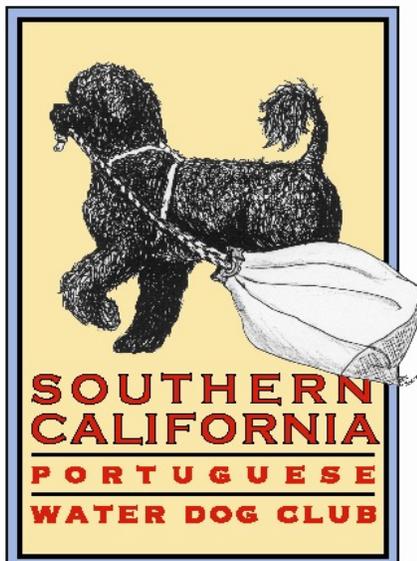


Southern California Portuguese Water Dog Club



24th Annual Water Trials

Saturday, September 16, 2023

Sunday, September 17, 2023

Open Practice on Friday, September 15 (\$5 fee for unentered dogs)

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

Judge: Amanda Ford, Coupeville, WA

Entries Open Tuesday, August 1, 2023 Entries close Tuesday, August 22, 2023

Meal reservations close September 6

We are using perfdog.com to accept all entries. Enter online and pay with a credit card.

Entry fee: \$58 per entry (includes \$3 non-refundable service fee).

For help entering online, please contact support@perfdog.com

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Trial Chairperson: Eric Cantlay

Members: Mary Baum, John Cucura, Lee Ann Emirkhanian, Nancy Gills, Mollie Tobin

Trial Secretary:

Susan Cucura
13230 Lake Street, Los Angeles, CA 90066
310-391-9991
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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.

OPENING DATE/CLOSING DATE

Opening Date: Tuesday, August 1, 2023

Closing Date: Tuesday, August 22, 2023

ORDER OF JUDGING

Saturday, September 16, 2023: Junior to Master

Sunday, September 17, 2023: Master to Junior

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.

Entry Fees: Entry fee is \$58 (which includes a \$3 non-refundable service fee). Entries may be made online at: www.perfdog.com.

Entries will be first come, first served. If entries exceed the limits, dogs will be placed on a waiting list and owner will be notified as space becomes available. Entries of the same dog in more than one class will **only** be accepted if the trial doesn't fill and all dogs have been allocated at least one spot at one level. If the trial doesn't fill, second entries will be filled from first received forward.

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

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.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE FOR SATURDAY AND SUNDAY

Saturday

7:00am Site set up

7:30am Equipment check for Junior and Apprentice levels

7:45am Judge's briefing for Junior level followed by judging

Judge's briefing for Apprentice level followed by judging

Equipment check for Working, Courier and Versatility levels

Judge's briefing for Working level followed by judging

Judge's briefing for Courier level followed by judging

Judge's briefing for Master level followed by judging

5:30pm Dinner/Raffle
(See page 10 for details)

Sunday

Site set up

Equipment check for Master, Courier and Working levels

Judge's briefing for Master level followed by judging

Judge's briefing for Courier level followed by judging

Judge's briefing for Working level followed by judging

Equipment check for Apprentice and Junior levels

Judge's briefing for Apprentice level followed by judging

Judge's briefing for Junior level followed by judging

Site take down

***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. A copy 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. If 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. **Fees for entries include a Processing Fee. Entries may be cancelled or changed online prior to close of entry, with refunds (less the Processing Fee per entry) available to keep as PerfDog credit, refund to credit card, or mail via check (less a \$3 Check Fee). Entries and extras may be cancelled online after close of entry, but no refunds will be given.**

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. DOT move-ups will only be considered on Saturday.

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.

HOTEL INFORMATION

LA Quinta Inn and Suites Santa Clarita/Stevenson Ranch 661-286-1111
25201 The Old Road, Stevenson Ranch, CA 91381.

Please ask for the “PWD Group Block” rate of \$169+tax/room (no dog fee).

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>

PHOTOGRAPHER

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

VETERINARIAN ON CALL

All Creatures Veterinary Center
22722 Lyons Ave., Newhall, CA 91321
661-291-1121

A full service, 8am-6pm pet hospital, emergency facility

Valencia Veterinary Center
23928 Summerhill Lane, Santa Clarita, CA 91354
661-367-8037

A full service, 8am-6pm pet hospital, emergency facility

There are no 24-hour emergency vets close to Castaic or Stevenson Ranch. The vet below is the closest in Ventura:

Veterinary Medical & Surgical Group
2199 Sperry Ave., Ventura, CA 93003
805-339-2290

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

Or depending on traffic and time of day, **VCA West Los Angeles** – Phone number: **310-473-2951**
or **VCA ASEC** in West Los Angeles - Phone number: **424-325-6699**

LUNCHES AND DINNERS

Friday Night Get-Together at the La Quinta Stevenson Ranch

We will be bringing in Mexican fare so everyone can have a shower and relax after practice without worrying about dinner. Cost is \$20/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 baby back ribs, chicken and all the fixins'. A surprise dessert and something to drink are included. All for \$32 per person.

Lunches

We are trying something new this year. We will have a group order link to Panera that will be sent out to everyone. You can use this link to order what you would like for lunch on Saturday and Sunday and pay for your order. All of our orders will be ready to be picked up by one person who will bring it to the lake. Information and link will be sent to all entrants.

Name(s) _____ Phone _____

Friday Dinner (\$20/person) # _____ \$ _____

Saturday Barbeque Dinner (\$32/person) # _____ \$ _____

Total: \$ _____

Send meal order with check payable to **SCPWDC** to:

Susan Cucura, 13230 Lake Street, Los Angeles, CA 90066.

If you wish to pay via PayPal, please add \$3 for service fees and send to: scpwdc@gmail.com

Deadline for meal orders – September 6

WATER TRIAL VOLUNTEER FORM

Castaic Lake Recreation Area
Saturday, September 16, 2023 • Sunday, September 17, 202273
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. Or you may email Susan at pwdcucs@gmail.com

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 _____ Email _____

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.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Land Steward | <input type="checkbox"/> Grounds set-up | <input type="checkbox"/> People check-in |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boat Steward | <input type="checkbox"/> Grounds clean-up | <input type="checkbox"/> Ice pick up Sat/Sun mornings |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gate Steward | <input type="checkbox"/> Equipment check-in | <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality (Lunch) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Raffle | | <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality (Dinner) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 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.

Participation Agreement

Conditions: These trials are open to pure bred Portuguese Water Dogs. I/we understand that the dogs must be in good health, proper fitness and condition for the test they are about to enter and must be at least 6 months of age in order to compete in the water trials. I/we agree to these terms. I/we accept full responsibility for the care of my dog(s) during the water trial.

Special Rules: The water trial is located within the confines of _____.
I/we agree to become familiar with and adhere to all site rules and regulations including but not limited to the following:

- Dogs must be on leash or confined to a crate at all times except when participating in practice sessions or when actually being judged.
- If my dog soils the grounds, I am responsible for cleanup and disposal
- Nothing (dogs, banners, etc.) is to be attached to any tree in the park.

General Rules: The Portuguese Water Dog Club of America, Inc., (hereinafter "PWDCA") rules, regulations, policies and guidelines for water trial participants (hereinafter "the rules") are in the current PWDCA Water Trial Manual available on the Web site, www.pwdca.org. I/we have received the current Manual and/or have read the rules via the Web site and I/we agree to obey the rules.

Hold-harmless: I/we agree to hold the PWDCA and the event-giving club, their members, directors, officers, agents, and judge(s) at this event, the owner and/or lessor of the premises, any provider of services for this event and any employees or volunteers of any of the aforementioned parties, harmless from any claim for loss, injury, or illness which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person, animal or thing by the act of my dog while in or upon the trial grounds or while entering or leaving same, and I/we further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss, disappearance or theft of, or damage injury or illness to, my dog, whether such loss, disappearance, theft, damage, injury or illness is caused or alleged to be caused by the negligence of the club or any other parties aforementioned, by the negligence of any other person, or by any other cause or causes.

Indemnification: 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 there from, 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 trial, howsoever such 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.

Arbitration: Notwithstanding any of the above, in the event that I/we or my dog(s) suffer any damage, injury, illness, or loss (including the death of the dog(s) arising from the water trial), I/we agree that any claim arising out of or related to the entry, exhibition or attendance at the event or as to the construction, interpretation and effect of this agreement shall be settled by arbitration pursuant to the applicable rules of the American Arbitration Association. I/we agree that any such arbitration will take place in _____ within 60 days of the incident giving rise to the claim, or at such other time and place as the parties may agree. I/we agree to pay a prorated share of the costs of any such arbitration.

I/we agree that these clubs have the right to refuse this entry or any entry for any cause which they deem to be sufficient.

Owner/Handler's initials: _____ Substitute Steward's initials: _____

Date: _____ Date: _____

Entry is not valid unless signed, dated, and submitted with correct fees by the closing date.

PWDCA Water Trial Entry Form

Entry Fees: _____ per entry/per day. **Entries open** _____
and close _____ after which time entries cannot be
cancelled for refund

Level entered (one level per dog): Junior Apprentice Working Courier Master

What leg are you working on? Working _____ Courier _____ Master _____

Days Entered: _____ _____ _____ _____

Make checks or money orders payable in U.S. funds to _____

I enclose \$ _____ for entry fees.

Fill out form completely. Use the TAB key to move from field to field.

Prefix Titles _____ Registered name of dog _____

Suffix Titles (include PWDCA titles) _____ Sex _____ Call Name _____

Date of Birth _____ AKC # or Foreign Reg # (list country) _____

Breeder _____

Sire _____

Dam _____

Owner(s) _____ Phone _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Owner(s) Email _____

Handler _____ Phone _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Handler's Email _____

Substitute Steward _____ Phone _____

I hereby certify I am the actual owner of the dog or duly authorized agent of or handler for the actual owner whose name has been entered above. I have read and agree to be bound by the agreement printed on the reverse side of this entry form as well as the stipulations contained in the premium list plus any directive received from any official involved in staging the event. I certify and represent that the dog entered is over 6 months of age (at the time of this event) and is not a hazard to persons or other dogs.

Signature of owner/handler* _____ Date _____

Signature of substitute steward* _____ Date _____

*If the handler and/or substitute steward named herein is under 18 years of age (must be at least 9 or older), this entry form must be signed and acknowledged by his/her legal guardian.

Entry is not valid unless accompanied by the signed and dated Participation Agreement.