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| *PWDCNC BOARD MEETING AGENDA & MINUTES* |

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| ***Date September 11, 2023*** | ***Time: 7:30PM*** | ***Location: Zoom Meeting*** |
| ***Next Meeting*** | ***October 9, 2023*** |  |

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| ***Subject*** | ***PWDCNC Board Meeting*** |

***Board Meetings are held on the second Monday of the month***

***Meeting Agenda and Minutes***

*This meeting was called to order by Becky Morin at 7:33 pm.*

***Quorum:***

***In Attendance***

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| *Becky Morin* | *Ann Gaskell* | *Janis Welsh* |
| *Casey Ingram* | *Lisa MacKenzie* | *Gail Brown-McDonald* |
| *Kathy Souza* | *Dominick Amadeo AB* | *Susan Craig* |
| *Bill Waters AB* | *Guest: Sherry Hanen* |  |

1. ***Minutes of the last meeting:*** *A motion was made to accept the August 14* *minutes as amended by Ann Gaskell and seconded by Susan Craig . The Board members unanimously concurred, and the minutes were, approved.*

***Board Member Reports***

1. ***Report of the President –*** *Becky Morin* ***– Appendix A***

**COMMENT:** Discussion regarding proposed Wavies and Curlies issue contents and editorial board membership. Ann Gaskell added to editorial board. Move to accept changes to content and editorial board was made by Kathy Souza and seconded by Janis Welsh and unanimously approved by the board.

1. ***Report of the Vice-President*** *– Ann Gaskell -**no report*
2. ***Report of the Recording Secretary*** *– Casey Ingram* ***-*** *no report*
3. ***Report of the Treasurer****-Janis Welsh – no report*
4. ***Report of the Corresponding Secretary*** *– Lisa MacKenzie – no report*

***Committee Reports***

1. ***Breeder Referral List*** *– Linda Kelly**– no report*
2. ***Rescue*** *– Julie Conger -* ***Appendix B***
3. ***Health and Education*** *– Julie Conger – no report*
4. ***Membership*** *– Debbie Price/Janis Welsh – no report*

**COMMENT:** Casey Ingram to followup with Debbie Price

1. ***Policy and Procedure*** *– Carole Corbett – no report*
2. ***Wavies and Curlies*** *–Cheri Ross –* ***Appendix A***
3. ***Regional Specialty*** *– Becky Morin and Ann Gaskell – no report*
4. ***Conformation*** *– Becky Morin –* ***Appendix C***

**COMMENT:** Corrected report

1. ***Agility –*** *Leslie Holt –* ***Appendix D***

**COMMENT:** Still awaiting Meg O’Hair decision on co-chairing with Leslie Holt

1. ***Obedience and Rally*** *– Ann Gaskell and Anne Paterson – no report*
2. ***Junior Showmanship*** *– Ally Lantis – no report*
3. ***FCAT –*** *Janis Welsh –* ***no report***
4. ***Water Work –*** *Kathy Souza –* ***Appendix E***
5. ***Scent Work –*** *Kathy Souza –* ***no report***
6. ***Programs and Calendar –*** *Ann Gaskell -* ***Appendix F***

***Agenda Items***

*Agility*

2 free runs per day for Novice A or B for PWDCNC club members.

*Regional Specialty*

**Status update:** Becky Morin, Ann Gaskell, Janis Welsh, Lew and Casey Ingram to meet this week to discuss current status and needs.

***Old Business/Tasks***

***New Business***

It has come to the board’s attention that the judge chosen by the 2024 National Specialty Committee for the Water Trial has had significant disciplinary action taken against him by the PWDC of Canada and can no longer judge or apparently participate in water trials in that country. The board will follow up and may author a letter to the 2024 Specialty Committee with concerns.

*Adjournment – A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Lisa MacKenzie and seconded by Casey Ingram.. The motion was approved unanimously by the board and the meeting was adjourned at 9:22pm.*

***Appendix A***

***President’s Report***

As discussed at the prior Board meeting:

Disband the Advisory Board for the Newsletter- we have a professional doing the newsletter and we no longer need 2 committees to oversee the newsletter.

Editorial Board revamped.

* Cheri Ross (Editor),
* Casey Ingram,
* Sherry Hanen
* Rebecca Morin,
* Elaine Rasmussen (pending a check)
* Kathy Souza

Annual Plan for Newsletter

As far as the overall annual plan for the newsletter going forward:

* See excel document that shows three issues per year, issue date of each issue, events during time period and type of content suggested.
* Room to develop further content based on yearly activities of the club and the target publication dates.
  + Add more articles on articles on training different activities,
  + dog life-stage development (maybe in the Dear Abby format),
  + other content particularly targeted at pet people
* Cheri would like to survey the membership about the newsletter and communication in general to see what addresses their needs and appeals to their interests.
  + If the feedback indicates the newsletter is too seldom or frequent we can change up the publication plan

Board needs to approve the actions listed above

**Annual Newsletter Tentative plan**

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| **MONTH** | **EVENT** | **TYPE OF CONTENT** | **ISSUE DATE** | **NOTES** |
| December |  |  |  | In this issue we have space to develop new content |
|  | PWDCNC-hosted Scent Work Trial | article, photos, results |  |  |
| January |  |  |  |  |
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| February |  |  |  |  |
|  | Water training workshop | article on training water work |  |  |
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|  | PWDCNC Annual mtg | report |  |  |
| March |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  | **31-Mar** |  |
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| April | Fun Walk | short description, photos |  |  |
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|  | Annual Picnic | article, photos |  |  |
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| May |  |  |  |  |
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|  | Weekly Water Practice begins |  |  |  |
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| June | Supported entry, Contra Costa (Woofstock) | article, photos, results in conformation |  |  |
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|  | Tentative PWDCNC-hosted Scent Work Trial | article, photos, results |  |  |
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| July |  |  |  |  |
|  | PWDCNC FCAT Trials | article, photos |  |  |
|  | Supported entry, Del Monte | results in conformation, rally, obedience | **31-Jul** |  |
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| August |  |  |  |  |
|  | PWDCNC-hosted All Breed Agility Trials | article, photos |  |  |
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|  | PWDCA National Specialty | article, photos, results in all events |  |  |
| September |  |  |  |  |
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| October | PWDCNC Water Trial | article, photos/videos, results |  |  |
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|  | Supported entry, Del Valle | article, photos, results in conformation, obedience, rally, agility |  |  |
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| November | Tentative: PWDCNC-hosted Scent Work Trial | article, photos, results |  |  |
|  | PWDCNC-hosted All Breed Agility Trial | article, photos, results |  |  |
|  | PWDCNC Regional Specialty | article, photos, results | **30-Nov** |  |

***Appendix B***

***Rescue***

Report from PWD Rescue:

Happy to report that 11-year-old Rosie found a new loving home here in Sonoma with a longtime PWD owner. Although not specifically directed to Portuguese Water Dogs in need of rescue or rehoming, I want to give a shout-out to a wonderful organization here in northern California: Lily’s Legacy Senior Dog Sanctuary (<https://www.lilyslegacy.org/>) which takes in large breed dogs over the age of 7.

Julie Conger

Appendix C

Conformation

Conformation Chair Report September 11, 2023

1. Del Valle Dog Club of Livermore Supported Entry with Sweepstakes

* Kathleen Davis – Accepted assignment for Sweepstakes and signed contract received.
* AKC Application for show or trial - submitted to AKC-6/4/23
* Show packet sent- sent 6/6/23
* Trophies Decorative Pumpkins with PWD design-submitted to Board for approval
  + BOB/ BOS-Large Decorative Pumpkins with PWD design
  + HIT/ High Combined Open B and Utility- Large Decorative Pumpkins with PWD design
  + High Combined Advanced B and Excellent B/ High Triple Combined- Large Decorative Pumpkins with PWD design
  + BOW/ SD/SB- Medium Decorative Pumpkins with PWD design
  + WD/WB- Small Decorative Pumpkins with PWD design
  + SWEEPSTAKES- Puppy BOB/BOS and Veteran BOB/BOS- 2024 Nutmeg Calendar- email sent requesting 4 calendars and cost with shipping to Becky’s home address.
  + We will need approximately 40 participation toys for the supported entry. Ann Gaskell has ordered

2023 Regional Specialty

Judges

* Sweepstakes – Wendy Corr- Signed Contract received.
* Conformation – Diane Collings-Signed Contract received.
* Events approved with AKC
* Trophy Ideas: Submitted to Board and approved.
  + Top Trophies in Conformation/Obedience and Rally- Hand painted Ceramic cookie jars in various sizes.
  + Non-regular class winners- glass cutting board PWD design
  + Stud Dog/Brood Bitch- Travel Mug- PWD design
  + 1-4 placements Conformation/obedience/Rally- hand-painted porcelain ornaments
  + 4-6 puppy BOB/BOS- single float- float rope toy
  + Sweepstakes BOB/BOS puppy and Veteran- 6x8 trivet PWD design
* Judges gifts: Ornament with their breed
* Ann Gaskell has ordered participation toys.

\*\*email blast for trophy donations needs to be sent out ASAP.

2024 Regional Specialty Judges Selection

* + - 1. 2024 Regional Specialty Judges Ballot out to the membership -11 ballots received
         1. 1st place- Faye Strauss, 2nd place Paula Nykiel, 3rd Patricia Trotter
         2. Email to Inge with Wine Country to see if Faye Strauss or any of the other judges can be used by them as well.

2nd email to Inge requesting information on using Faye Strauss to judge our Specialty.

* + - 1. Martin Cabral accepted the invitation to judge 2024 Regional Specialty Sweepstakes classes.
         1. The contract has been sent for his signature.
         2. Follow up with Martin regarding signed contract not received

Email to solicit Trophy Donations:

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calling members to step forward and offer to sponsor a trophy for our 2023 Regional. Trophies will be hand-painted cookie jars, porcelain ornaments, PWD design glass cutting boards and other fun items. We need your support to offer these fabulous trophies in conformation, sweepstakes, 4-6 month puppy, Obedience, and Rally. Please select a specific Trophy to donate or make a general fund donation.

Thank you,

Trophy Committee

A group of painted ornaments

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***Appendix D***

***Agility***

Agility- Meg O’Hair has come on to work with Leslie Holt and get guidance to run the November Agility Trial and potentially fill the slot as a Co-chair. Leslie and Meg have been talking and working out everything needed for the November tI have some information about the Prunedale trial on August 11-13.  The teams entered were Carl Craig and Beau, Janis Welsh and Jack and Violet, Judy Berger with Chile, Margaret Matua with Rio, Jenna Bullis and Keeva (not a club member), and Marcus and me.  We won HIT on Saturday.  The net proceeds, minus the cost of a PACH and a MACH ribbon, was $5,698.38.  The cost of those ribbons will be deducted from our proceeds from the November 2023 trial.  The check from Lorie Abbott, trial secretary, was mailed to Janis Welsh.

There has been some discussion about teams who are not club members.  Should they be eligible for HIT?  I think it should be decided by the board.  The one team currently in question is Jenna Bullis with her two dogs, potentially three.  She was at the specialty, so I assume she is a member of the national club.

Let me know if you need any other information.

Best,

Leslie

I was just talking to Susan Craig, and we have another item re: agility for the meeting.  The issue is offering free entries to our members.  One option, which we offered for the Prunedale trial, is to offer free entries to Novice A teams.  I think it should be Novice A and B, and Carl thinks it should be all dogs.  Another option would be all Novice and Open teams.  I can't make that decision, and I don't have strong feelings one way or the other since so few PWDs enter these days.  Carl's thought is that it would give members an incentive to enter and thus increase the numbers of participants for the future.  I can't attend the meeting on  Monday, but Susan said she will field questions about the issue.

Thanks, and please let me know if you have any questions.

**Appendix E**

**Water**

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| Water Committee Report |

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| Reporting Committee: Water | Report Date: September 11, 2023 |
| Committee Chair: Kathy Souza | Reporting Period: Summer |

Recap of Activities:

WATER PRACTICE

Attendance has remained high for the weekly practices other than the 2 weeks off for Nationals.. The mornings remain as the more popular slots. If anyone is asking about availability please direct them to the Supersaas signup. <https://www.supersaas.com/schedule/PWDCNC/PWDCNC_Water_Practice?view=week&day=28&month=6> There are still plenty of spaces open for teams interested in practicing where we will be trialing in October.

The lake level seems to have pretty much stabilized so we’ve been able to use the same site in recent weeks. The number of campers at Primitive has drastically dropped off since school started back up.

We still do not have a firm date as to when we will have boats moored at Shadow Cliff. Carl has taken my boat to his home and on those days he goes to the Shadow Cliff practices take it out for members use. If the boat is not available, Elaine provides 2 Mo-Marsh stands and assists with the various ways to use those. Signups for Shadow Cliff are also available at the SuperSaas link in paragraph 1.

WATER TRIAL

Entries for the trial close this week. It looks like we will fill the trials with time for socializing and relaxing. Please spread the word about the upcoming trial and encourage all the members you can to join us for at least part of the weekend!

**Appendix F**

**Programs/Calendar**

2023

September

October

October 6 – October 8, 2023: PWDCNC Water Trial. Lake Camanche, North Shore, Ione, San Joaquin County, CA. The website is [golakecamanche.com](http://golakecamanche.com) Contact Kathy Souza at [pwdlover@pacbell.com](mailto:pwdlover@pacbell.com)

October 19-22, 2023: Harvest Moon Classic; Del Valle Kennel Club Dog Show, Sonoma County Event Center & Fairground, 1350 Bennett Valley Road, Santa Rosa, CA 95404. Saturday, October 21, 2023, supported Entry for Conformation, Obedience, Rally. Contact Becky Morin at Detoraq@hotmail.com

November

November 10,2023: PWDCNC Regional Specialty, Napa Valley Exposition, Third St and Silverado Trail, Napa, CA; Contact Ann Gaskell at [Ann.Gaskell@gmail.com](mailto:Ann.Gaskell@gmail.com) or Becky Morin at [Detoraq@hotmail.com](mailto:Detoraq@hotmail.com)

November 24-26, 2023: Three day Agility Trial hosted by PWDCNC; all breed Agility Trial; Rancho Murieta, CA; Enter at Abbadogs.com Contact Ann Gaskell at [Ann.Gaskell@gmail.com](mailto:Ann.Gaskell@gmail.com) or Becky Morin at [Detoraq@hotmail.com](mailto:Detoraq@hotmail.com)

December

December 17, 2023: AKC Scent Work trial, hosted by PWDCNC; Located at Dream Big Training Facility, 19681 Brandt Road, Lodi, CA, 95240; **Opening Date:** Wednesday - September 27, 2023 **Opening Time:** 12:00:00 PM. Contact Ann Gaskell at [Ann.Gaskell@gmail.com](mailto:Ann.Gaskell@gmail.com)

2024

January

January 20, 2024: Group Fit Dog Walk: Location to be decided. Contact Ann Gaskell at [Ann.Gaskell@gmail.com](mailto:Ann.Gaskell@gmail.com)

January 28, 2024: PWDCNC General Membership Meeting. 7:00-8:00 PM. Zoom meeting. Details will be sent to the entire membership. Contact Ann Gaskell at [Ann.Gaskell@gmail.com](mailto:Ann.Gaskell@gmail.com)

September

September 4 to September 12, 2024: 2024 PWDCA 31st National Specialty, [Meadowview Marriott Resort & Conference Center](https://www.marriott.com/en-us/hotels/tricc-meadowview-conference-resort-and-convention-center/overview/?scid=6f7a71b4-74d7-4983-8fa4-5ac0d5295171&gclid=8fe2d76120871a1826deb4767610dc8c&gclsrc=3p.ds), Kingsport, TN. Chair: Nigel Clark. <https://www.pwdca.org/site_page.cfm?pk_association_webpage_menu=8803&pk_association_webpage=18356>

February

February 25, 2024: PWDCNC Annual Meeting.. 11:30 AM to 3:00 PM. Location TBD. Details will be sent to the entire membership Contact Ann Gaskell at [Ann.Gaskell@gmail.com](mailto:Ann.Gaskell@gmail.com)

Dates to be decided, tentative events, 2024:

Fit Dog – Ongoing. Contact Ann Gaskell at [ann.Gaskell@gmail.com](mailto:ann.Gaskell@gmail.com)

Trick Dog Workshop

Rally Workshop: Rally with Billy and Dee Dee Anderson (Basic obedience foundation required: sit, stay, finish left and right, down, stand, come). Contact [Ann.Gaskell@gmail.com](mailto:Ann.Gaskell@gmail.com)

AKC Scent Work Workshop

Marge Rogers Workshop. Contact Sherry Hanen at [sherrypwd@gmail.com](mailto:sherrypwd@gmail.com)

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