



NOMAD NEWS

Northern Magic Agility Dogs

NOVEMBER

2013

NOMAD Membership Annual Renewal – 2014

Due by December 31, 2013

PLEASE CHECK TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP:

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|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$30 Working Member (20 hours of club-related activity) | <input type="checkbox"/> \$85 Supporting Family |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$35 Working Family | <input type="checkbox"/> \$15 Jr. Handler (under 17) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$75 Supporting Member | |

All new members who joined after June 30, 2013 are exempt from 2014 dues but must return this form.

Member Name: _____

If you were a working member in 2013, please estimate how many hours you worked. _____ Hours
 ***Please make your best guess. This information is used to identify members who satisfied the work requirement when it comes to priority registration for camp, etc.

I would like to join (or continue on) the following committee(s) (descriptions on page 2). Indicate any/all committees on which you wish to serve for 2014 even if you were on the same committee(s) last year. Committees will be asked to select a chairperson from among their members shortly after January 1, 2014

- NADAC Trial Committee,
 USDAA Trial Committee
 CPE Trial Committee
 Membership Committee
 Practice/Lessons Committee
 Equipment Committee
 Seminar Committee
 Outreach/Jr. Handler Committee
 Facility Committee.

Sign the liability waiver below and send this form along with your check payable to "NOMAD" to:
 Betsy Nye, 25 Stannard Drive, Essex Junction, VT 05452

Please provide any updates or changes to the information requested below. If nothing has changed, then leave blank. If you have new dogs to join, please send that information to Judith Kessler using the form that is on the website.

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Email _____

Liability Waiver

I understand that there are a variety of risks to me and my dog from attending NOMAD activities. These risks include, but are not limited to, getting hit by a car, bitten by a dog, tripping and falling, spraining ankles or breaking bones. Understanding these risks, I voluntarily and knowingly waive any right I (and others on my behalf) might otherwise have to make any claim against any member or officer of Northern Magic Agility Dogs, Inc. (NOMAD) and/or any other person or entity connected with NOMAD activities (including, but not limited to, the owner or lessee of any property used by NOMAD) for any and all injuries or damage related to any NOMAD event.

Signature: _____

Date _____

COMMITTEES

NADAC Trial: Plans the NADAC trial. Create the format for the trial and plan/coordinate all logistics and aspects of the trial (eg. premium creation, registration, site preparation, equipment, judges, volunteer workers, hospitality and more!). There are many big and small jobs to be done. Experience is not necessary!

USDAA Trial: Plans the USDAA trial. Create the format for the trial and plan/coordinate all logistics and aspects of the trial (eg. premium creation, registration, site preparation, equipment, judges, volunteer workers, hospitality and more!). There are many big and small jobs to be done. Experience is not necessary!

Practice/Lessons: Organizes summer and winter practices, arranges for sites, schedules facilitators.

Membership: Welcomes new members to the club by handling applications, plans orientations, assigns mentors and coordinates the Buddy program. Develops initiatives to keep the membership application and renewal process streamlined. We will have 1 or 2 meetings a year. Most issues and discussions are handled through email.

Equipment: Keeps track of the location of the equipment and maintains the equipment. Suggests and makes recommendations for the purchase of new equipment. Responsible for assuring equipment is trial-ready and delivered to trial site.

Demo: Find places and organize the events for demonstration of agility for the public. They are now a regular feature at the Champlain Valley Fair. There are many jobs to do both before and the day of a demo.

Outreach/Jr. Handler: This is directed toward humans under 17 who want to participate in the sport. Develops programs to go into the schools to educate students and the public about positive training and agility. They have held a Jr. handler class and hope to develop seminars or other training events for members under 17.

Seminar: The seminar committee each year plans seminars, workshops, and possibly camps. This is an exciting committee to be on. We invite top competitors/instructors to present the seminars. These seminars are for all members of the club. The committee has one or two meetings a year and does some of the planning via e-mail. There are many jobs to be done at the seminars (refreshments, setting courses, instructor hospitality, etc.). To be able to run the seminars, we ask committee members to put some time in working at the seminars.

NEW DOGS and NEW TEAM

Kate Carter with **Ben**, 2yr. old male, neutered Border Collie.

Carla Dunbar with **Luke**, 8 month old male Border Collie

Sherry Crossley with **Maggie Mae**, female, spayed, 4 yr. old Sheltie. Has been doing agility for about 2 years. 616 Turnpike Rd. North, Fairlee, VT 05045, 802-333-9579, scrossley58@gmail.com, supporting member

Winter Practice and Seminars at Wildwood Barn

November and December, 2013

Course practice –one dog at a time in ring

Sequences/course practice – multiple dogs in the ring for sequences followed by one dog at a time for course practice

		9:00-11:30	11:45-1:30
November			
	2	Move equipment	Novice course practice
	9	Course practice	Sequences/course practice
	16-17	Seminars with Monique Plink	
	23	Course practice	Sequences/course practice
	30	League	Sequences/course practice
December			
	7	League	Sequences/course practice
	14	League	Sequences/course practice
	21	League	Sequences/course practice
	28	League	Sequences/course practice

Note: First session attendees, please have a few people remain at the barn to help put equipment away in the event the second session has low attendance.

<http://nomadagility.com>

NOMAD's Steering Committee

Contact them if you have questions or suggestions.

President: Lisa Marcus, lisamarcus@comcast.net

Vice-President: Judy Frey, rjfrey2@yahoo.com

Treasurer: Linda Ladd, vtladds@comcast.net

Secretary: Sarah Albert, sarah@vmlink.net

Members at Large

Joanne Lawton, joanelawton@aol.com

Marty Abair, corgitown@yahoo.com

Roberta Dumas, ilvcallie@comcast.net

NOMAD Fall Meeting Minutes

October 6, 2013, Richmond VT

Present: Linda Ladd, Marty Abair, Karen Clark, Betsy Nye, Erica Ferland, Lisa Marcus, John Marcus, Judy Frey, Judy Kessler, Carla Dunbar, Patti McMahon, Roberta Dumas, Kate Carter, Trudy Lyon-Hart, Caroline McKinney, Kit Erskine, Lisa Barrett, Melissa Carter, Sarah Albert

Minutes from Spring 2013 meeting were approved, with request from Kate Carter to amend them to include that at Spring meeting the practice committee had asked whether everyone's needs were being met and the answer had been in the affirmative.

Finance: Balance sheet: Total cash is \$35,297.82; net income for the year was \$9,067.12. John moved that \$5,000 be moved to money market per Linda's request; this was approved unanimously. Budget: nothing had been budgeted for logowear but there's interest in being able to order it this year so Linda will add \$500 to budget. Lisa B. asked how the donation we'd received earlier this year to buy new electronic timers was reflected in the budget; Linda had recorded it under equipment purchases, but amount was much lower than actual cost because of the donation. With regard to CPE, we're waiting until the Spring meeting to create a budget because we don't yet know for certain whether we'll be holding a CPE trial. Motion to approve the budget, seconded and approved.

USDAA Trial Committee report – Lisa Barrett, trial chair

NOMAD's 2013 June USDAA trial was a wonderful success. We had 849 runs, and a really happy and skilled group of competitors. Many, many NOMADers volunteered countless hours AND cheered for almost every run. For the first time in years, we paid judging fees in addition to expenses, and we paid our trial secretary \$1 per run. We spent more money this year, but we ended up with a net income of more than \$4,000.

AND we had a fabulous, generous donation of a brand new set of electronic timers with ALL the bells and whistles. Everything is wireless, including the display! Anyone who wants to learn how to use it can borrow the instructions.

For our 2014 trial we have a few changes. Kim Ingraham decided not to continue as our Trial Secretary, and she felt confident we could get someone good to fill her very capable shoes. We're happy to have arranged for Val Duff to be our 2014 Trial Secretary. For those who don't know her, Val secretaries many of the New England USDAA trials, and she offers some extra services for competitors. Among other things, she emails course maps to competitors the morning of the trial, and she publishes all trial results on her website. Paul Stolzenburg will be our judge, and we expect to run the same schedule of classes as last year. Several capable NOMADers have stepped up to take some of the key jobs for the trial, and we already have a professional photographer.

We are planning to follow Riverside's lead in providing incentives for new USDAA competitors at our June trial: We'll pay their USDAA registration fees, we'll offer an early-morning explanation and discussion of Gamblers and Snooker, we'll identify experienced competitors willing to mentor and otherwise help less experienced competitors, and we might reserve some ringside

space for new competitors. We're still looking for more incentives, so let us know if you think of any.

In 2012-2013, we also held four USDAA Introductory Program Trials. These were small trials held at the Waterbury barn on four Sunday mornings. These Intro Trials provide trial experience for pre-Starters dogs, and they also provide an excellent training opportunity for more experienced dogs. All who participated seemed to have a good time and think it was a good experience, and we made a modest profit. Our volunteer judges were Elliot Kaplan and Kit Erskine. We plan to hold four more Intro Trials this winter, 2013-2014. To make the administrative work easier, we are proposing to buy Agility Trial Secretary software for \$300. Judy Kessler and Jennifer Kachajian have agreed to share the Intro Trial Secretary job. We can run the software on different computers at different trials, and the small database of competitors can be emailed between Judy and Jennifer. We also plan to pay our judges a pittance. If we purchase the trial secretary software, we still hope to break even on the Intro Trials in 2014.

Our trial will be held to be held on June 13-15. The committee is considering incentives for those who submit their trial registrations early. The Agility Trial Secretary software could also be used for League

NADAC Committee report – Karen Clark & Cynthia Gilliland, co-chairs

NOMAD's NADAC trial was held Aug. 17-18, 2013 at the Topnotch Field in Stowe, VT. It was our 15th anniversary of holding a NADAC trial. It was a one-ring trial with Sarah Fix as the judge. NAE provided trial sec services and equipment rental, and we had a good number of vendors, plus a new food vendor.

The trial made approximately \$150-\$200. There were 22 NOMADers competing, which was a good turnout. There were a number of NOMADers who weren't competing that came to work at the trial, which we really appreciate. The people on the NADAC committee were great! Most had multiple jobs, plus had to run their dogs. There were a lot of spectators. Kit did a wonderful job on the microphone of explaining dog agility and training to the crowd.

I think the trial was successful, in that it was nice relaxed trial. The judge was great. I think people enjoyed themselves.

If the club votes for a 2014 NADAC trial, NAE said they would be willing to work with us again. The food vendor said they would like to come back next year. If someone wants to chair or co-chair, Karen would not mind stepping down. If no one volunteers, she agrees to do it for one more year.

Caroline McKinney had hosted a free NADAC workshop given by Lynn Smitley on the Thursday before the trial.

CPE Committee

Marty had finally received acknowledgement of her application for NOMAD to be a host club. Judy F. asked whether there were enough members in club competing in CPE to support this trial;

several members at the meeting compete in CPE, as well as a number of NOMADers who weren't present. John said that a lot of things we already have on hand for our other trials were transferable; our (USDAA) contact equipment is the same as that for CPE. Members voted to approve the club holding a CPE trial.

NOMAD Seminar Committee Meeting, October 5, 2013

Attendees: Pam, Caroline, Lisa, Judy F, Kathy, Billie, Kit, Michelle

Camp 2014

- Two instructors: Lo Baker & asking Lori Michaels
- Two days with 20 participants each day (10 per instructor)
- \$250 working; \$350 supporting
- If we get "excessive interest" we'll try to add a 3rd day to camp to accommodate more people
- Will have an opening and closing date – similar to a trial (all registrations received prior to the opening date will be considered to have an opening day postmark) – Lisa is clarifying these in writing for the camp announcement
- If possible it would be ideal to have camp 2 weeks before the USDAA trial (June 13-15th); this date wouldn't interfere with the CATS or local CPE trial, but it might be possible to leave the equipment set up for the trial so that it wouldn't have to be moved

Spring 2014 Seminar

- Billie is asking Amanda Shyne if she is interested.

Fall 2013 Seminar

- Fall seminars are novice/pre-novice
- We've been asked to not have a novice or pre-novice session last more than 1/2 day because a full day is too much for most young dogs
- We're asking Monique Plinck back for this year's fall seminar, and she will only come for a 2-day seminar (November 16th – 17th) so the fall seminar will also offer an advanced/masters day
- Saturday November 16th will be a half day (9:00 – 12:30) for 5 pre-novice teams, followed by a half-day (1:30 – 5:00) for 5 novice teams
- Sunday November 17th will be a full day (9:00 – 4:30) for 8 advanced/masters teams
- Cost: Half day is \$50 for working members, \$70 for supporting members; Full day is \$100 for working members, \$140 for supporting members
- A save-the-date email will go out to the NOMAD list right away
- The seminar announcement and registration form will go out via the email list and will be posted on the NOMAD website on October 15th
- Opening date will be October 22nd (all registrations received before that time will be counted as being postmarked on the opening date); closing date will be one week later (October 29th) [end of report]

The committee has asked for an increased subsidy (\$860) for the Fall seminar because it is now 2 days instead of one and they would like to be able to offer it at an affordable price to NOMAD-

ers; Linda would like to increase the amount to \$870. Members approved the change to the 2013 budget.

Caroline asked whether we could make the Spring seminar available to novice/pre-novice dogs as well, since advanced/master dogs would be attending the Fall seminar. Kit said it hadn't been considered yet. Kate asked whether adv/masters could come for a half day; committee would need to ask Monique before that could be offered.

Practice Committee report—presented by Kate Carter

At the spring annual meeting the practice committee asked if the members' needs were being met at practice. The members at the meeting said their needs were being met. The practice committee would like the spring meeting minutes to reflect that feedback.

Practice Guidelines – We require a vote to accept the revised practice guidelines that were presented at the spring meeting.

Summer Practice

Practice averaged 9 teams/week from May 1 through Oct. 1. Income and participation at summer practices, including season pass and weekly rates from May 1 through Oct. 1 are as follows:

13 season passes @ \$45/pass	\$585.00
48 weekly fees @ \$5/team	\$240.00
Total income	\$825.00

Expenses are \$70/month mowing fees = \$350

Net income = \$495.00 as of October 1.

Most of the feedback we have been getting is that people like the schedule and the variety of facilitators, and novice night has been a success. The committee received one comment suggesting more nested novice courses on the other nights. Nested courses are being offered and numbered when requested on the night of those practice. The committee has encouraged people with novice dogs to do any part of the courses or sequences differently, as they may choose, in order to work at their own level or on specific skills.

The committee plan to continue with the same day (Tuesdays) and format next summer.

Winter practice and League schedule

The facilitator of the second session should come early for adequate communication around equipment moving. People in the first session should plan to stick around in case equipment needs to be put away. If people in first session don't know whether anyone is coming for second session, they'd have to put equipment away.

- League coordinators would like to start League on November 8 and end on January 11 with breaks on the Saturdays after the Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Years holidays (Nov. 30, Dec. 28, Jan. 4). The committee is fine with these dates, assuming that the work on the trailer has been completed and the equipment moved to the Barn by November 8. This also assumes that the Fall seminar will be held on a Sunday. If not (i.e. if it conflicts with League on a Saturday), League will need to adjust its schedule accordingly.
- The League coordinators also requested and received permission from Stephanie to start at 9:00 instead of 9:30. The practice committee thought it would make sense to assess

the best start time after League sign-up gives a better idea of the number of participants.

- On the Saturdays of League's breaks and after League ends (except for the Spring seminar weekend), we will hold the usual two practices:
 - 9:30-11:30 Course Practice
 - 11:45-1:30 Sequences and Course Practice
 During the weeks of League, 11:45-1:30 is Sequences and Course Practice
- If League starts at 9:00, in the interests of consistency, we would start setting up for the first practice at 9:00 (assuming no additional cost is involved).

Wednesday Practice Groups – These groups should continue to be autonomous, without involving the Practice Committee, but based on last year's experience, a process for impartial dispute settlement needs to be agreed upon. The Practice Committee suggests that two people from each of the different groups come together to work out conflicts internally. Disputes that are not settled this way should be brought to the NOMAD Steering Committee for resolution in accordance with NOMAD's bylaws.

Bylaws require that 2/3 of the membership vote to accept a change in practice guidelines; Lisa M. suggested that we send individual emails to each member asking them to vote on the guidelines and then tally the votes; Kit volunteered to do this.

League Note: League adjusted its schedule to be later in accordance with fall seminar and Thanksgiving weekend. League coordinators would now like to start League on November 30 and end on January 25 with breaks on the Saturdays after the Christmas and New Years holidays (Dec. 28 & Jan. 4).

There was discussion concerning Wednesday practice and dispute resolution. Several members felt that this was something that should be worked out among the people involved, and not come before the Steering Committee because these practices are not official NOMAD activities.

Equipment Committee Report – Roberta Dumas

Equipment Revival Party/Auction

The Equipment Revival Party was held on May 15th at Roberta's house. We had 13 members who attended. The equipment and trailer was cleaned, the trailer was organized, and lots of jump bars were retaped. Many thanks go to those who came to ensure our equipment is clean and well maintained!

We also conducted an online equipment auction during the week prior to the Revival party where members submitted bids for several pieces of used equipment. We completed our equipment auction at the revival party. We sold 2 A frames, a teeter, a dogwalk, 2 tunnels, and some cones. We raised \$1,941.00 from the auction.

Equipment Purchased

The budget of \$550.00 was approved at the October, 2012 meeting.

Expenses:

New Equipment:

A frame/wheels	\$1,600.75
shade canopy/anchors	\$218.31

2 stopwatches/egg timer	\$47.89
2 sets cones	\$122.10
20' tunnel	\$270.60
150 fence posts	\$378.42
first aid kit	\$14.99
kiddie pool/disposal of old pools	\$22.95
TOTAL	\$2,676.01
TOTAL Expenditures	\$3,535.62
INCOME (auction)	\$1,941.00
BALANCE	\$1,594.62

Repairs/Maintenance:

surveyor tape	\$14.79
jump bar tape	\$42.23
EZ up carry bag repair	\$30.00
misc. hardware	\$55.63
supplies for practice/ league	\$24.36
trailer repairs/upgrade	\$675.00
replacement cups for double/triple	\$17.60
TOTAL	\$859.61

Budget for 2014:

jump repairs/upgrades	\$100.00
1 set cones	\$65.00
Equipment clean up/repairs	\$40.00
New triple and double jumps	\$400.00
Misc.	\$200.00
TOTAL	\$805.00

With the new changes to the USDAA jump heights, it will be necessary to upgrade our triple and double jumps. The 2 Max 200 jumps we have will be able to be upgraded with kits that will add the extra jump cups to those jumps. However, the MAD Agility triple and double that we use during practice and at our USDAA trial, will not have such easy fixes. Hopefully, we'll find a solution before Jan. 2014. If not, it may be necessary to buy new ones.

At this time, it looks like we will be moving equipment from Roberta's to the Waterbury barn on the first Saturday of November.

The generous donation of electronic timers to the club was acknowledged. The cost of new jumps, if necessary, to comply with USDAA changes is not yet known because they're not on the market yet.

Membership Committee report, October 1, 2013

Current Membership

NOMAD currently has 59 members. 37 of whom are working members, 3 working families, 14 supporting, and 4 supporting families, and 1 Lifetime. For comparison purposes, we had 60 members at the end of 2012.

Tracking Working Member Volunteer Hours

As discussed at the April Membership meeting, the committee developed a Google Document system for NOMAD members to track volunteer hours. We asked several long-time members to

test it out and received enthusiastic positive feedback.

To summarize, we are proposing a system whereby each member would track their hours in a Google Document each month. Reminders to enter hours will be automatically sent via the NOMAD email list each month. At the end of the month, that month's document will be closed and the next month's opened. There will be a calculation of year-to-date totals readily available for members to see where they stand in meeting the 20 hour expectation. In addition to providing the tracking mechanism, the Google Document would provide instructions on how to use it and information about what types of activities to include.

At this fall membership meeting, we will be asking members to vote to implement this system for the 2014 membership year.

Membership Renewals

We are looking for a volunteer to take over the job of tracking members and handling the annual renewals. Renewal form will come out with the November newsletter.

Betsy Nye has agreed to take over membership renewals and tracking hours.

Charitable Giving report – Cynthia Gilliland

We have received two nominations for this year's charitable donation:

1. Nomination from Jennifer K.:

I have been thinking about Colorado a lot. Reminds me of Irene two years ago. A lot of livestock stranded and stores of hay and grain for the winter completely gone...

<http://www.horsefoodbank.org/> Quoted from their website:

"Imagine if you were faced with the prospect of losing your beloved equine companion because you could no longer afford to feed or care for him. We can't imagine this either. Colorado Horsecare Foodbank™ was founded on the fundamental belief that our horses make our lives better, and they deserve to be treated with the utmost care and respect.

Families across Colorado are facing challenging financial circumstances. Whether it's the loss of a job, reduced wages, a health crisis, or a natural disaster—the impact has been enormous, especially on horse owners.

Colorado Horsecare Foodbank, a 501(c)3 nonprofit foundation, was formed to keep people and their horses together during difficult financial times by providing food grants and locating facilities that can provide interim help during a crisis."

2. Judy Frey received a letter from this program early in the year—they were looking for funding help—she shared it on the list, and I filed it away for our consideration.

Meals on Wheels- Pets Eat Too

<http://homewardboundanimals.org/programs-services/meals-on-wheels-pets-eat-too-program-2/>

(quoted from their website)

"Homeward Bound, in partnership with the Champlain Valley Agency on Aging (CVAA), has established our Meals on Wheels-Pets Eat Too! Program. Through this program, Homeward Bound provides pet food to companion animals of persons who are receiving Meals on Wheels services and need assistance feeding their furry friends. This program is designed to assist partici-

pants in taking care of their animals by providing food for their pets and thus helping the pets remain in their homes with their owners.

Homeward Bound Animal Welfare Center, a division of the Addison County Humane Society is located in Middlebury, VT.

This year's donation will be given in Memory of:

Pat Nolin's beautiful Lab, Cleo

Don Denette's Joshi, the embodiment of a good dog

Cynthia had only been made aware of those two, but members noted that Billie Marsh's Bandit and Kate Carter's Brewster had also passed away this year.

Nominating committee –report submitted by Trudy Lyon-Hart

When Lisa M. stepping down from the Nominating Committee, it was my understanding that we needed to get a third person onto the committee before submitting the slate of officers. Accordingly, last night I asked and Kate Carter agreed to join us. The slate of nominated officers are as follows:

President - Lisa Marcus

Vice President - Judy Frey

Secretary - Sarah Albert

Member at Large (1 year) - Roberta Dumas

One vote was for the entire slate; moved, seconded and approved.

New Business:

Membership tracking – as proposed at Spring meeting and explained in the Membership committee report. The membership committee asks for a vote as to whether we should put hours tracking via a database into practice. Judy F. asked if we should adopt it on a trial basis. Members commented that if it doesn't work we can vote to suspend it next year. Moved, seconded and approved to begin tracking hours.

Committee chairs term limits: Do we need term limits? Bylaws say that committees need to vote for their chairs each year. John recommends that we follow the bylaws and vote for chairs. Lisa proposes that when membership renewal forms come back with committee signups, the membership committee contacts members of each committee with names of other committee members and asks them to vote for a chairperson. Votes can be done via email.

Indoor practice space: A committee was formed to investigate secure year-round indoor practice space.

Meeting adjourned at 4:17.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Sarah Albert, Secretary

NOMAD LEAGUE FOR 2013_14

Please Register by November 22, 2013

It's Time For League!!! This is a great opportunity to practice under quasi-trial conditions with your fellow club mates to cheer you on. When time allows, you can also "do it over!" How many times don't we wish we could try it again? Just a few more reasons to join league are to tune up your skills at walking the course and establish your plan under a time limit, experience courses from venues you may not participate in, experience being on a team should you choose, practice those new moves we are learning on the run and not just an exercise set, and "IT'S JUST PLAIN FUN".

The 2013-14 league season will consist of 8 weeks (matches) of competition starting Nov 30rd and ending Jan 25th; a total of 9 weeks which allows for a cancellation day. Each match will consist of 1 standard class and 1 games class (2 runs per match). Courses consistent with USDAA, AKC, CPE or NADAC regulations will be used (2 matches from each venue). New this year is Steeplechase!!

As time permits (we have added 30 minutes), we hope to be able to run each course a 2nd time for training and fun only. Participation in League is open to all NOMAD members.

Time: Course building and set-up starts at 9:00 am; all runs completed at 11:30.

Team structure and Fees: Each Team will consist of 3 or 4 dogs; with a variety of skill levels if possible. The fee for a team slot is \$70. Participants may identify their team with the registration document or request the League Secretary to place them on a team. All teams must provide a name for identification purposes and because it is fun! **Registration must be received by NOV 22nd.**

Drop-ins and subs are welcome (\$10 per week) and encouraged. You may join a team for the day (League Sec will place on a team as need provides) or you may choose to run FEO and will be judged and will receive a time for your own information, unless the run contains too much training to allow for relevant judging. Registration is not required, but for overall planning purposes, please email the league sec (marshb@westelcom.com) if you plan to participate as a drop-in (no commitment required).

League Staff:

Judge: Kit Erskine is the lead judge and will provide the courses and set the scoring criteria. Two match judges (Kit will be one when available) are needed each week.

Chief Course Builder: Kit

Assistant Course Builder: TBD The assistant will streamline the course building by coordinating with CCB and others. (Let me know if you would like to be the ACB)

League Secretary: Billie Marsh -who will provide scoring supplies including scribe sheets and track and post scores.

Timer, Scribe, Ring Crew: Everyone

Course Levels: There will be two nested levels of courses available:

"Baby Dogs"/ Novice: Have never trialed or competing at Novice/ Starters (8-15 obstacles); the Handler (prior to the run) may choose an obstacle to exclude in the standard course.

Advanced/ Open/ Masters/ Elite: Competing at Upper levels. (16-20 obstacles).

Jump Heights will be at the discretion of the handler.

Scoring: Will be based on faults, with the dog's time to break ties for placements. "New" this year, we will incorporate an SCT for each run.

TEAM REGISTRATION – LEAGUE 2013/14

Must be received by Nov 22nd

SEND THIS COMPLETED FORM (1 form per dog)
AND \$70 (payable to NOMAD) TO

Billie Marsh (110 Napper Road, Westport, NY 12993)

Handler Name:

Dog Name:

Level

____Baby Dog/ Novice ____Adv/Open/Masters/Elite

Team Name: _____

Members (handler/dog):

____ PLEASE FIND ME A TEAM

BRAGS



Lisa and Gib at Cynosports



October 10- 11, American Boxer Club Regionals (AKC) Gettysburg, Pa

Jill and Strummer

All Breed (AKC) Trial 10/10/13

Standard 20" 4th and Q

Boxer Only Regional Trial (AKC) 10/11/13

Standard 20" _____ 1st and Q

JWW 20" _____ 1st and Q

T2B 20" _____ 1st and Q

**High In STANDARD
HIGH IN JWW
HIGH IN TRIAL**

Sept. 28-29, All Dogs USDAA, Manchester, NH

Malia and Caroline

P3, 16"

Jumpers _____ 1st and Q

Standard _____ 2nd and Q

Pairs with _____ 2nd and Q for **MAD**

with Rumor and Diane McCormick

PGP _____ 2nd and Q

Maggie and Marty

P2 Pairs _____ 2nd and Q

with Sara McDonald and Sophie

Kirby and Marty

P2 Pairs _____ 1st and Q

with Cassy Lamothe and Jack



**YES
NOMAD**
Vermont Dog Agility Club

October 11-13, BARK USDAA, Manchester NH

Malia and Caroline

P3, 16"

PSteeplechase R1 _____ 1st and Q

PSteeplechase R2 _____ 1st and Q

Jumpers _____ 1st and Q

Snooker _____ 2nd and Super Q

Gamblers _____ 1st and Q

Judy Kessler & Monte

PI Standard, 22in. _____ 1st & Q

PERFORMANCE AGILITY DOG TITLE

PIII Snooker, 22in. _____ 1st & Super Q

Maggie and Marty

P3 Standard 8" 1st and NQ by 0.35 second!

Many personal Qs

October 18-20, CPE, Bo-Gee Deerfield, NH

Judy K. and Minna

Colors 20" Specialist L2 _____ 2nd and Q

Snooker 20" Specialist L2 _____ 2nd and Q

FullHouse 20" Specialist L2 _____ 2nd and Q

Judy K. and Monte

Snooker 24" Enthusiast L5 _____ 1st and Q

FullHouse 24" Enthusiast L5 _____ 1st and Q

Colors 24" Enthusiast L5 _____ 1st and Q

Snooker 24" Enthusiast L5 _____ 1st and Q

Standard 24" Enthusiast L4 _____ 1st and Q

LEVEL 4 ENTHUSIAST TITLE!!!!

Two big titles in two weekends. I'm very proud of my boy, especially the way he finally did weaves in public.

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Maggie and Marty

P2 Snooker 8" _____ 1st and Q

P2 TITLE!

Kirby and Marty

Many personal Qs

Malia and Caroline

P3, 16"

Gamblers _____ 1st and Q

PGrand Prix _____ 2nd and Q

Snooker _____ 2nd and Super Q

Jumpers _____ 1st and Q

Lynda and Gemma

Veterans Jumpers, 12" _____ 2nd & Q