

Premium List

Water Trial

Hosted by the

DelMarVa Portuguese Water Dog Club

October 3 & 4, 2020

LOCATION OF TRIAL

Camp Pecometh, 136 Bookers Wharf Rd, Centreville, MD 21617

Limited Entry

Junior, Apprentice, Working, Working Excellent, Courier and Master

JUDGE (ALL LEVELS)

Judy Murray

90 South Pennell Road, Media, Pennsylvania

MAIL ENTRIES to the Trial Secretary:

Mary Sebera, 105 Woodlawn Rd, Baltimore, MD 21210

ENTRIES CLOSE: 5:00 pm, September 15, 2020 or when trial limits
are reached Method of Entry is First Received

DelMarVa Portuguese Water Dog Club Host Information

Trial Chair: Mike Mobley msquared44@yahoo.com

Trial Secretary: Mary Sebera mcsebera@aol.com

Chief Steward: Peter Paige repete@paige2.com

The Water Trial will be held in accordance with the provisions of the PWDCA Water Trial Manual, as revised through 2020 (the “Manual”). Copies of the Manual may be downloaded free of charge from the PWDCA website (www.pwdca.org).

Eligibility Minimum age of human participants: nine years. Children aged nine through 18 years must have a parent or legal guardian present at the trial site while they participate. Minimum age of dogs: six months for Junior; one year for Apprentice and above unless the dog has passed Junior.

Each dog may only be entered and exhibited once on any day of the trial.

A dog must have an Apprentice Water Dog title to enter the Working Water Dog level and a Working Water Dog title to enter the Courier Water Dog level and a Courier Excellent title to enter the Masters level. A Junior Water Dog Certificate is *not* required to enter the Apprentice Water Dog level provided dog is over one year old.

Acceptance of entries, closing date Entries will only be accepted if they include the Participation Agreement on the entry form, are properly signed, initialed, and are accompanied by the proper entry fees. Entries must be received by 5:00 pm (EDT) on September 15, 2020, after which they may not be accepted, canceled, or substituted. Entries may not be faxed, emailed, or telephoned, but must be mailed. Entries will not be accepted via UPS or FedEx if the signature is not waived.

Trial spaces Properly completed entries will be accepted within each test level in the order received. Entries are limited to 30 teams *or* 8 hours of judging for the trial day. The trial will close when the number limit for that trial is filled. For Exhibition only entries (dogs in class more than 30 days after receiving title in that class) will be accepted on a first come-first served basis if the trial does not fill. If multiple entries are received on the day that brings the closing entry, entries from that mail will be chosen by random drawing as necessary for the total. Space permitting, Day-of-Trial entries will be accepted.

Waiting List If entries in excess of the limits are received before the closing date, the excess entries will be assigned to a waiting list according to the order in which they were received, regardless of test

level. Entries received on the same day will be assigned waiting list positions by random drawing.

Refunds No refunds of entry fees will be made after the closing date.

Bitches in Season Bitches in season will be judged after all other dogs have been judged. The owner or handler of any such bitch must notify the trial secretary of the bitch's condition before the start of the day's judging. Handlers may not bring bitches in season to the test area or the surrounding area until they are instructed to do so by the judge or the judge's designee.

Changes of entry level Day-of-trial move-ups will be accepted if time permits. Move-ups from Saturday to Sunday will be accepted if time permits.

Substitute Stewards A handler may use his/her own substitute steward. The substitute steward must be named on the entry form and must sign said entry form. Substitute stewards must be familiar with and conduct themselves according to the applicable provisions of the Manual. Requests for any change of steward must be approved by the trial secretary and judge prior to the start of judging of a team's test level.

Equipment Exhibitors may use their own equipment if approved after inspection by the judge or judge's designee. The DelMarVa Portuguese Water Dog Club will provide equipment for use by exhibitors if needed.

Vests and Footwear Any person in the test site must wear a USCG-approved life vest and closed-toe footwear. The judge may excuse the land stewards from this requirement.

Dogs on Leash Dogs must be kept on leash or confined to crates at all times, except when participating in a warm-up session or while being judged.

Order of judging and judging program The order of judging within each test level will be at the judge's discretion, decided before the trial. A judging program containing the days' tentative event schedules and order of judging teams will be e-mailed to each entrant prior to the trial.

What to bring We are taking all precautions to make this a safe trial. Please come prepared with bring your own mask, gloves and hand sanitizer. Additional Covid protocol information and information about lunches will be sent to participants as the date approaches.

USCG-approved life vest and closed-toe protective footwear are mandatory. Also bring a dog crate, towels, foul weather gear, sun protection, trial equipment, leash, water dish, dog food, poop bags, human food, snacks, and bags to remove your garbage from the site. The site has indoor restroom facilities. Chairs and shade devices will be useful as it is unlikely that we will be able to use Camp Pecometh buildings for crating.

JUDGING PROGRAM AND NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

Judge's instructions will begin at 9AM. Judging will proceed in catalog order except for bitches in season who will be judged out of order after all other dogs have been judged. Owners of said bitches should notify the trial secretary and judge upon their arrival at the test site.

Lunch break will be at the Judge's discretion and will be announced.

Check in and equipment check will begin at 8 AM or when judge arrives on site. Please have your equipment checked as soon as possible. All exhibitors, handlers, and stewards are required to wear USCG-approved life vests and closed-toe footwear. The judge may exempt the land stewards from this requirement.

Test area The test area will be clearly marked, as will areas for spectators, crating area for dogs, and practice area. The practice area will not be available during the trial period. Only the dog competing will be allowed in the test area. Dogs not in the test area must be on leash or crated and controlled at all times.

Dog Aggression DelMarVa PWDC will follow the guidelines set forth in the PWDCA 2020 Water Trial Manual Changes as well as Maryland State Law. The full text of the PWDCA manual changes can be downloaded free of charge from the PWDCA website (<http://www.pwdca.org>).

Excusals A judge SHALL excuse any dog that in the opinion of the judge menaces, threatens, or exhibits any sign that it may not be safely approached in a normal manner by the judge or official trial stewards. Signs may include growling, showing of teeth, snapping of teeth, or rolling of eyes.

Disqualification by Event Committee Any dog that in the opinion of the Host Water Trial Committee members attacks a person or another dog at a sanctioned water trial and is believed by that Event Committee to present a hazard to persons or other dogs shall be disqualified by the Event Committee.

Disqualification by A Judge A judge shall disqualify any dog that in his/her opinion attacks any person in the ring or leaves the ring to attack any person or another dog. An attack is defined as a bite or an attempt to bite anyone, including its own handler, without valid extenuating circumstances such as accidental play biting.

Veterinarian Middletown Veterinary Hospital, 366 Warwick Rd, Middletown, DE 19709 302-378-2342

Accommodations

The River Inn - limited rooms reserved for DelMarVa (Ask for Sandy)
1008 Rolphs Wharf Rd, Chestertown, MD 21620
410-778-6389

Holiday Inn
150 Scheeler Rd, Chestertown, MD 21620
410-778-0778

A block of rooms has been reserved for the Trial until August 31, 2020. The code for our rooms is CGW. Please contact the hotel front desk at the phone number above, not the corporate reservation system.

Best Western Inn (Kent Narrows)
3101 Main Street, Grasonville, Md. 21638
410-827-6767

Other Hotels in the area can be found at www.bringfido.com

RV Accommodations - contact Mike Mobley 410-778-0194 or msquared44@yahoo.com.

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