

NEWSLETTER



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NEWFS AND NEWS...The Inside Poop

Spring is a time for growth and revitalization. In Minnesota, it is also a time when we reconnect with the outside world after hibernating during the long winter. I encourage each of you to renew your commitment to the Northstar Newfoundland Club as well as your Newfs by making plans to attend one of our upcoming events. Your input and participation play a vital role in allowing our club to thrive and grow.

Also emerging with the warmth of spring are some deadly enemies of our Newfs, mosquitoes and ticks. Recent veterinary studies show a dramatic increase in the local instances of the potentially fatal diseases of heartworm, lyme and the lesser known but equally fatal, ehrlichia and anaplasma tick borne blood diseases. If you haven't done so already, please make an appointment to have your Newf tested for these diseases. There is now a test available through your vet, the 4DX, which will test for all four diseases. It couldn't be more simple! This, along with proper heartworm and tick prevention is a must for dogs living in our area. Check with your veterinarian for more information.

With sunny days and cool breezes to look forward to, take your Newf out for a walk and don't forget to stop and smell the daffodils.

Author: Susan Wagner



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APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

The following individuals have applied for membership. In accordance with NNC’s By-Laws, if no objections to the applicants are received by the Membership Chair within 30 days of this publication, election to membership is automatic. If an objection is received by the Membership Chair, the objection will be discussed, the application reviewed and voted on by the membership at the next general membership meeting.

Rob McCabe & Holly Ager

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Dogs Name: Mimi
Sponsors: Nancy Johnsted, Yvonne Breimon

Becky & Mark Weninger

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Dogs Name: Ebony
Sponsors: Fred & Karin Bock

Tammy Corrow

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Dogs Name: Peanut • Sponsors: Marilyn Fischbein-Byers, Sandy Donnay

Tiffany Brand attended the specialty show and the Cabela’s event.

Becky & Mark Weninger attended the specialty show.

Tammy was at the Kenyon Parade and the St. Patrick’s Day Parade in Cross Lake, MN.

Since there were no applications for the last newsletter there are no new members to welcome in this newsletter.

New Title Featured on Newfoundland Dog Library

Each Little Bird That Sings

By Deborah Wiles

Death is a way of life for the Snowberger family, since they run a funeral parlor out of their Mississippi home with the motto “We live to serve.” Still, when 94-year-old Great-great-aunt Florentine Snowberger dies in the vegetable garden, no one can truly be prepared, even though she’d been bidding “good night and good-bye” to the family every night since she turned 90. Florentine’s death is hard on 10-year-old Comfort, since the two were so close, even co-writing the Fantastic (and Fun) Funeral Food for Family and Friends. It’s no surprise, then, when the annoyingly overwrought emotional displays of her young cousin Peach Shuggars and the sudden iciness of her alleged best friend Declaration Johnson send Comfort over the edge. Thank goodness for her shaggy “feel-good” dog Dismay who can eradicate all bad feelings with a single slobbery lick. - from the review by Karin Snelson for Amazon.com



See this and other books in the Newfoundland Dog Library (available on amazon.com) at <http://www.ncacharities.org/books/index.html>

APRIL 19, 2008

DRAFT.....WATER.....OBEDIENCE

IZAAK WALTON LEAGUE CABIN, OWATONNA, MINNESOTA

TRAINERS: Andre Lapeyre, Ann Lapeyre, and Ann Dunnigan



The day is soon to be here so send in your registration forms early. This day is going to be a learning experience for both you and your pupster, and you may even go home with a “good” tired dog. Pupsters of all ages and humans with all levels of experience are welcome to attend this day that will cover obedience (commands needed for both draft and water) and the NCA (Newfoundland Club of America) draft and water exercises. Please note that if you do not have any



draft and/or water equipment, that’s okay. Equipment for both water and draft and where to obtain these items will be covered.

Schedule of events:

Building Opens	7:30 a.m. (Please allow time to get you and your dog set up and ready for the workshop.)
Start	8:30 a.m.
Lunch	Noon – 1 p.m. (approximately) – Lunch is provided
End	4:30 p.m.

For more details on this event, please refer to the 4th Quarter, 2007 Newsletter, which is available on the website at: www.northstarnewclub.org. If you have questions regarding the workshop, please e-mail Rhonda at Rhonda.Kern@anokaramsey.edu or call her at 763-434-4330.

What to bring:

- Collar and 6 foot lead
- Crate
- A hungry dog
- Yummy, tasty treats (for your pupster); small cubes of cheese or small pieces of hot dogs work well or canned cheese or whatever your dog likes that can be broken in to small pieces
- Water and container for your pupster (water is available on site)
- Poop bags
- Retrieving object (bumper or dumbbell)
- Draft Harness (if you have one; different types of harnesses and where to get them will be covered in this workshop)
- Cart (if you have one; different types of carts and vendor names will be provided if you are looking for one but are not sure what to get)
- Water Equipment; bring whatever you have (don’t worry if you don’t have any; equipment and where to get it will be covered at the workshop)

About the site:

The Izaak Walton Environmental Center has an enclosed building with running water and flush toilets. It also has a kitchen, tables and chairs. Parts of the workshop will be inside and parts will be outside (weather permitting); please plan to bring warm clothes or boots or rain jackets depending on the weather. Dogs are allowed in the building.

Parking is adjacent to the building. Please park on both sides, leaving the middle open for workshop activities.

See directions and map on next page.

**Izaak Walton League Cabin
(otherwise known as the Albert F. Reding Environmental Center)
1546 58th Street SW
Owatonna, Minnesota**

Directions:

From Owatonna take County Road 45 south 3.5 miles to County Road 31 (aka 58th Street SW). Turn right or west on 58th Street and go 1/4 mile, the Izaak Walton League Cabin is on the right hand or north side of the road.

If you're traveling on I-35, take the Highway 14 east exit; go about 1 mile; you will come to the County Road 45 exit.

If traveling from the east, you would most likely be on Highway 14 so watch for the County Road 45 exit.

Questions about the location: Call Ted Mittelstadt at home, ahead of time 507-451-7946, or at 507-451-5751 on Saturday.

Below are maps with varying amounts of detail to help you locate the Izaak Walton League Cabin located at 1546 58th Street SW in Owatonna.





**REGISTRATION FORM
 NNC'S OBEDIENCE/DRAFT/WATER TRAINING
 APRIL 19th, 2008 - OWATONNA, MINNESOTA**

******Complete the following form and return by April 11th******

Checks payable to Northstar Newfoundland Club should be sent to: Rhonda Kern; 1739 Island Drive NE; Ham Lake, MN 55304. Registration is limited. Questions? E-mail Rhonda Kern at Rhonda.Kern@anokaramsey.edu or contact her by phone at 763-434-4330.

Northstar's Safety Policy:

- all dogs must be on leash or in crates at all times
 - leashes must be no longer than 6 feet and may not be retractable
 - when on leash, dogs must be under control at all times
 - dogs displaying uncontrolled or aggressive behavior may be asked to leave the event by the chairperson or any club official
 - a current rabies certificate must be furnished upon request of the event chairperson
 - failure to comply with the above may result in disciplinary action
- There will be occasions when the event chairperson will permit dogs off leash or on a retractable leash for specific exercises.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (____) _____ E-mail _____

Registration fee: \$15 per person attending (includes lunch)

_____ number attending X \$15 each Total Enclosed: \$ _____

 Cut above dotted line.

28TH ANNUAL CARRIAGE & CUTTER PARADE

Saturday, February 23, 2008 Kenyon, MN

The Northstar Newfoundland Club participated for the 14th time in the Annual Carriage and Cutter Parade. The weather cooperated this year. The temperature was in the mid 30's, there was little to no wind, and the sun was out the entire time. There was not a bank robbery this year so it was much quieter too. We were 1 of 70 units to walk in the parade and the only non-horse unit. Club member participating were: Daryl and Andrea Andersen with Bella, Bill DeJohn with Sophie, Bill Geyer with Bell, Ted Mittelstadt with Ben, Lori Mo with Asia, Stanton Smith with Bell and new applicant Tammy Corrow with Peanut. Daryl and Ted carried the banner and Bill and Sophie, Bill and Bell, Stanton and Bell and Tammy and Peanut walked in the parade. We had many people admire and visit the dogs before the parade.

After the parade we went to Boston Gourmet Pizza in Faribault for some fellowship.



Andrea Anderson with Bella.



Asia Mo enjoying some 'luvin.



Bella Anderson with Peanut Corrow.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

Saturday, March 15, 2008

Cross Lake, MN

The Northstar Newfoundland Club participated in the Saint Patrick's Day Parade in Cross Lake, MN for the 4th time. The weather did somewhat cooperate in that the sun was out and the temperature was about 35 degrees. There was a good crowd along the parade route. This is a rather fitting event for Newfoundland dogs due to the strong Irish heritage of the providence of Newfoundland and the dogs showed the St. Patty's exuberance with shamrock bandannas and green beads. They fit in with the crowd. Since the parade direction changed this year there was a little burp getting everyone together for the start but it was pulled off.

Members participating were: Daryl and Andrea Anderson, Bill & Joan Geyer with Belle, Dave & Stacie Kramlinger with Sully, Larry & Shirley Lintner with Albert, Ted Mittelstadt, Judy Soder with Riley and Priscilla Zeller's puppy Cassie walked by Judy's friend Michelle, Cindy Spongberg with Willy and new member applicant Tammy Corrow with Peanut. Daryl and Shirley took turns helping Ted carry the banner.

After the parade the Lintner's hosted a pizza meal at their home. Thanks again Larry and Shirley for your hospitality.

Author: Ted Mittelstadt



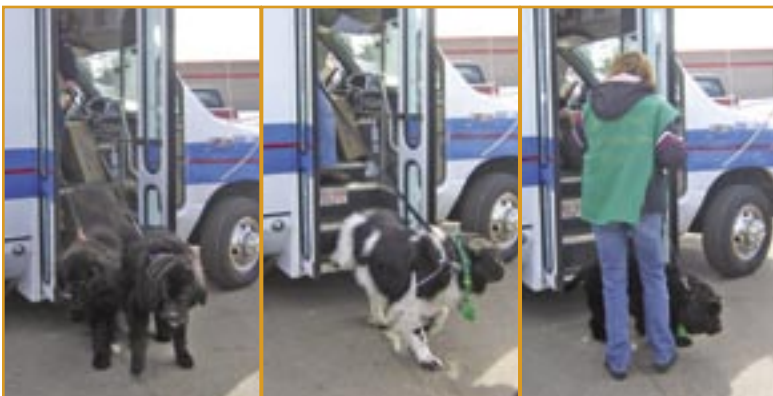
We had a great turnout at the St. Patrick's Day Parade.



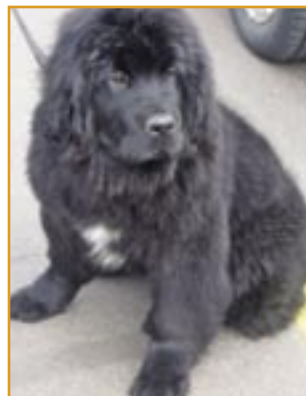
Belle and Peanut getting to know each other.



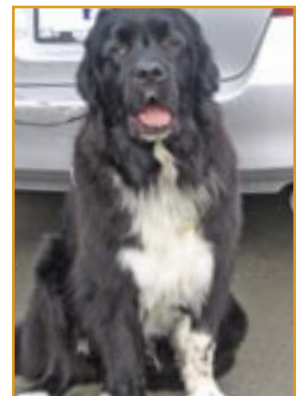
Waiting for the parade to begin.



The shuttle bus rescued us on from our "shortcut" back to the start of the parade route.



Can we all say "awwwwwwww".



Smile for the camera Sully.

Northstar's Water Training Day & Pot Luck Lunch
July 19, 2008
Kern Residence - Ham Lake, MN

Saturday, July 19th—Water Training & Pot Luck

André & Ann Lapeyre, and Ann Dunnigan will be available to assist you with training your Newf for the NCA water test exercises. This is an opportunity to get your dog in the water, to learn about NCA water tests and/or to practice what you've learned at past workshops. If your Newf has never been swimming...don't worry. They'll help you introduce your dog to the water. Be prepared to be in the water with your dog, and also to help others who are there (you "drown" for their dog, they'll drown for yours; you row the boat for their dog, they'll row for yours...the more willing people are to help, the more successful the training session will be).

Dogs of all ages & experience levels may participate. Bring your own chair, and a crate for your dog (for those times that you are drowning for someone else's dog). Canned cheese ("Easy Cheese", available in the cracker section at the grocery store) works well as a training treat for water work—no need to refrigerate, doesn't get soggy when wet, and most importantly ...the can floats! **Participants MUST have their own life jacket and protective footwear to wear in the water.** A nylon or cotton web leash and collar are useful in the water. (Leather is slippery when wet ... and stiff when it dries!) **Each handler is responsible for their own dog's equipment.** *

Junior Division Equipment:

- buoyant boat bumper, canvas or plastic (short line may be attached)
- 8 foot floating line with plastic or canvas boat bumper attached
- floating line (may be knotted at one end), minimum length of 75 feet
- approved Coast Guard (American or Canadian) boat cushion and approved Coast Guard (American or Canadian) life jacket**. Loose straps may be tied or stitched.

Senior Division Equipment:

- canoe or raft paddle, wood or plastic, at least 2 1/2 feet long
- 8 foot floating line with plastic or canvas boat bumper attached
- approved Coast Guard (American or Canadian) boat cushion and approved Coast Guard (American or Canadian) life jacket**. Loose straps may be tied or stitched.
- ring-type life preserver, minimum diameter 20 inches. (American or Canadian Coast Guard, or made to Coast Guard specifications) with 3-5 foot line attached. Line may be knotted at end.
- underwater retrieve article that is no more than 12 inches long and 4 inches tall. When submerged, it should extend no more than 4 inches from the bottom, and should be weighted evenly so it will sink immediately.

*Bring whatever equipment that you plan on having your dog use. There will not be any equipment for general use provided. If your only goal is to get your Newf in the water & comfortable with swimming, you would not need all the test equipment, but canned cheese would be helpful. If you want help with the preliminary steps of teaching a retrieve, you would need a bumper with a short line attached and canned cheese. If you want to work on specific junior or senior level exercises, you will need your own equipment for the specific exercises.

**The life jacket the dog retrieves is in addition to the one the handler must wear. The one the dog retrieves may be child size.

The Newfoundland Club of America water test regulations are available on-line at:

<http://www.ncanewfs.org/working/water/index.htm> Use the links in the box on the left hand side of the page.



ABOUT THE SITE: The City of Ham Lake is a northern suburb of the Twin Cities area. The lake (also called Ham Lake) is located just off the northbound lane of 65 (Central Avenue). The site is on an island (accessible via footbridge) and has over 100 feet of sandy shoreline.

LUNCH will be a pot luck. The Kerns will provide sandwich fixins' (buns, meat, condiments), beverages (water and soft drinks), and paper products (plates, etc). The rest of the lunch is pot luck, so those attending will need to bring something to share—salads or chips or desserts.....we're sure you'll think of something great to bring! ☺ There will be a refrigerator available if needed.

MORNING SHUTTLE SERVICE from the parking area to the Kerns' home will be available 8:00a.m.—9:00 a.m. We will start promptly at 9:00 a.m. Please allow time to get you and your dog "situated", get your crate and chair set up, and be ready at the start time. Unless other arrangements are made in advance, late arrivals will be responsible for getting their own gear to the site.

A map with directions to the site will be included with your registration confirmation.

For more information contact Rhonda Kern: 763-434-4330 or e-mail: Rhonda.Kern@anokaramsey.edu
If you have questions the day of the workshop try either Rhonda's cell phone: 763-242-5101 or Gary's cell phone: 612-377-5843

REGISTRATION IS LIMITED. To register, complete the form on the following page. Registration deadline is July 11, 2008. Don't wait until the deadline to send in your registration and find out the participant spots have been filled.

Come prepared to learn, to have a good time with your dog and other Newfy owners...and to get wet !!



To the rescue with a life ring



"I'll take you to shore"



JUMP!



"Don't worry, I'll save you!"



REGISTRATION FORM

NORTHSTAR NEWFOUNDLAND CLUB'S WATER TRAINING DAY & POT LUCK LUNCH

July 19, 2008 - HAM LAKE, MN - TRAINING WILL START AT 9:00 A.M.

****Complete the following form and return by July 11, 2008****

Checks payable to Northstar Newfoundland Club should be sent to: Rhonda Kern; 1739 Island Dr. NE; Ham Lake, MN 55304

Registration is limited. We MUST have your check BY THE DEADLINE (NO EXCEPTIONS)

Questions? E-mail Rhonda Kern at Rhonda.Kern@anokaramsey.edu or contact her by phone at 763-434-4330

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (____) _____ E-mail _____

Registration fee: \$15 per person attending

_____ number attending X \$15 each Total enclosed: \$ _____

Number of dogs attending: _____

Number of people attending as: _____ handlers _____ observers only

For the pot luck I will be bringing: _____

Note: Handlers are responsible for their own equipment, including life jackets & protective foot gear. Please bring a crate for your dog, and your own chair. There will be times that handlers will need to assist each other, so dogs will need to be crated when their handlers are working with other dogs.

At what level is your dog working? Never been in the water? Just learning to retrieve? Ready to test at the Junior Level? Ready to test at the Senior Level? WRDX? Some idea of your and your dog's level of expertise will be helpful.

EXPERIENCE LEVEL OF HANDLER AND DOG:

Northstar's Safety Policy:

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- leashes must be no longer than 6 feet and may not be retractable
- when on leash, dogs must be under control at all times
- dogs displaying uncontrolled or aggressive behavior may be asked to leave the event by the chairperson or any club official
- a current rabies certificate must be furnished upon request of the event chairperson
- failure to comply with the above may result in disciplinary action

There will be occasions when the event chairperson will permit dogs to be off leash or on a retractable leash.

A map with directions to the Kerns' home will be included with your registration confirmation.





BSL – GUILTY BEFORE PROVEN INNOCENT!

LET'S EDUCATE PEOPLE AND STOP BSL IN MINNESOTA! REMINDER, IN DENVER WHEN THEY DID A BAN ON CERTAIN BREEDS THEY WENT TO THE PEOPLE'S HOUSES AND TOOK THEIR DOGS AND "KILLED" THEM!

Introduction to Breed-Specific Legislation (BSL)

BSL affects dogs based on APPEARANCE ONLY. It has NOTHING to do with temperament. The alleged purpose of BSL is to increase public safety, but it can not do that because it completely overlooks temperament.

Breed-specific legislation (BSL) comes in many forms, from extra insurance policies and special licenses, to outright bans of particular breeds. It usually comes about after a critical or fatal dog attack. It generally targets a small set of dog breeds. It attempts to curb dog bites and dog attacks by implementing policies focused specifically on those breeds. And it is always a complete failure - technically and morally.

It's astonishing that BSL continues to spread even after studies have proven its fatal flaws. BSL is ruinously expensive to implement and enforce. Determining a dog's breed or mix is extremely difficult, often resulting in mistaken identities and ensuing lawsuits. BSL does not stop dog attacks or bites. It increases the financial burden on taxpayers, animal shelters, and animal control agencies. It doesn't stop irresponsible owners or dissuade criminals. It doesn't educate anyone about proper dog care. In the end, the punishment is doled out solely on responsible owners and good dogs. Good dogs are confined to their homes, unable to gain valuable social skills and training opportunities - or they are simply killed. Law-abiding owners are the only ones who end up shelling out money to pay for special licenses or souped-up fences, and they are the ones whose hearts are ripped out when their sweet dog is arbitrarily deemed "dangerous" and euthanized.

BSL exists because people are looking for an easy way out. It's easy to point fingers at a group of voiceless dogs and call them "dangerous". It makes for great sound bites on the evening news, and it gives politicians a way to distract people from real worries. It saves us from having to address the core problems - irresponsible, ignorant dog owners, bad breeders, criminals, and an uneducated public.

Some people mistakenly believe that owners of these so-called "dangerous" breeds do not care about public safety because they object so strongly to BSL. On the contrary, these owners are acutely aware of the need for strong non-breed-specific dangerous/vicious dog laws, and they fully support efforts to strengthen and enforce those laws. However, these owners also realize that the problem of dog bites and dog attacks does not lie within a single breed or group of breeds. The problem ultimately lies with the individual owner, and that is where the focus of dangerous dog laws should be.

Ban of Pit Bulls, Other Dog Breeds in Minnesota?

Recently, Rep. John Lesch (DFL -St.Paul) announced a proposal for a state ban on the ownership of Akitas, Chow Chows, Rottweilers, wolf hybrids, Pit Bulls, or mixed-breed dogs with the traits of any of these breeds. Ownership of any of the breeds in question would be punishable by up to 90 days in jail and a fine of up to \$1,000.

UPDATE: FEBRUARY 19, 2008: Rep. John Lesch's proposal to repeal 347.51 subd. 8 and to declare pit bulls, Rottweilers, Chows, Akitas, and wolf-hybrids "potentially dangerous dogs" received a NAY vote in the Public Safety Committee tonight!

There are several things you can personally do to prevent the introduction of this legislation:

- Write or email your legislator. Don't know who your representative is? The legislature's web site has a handy service <http://geo.commissions.leg.state.mn.us/districts/start.html> that lets you enter your address and zip code to find out who your representatives are.
- Be a responsible dog owner. Remember, you are the leader of your pack. You are responsible (and liable) for your dog's behavior. Do everything in your power to ensure that your dog is a great representative of its species.
 - Train your dog to be a good citizen;
 - Give your dog plenty of daily exercise, mental stimulation, attention and love;
 - Obey leash laws where applicable;
 - Provide safe indoor housing for your dog; and
 - Provide adequate veterinary care for your dog, including required vaccinations



NNC GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

General Membership Meeting Minutes
Rogers, MN

December 15, 2007

There were 14 club members in attendance. The meeting was called to order at 12:45 p.m. at Cabela's in Rogers, MN. Chris and Tiffany Brand introduced themselves. They will be applying for membership.

Meeting Minutes

The motion to approve the minutes of the June 23rd meeting was made by Ted Mittelstadt and seconded by Daryl Andersen.

Treasury Report

Kathi DeJohn is still awaiting some expenses to be submitted from the Specialty.

Old Business

Applications: There were no new applications since the last newsletter.

By-Laws Revision: The NCA has sent them back with some suggestions/recommendations. This will be reviewed at the next Board meeting.

Logo Items: Ted will choose some items from Lands End and an order form will be placed in the next newsletter for members to order logo items.

Rescue: We are working as a club ways we can contribute to Newf Rescue. The number of Newfs needing rescue has increased dramatically. Information Susan Wagner has received will be discussed at the next Board meeting and at the Annual Membership meeting. Kathi DeJohn has contact a boarding kennel that has agreed to work with us. We are also in need of Vets who will provide services at a discounted price.

Dues: There will be a \$5.00 increase in dues beginning in 2009.

New Business

Upcoming Events:

Grand Day Parade Winter Carnival January 26th. Priscilla Zeller mentioned the importance of having the dogs wear booties or having water to rinse their paws due to the salt used on parade routes.

Kenyon Cutter Parade February 23rd.

Membership Meeting March 22nd in Owatonna. This may be changed to March 29th due to Easter weekend.

Draft/Water Workshop (dry land training) April 19th,

Water Workshop July 19th

Membership Meeting/Picnic June 21st in Cambridge.

Board Positions: Priscilla Zeller will head the Nomination Committee for Board positions. Please let her know if you would like to be on the Committee or are interested in being on the Board.

Priscilla mentioned the idea of having the club do some fund raising activities. We have a few items available for a raffle.

As there was no further business the motion was made to adjourn at 1:30 p.m. by Priscilla Zeller.

Respectfully Submitted by Cindy Spongberg, Secretary

WAGS 'N BRAGS

- Levi (CH. Brookside's Legends Live On, CGC) Went WD and received an AOM at the Northstar NCA Regional on December 7, 2007 finishing his Championship Title at 13 months. Levi also passed his CGC Test on October 6, 2007 at the Wright County KC Show. A special thanks goes out to Becky Super for blessing us with Levi. Owners: Wendy & David Gascoigne • Breeders: Rebecca Super DC, Ginny Graham, Cherily Antin Sire: Fairweathers Headmaster • Dam: CH. BeeCreek's Very Superstitious



Please submit your brags to Stacie at skramlinger@visi.com. Please include: dog's registered name, call name, sire & dam, breeder, owner and brag.



NEWSLETTER

Stacie Kramlinger, Editor
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Check out the new
website at
www.northstarnewfclub.org

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

April 19, 2008 – Draft, Water, Obedience Workshop – Izaak Walton Building, Owatonna, MN - *Event Host: Rhonda Kern (see more details and registration form inside)*

May 10, 2008 – Board of Director’s Meeting - Budget Inn & Suites, North Branch, MN

June 21, 2008 – Membership Meeting/Supported Entry/Picnic & Newf Games – Isanti County Fairgrounds, Cambridge, MN

July 19, 2008 – Water Training Workshop - *Event Hosts: Gary & Rhonda Kern - Training by Andre and Ann Lapeyre and Ann Dunnigan (see more details and registration form inside)*

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 Stacie Kramlinger (763-566-6065); send it to her at 5415 Dupont Ave. N., Brooklyn Center, MN 55430; or e-mail it to her at skramlinger@visi.com. If you have information on matches, seminars, workshops, etc., please let Stacie 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.) If you would like a Northstar Newf Club membership application, e-mail Ted Mittelstadt. For Membership Applications for the Newfoundland Club of America, contact Mary Lou Cuddy, 1155 Raymond Road, Ballston Spa, NY 12020; 518-885-5030; e-mail: membership@newfdogclub.org. Additional information about the Newfoundland Club of America is available from the club’s web site: www.newfdogclub.org.