

Important

Please read the following information before submitting your Practice Day request.

All levels are welcome for the practice days. No instruction is being offered. Bring your water equipment, dog's crate, a chair, towels, dog treats, water for your dog, food and drink for yourself. There is limited shade, so if you have something for shade, bring that too. In accordance with the rules of Deer Lake Scout Preservation, a lifejacket is required when being anywhere near the water, including standing on the beach. You may also work out of your car BUT be sure to have your dog ready to go as soon as the team before you is finished. Each date will have one member of the Water Committee leading the practice.

Water Practice Days are as follows:

- Saturday, May 24
- Saturday, June 14
- Saturday, June 28
- Saturday, July 12
- Saturday, August 9
- Saturday, August 23
- Thursday, September 4
- Thursday, September 11

Time: 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Cost: \$25.00 per team per day

Details: Please fill out the Registration form (below); you will need to sign the Participation Agreement and return with your check to Melinda Harvey. You may sign up for as many days as you choose but your spot will be confirmed once the check and Participation Form are received. There is a two (2) dog limit per household per practice session.

Payments should be made out to "Nutmeg PWD Club Inc." sent with registration and participation agreement to: Melinda Harvey. 410 Cherry Brook Rd. Canton, CT 06019

If the limit of Teams is reached per session, you will automatically be added to the corresponding Waitlist. If you are unable to make the day you signed up for, please let Melinda Harvey know by text 860-480-2395, or by email caodeagua@mac.com at least 48 hours in advance so your spot may be given to the next team and a refund can be issued, otherwise refund will be forfeited. Please contact Melinda Harvey prior to your session if your bitch is in season; you may choose to work at the end of the day, or be given a refund.

Water Trial Dates: Saturday, September 20th and Sunday, September 21st at Deer Lake Scout Preservation in Killingworth, CT

Nutmeg Practice Date Schedule Registration Form

Location: Deer Lake Scout Preservation

Killingworth, CT

Cost: \$25.00 per dog per day

Time: 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

(Please print clearly – we suggest you keep a copy for your records)

Name: _____

Phone or Cell #: _____

Email: _____

Dog 1's Name: _____

Training level: ☐-Beginner/Junior ☐-Apprentice ☐-Working ☐-Courier ☐-Master

Dog 2's Name: _____

Training level: ☐-Beginner/Junior ☐-Apprentice ☐-Working ☐-Courier ☐-Master

Please circle the session dates for which you are registering:

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Mail this Registration Form, and Participation Agreement to Melinda Harvey: 410 Cherry Brook Rd. Canton, CT 06019 or scan and email to Melinda at: Caodeagua@mac.com subject line “Water Practice Registration”. For more information or questions, contact Melinda Harvey, 860-480-2395.

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Melinda Harvey
410 Cherry Brook Rd.
Canton, CT 06019



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 Water 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 risk 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 always be under the control of their handler. 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 your personal trash to be taken with you.



Guidelines for Nutmeg's Water Playdates

1. Dogs learn best in short, well-planned session, and then need some “down” time to absorb the lesson. Do not expect to be playing the entire playtime. Bring a crate (and sheet to cover it) so your dog will have a quiet place to rest. Also have a plan for what you want to work on when you bring your dog out for their playtime turn.
2. **Please contact Melinda Harvey prior to your next session if your bitch is in season.**
3. Sign up for as many sessions as you possibly can attend. You will see more progress if you practice consistently both at water and at home.
4. There will be lots of distractions in this new environment. Your dog will not perform at the same level as s/he does distraction-free. Be prepared by strengthening your dog's desire to be with you. Be more interesting than the environment. Bring especially tasty treats. We prefer you use non-crumblly fresh soft treats, for example: roast beef, cut up hot dogs, or even breakfast sausage cut up. And please bring some of your dog's favorite toys that can be used as rewards. And be sure your dog is both healthy and hungry, (no breakfast.)
5. Please remember your USCG approved lifejacket and water shoes– these are mandatory. In accordance with the rules of Deer Lake Scout Preservation, a lifejacket is required when being anywhere near the water, including standing on the beach. If you have a non-restrictive harness for your dog, please bring it.
6. Other useful things to bring:
 - A crate and a sheet or blanket to cover it
 - Leash, buckle (not choke) collar, water bowl, extra water
 - A chair for yourself
 - Shade, if you have it
 - Bug spray and Sunscreen
 - All water equipment



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 registered for.

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

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

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

I/We agree to hold the above listed [clubs and organizations - Nutmeg Portuguese Water Dog Club, Inc.], [their] [its] members, directors, governors, officers, agents, judges, instructors, volunteer organizations, individual helpers, superintendents, and/or show secretary(ies), 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/our dog(s) while in or upon the property of Deer Lake Scout Preservation, Killingworth, CT, premises or grounds, or near any entrance thereto; and I/we personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claims.

I/We agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any injury from any claim for loss of my/our 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/We 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 therefrom, sustained by any person or persons, including myself/ourselves, or on account of damage to property, arising out of or in consequence of my/our participation in this water class, however such injuries, death or damage to the property may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused by 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/we or my/our 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/We agree to arbitrate the claim according to the rules of the American Arbitration Association. I/We further agree to arbitrate any question of whether any such claim is subject to such arbitration. I/We 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/We agree that I/we will pay a prorated share of the costs of any such arbitration.

Signed by Participant: _____ Date: _____



WATER MERCHANDISE PRICES 2025

(Includes CT Sales Tax)

Canvas Dummies - available in bright orange

Small..... \$11.00

Large..... \$16.00

Plastic Dummies - available in white, orange or
black/white

Small.....\$12.00

Floating Long leash..... \$29.00

Marine quality floating line and brass clip

Float Line..... \$48.00

Has 5 floats and marine floating line

Puppy Float line..... \$27.00

Underwater Articles

Three-sided \$12.00

Wiffle ball \$9.00

Bait Bucket..... \$32.00

Please circle the items desired and enclose a check
payable to "Nutmeg PWD Club. Inc."

Mail to Jane Harding, 41 Gilbert Hill Road, Chester, CT
06412.

Merchandise will be delivered to you at your playdate.

Gear Bag

Solid..... \$29.00

Gear Bag Tie..... \$9.00

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Hard Ball for Working Level.....\$34.00

Soft Ball for Courier/Working Level \$13.00

Practice Dates: _____

Total Merchandise ordered _____



GETTING THERE - Deer Lake Scout Preservation

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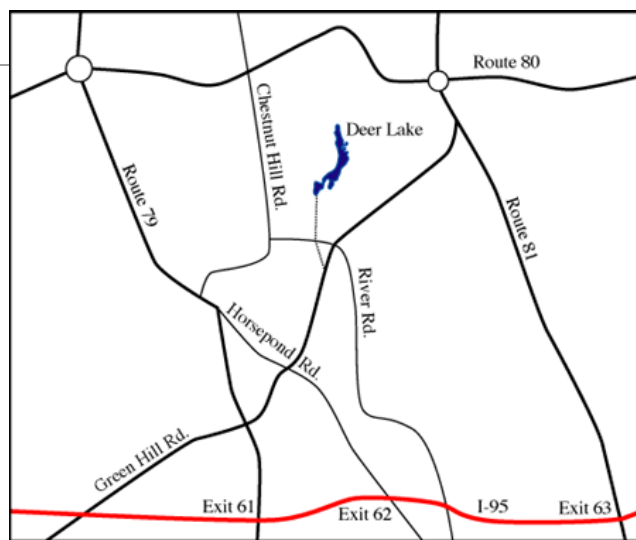
101 Paper Mill Road
Killingworth, CT 06419

Directions using GoogleMaps can be found [HERE](#).

Directions/map compliments of
[Deer Lake Scout Preservation](#):

From I-95 (New Haven or New London)

Take exit 62 (Hammonasset State Park) off I-95. Head North on the Hammonasset Connector, for approximately 3 miles. Turn right at the stoplight at Green Hill Rd. After about 1 mile you will cross a bridge into the town of Killingworth. At the top of the hill directly following the bridge, veer left onto the unpaved Paper Mill Road. Deer Lake is at the very end of Paper Mill Road— continue past a red building (on your left) until the end of the dirt road; park around the trees.



From I-91 (Hartford)

Take exit 22S (State Route 9) off I-91 (left-hand exit). Take exit 9 off Rte. 9 onto Rte. 81 South. Follow Rte. 81 for about 8 miles. At the traffic circle, continue south and take your second right onto Green Hill Road. After about 2 miles, turn right onto River Road. The first right off of River Road is the unpaved Paper Mill Road. Deer Lake is at the very end of Paper Mill Road— continue past a red building (on your left) until the end of the dirt road; park around the trees.

From I-84E (Danbury)

From I-84E, take exit 27 onto I-691. Follow this for about 8 miles until it turns into Rte. 66. Follow this for another two miles to the first stoplight. Take a right onto Rte. 147 and continue five miles to the end. At the light, take a right onto Rte. 17. After a mile and a half, take the left fork onto Rte. 79. Follow Rte. 79 for about 8 miles. At the traffic circle, head east on Rte. 80. After 1.7 miles, you will see a sign for Deer Lake Boy Scout Reservation. Take this right onto Chestnut Hill Road. Continue for 2 miles, then take a left onto River Road. After about a half of a mile, you will come to a stop sign. Take this left onto Paper Mill Road. Deer Lake is at the very end of Paper Mill Road— continue past a red building (on your left) until the end of the dirt road; park around the trees.