

NOMAD NEWS

Northern Magic Agility Dogs

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2014 Richmond Free Library

NOMAD
Spring Meeting
April 21,
7-9pm

NOMAD Steering Committee Meeting at Marty Abair's office, Essex Junction March 10, 2014, 7:00 pm

Present: Lisa Marcus, Linda Ladd, Roberta Dumas, Marty Abair, Judy Frey, Sarah Albert

Yearly audit: Marty reminded us that we needed to do an audit before the spring meeting. Judy F. volunteered to help; she or Marty will contact Betsy and ask her to help with the audit again.

CPE trial: Marty hasn't had luck finding a suitable trial weekend; it's unknown whether Kim I. will use her regular CPE dates this year. We're not allowed to hold a trial within 100 miles of another CPE trial, but we don't want to compete with the NH trials around Manchester either.

Steering committee vacancy: Joanne's membership has lapsed and she hasn't responded to Lisa's email as to whether she plans to rejoin. We will have an election for the vacancy at the next meeting; we brainstormed a list of people who might be interested and Lisa will contact them.

Term limits: Roberta will have served 6 years on the SC in the fall. No one else's 6-year term expires this year.

New committee: At the last seminar committee meeting, some club members presented ideas they'd been discussing about expanding training opportunities (more frequent seminars, etc.). Since the seminar committee currently has a full slate with camp and spring seminar, the SC recommends that a new committee be formed to look into possibilities and suggest a framework, but not to commit any NOMAD funds until they've presented their proposal to the SC.

Event: The Stratton Foundation invited our club to organize agility activities at an event they're holding on Sunday, Oct. 12th from 11-2. We agreed that it was too far away to transport equipment or to expect members to participate.

Financials: NOMAD had an end-of-the-year balance of \$8,038; we'd budgeted \$1,520, so the club is doing very well. Our cash balance as of the end of February is \$30,935.60. Tax forms have been sent out. Linda will pick up new signature cards from the bank and bring them to the spring meeting.

SPRING MEETING planning: Because so many people are trialing on weekends, we decided to have the meeting on a Monday evening. Since the bylaws require the date to be 30 days from today, we scheduled it for **April 21st at 7 pm**. Sarah will send out an announcement to committee chairs asking them to submit reports by April 14th. Roberta will find out whether either the Richmond church or library are available to use for the meeting.

Future meetings: By law the steering committee is supposed to meet four times a year; we agreed to meet again in June once Camp NOMAD and the USDAA trial are past, in September before the Fall membership meeting and again in late fall.

Spring meeting agenda:

Approve minutes from fall meeting

Treasurer's report

Audit report

Committee reports

Old business (none that we are aware of, will consult fall minutes and verify)

New business (may include motions that arise from committee reports)

Election to fill Member-at-Large vacancy on steering committee

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Albert, Secretary

"When I was 5 years old, my mother always told me that happiness was the key to life. When I went to school, they asked me what I wanted to be when I grew up. I wrote down 'happy'. They told me I didn't understand the assignment, and I told them they didn't understand life."

- John Lennon

New Member

Elaine Rossi is joining NOMAD as a working member.

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working member

no agility buddy

interested in seminar committee or any place where no experience is necessary (anywhere, I guess?)

Dog is **Sophie**, a 6.5 y.o, female, fixed, cock-a-poo x scottie????

Save the date!

NOMAD NADAC trial, Aug. 16-17, 2014, at the Topnotch Meadow Field, Stowe, VT.

Our judge will be Ben Philibert. Hope to see you there!

NADAC's new "Intro" level!

Here is a general description of "Intro":

It is an additional level for the classes, just like Novice, Open and Elite. So now there are four levels to each class: Intro, Novice, Open and Elite. The only Intro level class with weaves will be Intro Weavers and it will have one set of 6 poles, if the class is offered. No other classes will have weaves in them. The Intro level will have no tunnel/contact discriminations.

The Intro level is a full titling level with the basic titles, with the same points requirements for titles as all other levels for each class. Dogs must be 18 months old and all other NADAC rules apply to entries.

A dog is not required to participate in Intro before entering in Novice classes, nor is there a requirement for moving into Novice from Intro -- this is a great opportunity to introduce new dogs to a trial setting without the stress of those dreaded weave poles and discriminations, and it is a perfect transition from classes to trialling!

We will be having some Intro level classes at our trial. Which ones are TBD. If you have feedback, please let trial chairs, Karen or Caroline know (Karen Clark-cookiedog@juno.com, Caroline McKinney-may-amck@gaw.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

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Members at Large

Joanne Lawton, joannelawton@aol.com

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BRAGS

March 16, BARK USDAA, Manchester, NH

Judy Kessler and Monte

PII Gamblers, 20" _____ 1st and Q
(and lots of PQ's in our other runs).

March 22-23, All Dogs Gym USDAA Tournament, Manchester, NH

Maggie and Marty with partners Caroline McKinney and Malia

Performance Versatility Pairs__ 4th and Q!!!
We had a blast! Caroline and Malia were great team mates (Ditto for Marty and Maggie), and I'm so proud of Maggie I could pop!!!

Maggie and Marty

8" PSJ Round 1 _____ 1st and Q

8" PSJ Round 2 _____ 1st and Q

Malia and Caroline

16" PSJ Round 1 _____ 1st and Q

16" PSJ Round 2 _____ E
bad handler

March 28-30, Onondaga AKC, Syracuse, NY

Maxine Holmes & Sundancer 8"

Mas Std _____ Q & 2nd

Mas Jww _____ Q & 2nd place

Mas Fast _____ Q & 1st place

Mas Jww _____ Q & 3rd place

Mas Fast _____ Q & 1st place

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Mas Jww _____ Q & 2nd place &

MACH TITLE !!!!!!



Amanda Shyne Seminar – April 12, 13 and 14

We are pleased to have Amanda Shyne coming to Nomad to present 3 days of instruction and fun with our dogs on April 12 (intermediate), 13 (masters) and 14 (beginner). Each session will run from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. You may arrive at 8:30 am each day to get set up and to help set the course. The following have volunteered to be chief course builders: Kit (Sat), Jen (Sun), Kate (Mon). As always, Nomad members are welcome to audit free of charge. Below is the list of working teams:

Saturday (Intermediate)

D. Healey (Misty)
L. Von Trapp (Brill)
A. Ramsay (Spark)
P. Patunoff (Connor)
L. Barrett (Chi)
N. Houghton (Ritz)
B. Marsh (Dixie)
K. Carter (Phoebe)
A. Bruce (Tsunami)
M. Force (Cholla)

Sunday (Masters)

L. Ladd (Kira)
C. McKinney (Malia)
R. Dumas (Trio)
R. Barrett (Moxie Falls)
K. Erskine (Lickity)
N. Houghton (Luce)
J. Viggiani (Strummer)
J. Marcus (Cruiser)
J. Frey (Willie)
L. Von Trapp (Brill)

Monday (Novice)

J. Hammond (Jess)
J. Frey (Lola)
S. Crossley (Maggie)
B. Marsh (Reo)
M. Carter (Jaspar)
P. Patunoff (Connor)
K. Trombley (Izzy)
A. Ramsay (Spark)
K. Carter (Ben)
K. Fretz (Slider)

Car Pooling is encouraged when possible, since we have 10 working teams, and only 14 parking spots by the barn.

This seminar is carry in and carry out. Please be prepared to store your personal trash.

There will be a Keurig machine available to make hot drinks. Bring your k-cups and mug with your fixings. Lunch will also be on your own.

Don't forget your chair or your dog.

On Saturday, there will be a pot luck supper with Amanda at Kate Carter's house (thank you Kate); all Nomad members are welcome. Ann Ramsay is coordinating the event. Please contact Ann to RSVP or for questions.

On Sunday, Nicki Houghton will coordinate dinner with Amanda; please contact her if interested.

Any questions? Please contact Billie Marsh.

Wildwood Barn Practice in April

April 5 – NOVICE DAY

9:00 course practice;
11:30 course & sequence practice

April 12-14 – Amanda Shyne Seminar

NOMAD will continue to rent the barn through April 26 on a week-by-week basis if there is interest and if the driveway is passable.

April 19 – 9:00 course practice; 11:30 course & sequence practice

April 26 – 9:00 course practice; 11:30 course & sequence practice

CAMP NOMAD

Camp NOMAD, with Lo Baker and Amanda Shyne teaching, has filled to overflowing. It's so nice to see all the interest in a session for pre-novice dogs! The dates are Saturday, May 31 and Sunday, June 1, with a half day for pre-novice most likely on Friday afternoon, May 30, with both Lo and Amanda teaching. They will decide how they want to work with the group. If anyone is interested in signing up for camp, please send your registration form to Kathy Fretz. Spots could open up by the time camp starts. More details will follow closer to the date. Information and registration form is in the January/February newsletter.

Beg/Intermediate

Jen & Jes
Ann & Spark
Kelly & Izzy
Lisa B & Chi
Kathy & Slider
Trudy & Dash - Saturday
Billie & Reo - Sunday
Nicole & Luce
Nicole & Ritz
Elaine & Sophie
Judy F & Lola

Advanced/Intermediate

Roberta & Trio
Randi & Moxie Falls
Judy K & Monte
Caroline & Malia
Lynne & Brill
Linda L & Kira
Kit & Lickity
Michelle & Cholla
Pam and Connor
Barbara and Huck
Wait list: Maxine and Sundancer

1/2 Day Pre-Novice

Probably Friday afternoon

Probably in two groups

Linda K and Jessie
Karen and Gypsy
Kate and Ben
Kim and Captain
Pat and Idgie
Carla and Luke
Donna and Stirling
Dale and Misty
Melissa and Jasper (?)
Caroline and Fin

Deposit: \$50 for pre-novice. Please write in Pre-novice as skill level on form.