

Newfsletter oct./Nov. 2005

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From the President: Judy's News Dear Newf Friends:

Here we go with another summer gone! Dog days are here and our dogs are growing coat for the cold months ahead. I hope you all had a good summer!

We had a fun picnic in St. Cloud, September 24th. Some new members came and of course, us oldies too!

Our next fun event will be The Christmas City of the North, Duluth parade on Friday, November 18th in the evening. We usually meet down by the Freshwater Aquarium at 5:30p.m. Dress warm and bring rain gear. More information will be coming from Ted Mittelstadt. Bring your carts decorated up for the holidays. Put battery-operated lights on if you wish. It should be a good time for all. We also need petting dogs - the Duluth crowd loves to pet our Newfies. After the parade, we go out to eat - usually at the Greenmill for pizza.

Our Regional Specialty Show will be December 9. Back-to-back all breed dog shows follow on Saturday & Sunday, so plan to be there for the whole weekend. If you would like to buy raffle tickets for the Newfie toy box, contact one of the board members or officers. This is a one-of-a-kind woodwork of art by Reuter's father, who is so talented with his woodwork!

Once again, let me know if your dog earned any titles this past year. Mail information to jisjps@msn.com so your award can be here for the banquet. Deadline is NOVEMBER 10th!! Take care and see you soon!

Judy Soder, President

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Mark Your Calendar

November 4,5,6th - Bloomington Obedience Training Club, Bloomington, All breed, Obedience, Rally, (parrishdogshows.com), closed but go see Rally

- November 18 Duluth Christmas Parade in Duluth
- November 19,20th-Mpls.KC, Shakopee, All breed,Obedience, Conformation (Roy Jones)
- December 9th Regional Specialty-St.Cloud, Newfoundland Club of America Newfs only, Obedience, Conformation (parrishdogshows.com), closes 11-23
- December 10,11-Granite City KC-St. Cloud, All breed, Obedience, Conformation (Roy Jones), closes 11-23
- January 7,8th Land O'Lakes KC, Mpls., All breed, Obedience, Conformation, Rally, (Onofrio)

April 23rd - River King Newf.Club, Alton, IL, Newf. Draft Test





2 Big black dogs and their pumpkins

Cleaning out Lily's pumpkin

Future Nationals

2006 -March 27-April 1st -Colonial Newfoundland Club Cumberland, MD Monday, March 27 - NCA Draft Test hosted by New-Pen-Del Newfoundland Club Tuesday, March 28 - Regional Obedience Trial hosted by Newfoundland Club of New England Wednesday, March 29 - 2006 NCA National Specialty Obedience Trial & Sweepstakes judging; Thursday, March 30 & Friday, March 31 - Dog & Bitch judging Saturday, April 1 - Junior Showmanship & Intersex judging

200 - April 30th - May 5th - High Country Newfoundland Club, Boulder, Colorado

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Do you have a story to tell? Please submit personal stories and articles for publication in future Newfsletter issues. Pictures of NNC activities are also welcome. Submit to Shirley Lintner at Islintner@charter.net.

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General Membership Meeting, September 24, 2005, St. Cloud, MN

On Saturday, June 24, 2005 at Wilson Park, President Judy Soder called the meeting to order at approximately Members In Attendance: 11

Guests In Attendance: 3

Minutes

Minutes of the previous general membership meeting, while available, were approved without reading as they were published in the newsletter.

Treasurer's Report

Checking account = \$10,498.13. Rescue: \$917.70, Working dog: \$65.00, Health & Rescue: \$353.00, Larry Scott's Fund: \$5,373.08, National Specialty: \$20.00.

Committee Reports

Rescue-the club voted to send \$200 for pet rescues from the Katrina hurricane.

Regional Specialty

NNC's 13th annual independent Regional Specialty will once again be held in conjunction with the all-breed shows in St. Cloud, MN. This year's date is Friday, December 9th. Discussion was had regarding possible ring

favors and awards for the $1^{st} - 4^{th}$ place winners. Those in attendance agreed to duplicate the "drool rag" towels that were used last year for all entries in each class. Shirley Lintner will be responsible for making these awards. As in the past, Sandy Donnay will be designing the logo and the Reuters will be making the trophies. **Working Dog** - Shirley offered to work on a Water Dog Test for summer 2006 if there was interest.

Parades

Parade Chair, Ted Mittelstadt: NNC's participation in the Christmas and Kenyon Cutter parades was confirmed for this year. Susan Wagner suggested doing a Christmas tree pull at an area tree farm in December. Susan will contact several farms and report back on possible dates and locations at the next meeting. Any other suggestions for parades or carting events should be sent to the Chair, Ted Mittelstadt.

Old Business - None

New Business - Membership Directories - The Club roster were mailed to members this month. Included were the Constitution, By-Laws, and Code of Ethics.

Membership Applications

Each member still needs to receive a blank membership application with their membership directory from Ted Mittelstadt so as to have available for persons interested in becoming a member. Applications will be available at all club functions going forward.

Judy Soder spoke of the importance of each member reviewing the names published in the newsletter for membership and to contact the Board if there is knowledge of information that would impact a decision to accept them as club members.

Respectfully Submitted September 24, 2005,

Susan M. Wagner, Secretary, Northstar Newfoundland Club

Northstar Newfound Club Board Meeting was not held.

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Applications for Membership

Applications are posted in the newsletter and if there are no objections from the membership for a period of 30 days the applicants are granted membership. If there are any objections the applicants are voted on at the next meeting.

Dolly Uhlig

1088 Pike Lake Drive New Brighton, MN 55112-2427 651-635-0236 d uhling@yahoo.com Dogs names: Annie, Kofi Sponsors: Andrea Cochran & Meridith Cairns-Mellen

Shaleen Torjesen

10725 41st Ave. North Plymouth, MN 5541 763-551-3688 storjesen1@aol.com Dogs names: Oso, Treya Sponsors: John & Judy Soder

Dennis & Ramona Nielsen

5477 60th St SE St. Cloud, MN 56404 320-252-1479 Dog's name: King Sponsors: Lloyd & Mary Zieglmeier



Nancy Levenhagen Box 55 Rockwell, IA 50469 641-822-4789 showdog@netines.net

Welcome New Members Lori Mo 7413 Boyd Ave E Inver Grove Heights, MN 55076 Ellendale, MN 56026 651-455-7274 Dog's name: Asia lori.mo@state.mn.us

Holly Wayne 13151 SW 42 Ave. 507-383-4071 hwavne@myclearwave.net

Please update your directory.



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Fall Family Picnic, Wilson Park, St. Cloud, September 24, 2005 There were 22 people & dogs there. A club meeting was held with great potluck food, great gnats, & fun games!







Who will find the lucky plate to sit on?



Will Ted & his Ben get lucky with a plate.?



And the jug hauling contest is on! Page 5



Getting ready for the jug haul contest.



Will Jack get lucky & find the toy underwater? Northstar Newfsletter

More Pictures From the Fall Family Picnic



Judy's Ebony dressed up in classy duds!



Mary's Sapphire dressed as a witch?



And the winners who stole the show and won the contest! A special thanks for Mary Z. for making the arrangements and Shirley L. for the fun games.

Rescue News

Rescue Chair, Meredith Mellen-Cairns: We can always use foster homes or names of potential

adoptive families. Offers of donations of money, time, grooming, training are all very greatly appreciated. Please conact Meridith at 612-827-7196 or newfrescueinmn@yahoo.com.

Wednesday, October 5th: I had a family on my waiting list for a "smaller" newf. I just sent them a note to see if they were still interested. If I hear back from him, I will let Dolly know. His name is Roger McKnight. I will talk you all soon-stay in touch. Meridith Cairns-Mellen

Newf Puppies by NNC Breeders:

If you have puppies & wish to advertise, contact Ed. Shirley.

HEALTH EDUCATION - PRISCILLA ZELLER First Aid for Dogs and Glass Ornaments COTTON BALL REMEDY



What do you do if your puppy (or mischievous older dog) gets into your holiday decorations and eats some of the glass ornaments? This potentially lethal mishap can darken even the brightest holiday season.

THE PROCEDURE

BEFORE the holiday go to a pharmacy and buy a box of cotton balls. Be sure that you get COTTON balls ... not the cosmetic puffs that are made from man-made fibers. Also, buy a guart of half-and-half coffee creamer and put in the freezer. If your dog eats glass ornaments, do this: Defrost the half-and-half and pour some in a bowl. Dip cotton balls into the cream and feed them to your dog. Dogs under 10 lbs. should eat 2 balls which you have first cut into smaller pieces. Dogs 10-50 lbs. should eat 3-5

balls and larger dogs should eat 5-7 balls. You may feed larger dogs an entire cotton ball at once. Dogs seem to really like these strange treats and eat them readily. As the cotton works it way through the digestive tract, it will find all the glass pieces and wrap itself around them. Even the teeniest shards of glass will be caught and wrapped in the cotton fibers and the cotton will protect the intestines from damage by the glass. Our dogs' stools will be really weird fro a few days and you will have to be careful to check for fresh blood or a tarry appearance to the stool. If either of the latter symptoms appear, you should rush your dog to the vet for a checkup. But in most cases, the dogs will be just fine.

An actual experience: I can personally vouch for the cotton ball treatment. While I was at the vet's waiting for him to return from lunch, a terrified women ran in with a litter of puppies who had demolished a wooden crate along with large open staples. The young vet had taken x-rays which did show each of the puppies had swallowed several open staples. He was preparing them for surgery when my wonderful vet came in and said no surgery. I watched him wet several cotton balls, squeeze out the water and pop them down their throats. Within 24 hours every staple was accounted for. This was a lesson I learned in the mid-1960s and have had to use several times on my brats. I wet the cotton balls and smear on some liverwurst and they bolt it down and ask for more. The cotton always comes out with the object safely embedded. Priscilla Zeller Copyright reserved to Sandy Brock. Permission is hereby granted for any nonprofit reproduction by any person or group.

As of August 29, 2005, the Newfoundland Club of American responded to the Pet Animal Welfare Act of 2005 (PAWS):

The Board discussed whether a statement should be issued either supporting this bill or going on record against it. The NCA Legislative Committee researched the bill and was critical of the language and the concepts presented in it. Many people in the dog fancy are concerned about the unclear concepts and imprecise language. The bill will have some revisions made while still under consideration in the Agricultural Committee. It was mentioned that it is easier to change things at the beginning of the process rather than during the process.

By consensus, the Board agreed that it is not in favor of the PAWS bill in its current form for the reasons outlined by the NCA Legislative Committee.

Sandee Lovett moved and Mary Lou Cuddy seconded that the Board accept the report and summary on the federal bill S1139, "Pet Animal Welfare Act of 2005" (PAWS) from the NCA's AKC Legislative Liaison Committee. The NCA Board is opposed to the PAWS bill for these reasons outlined below as in the NCA's AKC Legislative Liaison Committee summary. The Board added a fourth statement to the summary that the effect of the bill on rescue is unclear and may adversely affect rescue.

1. The wording is imprecise which WILL lead to litigation or unintended results.

2. The potential secondary effects on home business/zoning can be crippling and life changing.

3. The amendment vests too much authority to interpret and enforce unclear regulations in the USDA

without outside checks and balances (having the Department of Justice review applications for enforcement actions). This could lead to a culture of enforcement actions, leaving the burden of proving compliance on the licensee rather

than the agency.

4. The effect of the bill on Rescue is unclear and may adversely affect Rescue work. The motion passed unanimously.

Mary Lou Roberts moved and Aura Dean seconded to ask the NCA's AKC Legislative Liaison Committee to suggest content to be put on the NCA website; along with suggested contacts. NCA and regional club members may then contact the appropriate people to express their views on the PAWS legislation as soon as possible so that the letters will be considered when Congress reconvenes on September 6, 2005.

The Northstar Newfoundland club Newsletter is published four times a year - in January, April, July and October. The deadline for information to be included is the first day of the month that it is published (i.e. deadline for the january issue is January 1st), unless otherwise noted. The editor's goal is to have the newsletter in the mail by the 15th of the month. If you have any information that you would like included in the newsletter, call Shirley Lintner (218-829-3601); send it to her at 11180 Easy St., Brainerd, MN 56401; or

e-mail it to her at Islintner@charter.net. If you have information on matches, seminars, workshops, etc., please let Shirley know so that the information can be shared with other club members.

Prepaid Advertising: Payment and copy should be submitted to the editor by the next submission deadline. Member rates for each insertion/issue: Full page @ \$10.00 and Half page @ \$5.00 (US Dollars). Nonmember rates for each insertion/issue: Full Page @ \$15.00 and Half page at \$7.50 (US Dollars). Advertisement for other NCA or AKC Club's activities is at Member rates. (A listing on the "Mark your Calendar" page is free.)

For Membership Applications for the Newfoundland Club of America contact Bob Rogers, PO Bo 5858 Deerwood, MD 20855; 301-948-8025; e-mail: storageguy@mindspring.com. Additional information about the Newfoundland Club of America is available from the club's web site: www.newfdogclub.org.

Please share the following with your membership:

As part of an ongoing program of improvement for the NCA website, we have posted a short survey to collect information on your experience as a website user. Please take a moment to visit the NCA website and complete the survey at:

http://www.newfdogclub.org/survey.html

We appreciate you taking the time to share your thoughts and opinions with us, and look forward to hearing your suggestions.

Marylou Zimmerman NCA Member, Internet Development Team, Newfoundland Club of Seattle, Board of Directors Page 8 Northstar Newfsletter