 18th 2020
Fairmont Park
5222 Quaker Street
Golden, Colorado 80403

Judges
Benita Edds – Dandridge, TN
Heidi Peterson – Cocoa Beach, FL



Newfoundland Entries for all 3 testing levels; Beginner, Draft, and Excellent are limited to a total of 15 per day combined.

A minimum of three entries***

*HCNC will also hold an all breed test following the NCA test with an entry limit of 5 entries

Tad-Pull entries limited to 5 per day

Earliest postmark for entries for NCA Members is March 6, 2020

Earliest postmark for All Other entries is March 16, 2020

Entries close Monday, October 5, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Mail entries to:

Katherine Payne – Draft Test Secretary
11306 W 75th Avenue, Arvada, CO 80005-3524
(720)435-1200

On-Line Entries: <https://www.ncanewfs.org/wdc/>

CLUB WEBSITE: www.hcncnewfs.org

***The club reserves the right to cancel test if less than 3 entries are received.

The art work was designed for this Draft Test by NCA's Own – Cassie Iken

DRAFT DOG FOR ALL SEASONS SWAG ORDER FORM



Short Sleeve T-Shirts

Size	Quantity	Price	Extension
S, M, L & XI		\$18.00	
XXL		\$20.00	
XXXL		\$21.00	



Long Sleeve T-Shirts

Size	Quantity	Price	Extension
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Tote Bags

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 **Items will be available at the draft test. Special arrangements must be made for items to be shipped to you

DRAFT DOG FOR ALL SEASONS RAFFLE
THE RAFFLE IS OPEN ALL THE WAY THROUGH
THE DRAFT TEST



- Special Raffle -

**We have some special items available for our raffle this year,
One is a custom Raffle item and courtesy of Joyce Boone (Draft Test Chair)
A Newfoundland Puzzle, and a Woven Throw with our awesome logo (More to come).**

**Tickets are \$1/per ticket or 6 tickets for \$5.
You can purchase your tickets at the test or
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Remember These Events From Not So Long Ago?



Meet the Breed





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RECENT EVENTS continued

LEARNING TO CART SEMINAR

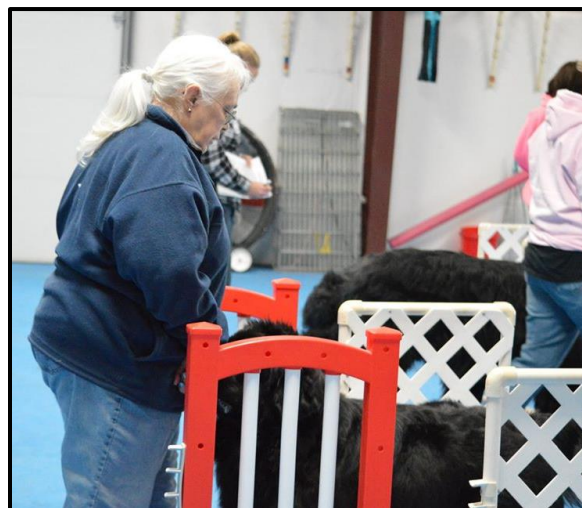
Article by Sue Raney - all photos taken by Shine Sturtz



Carting Cavalcade! All the different types of carts available

January brought new experiences to newfs and their partners at the Learning to Cart seminar. On January 12, over 15 dogs and their humans joined volunteers Steve Gunther, Katherine Payne, Patti Pigeon, Sue Raney, and John LeVett for an introduction to carting at the Berner Barn. Dogs learned there was lots of fun to be had in learning new tricks like back up, turn left and right, go through narrow places, and try on clothes. Handlers learned the ins and outs about the many different types of carts and harnesses, how to fit a proper harness, how to pick a cart that works with your dog,

and all the beginning steps necessary to get your dog comfortable in a cart and harness.

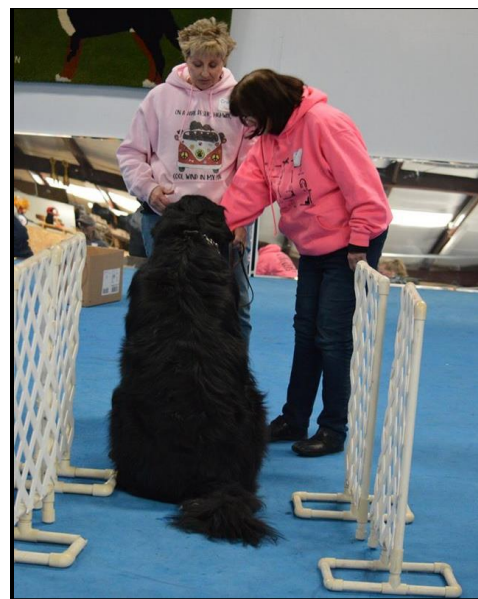


Kady Eckstrom and her dog in the backup zone



The group learning and sharing together

February brought the group together again at Fairmount Park for a draft "meet up" practice. While there was still a ton of snow on the ground, newfs and their humans



Starting to back up

RECENT EVENTS continued

learned the basics of the art of maneuvering in the parking lot. Great progress was made with dogs learning, in carts, how to make nice tight turns, stepping through high and low narrows, making sweeping curves and by the end of the practice, dogs and handlers were all feeling comfortable and carting with ease.

It was great to start the year with such enthusiasm! The **March** meet up was postponed due to restrictions on gatherings due to the virus, and with the test itself moved to October, meetups will be picking back up in the fall - which is great because Halloween pumpkins make great Freight Loads!!

Happy carting! Wash your hands! Draft Clinic starts the year off right - working with dogs!

ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET Cancelled

Once again HCNC members and their dogs had a wonderful year. Due to the C 19 virus the actual awards banquet scheduled for March was canceled, but Congratulations to all the members and their dogs for jobs well done! Way to go!

The awards and programs are being mailed out.

Thank you

Karen Benenati

HCNC 2019 Awards Banquet Chair



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5 Mind-Challenging Games to Play With Your Dog

Analysis by [Dr. Karen Shaw Becker](#)

STORY AT-A-GLANCE

- All dogs need mental stimulation, and playing games with your pet is an excellent way to provide it, especially on days when he doesn't get much physical exercise
- To get the most out of learning games, your dog should reliably respond to basic obedience commands
- Hide and seek is game most dogs absolutely love, along with tug
- All you need for this simple problem-solving game is a treat and some string
- More challenging games include teaching your dog the names of toys and how to put her toys back in her toy basket

5 Mentally Stimulating Games for Dogs

1.Hide and seek — Teaching your dog to play hide and seek (you hide, he seeks) fine-tunes his skill at coming when called, as well as his ability to respond to your commands even when he can't see you. It also gives him opportunities to use his **natural scent tracking talents** in a fun and mentally stimulating way.

The first step is to pick a few easy-to-find hiding places before you involve your dog, and stash some of his favorite treats in those spots. Next, ask him to "sit and stay," and then go hide. When you're ready, give the "come" command and when he finds you, reward him with a treat and lots of praise. As he gets better at the game, intermittently reward him only with praise, and if possible, pick more challenging spots around the house to hide.

Chances are, your dog's recall ability will dramatically improve if you play hide and seek with him regularly. Also consider playing the game in a safe outdoor area where your dog can be off leash, to help him learn to keep you in sight and to look for you if you get separated.

2.Problem solving — Problem solving is a great confidence booster for dogs. Tie one end of a piece of string or a long shoelace to a treat. With your dog observing, place the treat beneath an obstacle that is low enough to the ground that your dog can't fit under it, such as a piece of furniture.

The treat should also be far enough under the obstacle that your dog can't reach it with her mouth or a paw. Prompt her to "get the treat" and see if she can figure out that she needs to pull on the string to get to it.

Let her work to solve the problem for a short time (but not to the point of frustration) before demonstrating how it's done by slowly pulling the string yourself until the treat appears. Most dogs will catch on quickly once they make the connection between the string and the treat.

3.Put your toys away — Your dog will need to respond to your “drop it” command in order to learn this game. And while teaching her to put her toys away may seem more beneficial for you than your dog, it's actually great mental stimulation and a confidence-builder for her as long as you're patient and committed to keeping things positive and fun.

Clicker trained dogs tend to pick up the game more quickly because you can reward smaller behaviors (with clicks and treats) that lead to the full behavior, which is to pick up a toy, walk with it to the toy basket, drop it in and leave it. The ultimate goal is to teach your dog that a command like “put the toy away” means to find the toy(s) that aren't in the toy basket and put them there.

It's best to start by having your dog pick up a toy near her toy basket or hand her a toy as you both stand by the basket and asking her to “drop it” into the basket. Give her a treat and lots of praise each time she completes the task. Whenever you find a toy outside the toy basket, have her pick it up (or hand it to her), call her to the toy basket, tell her to “drop it” in, and give her treats and praise each time she succeeds.

Once your dog is reliably returning individual toys to the basket, you can begin rewarding her only after she returns two toys, then three, and so on. Eventually, she gets rewarded only after every toy is back in the basket. Once she gets the general idea, you might be surprised at how quickly she puts her toys away once she realizes she gets a handful of delicious treats for her efforts!

4.Tug — Played correctly, tug is both mentally stimulating and great exercise for dogs who dependably respond to “drop it” commands. During games of tug, if your dog gets especially rowdy or mouthy, it's time to stop. However, it's fine to let your dog “win” as often as you do, since there's no evidence it triggers **aggression** or dominance, and in fact, studies show that letting dogs win makes them enjoy the game even more.¹

5.Toy naming — Dogs have the ability to **associate certain words with certain objects**, for example, most quickly learn the meaning of words such as “treat” and “food” or “dinner.” Studies show that on average, dogs can learn 165 different words.²

Another fun, stimulating game to play with your dog involves teaching him the names of specific toys, and then sending him to get a particular toy. You can start by holding a **favorite toy**, saying the name you've given it, offering it to your dog, and giving him a treat and praise when he takes it. Let's say your dog has a favorite toy that squeaks. Name the toy “Squeaky,” and repeat the above routine a couple dozen times.

Then put the toy next to a very different toy and say, “Get Squeaky.” If your dog picks up Squeaky, give him a treat and tons of praise. If he selects the other toy, simply take it, place it

back next to Squeaky, and repeat the exercise. Once your dog is consistently selecting Squeaky at your prompt, pick another toy and repeat the exercise until he's consistently picking Squeaky over that toy (and other toys, if you want to keep the game going).

If you want to teach your dog the names of other toys, you can repeat the same steps with the next toy, but initially, don't use the toys with names as the alternate toy when you play the game. For example, if your dog can now identify Squeaky and Ball, and you want to teach him the name of a third toy, Mouse, don't put Mouse next to Squeaky or Ball — put it next to a different, unnamed toy.

If you want to increase the level of difficulty of the game, once you have a few toys named and your dog is consistently selecting them over unnamed toys, you can put two named toys next to each other and give him the name of one. If he selects the right toy, he gets a treat.

Once he masters this, ask him for the other toy. You can keep going as long as your dog is having fun and picking the right toys consistently, eventually asking him to pick a specific named toy from a small pile of named toys.

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Thank you to Johanna Matsuda for sharing this article with our club

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We have a wooden crate, custom made for our Newf when she moved with us from Australia to the USA a few years ago. We no longer need it. It can go **free** to a good home and needs to be collected from Boulder.

These are the dimensions, and our girl is 130lbs

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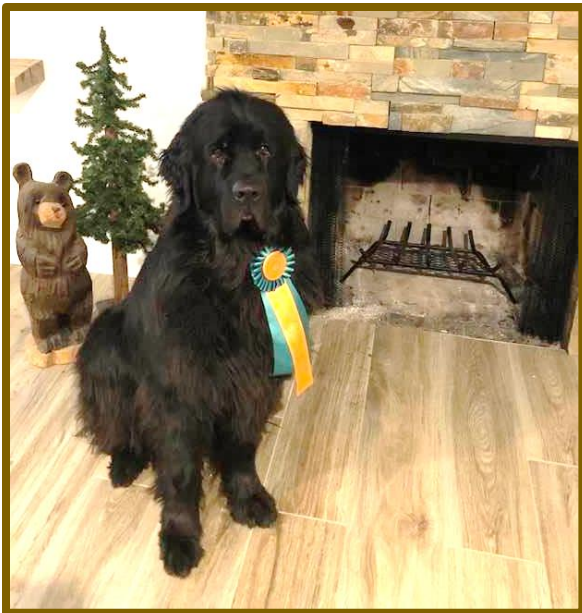
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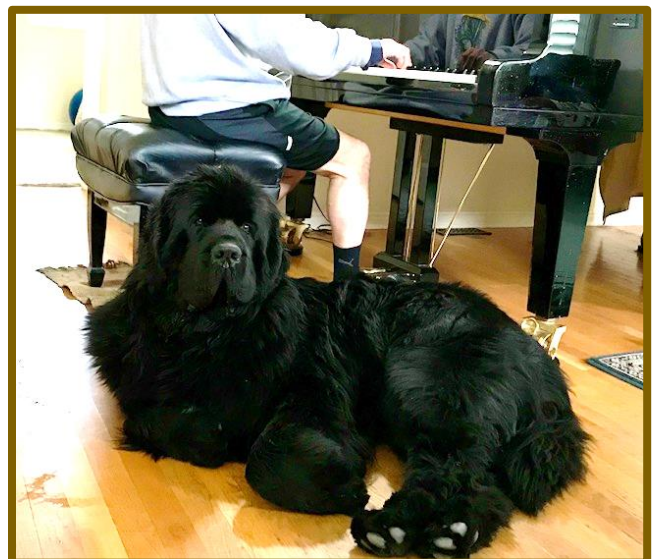
Over the MLK weekend at the Longs Peak Dog Training Club Rally trial **Neville** got three qualifying scores to earn his Rally Excellent title. Good boy Neville!

Submitted by John LeVett



Sadie earned her Rally Advanced title at Longs Peak Kennel Club's January shows. Great course and fun weekend!

Submitted by Sue Raney



Our Newfs & I are blessed to have a private piano concert by Greg every day!

Submitted by Johanna Matsuda

Let's Wrap It Up...

Attitude and mindset play off one another. Attitude reflects a person's point of view which can be affected by outside influences. Now, a mindset reflects how a person interprets and responds to situations. We share a common mindset as a Club when we promote our Newfoundland breed in such a variety of activities as you have witnessed within these pages. Don't we all have **HOPE** that very soon we will be able to get together to plan, prepare, and create Newfy memories when we participate at our Newfy related events?

HOPE – A mindset and desire for something combined with an anticipation of it happening. It can be an expression of confidence of a good outcome.

OPPORTUNITY- An exploitable set of circumstances with uncertain outcomes requiring commitment of resources and involving exposure to risk.

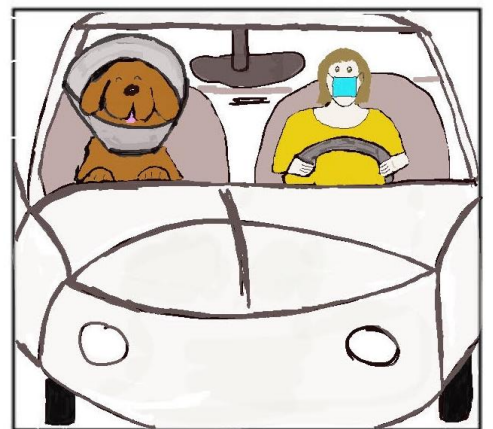
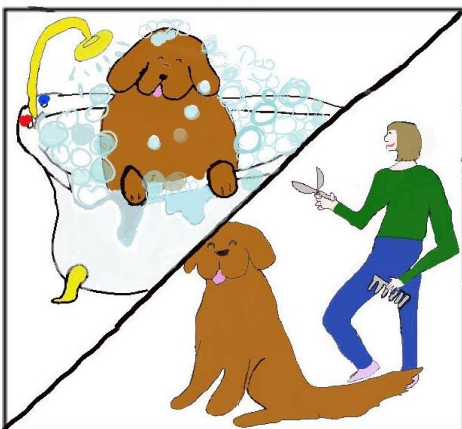
PERSISTENCE- The continuation of an action around a purpose by demonstrating the ability to achieve something regardless of setbacks.

ENDURANCE: The resolve to keep doing something difficult, unpleasant, or painful for a long time.

My mindset is hopeful that circumstances will enable all of us to enjoy the upcoming club planned events with my friends, both furry and human.

---*Lisa*

Summit's Shenanigans



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