

## NEWFOUNDLAND CLUB OF AMERICA

2024 Water Rescue Tests

### **HOSTED BY:**

## PENN-OHIO NEWFOUNDLAND CLUB, INC.

Where: Pymatuning State Park, Jamestown, PA 16134

## **JUDGES**

Sue Raney of Arvada, CO

Terry Linehan of Amherst, NH

Aug. 09 - Test Max (20) with (4) reserved for WRDX

WD, WRD, WRDX (max 6) & Requalifiers

Aug. 10 - Test Max (20)

WD, WRD & Requalifiers (No WRDX)

Aug. 11 - Test Max (20) with (4) reserved for WRDX

WD, WRD, WRDX (max 6) & Requalifiers

ALL-BREED WATER RESCUE TEST (THIS IS NOT NCA EVENT)

Aug. 09 - Test Max (5)
WD, WRD, WRDX & Requalifiers

\*\*PONC reserves the right to cancel any test which does not receive five entries\*\*

\*\*Dogs qualifying in the Junior Division may post enter for a \$15.00 fee\*\*

\*\*\*If the WRDX positions do not fill, they will be filled with WD or WRD entries\*\*\*

### **CERTIFICATION**

The Penn-Ohio Newfoundland Club, Inc., has been granted permission to hold these Water Rescue Tests by The Working Dog Committee of The Newfoundland Club of America, Inc.

## Entries OPEN on Tuesday, June 18th for NCA members, June 28th for NON-NCA members

## Entries CLOSE For ALL on Friday, July 12, 2024

at the test secretary's home at 5:00 P.M. after which time entries cannot be accepted, canceled, altered or substituted.

ENTRY FEE: \$50.00/test

(\*\*\*Stripe fee will be deducted from any online entry refunded\*\*\*)

Mail Entries to: Deanna Alko

2749 Mount Royal Rd. Pittsburgh, PA 15217 To Enter the Water Test ONLINE, please visit:

https://www.ncanewfs.org/wdc/

### Newfoundland Club of America, Inc.

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### 2024 Water Test Committee:

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Plus all the volunteers who generously donate their knowledge, time and talents!

### **Certification & Regulations:**

These Newfoundland Water Tests are sanctioned by the Working Dog Committee (WDC) of the Newfoundland Club of America and sponsored by the Penn-Ohio Newfoundland Club and all tests will follow the NCA's Water Test Regulations copyrighted in 1999 and updated in March 2018. Entrants are responsible for obtaining and reading the regulations governing NCA Water Tests. A copy of the official Water Test Regulations may be found on line at <a href="https://www.ncanewfs.org">https://www.ncanewfs.org</a>

#### The Water Rescue Test

The NCA Water Tests are a series of exercises designed to develop and demonstrate the abilities of purebred Newfoundland dogs in an aquatic environment. NCA water tests demonstrate natural ability and skills acquired through training, and emphasize teamwork between dog and handler in simulated work and rescue situations. The ideal working relationship is a balance of controlled performance and natural independence. Dogs should display not only efficiency in accomplishing their tasks, but also willingness and enjoyment in their work.

### **Site Description:**

The test is held at Pymatuning State Park made up of approximately 10 acres adjacent to the Dam. Included are two beaches, a wooded area, a park pavilion, and a large grassy area. The woods are within 60 feet of the water's edge on the left side of the site and within 30-40 feet on the right side of the site. The test site has a sand and gravel beach approximately 100 feet wide and 10-15 feet deep with a grassy area between the beach and woods. Water depth increases gradually as you move in to the lake. The lakebed slopes from left to right as you face the lake and is mostly sand and rock near shore, changing to rocks or mud 20-30 feet from shore. At normal water levels, dogs begin to swim 15-20 feet from shore on the left and 10-15 feet from shore on the right of the site. The water becomes cloudy as dogs enter but quickly clears. The site has experienced strong breezes in the past, usually blowing left to right, but occasionally swinging directly to shore. Very strong winds have produced white cap waves of 3-12 inches in height.

### **Exhibitors Notes**

All exhibitors present at this event must be prepared to provide proof of vaccinations for all dogs present at the test site if requested by Pennsylvania State Parks personnel. If a license is required in its home state, owners must be prepared to present to Park personnel.

EACH EXHIBITOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING HIS/HER OWN WATER TEST EQUIPMENT, INCLUDING A U.S. COAST GUARD APPROVED PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICE AND SUITABLE FOOT PROTECTION TO BE WORN IN THE WATER.

NCA & PONC Safety Observances will follow NCA Policy on Out of Control Dog & Dog Aggression, NCA BOD approved 2023.11.11:



- 1.At all NCA Events dogs must be kept under control to prevent harm to itself or others. It is the owner/handler's responsibility to ensure their dogs are under control for the duration of the event.
- 2.Dogs must be crated or leashed and collared at all times, except when the dogs are required to perform off leash.
- 3. When on leash, the length of the leash must not exceed SIX feet and may NOT be a retractable leash.
- 4.Dogs should not be allowed to approach another dog without permission from the other dog's owner/handler
- 5.Any dog that, in the opinion of the judges, event committee or designated safety officer representing the event, appears dangerous, shall be asked to leave the event promptly or be crated for the duration of the event and is excused from further participation in the event. Anyone who witnesses a dog appearing to be dangerous should bring their concerns to the judges, event committee or safety officer. Part of upholding good sportsmanship is to take action through the appropriate channels.

Examples of out of control behavior would include but are not limited to:

Aggressive vocalization such as barking and growling, or aggressive behavior toward any person or animal such as snapping, biting, lunging, charging, attacking or attempting to attack at any time while on the test grounds.

- 6. Owners and handlers are responsible for monitoring the well-being and safety of their dog(s). If left unattended the owner/handler must check on them frequently to ensure they are safe.
- 7. If the dog is excused from the test grounds for aggression, the automatic grievance policy of the NCA is enacted. If an injury to a dog or person occurs, the AKC Rules Applying to Dog Shows Ch 11, section 15 goes into effect. (References, chapter 2, section 14 in both water and draft regulations)

## **Dogs Eligible to Compete:**

The NCA Water Rescue Tests will be open to purebred Newfoundland dogs at least six (6) months of age. The word 'dog' in the NCA Water Rescue Test Regulations refers to either sex. All entered dogs must have an AKC/CKC registration number, AKC ILP/PAL number, foreign registration number, or AKC or foreign litter number.

**Bitches In Season or with Ovarian Sparing Spay:** Bitches in season or ovarian sparing spay will not be allowed on the test site until just prior to being judged, which will be after all other dogs are tested. When not being tested, bitches in season must be contained in a designated area away from the official test areas. If you are entering a bitch, do you anticipate she might be in season? As a courtesy, please inform the Test Chairperson or Secretary in advance.

DOGS NOT BEING TESTED AT THE TIME are not permitted in the official Test Areas during designated testing times.

**Spectators & Unentered Dogs:** Spectators, as well as, unentered dogs (bitches in season, see above), are welcome at the PONC Water Test. Unentered dogs will not be permitted in the official Test Areas for the duration of the judging day. Once all awards are distributed the site is open to all. As a courtesy to our exhibitors, we ask that all dogs be kept guiet and leashed or crated.

### **PHOTOGRAPHY**

Photography & Release: The photographers on site are spectators and volunteers. They have many other duties in addition to recording the PONC test for the club. They are NOT required nor expected to take photos of all dogs, divisions, exercises, or awards. If exhibitors or others want to ensure that photos are taken of their dog(s) during the test weekend, please designate a person to use your cell phone or other recording device. If YOU have a preference to NOT be photographed or the PROXIMITY of any photographer during your exhibition, please notify the Test Chair PRIOR to your testing.

Use of images and publishing of results: By entering this event, you hereby give your consent to publish and/or alter any and all photos and/or videos (hereby referred to as

Images) taken of you or your dog(s) that are present during this event, whether they are entered as exhibitors or not, and you agree to waive any claim, action, lawsuit and further agree to indemnify and hold NCA, the host club, and any Judge harmless from claims, actions or lawsuit resulting from the use of these images and your participation in this event. Results of the event, whether dogs passed or failed, the names of dogs, the names of handlers, the names of owners, and/or the names of breeders may also be published. Use of and publishing may be in any printed format, including but not limited to: email, websites, and/or social media.

## **AWARDS**

EACH ENTRANT WILL RECEIVE A HOSPITALITY GIFT FOR PARTICIPATING IN OUR TEST.

EACH QUALIFIER WILL RECEIVE A GIFT SELECTED BY THE TEST COMMITTEE.

SPECIAL AWARDS - FRIDAY, SATURDAY & SUNDAY

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ENTRY FEE: \$50.00/test

To Enter the Water Test ONLINE, please visit: https://www.ncanewfs.org/wdc/

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If making entry by USPS - make checks payable to PONC

Both a signed Working Event Agreement and a copy of your dog's AKC registration need to be sent with your USPS entry Mail USPS Entries to: Deanna Alko 2749 Mount Royal Rd. Pittsburgh, PA. 15217

NO ENTRIES will be accepted with a postmark prior to: June 18, 2024 (NCA member) or June 28, 2024 (Non-NCA member)

**ENTRIES CLOSE on Friday, July 12, 2024** at the test secretary's home at 5:00 P.M. After which time, entries cannot be accepted, canceled, altered or substituted. If entries exceed daily allotted positions a lottery will be conducted and an alternate list will be made.

Online Entry is highly recommended as USPS is experiencing a significant slow down in delivery with reports of first class mail taking 10days or longer for delivery. If you choose to mail your entry, please do so as early as possible to avoid entries received too late due to delivery time frames.

In order to ensure that your entry has a legible postmark date, it is suggested that you request that your entry be handstamped at the post office (you may be charged an additional fee). If you use Express Mail, you MUST waive the signature.

## **Verification of Entry Receipt**

Any entrant may request confirmation of receipt of their entry by either enclosing a self addressed stamped postcard with their entry or supplying an e- mail address. You are also welcome to call the Test Secretary at 412-613-9062 for confirmation.

# ENTRIES are limited by day and division with a <u>minimum entry of 5 required on each day.</u> Newfoundland Water Rescue Tests

Friday, Aug. 09 - Test Max 20 Entries, WRDX (4 reserved with a max 6), WD, WRD, & Requalifiers Saturday, Aug. 10 - Test Max 20 Entries, WD, WRD, & Requalifiers Sunday, Aug. 11 - Test Max 20 Entries, WRDX (4 reserved with a max 6), WD, WRD, & Requalifiers

Priority will be given to entries that have not earned titles in the division entered. If the WRDX positions do not fill, they will be filled with WD or WRD entries.

### All Breed Test ~ Not an NCA sanctioned event.

Friday, Aug. 09 - Test Max 5 Entries, WRDX, WD, WRD, & Requalifiers

Priority will be given to entries that have not earned titles in the division entered. If the WRDX positions do not fill, they will be filled with WD or WRD entries.

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Entries submitted electronically will be assigned a postmark with the same date the entry is entered. Entries submitted by mail will be assigned the postmark given as per the USPS postmark. Entries submitted electronically and via post will be considered equally in date order for slots in the test. NCA members will have the same early-entry window with both paper entry and electronic entry.

If you are not a member of the NCA you will be prompted to provide the same contact information that you would provide on a paper entry once entries are open to non-NCA members. You will be prompted to enter or verify your dog's information and you will have the opportunity to upload an image of your dog's registration certificate. Please have an electronic version of your dog's registration certificate ready for upload before you begin the online entry process. If you experience any problems, please contact support at itservices@newfdoaclub.org

Entry slots will be filled according to postmark date. In the event that the number of entries with the same postmark date received exceeds the limit, vacancies will be filled and alternates will be determined by a random drawing for each day. Entries received after the entry limit has been reached will be placed on an alternate list in order of postmark. Alternates will be notified immediately should an opening occur.



## **Meals**

Breakfast & Lunch Combo may be purchased for \$15/day per person (offered - Friday/Saturday/Sunday)

Dinner may be purchased for \$25/day per person hosted at Shangri-La Campground (offered - Friday & Saturday)

Meal orders & payment may be made Online! Click the link below:

# **PONC Meals and Ads**



Saturday Evening Dinner to be followed by annual bidding auction!
Sunday we wish everyone safe travels home! We hope you enjoyed your experience with PONC!



## PRINTED CATALOG (FULL TEST)

ADVERTISEMENTS: \$5 FOR HALF PAGE \$10 FOR FULL PAGE

Your Ad Artwork is due by **July 13th** 

ORDERS & PAYMENT MAY BE MADE ONLINE:

**PONC Meals and Ads** 







# Annual Brown Bag & Bidding Auctions



Please & THANK YOU for your consideration in donating to one or both of these auction opportunities.

Contact Kim Hite - jameslhite@comcast.net

## **Order Information:** \*\*\* If orders are to be shipped, shipping cost will be assessed and will need to be remitted prior to shipping. Name: Address: Email:\_\_\_\_\_ Phone:

Order Information:

\*\*\*\* All orders due by July 13, 2024 \*\*\*\*\*

# All Orders may be made online! Click the link below: **PONC Meals and Ads**



Ads:	Quantity	Total
Half page (\$5)		
Full page (\$10)		
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MEALS:	Breakfast & Lunch Combo \$15/day per person	Dinner \$25/day per person	Total
Friday			
Saturday			
Sunday			
Amount Due			

If ordering via USPS: Make checks payable to "PONC" Please send completed order form

and check to:

**Tammy Brown** 43704 Pine Hollow Rd. Lisbon, OH 44432-9514 If shipment is required, postage will be determined and payment for shipping will need to be remitted before your order is shipped.

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## **NEWFOUNDLAND CLUB OF AMERICA WORKING TEST ENTRY**

Test Location: <u>Pymatuning State Park, 100 Dam Rd, Jamestown, PA</u>
Test Giving Club: <u>Penn-Ohio Newfoundland Club</u>

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#### NCA WORKING EVENT AGREEMENT

I (we) acknowledge that the NCA test regulations have been made available to me (us) and that I am (we are) familiar with their contents. I (we) agree that the club holding this event has the right to refuse this entry for cause which the club shall deem to be sufficient. I (we) agree that I(we) will uphold the AKC Code of Sportsmanship, the NCA Code of Ethics, and (if applicable) the NCA Judges Code of Ethics. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry and of the holding of this event and of the opportunity to have the dog judged and to win ribbons or trophies, I (we) agree to hold this club, its members, directors, governors, officers, agents, superintendents, or test secretary and the owner or lessor of the premises or grounds and the employees of the aforementioned parties, harmless from any claim for loss or injury which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of this dog while in or upon the test premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto, and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for such claim; and I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim or loss of the dog by disappearance, theft, damage or injury, be caused or alleged to be caused by the negligence of the club or any of the parties aforementioned, or by the negligence of any other person or any other causes. I (we) agree that any violation of the AKC Code of Sportsmanship, the NCA Code of Ethics and/or the Judges Code of Ethics will be handled pursuant to the Grievance policies listed on the NCA website.

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

I agree to grant to this club, and its authorized representatives permission to record on photography film and/or video, pictures of my participation. I further agree that any or all of the material photographed may be used, in any form, as part of any future publications, brochure, or other printed materials used to promote NCA or the regional club, and further that such use shall be without payment of fees, royalties, special credit or other compensation.

The Newfoundland Club of America, this regional club, its members, directors, governors, officers, agents, superintendents, test committee, reserves the right to remove any animal in distress from a parked car or crate, and all persons attending this dog event hereby waive any claim for damages against the club for such removal. I understand that exposing a dog to an unsafe environment, distress, or harm's way is considered mistreatment and subject to appropriate discipline.

Signature:			

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**NCA MEMBER:** 

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### **Accommodations:**

Please, verify charges & restrictions on pet stays as rules may change.

## Cianci's Motel (19mi)

399 Mercer Rd. Greenville, PA 16125 724.588.8550

Pet Fee: \$12.50/room/day This motel has very limited number of rooms available for pets.

## Red Roof Inn - Hermitage (25mi)

2700 Wilson Rd. Hermitage, PA 16148 724.342.7200 Pet Friendly

## Shangri-La by the Lake Campground

1824 Williamsfield Rd.
Jamestown, PA 16134
724.932.5044
shangrilabythelake.com
Trailer & Cabin rentals available. Pets are welcome.

### Quality Inn (19mi)

17259 Conneaut Lake Rd. Meadville, PA 16335 814.333.8883 Pet Fee: \$15/dog/day

## Days Inn - Meadville (19mi)

18360 Conneaut Lake Rd. Meadville, PA 16335 814.337.4264 Pet Fee: \$10/dog/stay

## Cobblestone Hotel & Suites (11mi)

81 Hadley Rd. Greenville, PA 16125 1.888.305.3366 Pet Friendly

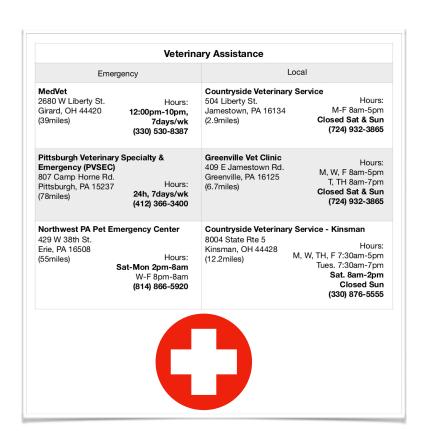
## Pymatuning State Park - PA Linesville Campground

(Jamestown Campground does not allow pets) 888-PA-PARKS (888.727.2757) 7AM - 5PM Mon.-Sat. This park has limited pet sites. Be sure to specify to the call center operator that you desire a campsite that permits pets. Only two (2) pets are allowed to stay on any one (1) site.

## Pymatuning State Park - OH Campground

866.644.6727

There are some campsites & cottages in the Ohio Pymatuning State Park which allow pets. These are about 10miles from the test site.



*** TENTATIVE *	** Friday, August 09, 2024
07:00 - 07:30	Registration for Newfoundland Test
07:30 - 08:00	WD Pre-Test Swim (15min) WD Equipment Check Judges meeting with Entrants & Stewards
~ 08:00 - Completion	WD Testing
Lunch	Scheduled at Judges' discretion
After completion of WD Division	WRD Equipment Check Judges meeting with Entrants & Stewards WRD Pre-Test Swim (15min)
After completion of WRD Division	WRDX Equipment Check Judges meeting with Entrants & Stewards WRDX Pre-Test Swim (15min)
Awards Ceremony	Presented at Conclusion of test
07:00 - 12:30	Registration for All Breed Test
After completion of Newfoundland Awards	All Breed WRDX Equipment Check Judges meeting with Entrants & Stewards ALL Divisions Pre-Test Swim (15min)
After completion of All Breed WRDX Division	WD Equipment Check Judges meeting with Entrants & Stewards
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*** TENTATIVE *** Saturday, August 10, 2024		
07:00 - 07:30	Registration for Newfoundland Test	
07:30 - 08:00	WD Equipment Check Judges meeting with Entrants & Stewards WD Pre-Test Swim (15min)	
~ 08:00 - Completion	WD Testing	
Lunch	Scheduled at Judges' discretion	
	WRD Equipment Check	
After completion of WD Division	Judges meeting with Entrants & Stewards	
	WRD Pre-Test Swim (15min)	
Awards Ceremony	Presented at Conclusion of test	

*** TENTATIVE *** Sunday, August 11, 2024		
07:00 - 07:30	Registration for Newfoundland Test	
07:30 - 08:00	WRDX Equipment Check Judges meeting with Entrants & Stewards WRDX Pre-Test Swim (15min)	
~ 08:00 - Completion	WRDX Testing	
Lunch	Scheduled at Judges' discretion	
After completion of WRDX Division	WD Equipment Check Judges meeting with Entrants & Stewards WD Pre-Test Swim (15min)	
After completion of WD Division	WRD Equipment Check  Judges meeting with Entrants & Stewards  WRD Pre-Test Swim (15min)	
Awards Ceremony	Presented at Conclusion of test	

## **Directions**

to

## Pymatuning State Park, Dam Road, Shelter #2, Jamestown, PA

Major North/South routes are I -79, US Route 19, OH 11 and PA 58 via PA 18

From I -80 and I -79 Northbound: Take PA 358 West exit to Greenville, PA. Take PA 58 West to Jamestown, Merge to US 322 West in Jamestown. Stay on US 322 West approx 2miles to a right turn into Pymatuning State Park. Make an immediate right onto Dam Road, cross the dam to test site on left.

From I -79 Southbound: Take US 322 and Route 6 exit at Meadville, PA. Stay on US 322 West into Jamestown, PA. Stay on US 322 West approx. 2 miles to a right turn into Pymatuning State Park. Make an immediate right onto Dam Road, cross the dam to test site on left.

From OH 11: Exit OH 11 at US 322 East. Follow US 322 East into PA. Approx 1mile past the Shangri-La Campground (on Left) take the second left into Pymatuning State Park. Make an immediate right onto Dam Road, cross the dam to test site on left.

From PA 58 via PA 18: Enter Greenville, PA on PA 18, merge with PA 58 West. Follow PA 58 West into Jamestown, PA. Merge to US 322 West in Jamestown, PA. Stay on US 322 West approx 2miles to right turn into Pymatuning State Park. Make an immediate right onto Dam Road, cross the dam to test site on left.



## **Parking:**

Please park in the lot at the pavilion area.

If full, you may park along the Water Trail Rd. on the grass parameter but **NOT** pulled under the trees as per the Park Services Request.

You are allowed to erect pop-ups in the tree shaded area in the upper green space.