

## **Northstar Newfoundland Club: Newsletter, Winter 2013**

### **President's Message:**

We are still trying to get back on track with the Newsletter. We got the "fall 2012" issue out in December just prior to our annual meeting and Regional Specialty show. We will make an effort to get newsletters out shortly after each quarterly members meeting so that we can include minutes and a report on any noteworthy events. As always, article submissions (or just pictures with captions) are welcome from any member at any time. We will also post timely announcements and stories on NewfLink as they happen.

And, if you prefer to get these items delivered to your mailbox by the postal service, please email me (Christopher.n.plum@gmail.com), Charles Turner (cpturner@turnlink.net) or Ted Mittelstadt ([tjm88@charter.net](mailto:tjm88@charter.net) - especially for parade announcements).

This past Saturday the Northstar Newfoundland Club once again participated in the St Paul Winter Carnival Parade and you can see some pictures [here](#). Club members and friends in attendance were: Ted Mittelstadt & Elizabeth Olswon (Brunswick), Charles and Martha Turner (Chester), Tammy Corrow (Peanut), Darryl and Andrea Anderson (Olive), Joan and Bill Geyer (Toby), Dave and Stacie Kramlinger (Sully), Mary Shumaker and Rick Yarns (Hank and Tegan), Mark and Marsha (Bear) (hope we are welcoming you as new members soon!).

### **Upcoming Events:**

The Cross Lake, MN Saint Patrick's day parade is the 16th of March.

Our next meeting will be March 23 in Owatonna, when we will hold elections for Officers. All the current officers are willing to serve again; if you would like to run for office, or nominate someone else to do so, please contact Tammy Corrow at 612-239-0401.

### **Updates to the 2012-2013 Membership Directory.**

Two members were left out of the directory:

Roger and Consie Powell, Ottawa Newfoundlands  
P.O. Box 918  
Ely, MN 55731  
218-235-8808 [newf@ncsu.edu](mailto:newf@ncsu.edu)

Mrs Robert M (Mary) Price (Honorary Life Member)  
5225 Grandview Sq, Unit 204  
Edina, MN 55436  
952-929-1419

We also have two new members to welcome:

Kari Richards

11333 Kentucky Ave N

Champlin, MN 55316

763-421-1858

[richck7@gmail.com](mailto:richck7@gmail.com)

Bob & Michelle Cocker

13728 Duluth Dr

Apple Valley, MN 55124

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The Northstar Board of Directors met on December 8 in St Cloud, MN.

Here are the Meeting Minutes:

Board members in attendance: Tammy Corrow, Richard Donnay, Missy Manke, Susie Manke, Charles Turner, Chris Plum and Priscilla Zeller. Absent, Ted Mittelstadt.

We discussed the web site and membership lists. Corrections to the membership list are published in this newsletter and have been sent to Ted Mittelstadt. Newflink appears to be working well as a means for quickly communicating with the membership, and has been used by a number of members with questions for others, such as advice on choosing a surgeon to repair a torn cruciate ligament. Charles Turner has been working on updated content for the website and was to get in touch with Daryl Anderson so they could work together on making those changes. (I'm happy to report that as of January 20 when I am finally writing up these minutes, many of the updates have been made.)

We discussed ways to increase the number of dogs entering our regional specialty and will contract the NCA to see if we can use their membership list next year to send out announcements of the show to NCA members in the upper Midwest. Also, we will put a link to the premium list on our website, so persons who come to the website can get show information. Missy Manke has started a Facebook page for the club and plans to use it to publicize the show as well.

We had an update on Newf Rescue as there has been a fair amount of activity, and change, in the past few months. Janey Shaddrick and Kari Richards who have been working with the NCA on Newf Rescue for the past ten years and who list dogs on Petfinders.com (as does NCA Newf Rescue) are now both members of the Northstar Newfoundland Club, so all rescue activities in Minnesota and Western Wisconsin can be coordinated through a single location. To the best of my knowledge four dogs have been rescued and placed since late summer and there are no Newfoundlands currently seeking new homes.

Many of our members are interested in rescue, and we formally created a rescue committee at this meeting. Charles Turner, Missy Manke, Tammy Corrow and JoAnn Tait all volunteered and Janey Shaddrick also agreed to be part of this committee. Please contact any of them if you would like to be involved, or just to let them know you can help out if the need arises. The Board also wishes to thank Susan Wagner for her hard work and dedication to Newf Rescue in the past years which she frequently did without any of us being aware of just how much work was involved or how many dogs were being helped. Susan has helped with many recent rescues and the committee looks forward to her continued help and advice.

It was noted that the cardiac clinic at the St Cloud show was again popular and well received. It was suggested that we see if we could add a CERF (canine eye registry) clinic next year. I contact Dr. Chris Stauthammer, who ran the cardiac clinic and this is his response:

“I would love to be involved next year for the CERF clinic. I really enjoyed the show and the clinic ran smoothly. I will keep my schedule open for the 2nd week of December.

Chris Stauthammer”

We discussed a repeat of the winter draft day. Unfortunately Roger and Consie Powell are not available on the weekends we want this year, so it will wait; however they indicated that they enjoyed it and would

really like to do it again next year. We will also get more information about potential draft equipment sources and vendors.

It is time for nominations for the Board Officers (they are elected in odd numbered years). Tammy Corrow is going to chair the nominating committee and anyone interested in running for one of the officer positions should let Tammy know.

Current officers are:

President: Chris Plum  
Vice President: Charles Turner  
Treasurer: Susie Manke  
Secretary: Missie Manke

It was proposed and approved that anyone adopting a dog from Northstar Newfoundland Rescue be given a non-voting membership (fee paid out of their adoption fee) for one year so they know they have a resource for any questions or other support they may need.

Susie Manke provided a treasurers report which is summarized here (any errors are mine):

Income: Dues \$1275

Rescue Fund \$200

Health Challenge \$40.

Expenses: Donation to University of Minnesota Vet school (voted on last March) \$500

Insurance \$605

Specialty \$580

Trophies \$310 less trophy fund donations of \$235 for a net cost of \$75.

Susie recently sent an email with an update after the banquet, auction, etc :

Heart Clinic \$445.00

Trophy donations \$235.00

Other income, (banquet, brown bag, silent auction, catalog sales) \$1230.00

We also received from Charles Turner for adoption fee \$300.00 and a \$25.00 donation to Newf Rescue from Kathy Roosa in Vermont.

We will get a more formal, but it is fair to say that after the Specialty we have more money in the bank than before thanks to the fun activities (banquet, silent auction and heart clinic).

As of January 30, 2013 we have a balance of \$5,047.57 in our checking account and \$4,907.04 in our savings account.