



WAVIES & CURLIES

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A Message from the President

The new 2018-2019 PWD/CNC Officers and Directors were voted in at the PWD/CNC Annual Meeting held on February 26, 2018. New members to the board are Leslie Hill as Recording Secretary, and Julie Conger, Anne Paterson, and Janis Welsh as Directors. Welcome. We are happy you have joined us. To learn more about these wonderful new board members, please go to the club website at <http://www.pwdcnc.com/club-info/officers/committees/> and read their bios.

We wish to thank those Board members who have retired from the Board: Directors Sandy Holden, Mike Paterson, and Pin Pin Wong, as well as Recording Secretary (for over 25 years!), Kathy Sousa.

Sandy will continue as an active club member and breeder. Mike will be switching positions with his wife Anne; he will be helping me, along with Elinor Cullen, under Programs. Pin Pin will continue as our Membership Chair, and Kathy will continue as our Water Chair and Scent Work Chair. As you can see, all will continue their active involvement in our club.

Margaret and Frank Dietrich, our *Wavies and Curlies* editors, are always looking for your stories and pictures to feature in the two new categories in the *Wavies and Curlies*: **PWD Awards and Achievements** and **PWD Antics and Adventures**. Please be sure to get your special moments posted in the *Wavies and Curlies* so that everyone else can celebrate your victories, big and small, laugh with you at the crazy PWD antics that you have endured, and commiserate with you over some of the unique adventures that can only happen when you have a PWD in your family. See [pages 12-16](#).



Ann (on the left), with Norman, High in Trial and 2nd leg in Utility A, PWD/CNC Specialty, Napa, Nov. 10, 2017

For all club members, and particularly for water-work enthusiasts at all levels of experience, the Annual Picnic on Saturday, May 12, at Shadow Cliffs Regional Park in Pleasanton is the place to be! This event is the kickoff to our water season, and it provides an opportunity for PWD owners and their dogs to try out a number of activities as well as water. Come join the fun, and have a great potluck lunch with hamburgers, hotdogs, and veggie burgers provided by the club.

At the picnic you can get all the details on water work, what equipment is needed, how to go about practicing, or even just find out what it is all about. In addition to an opportunity for you and your wonderful PWD to get wet, you can try some simple Agility exercises and attempt a Novice Rally course, guided by experienced club members to help you do things correctly while having fun at the same time. Who knows? Perhaps we might get some interesting material for the *Wavies and Curlies* **PWD Awards and Achievements** and **PWD Antics and Adventures**.

Mix, or mixed, those wonderful days of hippies, peace, and love? Well, now you can experience four days of peace, music, and dogs at the annual Woodstock Dog Show, June 7, 8, 9, and 10. Saturday is tie-dye day and best costume contest. Yes, your PWD can come in costume also. Come join the fun at the Solano County Fairgrounds in Vallejo! See further information on [page 14](#).

Interested in Agility? Want to know more about it? Join the PWD/CNC on June 12, 2018, as we host the 'Jumpin' June Nights Agility Trial, an all-breed Agility trial, held at Heath Bar Ranch in Shingle Springs, California. Enter the trial as a competitor, help out by stewarding (you will be taught all you need to know when you arrive), or just come to watch.

Come spend some relaxing time in beautiful Carmel! Join the PWD/CNC at the Del Monte Kennel Club Dog Show, held at Carmel Valley Middle School Friday through Sunday, July 13-15, 2018. All three days will feature Obedience and Rally trials, with Conformation on Saturday and Sunday. On Saturday, July 14, the PWD/CNC supports all PWD entries in Conformation, Obedience, and Rally. Also on Saturday, the PWD/CNC will be awarding special prizes to high-achieving PWDs; all PWD entrants will receive a toy.

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