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## Annual Holiday Party and General Meeting

Join us Sunday December 4<sup>th</sup> 2005 from 12:30 – 5:00 PM at the Academy of Canine Behavior (www.aocb.com) This facility is located at 4705 240<sup>th</sup> SE Bothell, WA.

The festivities include a potluck meal and a doggy gift exchange.

In addition, this party serves as our 2nd Club General Membership meeting for the year.

Professional Photographer from Creative Indulgence will be onsite to do holiday portraits of your pups.

Don't forget to bring:  
Your family and dog/dogs  
Crates and chairs  
Water dishes and leashes  
Favorite potluck dish  
If you wish your dog/dogs to participate  
Bring a (\$8-\$10) dog gift for each dog

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## Water Trials, PWD People and Water Rescue—Jim Smith

In the midst of Sunday's competition, Sandy Overton was warming up between the trial site and the boat launch when she noticed a man hanging on to the dock, a boat upside down next to him, while another man was trying to help him out of the water onto the dock. Sandy wasted no time letting Jim Smith, club boat steward, know there were a couple of guys in trouble on the boat dock."

The trial was quickly suspended, while competitors and spectators anxiously watched as Jim ran and Jan rowed over to their aid. Jim and another person worked one man around the side of the dock until his feet could reach the bottom and he walked out. He was pretty scared but he kept his cool and hung on till help arrived. Jan tried to help get the boat out of the water but turns out that was no quick task as an anchor, depth finder, and battery were all

dragging on the bottom. Once the fishermen were no longer in danger, Jim and Jan politely excused themselves and went back to work boat stewarding the trial having accomplished their good deed for the day.

The Park Ranger showed up and they were able to get their gear and boat on the dock.

Let that be a lesson to you—never fish without a PWD Water Trial nearby!!



Kilo in sepia

**Something else to bring to the holiday party: your offer to work on a committee next year!**



Stoker on patrol

**President’s Message—Suzanne Malick**

I gazed out the window early this morning at a joyous and magical thing: youth and age engaged in a spirited play session. The old dog, gray under the ears and stiff-moving, stood centrally located in the back yard. The young pup, a little dancing lion-trimmed sprite zoomed towards him from the side of the yard. As she flitted by he pivoted to meet her with a stiff-legged

pounce, a bark and wagging tail. She dove past, spinning at the edge of the yard for another pass.

After a few moments, afraid the barking would annoy the neighbors, I called from the house and the two dogs came bounding down the steps together: grand-dog and grand-pup, smiling and prancing, breath steaming in the cool

morning air.

The scene I witnessed illustrates perfectly the words of this Guatemalan Proverb: “Everyone is the age of their heart.” Although it is hard for me to watch as my senior dog gets stiffer and slower, I rest easy that his heart is still youthful.

Those of you with seniors nearby, be sure to let them know how special they are.

**Treasurer Report 1-1-05 thru 9-18-05**

<b>Profit &amp; Loss Statement</b>		<b>1/1/05 Through 9/18/05</b>	
<b>INCOME</b>		<b>(expenses cont.)</b>	
2004 Specialty	5,589.32	Playday	166.48
Grooming Event Income	100.00	Specialty	572.93
Ship's Locker	45.00	Water Trials	4,967.09
Supported Entry	410.00	Christmas Party	541.22
Membership Dues	1,419.00	Grooming Event	198.83
Specialty Income	141.75	License	43.75
Water Trial Income	4,645.00	Picnic	234.89
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>12,350.07</b>	Postage	48.75
<b>EXPENSES</b>		Supported Entry Expense	821.86
Club Web Site	76.95	Water Workshop	25.00
Insurance	560.00	<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>( 8,338.40)</b>
Newsletter	80.65	<b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>	<b>4,011.67</b>
		<b>CHECKING ACCOUNT</b>	<b>16093.08</b>

September 2005 Water Trial Results—Amanda Ford, Trial Secretary  
Flowing Lake, Snohomish WA

Team Spirit Awards:

Saturday: Sarah Kahn with Ace and Bean

Sunday: Dixie Matson with Jude and Breeze

SATURDAY SEPT 10

JUNIOR

Val Tangen and Sydney

Stargazer's Lookout Sydney

Suzanne Malick and Stoker

Lookout's Stokin' The Fire

Alex Scott and Tusk

Stargazer's Ace Of Hearts

Val Tangen and JoJo

Lookout Wind Rain And Fire

APPRENTICE

Mindy Selby and Sam

Can/Am CH Estrelaleal Samson's Seabreeze

Perry Massner and Buddy

Dare To Be Different

Susan Thiesson and Gimly

Armada's Purple Heart

WORKING

Audrey Hawthorne and Baggins

Can CH Armada's Purple Sun AWD

Dixie Matson and Breeze

Adia Bay's Breeze Right By

Annie Herberholz and Bica

Stargazer's Hot Shot AWD

Sandy Overton and Sabrina

CH Stargazer's Bewitched CD OA NAJ AWD

SROM

COURIER

Suzanne Malick and Chili (second leg)

Stargazer's Lookout Hot Stuff CWD

VERSATILITY

Sarah Kahn and Bean

U-CD CH Fairwind's Ponto Branco Café UD

AX MXJ C-CDX CWDX GROM

Sarah Kahn and Ace

Can/Am CH Stargazer's Legend Of The West

CDX MX MXJ C-CD CWDX

Dixie Matson and Jude

CH Bayswater Jubilee Jude CDX RA AX OAJ

CWDX

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 11

JUNIOR

Rebecca Sliger and Lucy

Fishbay's Co River Ind Tribes

APPRENTICE

Linda Ericson and Trooper

Helm's Alee Weigh Anchor

Alex Scott and Skye

Can CH Armada's Purple Skye Regatta

WORKING

Susan Thiesson and Gimly

Armada's Purple Heart AWD

Dixie Matson and Breeze (FEO)

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Alex and Skye talk about water equipment

*Congratulations to all teams earning new water titles.*

*See you all next year at the water.*



Cathi and Skipper talking about their equipment.



Otis posing for his humans.

***A leash on your pup during Trick or Treat time prevents a dash out the open door. And keep the candy out of reach!***



Sierra remembering summer

### **New Titles—earned Jul-Sep 2005**

New AKC Champions:

Driftwood's Rain City Seahawk "Sunny", owned by Sandy Pond/Morgin Powell/ Angela Harding

CKC Ch. Stargazer's She's The One "Glory", owned by Annie Herberholz

New Novice Rally: Int/Am CH U-CD Benhil's Stillwater Forte CDX CanCD AWD SROM "Forte" Came out of retirement at age 10 to complete his RN title - with great enthusiasm - handled by his former 4-H and Junior Showmanship partner, Pamela Harding.

More accomplishments:

CKC Ch Armada's Purple Skye Regatta earned her Canadian CD on Aug 20/05 with partner Alex Scott.

Helm's Alee Skipper NA got his NAJ at the Sammamish Kennel

Club show with the help of Cathi Jyrzk. He is also a Delta Pet Partner therapy dog.

Cassie, Caddie and Opus each got a major at Enumclaw (King County shows), says Cindy Thorson

Trooper (Helm's Alee Weigh Anchor) earned his CGC at the Specialty on Tuesday, Sept. 20t, reports Linda Ericson.

Trixie Kaestner got her third Q and now has the OAJ title (as of Aug. 28, 2005). Olaf Kaestner.

Ch. Redwoods Song of the Sea RN OA AXJ "Cadie" got her AXJ in July in spite of her teammate Janet Boyd-Kristensen.

NOTE—New Water Titles are reported in the Water Trial Report included in this issue.

### **Results of Vote on Board E-vote Procedure**

On September 9, 2005 Suzanne Malick, President, announced the results of the recent ballot regarding a change in the club by-laws to allow the board to vote on club matters through an electronic voting procedure. Of the 97 ballots sent out, there were 44 yes votes and zero no votes. The club by-laws require 2/3 approval of the ballots cast to adopt a change to the by-laws. So, the electronic voting procedure was approved by the club membership.

Jan Curry, Corresponding Secretary, said she was pleased to see our membership participate in the balloting. Even though less than 50% returned ballots, there was a clear indication the membership thought this change was needed.

## PWD Health Survey

The following message was forwarded to the PNWPWDC membership. The mailing list for the survey was developed some time ago, so you will not receive the survey unless you have forwarded your mail to the new address. Here is the message:

"Please send the following information to your members. If they would like to NOT receive the mailing, they must notify the committee before September 15th.

The PWDCA (Portuguese Water Dog Club of America) has commissioned a health survey to identify issues important to our breed. The survey will be conducted by Dr. Margaret Slater at Texas A&M University: all information provided to her will remain anonymous. The PWDCA has asked the PNWPWDC to provide a list of member names to Dr. Slater for one time use. If you DO NOT want to be contacted by Dr. Slater and asked to participate in the survey, send an email to [healthsurvey@pwdca.org](mailto:healthsurvey@pwdca.org) or a note to PWDCA Health Survey, PO Box 2585, Valley Center, CA 92082 asking to be removed from the survey mailing. Your request must be received by 9/15/05.

Thank you for your help with this important project. Leslie Arner "



Tolly celebrates health and long-lived PWDs.

## Parade of Portugal

If you think our Club ought to support this event, contact a PNWPWDC Board member.

The Estrela Mountain Dog Association of America (EMDAA) is pleased to announce a "Parade of Portugal" multi-breed specialty to be held in conjunction with the the UKC Carolina Classic March 31-April 2, 2006 in Hickory, NC. The "Parade of Portugal" will include the Portuguese Water Dog, the Portuguese Pointer, the Portuguese Podengo, and the Estrela Mountain Dog. The Honorable Luis Miguel da Veiga Pinto Teixeira (Vice President of the Portuguese CPC, FCI/AKC all-round BIS World Show judge) will judge, offering FCI-style critiques at this event as well as a breed judging seminar.

The EMDAA will be offering a 'Best in Portuguese Specialty' award; we are asking that your clubs might want to consider supporting this entry by offering breed specific trophies or awards as well.

The EMDAA also humbly asks that any financial support your clubs might be able to contribute, to cover the expenses of Mr. Teixeira, be sent to the club website, [www.emdaa.com](http://www.emdaa.com)

***Dogs love it,  
but remember  
a little  
Thanksgiving  
turkey goes a  
long way. And  
keep the  
carcass out of  
reach!***

## Member Address Changes

Please update your roster with the following changes:

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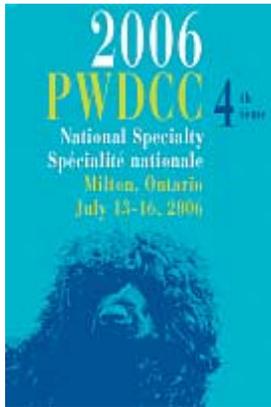
Hansville, WA 98340

phone 360-638-2744

[val@jptangen.com](mailto:val@jptangen.com)>

In memoriam to Jan Daly, Canadian PWD fancier. Many PNWPWDC members met Jan and her dogs Cadie and Jethro at the 2004 National and Puyallup June shows. The BC Specialty will be dedicated to her memory.





*4th National Specialty will be held July 13-16, 2006 at the Milton Fairgrounds, Milton Ontario.*

*Fri. July 14-16—3 all breed shows Fri. July 14 PWDCC Sweepstakes*

*Sat. July 15 4th National PWDCC Specialty Agility Judges*

*Regular Classes Cecilia C. Ringstrom*

*Sweepstakes Beverly Jorgensen*

*For updates check [www.pwdcc.org/specialty](http://www.pwdcc.org/specialty)*



*A day at the beach for Fisher and Hal-lie. Next stop the show ring and the 2004 Nationals..*

## Rainbow Bridge

"It is with a heavy heart but fond memories that I relate the passing of another unique Portuguese Water Dog. She was my first, in so many ways: first "adult" dog, first obedience trial dog, first water trial dog, first CGC, first experience with sheep herding, Delta therapy certification, and my daughter's first juniors and 4-H dog. She grew up with our (human) kids, taking them from kindergarten to college. Stubborn and determined, smart and self-willed, she was also friendly and outgoing with both humans and dogs. We were lucky to have known her, and blessed to have had her as part of our family for so many years. Diva's body and x-rays have been sent to the Georgie Project in the hopes of helping make a better future for all Portuguese Water Dogs."

U-CD Baerbach's Dadiva De Sombra CD AWD CGC "Diva" 1/9/1991 to 8/8/2005

Angela, Stan, Chris and Pam Harding, Forte, Chiqui, Torrie and Roxie RainCity PWD's

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"Rio lost his will and all fight , and together with our wonderful vet we helped him over the bridge. Nothing can replace the whole in our hearts from this special boy. We were chosen to take him by his first owner Trudie, and somehow she knew he'd spend a long, productive, and giving life with us. It's with the greatest sorrow we said goodbye to Ch. Dacher's Gaia Criansa Do Rio, Am/Can CD, Delta Society Pet Partner, Therapy Dogs. Int'l. on this day, 7/2/05. Run Rio - go find Garbonzo, find Trudie, and sing away". Love,Laurie, Jim, Mandy Lifeboat, Kitty, and Pickles Hardman Seattle

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AKC/CKC CH Helm's Alee Red Right Return August 1992 - August 2005

"Red's early life is documented in the Mad Cao book: grew up in Idaho, uncle to PWD puppies; left his mark in Canada as sire of versatile multi-titled dogs and grandsire of two Best-In-Show/National Specialty winners. He served as comfort to a childhood leukemia patient, returning to Idaho when tragedy struck his first family, where he served happily until his brother Rags (also immortalized in the book) called him to cross the Bridge . Loved by Merikay, Roy, and housemate Helm's Alee Afternoon Delight. " Jo

**Tail Wind**

Editorial—Joanne Forsythe

Home again! A mere eight thousand, seven hundred and sixty six miles later, we're back in the Pacific Northwest.... another great road trip with a Portuguese Water Dog. Dogs sure love trips, don't they?

The Forsythe Family Gathering in Gig Harbor, mid-August, featured three PWDs, a gaggle of the clan from across the USA, and a bagpiper to pipe us in. I wasn't sure if the raucous sound would set the dogs a-howling, or cause the human twin infants to burst into tears! (It did neither). Soon as they left town, Tru and I packed up the car and were off. Doggy stop: Fargo ND, Tru's annual super grooming from her partner Veronica, who shared her JWD title last summer. Many stops en route to visit family elders and 'dog people'. Drive-through meals, retrieving games in motel rooms, mountain road walks, dawn swim in a roadside lake, sighting deer in a meadow, playtime with fellow PWDs, lots of treats. In a 200 year old farmhouse in NY, my friend's 14 cats come up from the barn for evening snacks. Tru was totally fascinated--and intimidated--by the felines who hummed and spit at her as she gingerly picked her way by them.

And then on to the National Specialty in MD. So many friends to renew acquaintances with, so little time! I saw some of my furry "grandkids" who live on the east coast. The venue was terrific: all events save tracking were within walking distance--what a joy. There were 140 entries in the water trials--a tribute to our breed's working skills. There were a few glitches, of course; but it was great to hear people praising last year's event as the standard to live up to. (That was our National, remember?) Made one proud to be a Northwest PWDer. Several of our members trekked east for the event as well as some folks from BC.

Westward ho! In Chicago, Tru got the thickest, most tenacious fuzzy weed seeds wrapped tightly in her fur. I'd read that peanut butter will soften the tightest burrs, but spending 6 days in a car with a dog full of peanut butter wasn't appealing. (I know, several baths would've taken care of that--don't ruin my tale.) I started clipping the hair off. My niece, having more patience than I, covered Tru's legs and head with salad oil (not having conditioner) and spent the evening gently combing and separating the hair. It worked.

A highlight of the trip was our annual stop to visit Kitty Braund, who was busy revising her latest book, training one of her dogs for a CDX, working part time, and writing the next installment of her article for the Courier. Her two beautiful Water Dogs share Kitty with her Dalmatian and a veritable flock of Havanese at her Montana home, where we talked dogs late into the night. "Lucky" fetches the paper every morning for her like a good PWD should.

Home again: as we came down the lane, Tru began to visibly tremble at the familiar scents. Dogs are such great travel companions: they don't groan at your jokes, and don't mind your singing. Dogs don't complain about erratic meals, and they're a warm pal to snuggle with at night in unfamiliar places. Can't imagine a trip without one!



On the road again...

*If you think dogs can't count, try putting three dog biscuits in your pocket and then giving Fido only two of them.*  
- Phil Pastoret



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### **Club Calendar—2005**

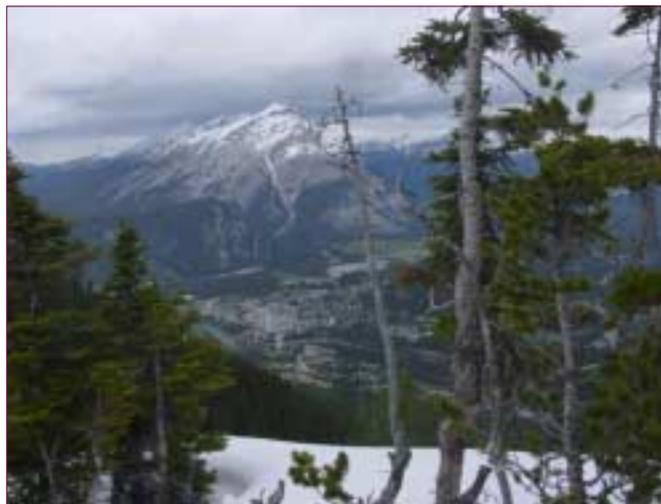
*December 4—Holiday Party and General Membership Meeting. Contact Cindy Thorson at [c.thorson@verizon.net](mailto:c.thorson@verizon.net)*

#### **Additional Events of Interest-**

October 27—Canadian National PWD Specialty, in conjunction with Abbotsford weekend-4 shows. Go to [www.pwdcbc.com](http://www.pwdcbc.com) for details.

Puyallup dog show—  
January 13-16

Rose City Cluster—  
January 19-22



July 13-16, 2006—4th National Portuguese Water Dog Club of Canada Specialty will be held the Milton Fairgrounds, Milton Ontario

Wintry scene from the travels of Chris and Heather.  
Rest up for a busy 2006. Volunteer to Chair a club activity!