

**Newfoundland Club of America
WATER TESTS**

Hosted By

RIVER KING



**NEWFOUNDLAND
CLUB**

33rd Annual Water Test

WRDX, WD, WRD Test
Saturday, August 17, 2024

WRDX, WD, WRD Test
Sunday, August 18, 2024

Lake Lou Yaeger – Fireman's Pavilion
Litchfield, Illinois

Entries will be limited to 30 total entries each day,
An alternate list will be kept.

Entries Close August 1, 2024
USPS and online entries accepted.

Water Test Judges

Judge	Saturday	Sunday
Cathy Sayre	WRDX, WD, WRD	WRDX, WD, WRD
Matt Cobban	WRDX, WD, WRD	WRDX, WD, WRD

Cathy Sayre
3813 Westchester Dr
Roseville, CA 95747

Matt Cobban
11178 North Farm Rd 221
Fair Grove, MO 65648

River King Newfoundland Club has been granted permission to hold this NCA Water Test by the Working Dog Committee of the Newfoundland Club of America in accordance with the Water Test Regulations approved in 1999 and updated March 2018.

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Water Test Committee

Chairman	Cathy Hartke 847-778-7616
Secretary	Sue Zientara 217-855-8749
3 rd Committee Member	Rick Hartke 847-910-1304
Safety Officer	Rick Hartke 847-910-1304
Chief Steward.	Liz Pagel 309-313-2801

Entries

Entries will only be accepted from NCA members postmarked July 3, 2024 or later; entries will only be accepted from non-NCA members postmarked July 13, 2024 or later. Entries will be accepted by mail or the online entry service (<https://www.ncanews.org/wdc/>). Entries from NCA members postmarked prior to July 3, 2024 will be returned; entries from non-NCA members postmarked prior to July 13, 2024 will be returned. Available entry slots will be filled according to the postmark date.

If the number of entries with the same date exceeds the number of available slots, a drawing will take place to fill the vacancies and determine the alternates. All entries received after the entry limit has been reached will be placed on an "alternate list" by order of those without titles, in order of postmark, followed by requalifiers in order of postmark. If absentees or withdrawals occur prior to the start of the test, the test secretary will substitute entries from the alternate list. When notifying exhibitors of their entry numbers, exhibitors on the alternate list will be notified of their position on the list.

Entrants who learn they will be unable to attend a water test must contact the test secretary immediately so exhibitors on the alternate list may be notified. Entry fee will be refunded if withdrawal of an entry is done prior to the closing date of the water test. Entry fee will be refunded for those on the alternate list who do not make it into the test. Entry fees will not be refunded for a dog on the alternate list who would have made it into the test had the dog been in attendance as per the Water Test Regulations, Chapter I, Section 12: Entry Limitation – "Alternates and Refunds." Dogs qualifying in the junior division may post enter to Senior on the day of the test for an additional \$25 entry fee.

The entry fee is \$50. Entries close on August 1, 2024 at 11:59 PM.

Make checks payable to: **River King Newfoundland Club**

Mail entries with appropriate fees to:
Susan Zientara, 2708 Casner Rd., Oakley, IL 62501-6953

OR enter online at
www.ncanews.org/wdc

If you wish verification via email, please provide your email address when entering. A copy of the dog's registration MUST accompany the entry.

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY!

With your entries, please include a current copy of the dog's AKC registration papers and make checks out to "RKNC."

Do not mail any entries "signature required" – please waive all signature requirements or your entry will not be accepted.

Please Note:

In 1990, the Working Dog Committee approved the eligibility of dogs holding WRD titles to enter the junior division at any NCA approved water test. Entry is available on a space available basis so as not to exclude any untitled junior dog. **WRD titled** dogs that pass the junior division may **not** post enter into the senior division on that day. Dogs passing the WRD test may not post enter into the WRDX division.

Requalifications as Multiple Division Entries

Multiple Division requalifications will be allowed at NCA Water Tests. Dogs may be entered in more than one division on the same day but only if they have already qualified, at previous tests, in all of the divisions entered. Each entry must be sent on a separate entry form. If the entry for the test exceeds its limit and a lottery is necessary, the dog may not get into each division entered. There will be no substitutions for dogs to change divisions if their entry is chosen for one division but not the other in a lottery. Judges must excuse any dog not in condition to finish the division entered and, if so, the dog will not be able to continue in any other division entered that day. Entry fees will not be refunded for dogs that are excused. Entrants are discouraged from pushing their dogs beyond their limits.

Entrants are responsible for obtaining and being familiar with the current NCA Water Test Regulations. Regulations may be obtained online at:

<https://www.ncadogs.org/forms.php>

Bitches in Season

Bitches in season will be tested after **all** other entrants, regardless of division, have been tested. Please inform a test committee member as soon as possible if you will be bringing a bitch in season to the test.

Tentative Schedule

Please note: There will be no organized practice time on Friday, Saturday or Sunday, other than the pre-swim for each respective division. There will be free swim time available Saturday after the test is complete.

Exhibitors MUST be checked in with the Test Secretary by 7:30 am on Sat. and Sun. or their slots will be assigned to an alternate. All entrants must also be present at their respective meeting with the judges each day.

Saturday and Sunday

7:00 – 7:30am ALL entrants must check in with test secretary
7:00am Breakfast at the Fireman's Pavilion
7:30am WRDX entrants meet with Judges and equipment check
7:45am WRDX Pre-swim (15 minutes)
Judges meet with WRDX stewards
8:00am WRDX test begins!!

To follow:

Junior entrants meet with judges and equipment check
WD Pre-swim (15 minutes)
Judges meet with Stewards
WD Test begins!
Senior entrants meet with Judges and equipment check
WRD Pre-swim (15 minutes)
Judges meet with Stewards
WRD Test begins!

To Follow: AWARDS Presentation

***Lunch Saturday and Sunday compliments of RKNC
Time will be at Judges' Discretion*

**Dinner at Test site on Saturday night
Everyone's invited!!**



River King Mexican Fiesta

Join us for a Mexican-inspired dinner on Saturday night after the water test.

- Nachos
- Tacos
- Quesadillas
- Margaritas
- Corona's

What time: 6:00 pm

Where: Firemen's Club House

There is no charge for dinner. Please let us know if you plan to join by sending an email to suezien3@gmail.com or text to (217) 855-8749.

Waiver of Rights – Animals in Distress

The Newfoundland Club of America, Inc, and the regional club hosting this event reserves the right to remove any animal in distress from a parked vehicle or crate, and all persons attending this dog event hereby waives any claim for damages against the Club for such removal. The NCA regards the health, safety and life of any dog on the event grounds to be paramount to other property or privacy rights. If the owner cannot be found in a timely manner, we will take whatever action is necessary for the safety of the dog, which may include breaking windows to enter a vehicle. Dogs found in an unsafe environment, distress, or in harm's way (for example, left in a vehicle without proper ventilation) will be removed to safety. Exposing a dog to an unsafe environment, distress or harm's way is considered mistreatment and subject to appropriate discipline.

OUT OF CONTROL DOG POLICY

Approved NCA Board of Directors

November 11, 2023

At all NCA Events dogs must be kept under control to prevent harm to itself or others. It is the owner/handler's responsibility to ensure their dogs are under control for the duration of the event. At NCA events dogs must be crated or leashed and collared at all times, except when the dogs are required to perform off leash. When dogs are leashed, the length of the leash must not exceed SIX (6) feet and the leash may NOT be a retractable leash.

Dogs should not be allowed to approach another dog without permission from the other dog's owner/handler.

Any dog that, in the opinion of the judges, event committee or designated safety officer representing the event, appears dangerous, shall be asked to leave the event promptly or be crated for the duration of the event and **is excused from further participation in the event**. Anyone who witnesses a dog appearing to be dangerous should bring their concerns to the judges, event committee or safety officer. Part of upholding good sportsmanship is to take action through the appropriate channels.

Examples of out of control behavior would include but is not limited to:

Aggressive vocalization such as barking and growling, or aggressive behavior toward any person or animal such as snapping, biting, lunging, charging, attacking or attempting to attack at any time while on the test grounds.

Owners and handlers are responsible for monitoring the well-being and safety of their dog(s). If left unattended the owner/handler must check on them frequently to ensure they are safe.

If the dog is excused from the test grounds for aggression, the automatic grievance policy of the NCA is enacted. If an injury **to dog or person** occurs, the AKC Rules Applying to Dog Shows Ch 11, section 15 goes into effect. (References, chapter 2, section 14 in both water and draft regulations)

Order of Exercises

JUNIOR DIVISION

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| 1. Basic Control | 4. Take A Line |
| 2. Single Retrieve | 5. Tow A Boat |
| 3. Drop Retrieve | 6. Swim With Handler |

SENIOR DIVISION

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| 1. Double Retrieve | 4. Underwater Retrieve |
| 2. Retrieve Off a Boat | 5. Take a Line/Tow a Boat |
| 3. Take a Life Ring | 6. Rescue |

EXCELLENT DIVISION

1. Abandoned Boat
2. Multiple Person Rescue
3. Unconscious Victim
4. Capsized Raft
5. Line To Shore
6. Hidden Victims

Test Site

Lake Lou Yaeger is a public lake located just east of Litchfield, Illinois. We have been given special permission again this year to use the volunteer fire department's beach area and air-conditioned pavilion. It has a nice sand beach off the main body of the lake in a "no wake" zone. There are many shade trees at the site and places to sit in lawn chairs or on a blanket to watch. Dogs are allowed in the Air Conditioned building or they can hang out under the shade trees!!

The water is mildly murky and can be cloudy to muddy after a rain. The shoreline slopes gradually with dogs swimming within twenty feet after entering the water.

Directions to the Site

Lake Lou Yaeger is located off Route 16 east of Litchfield, IL. Take interstate 55 to Litchfield exit #52. Take Route 16 east through Litchfield. On the east side of town, turn left at the Lake Lou Yaeger sign (there is a cemetery to your right). Watch for Newf signs. We will be at the Fireman's Park. Park signs will direct you to the site.

Recommended Hotels Accepting Dogs

Hampton Inn

11 Thunderbird Circle
217-324-4441
Hotel is just off Rte 55 as you enter Litchfield

Best Western

I-55 & Rte. 108
217-324-2100
At Carlinville, Exit #60 off I-55

Holiday Inn Express

4 Thunderbird Circle
217-324-4556
Hotel is just off Rte 55 as you enter Litchfield

Camping: Bicentennial/Lou Yeager Campground – 217-324-4771

Rainmaker Campground: 217-741-7595

Country Bend Campground: 217-324-2363

Trophies

Back by popular demand, our trophies will be thick, luxurious terry cloth bath towels with a water work design embroidered on each one.

Each exhibitor will receive a gift for participating in the test.

CATALOG ADVERTISING

Ads must be camera ready.
Full page (5" x 7.5"): \$20.00
Half page (5" x 3.5"): \$10.00

Deadline for all catalog advertising is **July 27, 2024**.
Please send ad copy and payment to the test secretary and
make checks payable to RKNC.

Newfie Raffle

On Saturday we will be having a “brown bag” raffle – please check it out and buy some tickets!!

RKNC will be providing free breakfast and lunch on both Saturday and Sunday

**Enjoy some summer fun at
our 33rd Annual Water Test!**



NCA WATER TEST ENTRY FORM

NCA Water Test Hosted by: River King Newfoundland Club

At: Lake Lou Yaeger, Litchfield, IL on **August 17 & 18, 2024**

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Please print legibly. Information on this form will be used for record keeping and to generate a certificate of qualification should the dog and handler pass.

Attach a current copy of this dog's AKC Registration

Saturday

JR Entry JR Requalifier SR Entry SR Requalifier WRDX WRDX Requalifier

Sunday

JR Entry JR Requalifier SR Entry SR Requalifier WRDX WRDX Requalifier

Full Name of Dog: _____ Sex _____

Call Name: _____ AKC# _____ DOB _____

Sire: _____

Dam: _____

Breeder (s) Name _____

Handler's Name _____

Registered Owner (s) _____

Owner's Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Is owner/co-owner an NCA member? **Yes** **No**

Entry Form Must Be Signed To Be A Valid Entry

I understand that I enter my dog in this NCA Working Test at my own risk. I have read the Test Regulations and understand them. I agree to abide by the Test Regulations, the NCA Constitution and By-Laws, and further agree to be bounded by the Agreement printed on the reverse side of this entry form.

Signature _____ Date: _____

(Signature of Owner/Agent duly authorized to make this entry)

Phone (____) _____ E-Mail _____

AGREEMENT

I (we) acknowledge that the NCA test regulations have been made available to me (us) and that I am (we are) familiar with their contents. I (we) agree that the club holding this event has the right to refuse this entry for cause which the club shall deem to be sufficient. I (we) agree that I (we) will uphold the AKC Code of Sportsmanship, the NCA Code of Ethics, and (if applicable) the NCA Judges Code of Ethics. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry and of the holding of this event and of the opportunity to have the dog judged and to win ribbons or trophies, I (we) agree to hold this club, its members, directors, governors, officers, agents, superintendents, or test secretary and the owner or lessor of the premises or grounds and the 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 this dog while in or upon the test premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto, and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for such claim; and I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim or loss of the dog by 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 causes. I (we) agree that any violation of the AKC Code of Sportsmanship, the NCA Code of Ethics and/or the Judges Code of Ethics will be handled pursuant to the Grievance policies listed on the NCA website. 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, or my vehicle arising out of or in consequence of my (our) participation in this test, howsoever 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 other persons.

I agree to grant to this club, and its authorized representatives permission to record on photography film and/or video, pictures of my participation. I further agree that any or all of the material photographed may be used, in any form, as part of any future publications, brochure, or other printed materials used to promote NCA or the regional club, and further that such use shall be without payment of fees, royalties, special credit or other compensation.

The Newfoundland Club of America, this regional club, its members, directors, governors, officers, agents, superintendents, test committee, reserves the right to remove any animal in distress from a parked car or crate, and all persons attending this dog event hereby waive any claim for damages against the club for such removal. I understand that exposing a dog to an unsafe environment, distress, or harm's way is considered mistreatment and subject to appropriate discipline.

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