Southern California Portuguese Water Dog Club

20th Annual Water Trials
Saturday, September 30, 2017
Sunday October 1, 2017

Open Practice on Friday, September 29 ($5 fee)

Castaic Lake Recreation Area, Castaic, California
Hours: 7:00am-6pm

Judge:
John Brock, Cumming, GA

Entries Open Monday, August 14
Entries close Tuesday, September 5
(Draw period is August 16 – August 30)

Meal reservations close September 15

Directions to Castaic Lake:

Travelling South on Hwy 5: Take Lake Hughes Road exit. Turn left and proceed to Lake Hughes Road. Turn left onto Lake Hughes Road. At the first stop sign, turn left on Ridge Route Road. At the next stop sign turn right on Castaic Lake Road and right into the park entrance.

Travelling North on Hwy 5: Take Lake Hughes Road exit. Turn right on Lake Hughes Road. At the first stop sign, turn left on Ridge Route Road. At the next stop sign turn right on Castaic Lake Road and right into the park entrance.

Once in Castaic Lake Park: Follow the road to Paradise Cove to park and unload. Park in the small parking lot in Paradise Cove. Water Trial site is at Hobie Beach.
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TRIAL COMMITTEE

Trial Chairperson: Steve Monas
Members: Mary Baum, Eric Cantlay, John Cucura, Lee Ann Emirkhanian, Jill Jensen, Tom Jensen, Lauren Jones, Maggie Megaw, Wendy Parker

Trial Secretary:
Susan Cucura
13230 Lake Street, Los Angeles, CA 90066
310-391-9991
pwdcucs@verizon.net

TOTAL ENTRY LIMITS

Entries will be limited to 35 teams or 8 hours of judging per day.
NOTE: The Water Trial Committee reserves the right to lower the number of teams for each trial should the make-up of the levels for that day exceed 8 hours of judging.

ORDER OF JUDGING

Saturday, September 30, 2017: Junior to Master
Sunday, October 1, 2017: Master to Junior

OPENING DATE/CLOSING DATE

Opening Date: Monday, August 14, 2017
Closing Date: Tuesday, September 5, 2017

Draw Period/Waiting List
The Draw Period will be from August 16 - August 30 at 6pm.
If entry limits are exceeded during this period, a random drawing for each trial will be conducted in accordance with the rules of the current Water Trial Manual. All entries not drawn will be put on a waiting list. Random Drawing will take place at the Trial Secretary’s home on 9/1/17 at 5pm. Cancellations after the close date (September 5) will not receive refunds.

Day-of-Trials Entries
If entry limits are not reached by the closing date, day-of-trial entries will be accepted from 7:30am-8am on a first come, first serve basis with an additional fee of $5 per entry, and as space and time are available.

For-Exhibit or Non-Regular Entries
For-exhibit or non-regular entries will be accepted after all regular entries are accommodated.

Tentative Schedule for Saturday and Sunday

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<td>7:00am Site set up</td>
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<td>7:30am Equipment check for Junior and Apprentice levels</td>
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<td>7:45am Judge’s briefing for Junior level followed by judging</td>
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<td>Judge’s briefing for Master level followed by judging</td>
<td>Judge’s briefing for Junior level followed by judging</td>
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<td>5:30pm Dinner/Raffle</td>
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(See page 10 for details)

***Breaks and lunch will be taken at the discretion of the judge. Following the completion of judging, awards will be presented and photos taken.
**NOTICE TO ALL PARTICIPANTS**

**Equipment:** Participants may use their own equipment if approved after inspection by the judge or designee. Additional or substitute equipment will be provided by the SCPWDC.

**PFD and Footwear:** USCG-approved life vests/PFDs, as well as closed-toed protective footwear, must be worn by all participants in accordance with the current PWDCA Water Trial Manual. Dogs are required to wear an appropriate harness.

**Age Minimum:** Minimum age for human participants is 9 years old. Participants aged 9 through 17 years (i.e. younger than 18) must have a parent or legal guardian present at the trial site while they participate. Minimum age of dogs is six months old. Dogs six months old and under one year, must earn a Junior Certificate before entering at the Apprentice level.

**Awards:** Dogs that successfully pass all required exercises in their test level receive a rosette ribbon from the SCPWDC and the applicable certificate or title from the PWDCA.

**Rules and Regulations:** The trial will be held in accordance with the most current provisions as set by the PWDCA Water Trial Manual. Each participant is responsible for familiarizing themselves with said regulations. Copies of the Water Trial Manual may be downloaded from www.pwdca.org

**Refunds:** Entry fees shall not be refunded in the event the dog is absent, excused by a veterinarian or judge, or barred from competition by action of the Trial Committee. It is impossible to open or complete the trial because of riots, civil disturbance or other acts of God beyond the control of the Trial Committee, no refund of entry fees will be made.

**Bitches in Season:** BIS will be allowed to compete at the end of the last regular event of the day and shall not be brought to the competition or surrounding areas until all judging has been completed. The handler is required to be present at the judge’s briefing for the level entered. Please ask at check-in where BIS are to be crated.

**Substitute Stewards:** A participant may use his/her own steward as provided by the current Water Trial Manual. The substitute steward must be named on the entry form and must sign the Agreement on the entry form. Requests for any change in steward must be approved by the Trial Secretary and judge. Substitute stewards must conduct themselves according to the PWDCA Water Trial Manual.

**Day-of-Trial Move-ups:** Day-of-trial move-ups will be considered at the discretion of the judge and water trial committee and are not to exceed the total 35 teams per day or 8 hours of judging limit. Day of Trial Move-ups will take place on a space available basis and team will work after the last regularly scheduled dog at the new level. Day-of-trial move-ups will be excused after the first exercise failed. Requests for move-ups must be submitted in writing to the Trial Secretary prior to the start of judge’s briefing for the new level. A $15 move-up fee will be charged.

**Move-ups from Saturday to Sunday** will be allowed. Requests must be made in writing to the Trial Secretary by 6pm on Saturday.

**Failure Policy:** All pre-entries will be allowed to complete all tests within the pre-entered test level and with the time limits allowed by the Water Trial Manual. Day-of-Trial move-ups will be excused after the first exercise failed.

**Alcohol:** Castaic Lake does not allow alcohol in the park and no alcohol is to be consumed at our trial area. Do not bring alcoholic beverages into the park.

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**HOTEL INFORMATION**

The host hotel – La Quinta does not require a pet fee. Please check with the other hotels for policies and restrictions. A pet deposit may be required.

- **LA Quinta Inn and Suites Santa Clarita/Stevenson Ranch** 661-286-1111
  25201 The Old Road
  Stevenson Ranch, CA 91381
  Please ask for the “Portuguese Water Dog” rate of $125+tax/room.

- **Best Western Valencia Inn** 661-255-0555
  27413 Wayne Mills Place
  Valencia, CA

- **Residence Inn Stevenson Ranch** 661-290-2800
  25320 The Old Road
  Santa Clarita, CA 91381

**RV’S / CAMPGROUNDS**

- **Castaic Lake RV Park** 661-257-3340
  31540 Ridge Route Road
  Castaic, CA

- **Full hook-up RV sites**
  http://www.castaiclakervpark.com

Tent Camping: Limited tent camping may be available at the trial site by prior approval of the Water Trial Committee. If you would like to camp in a tent at the site, please make arrangements by emailing Susan Cucura at pwdcucs@verizon.net

**PHOTOGRAPHER**

At this time, we do not have a photographer. We are hoping to have one for the trials.

**VETERINARIAN ON CALL**

- **Valencia Veterinary Center**
  23928 Summerhill Lane
  Valencia, CA 91354
  661-263-9000

A full service, 24-hour pet hospital, emergency and critical care facility

**DIRECTIONS FROM THE LAKE:** From the 5 Fwy South:
Take exit 172 for Newhall Ranch Rd/CA-126 toward Ventura.
Turn left onto CA-126-E. Continue onto Newhall Ranch Rd.
Turn left onto Copper Hill Dr. Turn right on Decoro Drive.
Turn left onto McBean Pkwy.
Make a U-Turn at Skycrest Circle Drive.
Building is on the right.
**Friday Night Get-Together at the La Quinta Stevenson Ranch**

We will be bringing in El Pollo Loco so everyone can have a shower and relax after practice without worrying about dinner. Cost is $13/per person. Please bring your own beverage. We will meet on the patio outside of the breakfast room.

**Saturday Night Dinner**

We have a delicious Barbeque planned for Saturday evening following the trial, right at the trial site. Wood Ranch will be catering our feast with ribs, chicken and all the fixins. A surprise dessert and something to drink are included. All for $25 per person.

**Lunc hes**

Lunch on Saturday and Sunday will be catered by Corner Bakery. We offer a choice of sandwiches or salads. The sandwiches come with potato chips and a beverage. The salad comes with a beverage. Please include the number of lunches with payment of $13 per lunch.

*(Please indicate quantity for each day)*

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<td>Ham and Swiss on Pretzel Bread with red onions, tomatoes</td>
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<td>Tomato Mozzarella Sandwich with roasted red peppers, fresh basil, arugula, balsamic vinaigrette on a baguette</td>
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<td>Santa Fe Ranch Salad: Greens, chicken, fresh corn salsa, cheddar cheese, tomatoes, tortilla strips, avocado ranch dressing</td>
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<td>Asian Salad: chicken, edamame, tomato, cucumber, carrots, red pepper, mixed greens, cabbage, crispy wontons, ginger soy dressing</td>
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<td>Spinach Sweet Crisp: Spinach, strawberries, oranges, grapes, dried cranberries, green onions, goat cheese, pomegranate vinaigrette</td>
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**Name(s)__________________________________________**

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**Friday Dinner at LQ ($13/person)**

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*Please make sure to send separate checks for meals and entry fees!*

Send meal order with check payable to SCPWDC to: Susan Cucura, 13230 Lake Street, Los Angeles, CA 90066.

**Deadline for meal orders – September 15**

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**WATER TRIAL VOLUNTEER FORM**

*Castaic Lake Recreation Area*

Saturday, September 30, 2017 • Sunday, October 30, 2017

Hosted by the Southern California Portuguese Water Dog Club, Inc.

Water trials are great fun. But they can only take place with the help of dedicated volunteers. We need your help! Please fill out the form below and send it to: Susan Cucura, 13230 Lake Street, Los Angeles, CA 90066 You may also include this with your entries. Or you may email Susan at pwdcucs@verizon.net

If you are entering the trials, please indicate which class or classes you are entering. Include classes in which you are substitute stewarding.

**Saturday**

- Junior
- Apprentice
- Working
- Courier
- Master

**Sunday**

- Master
- Courier
- Working
- Apprentice
- Junior

**Name(s)_________________________**

**Phone_________________________**

**Do you have water trial experience? Briefly explain. (Don’t worry if you don’t!)**

**Here are some of the tasks for which we may need volunteers. Please check the ones you are interested in helping with. Don’t worry if you don’t understand the jobs involved. Someone will help you.**

- Land Steward
- Grounds set-up
- People check-in
- Boat Steward
- Grounds clean-up
- Hospitality (Breakfast)
- Gate Steward
- Equipment check-in
- Hospitality (Lunch)
- Raffle
- Hospitality (Dinner)
- Friday evening get-together at LQ Stevenson Ranch Set-up/Clean-up
- I’d like to help wherever I’m needed

I have read and agree to be bound by the agreement printed on the entry form as well as the stipulations contained in the premium list, plus any directive received from any official involved in staging the event.

**Signature of volunteer*_________________________**

**Date________**

*If the volunteer named herein is under 18 years of age, this form must be signed and acknowledged by his/her legal guardian.*