



Join us for Water Practice Days

Where: Deer Lake, 101 Paper Mill Road, Killingworth, CT 06419

Time: 9:30am to 3:30pm

Cost: \$25.00 per team, per day for, at minimum, two 12 minute runs

FMI: Jane Freeman, freestylepwd@gmail.com

You may sign up for as many days as you choose

For those of you with more than two dogs, you may buy a maximum of 4 runs for \$50.00 and divide them amongst your dogs as you choose.

No instruction is being offered. Bring a chair, towels, dog treats, water for your dog, food and drink for yourself. If you have something for shade, bring that too.

We may be adding a few more dates at a different location TBD

Our Water trial weekend:

Friday, August 28 for set up and practice for volunteers

Saturday, August 29 & Sunday, August 30, PWDCA Water Trial

BBQ dinner to follow the Saturday trial

Please fill out the following form, sign the Participation Agreement and return both forms with your payment by May 25, 2026 to:

Jane Freeman
244 Talcott Notch Rd
Farmington, CT 06032



Your name: _____

Email: _____

Cell: _____

Number of dogs you are signing up: _____

Please check which days you plan on attending.

- June 4
- June 13
- July 12
- July 26
- August 8
- August 23
- August 27

Mail the above with your payment and signed Participation Agreement (see below) to:

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We look forward to seeing you at the lake



Nutmeg PWD Club Safety Rules

1. Any person who enters the water must wear an appropriately sized USCG approved life vest and close toed water shoes that can protect their feet from sharp objects.
2. No person may use the beach or Nutmeg Equipment without signing a waiver to hold the Club harmless from damage, injury or death. Please sign and mail the waiver with your registration.
3. Club equipment may only be used for official Nutmeg sponsored events.
4. There must be at least two adults present on the beach for people or dogs to enter the water or when the Club boats are being used. An adult is defined as a person 18 years or older
5. Persons using the beach will clean up after their dogs and themselves and remove their trash including dog waste at the end of the day. No glass containers will be permitted on the beach
6. Nutmeg Water Equipment shall be used in an appropriate manner. Boats are for the sole use of dog and handler teams practicing water work with their dogs or as needed by the Club to set up a water trial site. No person shall stand on the boat platform or jump from the platform. All equipment is to be properly stored after use. Boats must be lifted onto land and the platforms propped against the side of the boats at the end of the training day. Oars, anchors and markers shall be secured in the oar locker. The last Club member on the property at the end of the day shall inspect the beach to ensure the club equipment is properly secured.



7. Children under age 18 must be accompanied by their parent or guardian when on the property. Guardians shall sign a hold harmless agreement for their children and by doing so assume all risks and responsibilities for their children's actions. Guardians shall prevent their children from creating a distraction for dogs and handlers. Unless directed by the person in charge, children shall remain away from the water and shall not play with club equipment. Children must wear USCG approved life vests and appropriate water shoes when on or near the water.
8. Dogs shall be under the control of their handler at all times. Dogs that are considered a risk to other dogs or humans shall be muzzled while on the property or be excused by the property owner or any club official. Excessive barking will require the dog(s) be removed from the property.
9. Cigarette butts may not be left on the ground and are considered to be your personal trash to be taken with you.



PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

This Practice is open only to purebred Portuguese Water Dogs. The dogs must be in good health and proper fitness and condition for the class that they are registering for.

I have received and read the "Club Safety Rules" and above statement of conditions as provided for water training by the Nutmeg Portuguese Water Dog Club, Inc. I agree and consent to obey and abide by all the rules and policies therein.

I agree that the Nutmeg Portuguese Water Dog Club, Inc. has the right to refuse this entry or any entry for any cause(s) which it deems sufficient.

I accept full responsibility for the care of my dog(s) before, during and after, the water classes.

I we agree to hold the above-listed Club, its members, directors, governors, officers, agents, judges, instructors, volunteer organizations, individual helpers, superintendents and/or show secretary, the owner or lessor of the premises and/or any employees of the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss or injury which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of my dog(s) while in or upon the property of Deer Lake Camp, Killingworth, CT premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto; and I personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claims.

I agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss of my dog(s) by disappearance, theft, death or otherwise, and from any claim for damage or injury to the dog(s), whether such loss, disappearance, theft, damage, or injury be caused or alleged to be caused by the negligence of the club or any of the parties aforementioned, or by the negligence of any other person, or any other cause or causes.

I hereby assume the sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify and save the aforementioned parties harmless from any and all loss and expense (including legal fees) by reason of the liability imposed by law upon any of the aforementioned parties for damage because of bodily injuries, including death at any time resulting there from, sustained by any person or persons, including myself, or on account of damage to property, arising out of or in consequence of my participation in this water class, however such injuries, death or damage to property may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may be alleged to have been caused by negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees or agents, or any other persons.

Notwithstanding any of the above, in the event that I or my dog(s) suffer any damage, injury, illness, or loss (including the death of my dog(s)), during the water class or am in any way involved in any other party's claim of damage, injury, illness, or loss during the water class, I agree to arbitrate the claim according to the rules of the American Arbitration Association. I further agree to arbitrate any question of whether any such claim is subject to such arbitration. I agree that any such arbitration shall take place at an agreed upon site in the greater Stamford, Connecticut area within 45 days of the incident giving rise to the claim, or at such other place and time as the arbitrators shall agree. I agree that I will pay a pro-rated share of the costs of any such arbitration.

Signed by Participant: _____ Date: _____