



NOMAD NEWS

Northern Magic Agility Dogs

January

2018

NOMAD Membership Annual Renewal –2018 Due by January 15, 2018
PLEASE CHECK TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP:

___ \$40 Working Member (10 hours of club-related activity*)

___ \$75 Supporting Member

___ \$0 Jr. Handler (under 17) (10 hours of club-related activity suggested)

*** Working Members: Keep track of your own working hours including the activities they support.**

New members who joined after June 30, 2017 are exempt from 2017 dues but **must return** this form.

Member Name: _____

I would like to join or continue on the following committee(s): Indicate committees on which you wish to serve for 2017 even if you were on the same committee(s) last year. Committee chairpersons will be selected early in 2017 by committee members.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> NADAC Trial Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> USDAA Trial Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> CPE Trial Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Membership Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Practice Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Equipment Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Seminar Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Demo Committee | |

Sign the liability waiver below and send this form along with your check payable to “NOMAD” to: Billie Marsh, 110 Napper Road, Westport, NY 12993

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 Dale Healy using the form that is on the NOMAD website (nomadagility.com). (If you no longer have a dog, please indicate below)

Name: _____

Address _____

Home Phone _____ **Cell/Work Phone** _____

Email _____

Deletions to dog members _____

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 _____

Laura will be closing the ring at Cloverfield to winter practice and moving the equipment out for January, February and March.

NOMAD STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING 12/30/17

In attendance: Kit Erskine, Tatjana Salcedo, Nicki Houghton, Caroline McKinney, and Jen Hammond

The Steering Committee meeting was held to discuss what is the purpose of NOMAD, ideas to bring club members together, and to discuss practice options.

The first item for discussion was setting up a policy for club members to borrow the electronic timers for events not organized by NOMAD but beneficial to NOMAD members. Nicki would like to use the timers for UKI trials that she will be holding at Cloverfield. It was decided that the best policy would require a club member to be present at the event and responsible for the timers. That club member would be the person to handle the timers and transport the timers. The policy would also include a refundable deposit of \$400.

The second item discussed was the purpose of NOMAD. The committee discussed what members want out of NOMAD and ways to bring members together. This discussion included the idea of a club practice. It was acknowledged that most members are practicing on their own or in small select groups mostly based on similar goals. With this in mind the idea of holding a monthly "get together" instead of weekly

practice was discussed. The plan would be to have rotating fields that would host the get together. The event would be a fun match/run through mixed with a tailgate like party. We want to bring club members together in a fun and social atmosphere. The idea does depend on club members hosting the get together and possibly renting Cloverfield (including the pool) for one of the rotations.

The final item discussed was the commitment to demos. NOMAD should be getting out into the public and explaining what agility is about. How we work on the relationships with our dogs and reward them for their effort. That it isn't just about running a course and then leaving the ring. Ideas for the structure of the demo included running all levels and breeds. The committee decide that providing a demo at the Green Mountain Iron Dog competition in September was #1 on the list. The second demo was not decided but ideas included the Basin Harbor Club event or PFW Wagit Forward. Having a demo in the Spring would be the best. Other options thrown out would be to have a demo along the Burlington waterfront, maybe before one of the local concerts.

Committee chairpersons will be selected early in 2018.

Note from our President

Happy New Year to all NOMAD dogs and humans! May this year bring you fun and success in what ever way you measure it!

I'd like to briefly share some of my hopes for the club for this year. I hope we all continue to enjoy each others company and support each other and the club on our individual and collective journey in agility this year. We have a bunch of new puppies, some young and upcoming dogs and a bunch of old pros. I hope we can find ways to meet their needs thru club activities. If you have wants or wishes please let me or members of the SC know.

I want the club to consider widening our activities beyond practice, seminars and trials to doing some demos and finding a way to come together to just have fun playing with our dog on a social level. One of my fondest club outings was going over to Billie Marsh's place for a cook out and silly agility fun. We ran each others dogs; Lil and Loretta did Brace for the first time and we all laughed and had a good time. Maybe we can do something like that this year?

As many of you know I love doing Demos and the SC is actively looking into doing one or two this year. Please keep it in mind. It is a fun opportunity to impress the public and educate them about positive training methods and agility. It is also part of our by-laws and our non-profit tax status.

It is -10 degrees and the sun is setting... lets all stay warm and hug our dogs.

Thanks for listening.

Kit Erskine



Mail your registration form(s) to:
 Pam Patunoff / 172 Winterbottom Road,
 St. George VT 05495 / Bremar@gmavt.net

April 13-15 Seminar with Karen Holik @ Cloverfield Farms

“Karen is all about the foundation. She likes to focus on the fundamentals and foundation before focusing on agility training with herself and her students. She believes the foundation you set for your dog is the most important thing there is. “When you have solid foundation training, agility is easy. As a coach, Karen is at her strongest when it comes to building drive and motivation in the dog/handler teams. She aspires to help every dog/handler team be their best on and off the agility course and to have the best relationship possible.”

A [recent video](#) of Karen and her young dog, Kidd. 2018 [IFCS World Team Member](#)s, Zenn and Karen.

Registration OPEN – NOMAD Members January 3, non-NOMAD Members January 18, March 23rd closing

Half-Day Seminar Format – held at Cloverfield Farms, Colchester, Vermont

Friday, April 13 (Foundations 1 & 2), 9:00 to 1:00 and 1:30 to 5:30

Saturday, April 14 (Novice / Advanced 1 & 2), 9:00 to 1:00 and 1:30 to 5:30

Sunday, April 15 (Masters 1 & 2), 9:00 to 1:00 and 1:30 to 5:30

CLOSING date – March 23rd

Friday, half day sessions **SIX** working teams.

Saturday & Sunday, half day sessions **FOUR** working teams.

Registration and Fees

Working Spot *Friday:*

NOMAD Members - \$110, non-NOMAD Members - \$150

Working Spot *Saturday & Sunday:*

NOMAD Members - \$150, non-NOMAD Members - \$200

Auditing Spot *(Friday, Saturday and Sunday):*

NOMAD Members – Free, Non-NOMAD members - \$75 per day to audit (All 1/2 day working spots come with second 1/2 day free auditing spot). Those wishing to audit another day will need to pay \$75 for that day.

Please send separate registration forms and checks for each session you would like to attend. No Refunds unless spot can be filled.

Additional Registration & Information policies are available at http://www.nomadagility.com/?page_id=13

<input type="checkbox"/> Friday, Foundations 1	<input type="checkbox"/> Saturday, Novice/Advanced 1	<input type="checkbox"/> Sunday, Masters 1
<input type="checkbox"/> Friday, Foundations 2	<input type="checkbox"/> Saturday, Novice/Advanced 2	<input type="checkbox"/> Sunday, Masters 2

Name: _____

Home Phone: _____

Address: _____

Daytime Phone: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Zip: _____

Email: _____

Dog's Name: _____

Dog's DOB: _____

WAIVER, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND AGREEMENT TO INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS

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Signature: _____

Date: _____

Printed name: _____