



Newfoundland Club of Northern California

January, 2010

*You are Cordially Invited to Attend the
Annual Meeting & Awards Banquet*

*Please join us in celebration of all the wonderful
accomplishments of our members and their Newfoundlands the past year.*

*Saturday, February 27, 2010
12:00 Noon - 3:00 PM
Uncle Yu's Szechuan
2005 Crow Canyon Place #160
San Ramon, CA 94583*

\$25 per person

*RSVP to Pam Rubio by 2/17
(see page 2)*

*Order award plaques and plates by 2/5
(See page 2)*

A few special awards will be presented this year including:

*The Louise Parsons Award
NCNC Top Show Dog/Bitch
NCNC Top Obedience Dog/Bitch
NCNC Top Stud Dog/Brood Dogs/Bitches
NCA Top Twenty Dogs/Bitches
NCA Top Obedience*

*We are counting on everyone to make this first annual event special.
Please dress as would be appropriate for the show ring.*

ncnc.org - member's area

user name: webnewf
password: draftdog

Special points of interest:

- WDC Planning Meeting -
January 9th
- General Meeting -
January 23rd
- Trophy Requests -
By February 5th
- Banquet Reservation -
By February 17th

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Annual Meeting & Awards Banquet RSVP

The menu will be a variety of Szechuan style Chinese dishes.
Vegetarian will be available.

Yes, please put me/us down for _____ lunches x \$25 per person = \$ _____

Names: _____

**Deadline to RSVP is
Wednesday, February 17th**

Make checks payable to NCNC

Mail this form along with payment to:
Pamela Rubio
8955 Burchell Rd
Gilroy, CA 95020

pamelar@garlic.com
(408) 847-1641

Award(s) Ordering

If your Newf(s) earned a title in 2009

Please email the following information to Debbie Bridge:

- Your Newf's Call Name
- Registered Name
- 2009 Title Earned
- Owner
- Address
- Phone Number

Do you need a new wood plaque?
If not, what color strip do you need?
(gold, silver or black?)

The award is for any titles earned in 2009.
Send the award information to:

bridge@newfs.com
(916) 340-5230

**The deadline to submit a request
for an award will be February 5th.**

Where did all the dogs go?



Think it can't happen?

Think again.

If we spay and neuter all dogs and ban all breeding, where will it lead?

Read the fine print when contributing to your pet causes. You may be supporting an animal rights group that equates owning domestic pets to exploitation, which threatens your right to own a dog.

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We're the dog's champion.*



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We are encouraging entries for Golden Gate dog show in January.

A great opportunity to educate the public about our wonderful breed.

Contact: Summer Poris to be added to the bench list. jaimsummer@att.net



Sacramento Valley Dog Fanciers Association

AKC Sanctioned

B – Match & Obedience Workshop

Saturday, March 13, 2010

**Dixon May Fairgrounds
655 S. 1st Street, Dixon, CA**

**For complete flyers and registration:
www.sacvalleydogfanciers.org/match.shtml**

Event Information

Working Dog Planning Meeting

Saturday, January 9, 2010

Potluck Breakfast at 8:30 - Meeting at 9:00

Lori Littleford/John Pearson's

173 S. 13th St.

San Jose, CA

408-286-1855 / llilford@ix.netcom.com

From South Santa Clara County

Take US-101 toward SAN JOSE

Take the DOWNTOWN SAN JOSE/SACRAMENTO exit onto I-280 N toward DOWNTOWN SAN JOSE

Take the 11TH ST/10TH ST exit onto S 11TH ST

Turn RIGHT on E SAN CARLOS ST

Turn LEFT on S 13TH ST

House is on the LEFT

From North Bay

Take I-880 S toward SAN JOSE

Take the LOS ANGELES exit onto US-101

Take the SACRAMENTO/SAN FRANCISCO/DOWNTOWN SAN JOSE exit onto I-280 N toward SAN FRANCISCO/DOWNTOWN SAN JOSE

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From East Bay

Take I-680 toward SAN JOSE

Continue on I-280 N toward DOWNTOWN SAN JOSE

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NH&R

Dogs in Rescue

Here is a summary of rescue dog activity:

Jesse: Still recuperating in foster care. He will be placed as soon as medically cleared.

Laci: Still recuperating in foster care. She will be placed as soon as medically cleared.

Dakota: Has been adopted

We would like to thank and acknowledge the following people for their donations:

Veterinary Specialists, Inc. - CERF Clinic
Daniel Zimmerlin
Kevin and Maryellen De Vine
Alex Hoops

Look At All of Those Black Bears Marching By!

By Walt Parsons

December 5th was the Pleasanton Holiday parade and had the usual popular dog marchers, both Newfs and Saints.

Believe it or not I actually heard some little kid shouting to his parents about seeing black bears in the street.

The weather was, as usual, chilly, but not as cold as some years. The Newfy contingent of eight dogs out numbered the Saint group.

Marching in the Newfy group was Jetty & Ola with their handlers Marge and Walt, Zack with Dawn, Wasabi with Alanna, Doolin with Michelle, Viggo with his brand new DD title with Kathy, Foyle with Robin, and Taylor with Susan and Bill. Almost all of the dogs were wearing lights and Jetty and Ola's wagon had Christmas lights.

Missing this year due to an injured foot was Joey and his partner Tony. We missed both of them.

Thanks to Linda Hunter of the Saint Bernard Club for inviting us to join them in this wonderful parade.



Carting Season is Almost Here!

By Walt Parsons

NCNC is once again probably going to have 3-4 carting seminars in various parts of the club's area. As always the season starts off with a Seminar held in Walnut Creek arranged by the Parsons. For more information go to the club's web site, www.ncnc.org, to find the information sheet and registration forms. (Pre-registration is required so that we can have enough instructors, helpers, and food for everybody.)

These seminars are "hands on" which means you bring your dog.

See you there.

Meet Your Members

Q: What is your name?

A: **Robin Welter**

Q: Do you have children?

A: **None except the dogs!**

Q: Occupations?

A: **Landscape Architect/Civil Engineer Designer**

Q: Where do you live?

A: **Richmond, CA**

Q: Tell us about your Newfs.

A: **Foyle is our first Newf and hopefully won't be our last unless he manages to finish off the couch by the end of the year. He is now a year old and expresses his personality in new ways every day, but overall he's a sweet boy that loves people, loves to show, and always gives me more than I thought he could. His quirks are that he loves bread, especially croissants, watches TV with us, and thinks he's a dachshund by using, and subsequently breaking, every ramp and stair that we have. Foyle is named after the main character of the BBC series "Foyle's War" and continuing on with the WWII theme I registered him as "Nakiska's Fellow on a Furlough" after a popular WWII song.**

Q: Do you have other breeds or other types of animals?

A: **We have three miniature longhair dachshunds- Ernie, Hazel, and Nooner (Foyle's best buddy)**

Q: How/why did you get your first Newf?

A: **I had been looking for a large breed dog for over two years that would be suitable to live with the dachshunds when a friend introduced me to Dawn, Kathy, Viggo, and Zachary. The minute Viggo sat on my foot I knew I had found "the one". Everything came together really fast after that and before I knew it I was waiting at the Oakland airport for Foyle to arrive from Seattle.**

Q: What types of activities do you enjoy doing with your Newfs?

A: **So far this year we've been enjoying water training, basic obedience, and conformation. Starting in January we'll be in rally class and getting involved with the draft work. Hazel and Nooner are teaching Foyle to track and Ernie is teaching him the art of lounging after eating.**

Q: Why did you join NCNC?

A: **To get to know the breed and its history better and to get to know more newfy people. So far I have been really impressed by the professionalism, organization, education, and generosity of the club compared to other clubs that I belong to in the Bay area.**

Q: Anything else you would like the membership to know about you?

A: **I'm always looking for new landscaping ideas, especially what does and doesn't work for large/multiple dogs, so any ideas or pictures are always welcomed so I can pass those ideas on to my clients.**

NOTE: Robin has applied for General Membership and will be voted on at the next General Meeting.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY NCNC NEWFS!		OWNER
1/5/1999	Chewbacca (Chewie)	Arthur & Debbie Raymond
1/7/1999	Miracle	Cynthia Wendell-Lemmons/Curt Lemmons
1/7/1999	Padell's Sav'n The Best For Last (Slug)	Jill Latchaw
1/12/1999	VN Ch. KaraBleu's Seacrest Breeze (Bree) CGC, DD, CD, WRD	Debbie & Danielle Nelson
1/12/1999	Ch. KaraBleu's Here We Go Again (Zoe) CGC, DD, CD	Don & Ruth Nelson
1/15/1999	Ch Bodega's Endeavour (Pepe)	Pamela Jackson
1/23/2000	Docksides Rainbow to Royalty (Raina) DD, CD, TDD	Dale & Edie Koster
1/1/2001	Willow	Tracy J Allen
1/8/2002	Solomon	Lori & Randy Schimm
1/9/2002	VN WA Ch. Saltydog's Miss Mischief (Misty) CGC, CDX,DD1, TDD,WRD3, WRDX1, RE	Alexandra Hoops/David Harbin
1/9/2002	Salty Dog's Flying Dutchman (Dutch)	Leslie & Dave Glover
1/9/2002	Salty Dog's Tyler Too	Rosemary Gartner/Pat McLaughlin
1/9/2002	Salty Dogs Arjashun (Arj)	Michael Reyer/Ursula Cabalzar
1/14/2002	Ch. Greer's Abraham of Alisonacres (Abe)	Beth Mirsky
1/14/2002	Greer's Little Annabelle (Annabelle)	Sher Simpson
1/5/2003	Odin	Amy Canzano
1/25/2004	Ch. Newf Mermaid Dancer	Chris & Glenda Jones
1/3/2005	Blueberryhill Destinys Dream (Destiny)	Joy Alyea
1/15/2005	Ch Newf Mermaid Eepos CGC	Chris & Glenda Jones
1/7/2007	Karazan Paddington Helios Malekos	Annemarie Malekos
1/15/2007	Ch. Fairweather's National Treasure (Natalie)	Debbie & Danielle Nelson
1/15/2007	Karazan's Bruin Up A Storm	Susan Rouse/Elizabeth Esser
1/31/2007	Castanewfs Expedition North (Tug) CGC	Lynne & Terry Baker
1/17/2008	Sadie	Miranda Chang/Chevan Goonetilleke
1/19/2008	Aukai Hulali (Glitter) TD	Cherrie & Steve Brown
1/29/2009	Blueberry Hills Hot August Nights (Cruz	Joy Alyea

Interested in writing a column for
Newftide once or twice a year?
If so, please contact the Board.



Welcome New Members!

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Nominees for General Membership

~ ~

Robin Welter
765 Lassen St.
Richmond, CA 94805

How to Get a Handle on Your Training

By Kathy Sdao, MA, CAAB

Here's a sampling from my current client files. Note the common thread.

- A sweet sharpei who, in order to have his nails trimmed, has to be anesthetized by his veterinarian
- A cairn terrier who was "diagnosed" as having a serious aggression problem by a groomer who insisted on completing a trim despite the dog's obvious anxiety and distress
- A man who was chastised by his veterinarian for being too soft on his dysplastic 7-year-old rottweiler because this man didn't "discipline" the dog when she growled in response to a forceful examination
- A chow-chow who is so terrified of the veterinarian's office that he now refuses to ever get in the family car to go anywhere
- A woman who was honestly surprised when I told her that she could bath and trim her lab puppy's nails at home rather than paying a groomer to do this

And, most recently, a woman whose veterinarian advised her (in the presence of her 5-year-old son) to immediately euthanize the family's young springer spaniel -- because he barks fiercely when visitors come to the door! (Note: I had previously evaluated this dog and found him pushy, spoiled and, most important, completely redeemable.)

These are all actual cases. And my intent here is not to indict veterinarians or groomers in general (a couple in particular maybe...). No, what I want to do is scream "enough already"! Dogs are suffering needlessly from fear and discomfort because a) we don't adequately prepare them for a life punctuated with physical exams, medical treatments and grooming, and b) we abdicate our role as our animals' primary caretaker.

Like all of us, I too have been guilty of training neglect. I can easily recall when one of my dogs, a dachshund mix named Gnat, attempted to swan-dive off our vet's 3-foot-high exam table to avoid an injection.

I could have never gotten away with such inadequate training at my previous job as a zookeeper. In that setting, the most

important "tricks" we trained the whales, elephants and walruses to perform were husbandry behaviors; that is, behaviors useful for an animal's future veterinary care or routine grooming.

Husbandry behaviors include (but aren't limited to):

- Getting on a scale and holding still for 15 seconds
- Getting into a bathtub and remaining standing throughout a bath
- Allowing complete brushing of the coat, including mat removal
- Allowing cleaning of the ears
- Holding the head still for administration of eye drops
- Swallowing pills
- Opening & closing the mouth
- Allowing inspection & cleaning of the teeth
- Standing still for insertion of a thermometer
- Remaining calm and still for an injection or a blood draw
- Presenting specific body parts for inspection or application of topical medicine
- Presenting paws for nail trims
- "Freezing" or becoming immobile for x-rays or ultrasounds
- Urinating and defecating on cue
- Exhaling and inhaling on cue

Tolerating man-handling and shoving
Before we consider the nuts and bolts of husbandry training, let's try empathizing with our dogs' dilemma. Close your eyes and imagine yourself going to either the dentist for a root canal or the proctologist for your annual screening (whichever you find most intimidating). Despite understanding what's about to happen and why it's necessary, you're anxious and edgy. Now add in another factor. You have to visit the dentist or proctologist, but you're in a foreign country. You don't understand the medical staff's words or gestures. And none of the doctor's instruments looks familiar.

Try to be even more creative. Imagine yourself living on Mars, being taken by your Martian owner to a "doctor-for-

humans" to undergo an exam. Weird smells and sounds surround you. Three other humans sit around nervously waiting with their owners. Finally, when it's your turn, you're dragged by your collar into a small stuffy room. You're immersed in cold water up to your waist and your arms are covered with worms. Then the doctor trims your eyelashes and gives you a tiny tattoo wherever you're most ticklish. And, throughout this whole procedure, your Martian-owner is making buzzing sounds, which you don't understand, but which are actually Martian for "this won't hurt -- everything's oookaaaay." Sound familiar?

Clearly, even benign veterinary exams and grooming sessions can provoke profound fear in pets. That's why it's vital to teach husbandry behaviors to our dogs. One obvious benefit is the lowered risk of dog-inflicted injuries to veterinarians, vet techs, groomers and dog owners. A relaxed, confident dog is unlikely to bite the humans caring for him. Husbandry training also lowers the risk of injury to the dog from forceful restraints, misdirected injections, multiple needle-sticks for blood sampling, and panic-induced escape attempts.

Training a full repertoire of husbandry behaviors also allows us to minimize a dog's anxiety level during an illness. The tension an untrained dog often experiences during a veterinary exam can aggravate the primary physical problem. Stress can also skew some blood values, making accurate diagnoses more difficult. Be aware that pre-training a few specific behaviors may open additional treatment options to your veterinarian. For example, two days after having a cyst on her chest removed, my dog Sophie managed to pop out the stitches. Because she was 11 years old at the time, we definitely wanted to avoid anesthetizing her a second time to re-stitch the wound. Fortunately, Sophie had been trained to lie on her side and "freeze." So, I was able to cue this behavior while my veterinarian stapled shut the incision in just a few seconds. This procedure was faster, cheaper, and much less invasive.

I believe, though, the ultimate goal of teaching husbandry exercises to our dogs,

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or to any animal, is to build up a deep reservoir of mutual TRUST. Some behaviors listed above are quite advanced, requiring detailed shaping programs and scores of training sessions. In my experience, though, these investments of time and effort pay off, both in terms of the practical benefits and the strengthened bond between trainer and trainee. In fact, when zoo visitors used to ask me what I was doing as I practiced running my hands over every inch of my favorite beluga whale, my usual answer was "I'm earning Sikku's trust."

And so, if I were ruler of the world, I'd require all dog owners to adhere to the following contract:

- 1) I will begin associating human touch with food, toys, games and baby-talk the very first day I bring a new dog home.
- 2) I will take my dog to the vet clinic for no reason other than to feed said dog an obscenely decadent treat in the waiting room twice as often as we visit the clinic for a real exam.
- 3) I will teach my dog to attain a state of Zen-like relaxation when I touch his paws, ears, teeth, belly and genitals.
- 4) I will buy nail clippers for my dog and pair those clippers with my dog's very favorite activity (e.g., Frisbee-chasing, swimming, belly rubs, bratwurst consumption) so consistently that he will be positively thrilled to see me pick the clippers up.

- 5) I will touch my dog's body with a couple of unusual things (e.g., a plastic bottle, fork tines, sandpaper, ice cubes) every week -- in preparation for future "surprises" during a vet exam.
- 6) I will teach my dog to target her nose on my hand so I can position her easily, without unnecessary force or restraints.
- 7) I will teach my dog to happily wear a comfortable fleece-lined muzzle if I suspect he will ever need to wear one during any grooming or medical procedure.
- 8) I will ensure that my dog can benefit from the best medical care available by teaching him behaviors necessary to accomplish a variety of treatment methods (e.g., swallowing pills, accepting ointments in ears and eyes, allowing cleaning of wounds with antiseptics, lying still for acupuncture needles).
- 9) I will not allow anyone to push my dog way beyond her comfort zone, thereby destroying my careful training program, in order to save time or trouble (e.g., after 3 needle-sticks that fail to draw blood, we'll take a break and come back later).
- 10) I will speak up if I am confused, uncertain or skeptical about any test or treatment suggested for my dog, even if the person suggesting it is an experienced, well-educated "expert."

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Dog Days



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If you have one you don't need please contact:
Bari Halperin
650 851-5500
dog.days@comcast.net (new email)

Many thanks from
Dancing Bears' Orphan Annie CGC, CD,WD, RN & I.

Board of Director's Minutes - 12/13/09

Meeting called to order 10:50 AM at the Maggy residence in Hayward
Present: Laura Gallagher, Liz Pulchny, Summer Poris, Gaby Cohen, Pam Rubio
Absent: Lynne Baker, Debbie Bridge, Joyce Taylor

Minutes of the last meeting were approved as published.

Old Business:

Luise Parsons Award Nominations:

A motion was passed to go into executive session at 10:55 AM (GC/LG) The board came out of executive session at 11:05AM During executive session, a nominee for the Luise Parsons Award was selected and will receive the award at the annual meeting in February.

Awards Banquet:

Pam reported that Gina has been investigating possible locations for an awards luncheon and will report later in the meetings. Pam recommended that the banquet coincide with the Annual Meeting in February.

Budgets:

The Board reviewed budgets as delivered by the Treasurer, as well as the Treasurer's report. The Treasurer's report is as follows:

NCNC has managed to have a reasonable year despite the current economic conditions. We are currently slightly ahead of our budget in the black.

The areas that have done well so far this year are:

- Membership is up by \$900
- Newspaper is up by \$675
- Brags is up by \$100
- Working Dog is up by \$750
 - The draft and water seminars were very successful and supported the working events throughout the year
- Ways and Means is up by \$750

On the downside this year:

- The Regional is down by \$1100
- Education is down by \$1050
- Awards is down by \$500
- Contributions is down by \$500

(contribution to CDOC)

Copies of the reports will be available on the website.

A reminder...as the year is coming to a close, if you have any income or expenses for this year, please submit them as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted by Debbie Bridge

New Business:

Budget Review:

There was a discussion on whether the Regional expenses budget needs to be increased for next year. It was moved, seconded and passed (SP/PR) to increase the Regional expense budget to \$9360.00, and approve the rest of the 2010 budget as submitted by the Treasurer.

Gaby reported there are no speakers planned for the January meeting, unless people would be interested in a professional handler speaking a show preparation. It was agreed to see if we can have a handler come in to speak.

Awards banquet:

Pam will check with Debbie and Gina on whether it will be possible to get input via the Newspaper and produce the title plates and plaques previously done for the May picnic in time for the February awards luncheon.

Slate for Election:

The nominating committee presented the following slate to be published before the January meeting:

- President: Pam Rubio
- VP: Summer Poris
- Recording Secretary: Lynne Baker
- Corresponding Secretary: Joyce Taylor
- Treasurer: Hazel Jacoby
- BOD: John Bonnell, Debbie Bridge, Kevin Gallagher

DNA Clinic:

Pam proposed having a clinic day in March with multiple locations to try to get blood samples from as many dogs as possible for the DNA bank used for research purposes. The clinics would be held in the



March time frame. Pam will coordinate further planning.

Perpetual trophy:

Laura reported that the Board received a request regarding the perpetual trophy displayed at the regional being loaned out to this year's winner, but the trophy has not been offered in the premium list for several years, and its status under AKC rules is not clear. Summer suggested we look into some other form of special trophy for future regionals, for example a "3-timer" for multiple-time winners. It was MSP to keep the current trophy in NCNC's possession. (PR/GC)

Fall Draft Test:

Laura reported that there had been concerns raised about the handling of the Saint and Newf test at the Fall Draft Test. The current NCA WDC policy states that the test of another breed must be handled completely separately, and start only after the entire Newfoundland test has completed. Although many of our members don't like this policy, for now we need to comply with the NCA policy, while bringing to the NCA WDC any requests we have to change the rules.

Announcements:

- January Meeting: 1/23 at Hazel Jacoby's, nominations from the floor will be taken
- Draft Seminar: 1/24, Walnut Creek, Walt Parsons is the contact
- Feb. 27 is the annual meeting
- Joyce Taylor received a copy of the new National Specialty guidelines, available from the archives for anyone interested

Meeting was adjourned at 12:05PM

General Meeting Minutes - 12/13/09

Called to order at 1:10PM, 25 general members and 8 associate members attending

Minutes from the last meeting were approved as published.

Gaby reported on having a professional handler speak on show preparation at the January meeting.

The Treasurer's report and BOD Meeting minutes were read out to the membership.

Working Dog Committee (Alex Hoops):

- Draft Seminar: 1/24, Walnut Creek, Walt Parsons is the contact

- WDC Planning Meeting is 1/9 at Lori Littleford's home in San Jose

- Summer is the Chair for the Spring Draft Test. Volunteers for most positions are needed.

Way and Means (Pam Jackson):

Thank you to the membership for their excellent support this year!

Regional Specialty (Summer Poris):

The Regional had a few unexpected last-minute emergencies with the judge's travel and other issues, but was generally a success Summer is the Chair for 2010 and will be seeking volunteers again soon.

Old Business:

Luise Parsons Award:

Laura reported that we have selected a recipient for this year to be presented at the annual meeting.

Annual Meeting Banquet/Luncheon:

Pam and Gina reported on the status of planning for the Awards Banquet. We plan to combine this with the Annual Meeting on 2/27/2010 and hold it in a local restaurant. Current preferred choice is the Lake Chalet on Lake Merritt. The cost would be approximately \$25 per person. We would still hold the picnic in May, but the picnic would be all "fun and games." At the Awards Lunch, we can focus the attention on those who have won a title in the previous year, our Living Legends, top show and obedience dogs, and other award winners, and give them the attention they deserve. More details to come.

Laura thanked the Nominating Committee (Gaby Cohen, June Gibson, and John Bon-

nell) for coming up with a good slate of candidates.

Perpetual Trophy:

Laura reported on the decision from the BOD Meeting not to allow the current trophy out of the club's possession.

DNA Clinic:

Pam Rubio reported in more detail on her DNA clinic proposal from the BOD meeting. The \$20.00 cost is refundable for NCA members. If members can't attend one of the draw sites, they can have their own vet draw the blood. Pam can provide details on forms and shipping. Lori and Gaby both emphasized the value to research and to the future of our breed of having the largest possible number of Newfoundlands represented in the bank for future studies.

Cherrie Brown reported that Dr. Jason King at UC Davis is planning a study on Megaesophagus and Myesthenia Gravis. Any members who are interested can find Dr. King's contact information on the UC Davis website.

Fall Draft Test:

Laura reported in more detail on the concerns raised about the separation of test when we have another breed at one of our working events. Lori Littleford noted that the current rules makes judging these tests very difficult, and Cherrie Brown pointed out that it is the right thing to do, as well as benefitting the club financially, to hold multi-breed tests. Laura agreed, but reminded the membership that we are obligated to follow current NCA policy, and there does not appear to be strong support at the NCA WDC level for changing these rules. Ursula Reyer said she would be willing to start a petition for NCA members among our membership to request a change. There was further discussion about ways we might find support to change the policy.

General Membership:

A vote was taken approving Dawn Drudge as a General Member

Braggs:

Debbie (via Gaby): Walter, Ch. Tempest's Forecaster O' Lanikai, went BOS at our

Regional.

Dawn: Ch. Nakiska's Lord of the Rings (Viggo) took Best of Breed at the Nap show Saturday, and earned his Draft Dog title in Grass Valley.

Pam Rubio: VN Ch. Pouch Cove Southwind Sonrisa CD, DD, WRD went BOS Veteran and 1st Veteran Bitch at the So. California Regional.

John Pearson: John's first grandson, Syllus, was born on October 21 to his daughter Emily and her boyfriend Toby.

John Pearson: He and Lori Littleford's remodel is almost done, cabinets are going in now, and Martin Broegryk is finishing the tile work. come see it when they host the working dog planning meeting. Susan Wyle: Scout has recovered from her TPLO!

June: Kevaura's Return to Sender (Rudy) went BOW with a 4-pt major on Saturday at the So. Cal. Regional.

Summer: Ch. Three Pond's Sugar Magnolia at Dark Start CGC got an Award of Merit at our Regional.

Alex Hoops: VN VA Ch. SaltyDog's Miss Mischief CDX, DD1, TDD, WRD3, WRDX1 won 1st place in Veteran's Obedience and received 2 perfect scores in Rally Excellent B and Rally Advanced B at the Regional.

Gaby: Ch. SaltyDog's Heavens to Betsy CD, DD, WRD, ROM won 1st place in Rally Novice B at or Regional.

Gaby: Ch. SaltyDog's Sea Breeze owned by Patti and Buzz Sondgrath had 7 puppies on 9/19/09 and they are now in their new homes.

Pam Jackson: Pam is flying to Atlanta to pick up a new puppy.

Dee Bogush: Teagan's hips are excellent! She also got here CDX!

Cherrie Brown: Makani won his 12-15 months sweepstakes class at the Regional, as well as Bred by Exhibitor. He won Bred by all 3 days and was RWD on Sunday. At the So. Cal. Regional, Makani was Best in Puppy Sweeps and won the Bred by class all 4 days.

Cherrie Brown: Sparkle was Bets Veteran Bitch in Sweeps from the 10+ yrs. class at the Regional

We collected \$152 in brags.

Meeting adjourned at 2:05PM.

2009 Meeting and Event Calendar

NCNC Meeting Schedule (unless otherwise published)
 Board - 10:30 AM ~ Potluck Lunch – 12:00 Noon ~ General Meeting – 1:00 PM
 Please leave dogs at home for meetings unless host is contacted first.

When	What	Where	Who
January 9, 2010	WDC Planning Meeting	San Jose, CA	Lori Littleford 408-286-1855 / llilford@ix.netcom.com
January 23, 2010	General Meeting	Castro Valley, CA	Hazel Jacoby 510-582-9027 / jhbar@comcast.net
February 27, 2010	Annual Meeting	San Ramon, CA	Pam Rubio 408-847-1641 / pamelar@garlic.com
March 21, 2010	Draft Test (pending approval)	Gilroy, CA	Summer Poris

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