

RSPWDC

Newsletter of the Rio Salgado Portuguese Water Dog Club November, 2021



RSPWDC Water Trials 2021



PWDCA Sanctioned Water Trials 2021

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Upcoming Events

December 11, 2021 - Holiday Party, RSPWDC Meeting, and Celebration of the Golden Ones Scottsdale, AZ. Party begins at 1:00PM. Meeting begins at 2:30.

January 2022 - RSPWDC Annual Meeting Day, time and place to be announced.

Contact Us!

Holiday Party: Please RSVP to Mary Sosnowski, marysosnow@gmail.com, 303-838-4183

Newsletter: Please send your **Golden Ones** photo and written tribute to lmcdermott@cox.net for inclusion in the Newsletter

2021 Water Trial Qualifiers

October 23 and 24, 2021

We had wonderful weather, participants, volunteers, and judge at Canyon Lake in our 18th year of hosting PWDCA sanctioned water trials. It takes a community of friends to hold the trials and we thank all who make our trials so special! Thank you Sarah Kahn for judging, and to the Water Trial Host Committee: Frank Baucom, Kathy Groschupf, Sherri Horstman, Lauren McDermott, John Murnane and Judy Weinstein.

The following teams qualified!

Saturday October 23:

Junior Water Dog

Augie and Pennye Hallam
Boaty and MaryLou Oliver
Kal and Hilary Haseley

Working Water Dog

Demi and MaryLou Oliver
Hope and Lauren McDermott
Mr. Magoo and Heather Kelly
Kina and Wendy Parker

Working Water Dog Excellent

Keel and Michelle Hardman

Sunday October 24:

Courier Water Dog Excellent

Hershey and Sharon Kang

Working Water Dog Excellent

Hope and Lauren McDermott
Kina and Wendy Parker

Junior Water Dog

Boaty and MaryLou Oliver



2021 Holiday Party, Golden PWD Celebration & General Membership Meeting



The RSPWDC invites you to our annual Holiday Party and Golden PWD Celebration!

Date: Saturday, December 11

Time: 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Hosts: Mary and Tom Sosnowski, Scottsdale

We welcome well-behaved PWDs

Bring a snack item (sweet, savory, or veggie) and/or beverage to share. Punch, water, plates, napkins, and eating utensils will be provided.

Please RSVP to Mary at marysosnow@gmail.com or 303-838-4183 to receive directions to the party as well as the gate entry code and to inform Mary if you plan to bring a snack or beverage.

PWD Gift Exchange: Enjoy the fun of watching our four-legged friends select a gift during our "grab bag" gift exchange. Please bring a wrapped gift (\$15.00 value limit) for each PWD your are bringing that will participate.
NOTE: A few of our PWD family members have food allergies - especially to chicken and any form of fowl. We ask you to keep this in mind when purchasing your gift(s).



Golden PWD Celebration: Member PWDs 10 years and older will be honored with a special gift during our celebration (attendance not necessary). Please contact [Sherri Horstman](#) for more information.



General Membership Meeting:

Will begin approximately 2:30 pm

Celebration of the Golden Ones

After our 2020 Holiday Party was cancelled due to the pandemic, the 2020 Celebration of the Golden Ones was held at a Zoom meeting. Thank you Kathy Groschupf and Sherri Horstman for organizing the celebration and providing special gifts for the Golden Ones.

The following PWDs were honored:

Abby (Karmen Booth & Shelley Huston)

Boy Boy and **Rosie** (Pam Francis)

Dylan (Stace, Amy, and Cindy Jones)

Farley (Pam and Mike Coffeen)

Martini (Kimberly and Jim Beach)

Nai'a (Barbara Fletcher and Walt Aviles)

Reef (Lauren McDermott and John Murnane)

Woof (Kathy Groschupf and Frank Baucom)

Zico (Judy and Steve Weinstein)



Abby Born 01/10/2009 Ch Ikon's Abracadabra Abby has been a dream to live with as a dog and family member. She is sweet, loving, smart, and still head of the household. We hope we have several more years with this easy to live with little girl. Thank you for doing this special recognition for all our senior PWD's. Karmen Booth & Shelley Huston



Boy Boy GCH Seashell's Steppin' Out With My Baby BN RA THDX CGCA TKN

I was puppy sitting boy puppy while his breeder traveled to Westminster. One week turned into several weeks. He and Rosie had a great time. At 9 months of age, boy puppy joined his littermate Rosie permanently. Boy puppy became our Boy Boy. At an early age he competed in Agility, Rally and Obedience. He had fun but would rather stay in the shade and snuggle. During a warm day at a Rally trial, he took a jump, looked at the judge, and then promptly exited the ring to the shade of the stewards' easy-up for a snuggle. Boy Boy came to the breed ring as a 5 year old and grew to love it. "Why didn't you show me this earlier?" said Boy Boy. He finished his CH at 6 years old getting Best of Winners and holding the cross-over out of a large entry at the Mission Circuit. At 7 yrs of age he finished his GCH, as a Special and got Select Dog from a huge entry of almost 50 in Carmel CA. Now he loves to show as a Veteran and hang out at Rosie's Scent Work trials. Boy Boy is a wonderful Therapy Dog and has made weekly visits to a local hospital for 11 years along with his sister Rosie. He is a trash talker, a bed hog, but most of all a lover boy. Pam Francis



Dylan Born 1/12/06 Can CH Am GCH Del Sur's Wild West Odyssey

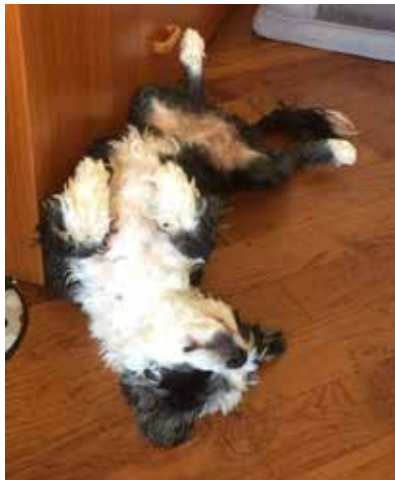
At 15 years old I have so many stories that I can share with you, but I want to talk about my person - Stace. I really miss him every day, you know? I remember the day I picked him out. Mind you, he would say he he picked me, but I picked him. It was just over 15 years ago now at a dog show and I kept pushing my way through my litter mates to get to him. He and I became inseparable- well...except for when I went to Canada without him. I preferred him as my handler because we knew each other so well. We had a lot of adventures together - too many to share right now. However, just as he promised to love me always and forever, I love him always and forever, also. (Stace, Amy, and Cindy Jones)



Farley Born 4/10/2009 CH Amarinhar Far Farer TDX TDU NA NAJ AXP AJP NF OFP SCN RN CGC TKI AWD C-ATCH-4

Farley is an easy going, thoughtful and very loyal boy, and has been a willing partner in most everything I have asked of him. He was my third agility partner, steady and willing. He is still happy to run some veteran level agility courses. He joined me in my first venture into tracking and earned his TD and TDU easily. After several attempts at a TDX, he managed to complete that title on a field that was almost totally covered in 2-6 inches of very cold water. On-lookers commented that it was the "perfect pick for the Water Dog". I'm not so sure Farley felt that way, but he persevered, and sloshed his way to a title. His favorite game now is Scent Work and long walks that include a bit of tracking. Watching him strut along carrying his tracking glove brings a smile to my face! I look forward to many more adventures with my beautiful brown boy!
Pam Coffeen

Martini GCH Diamante's Shaken Not Stirred CGC TDI Showgirl, Super Model, Contortionist, Clown, Our Angel. We love you Martini. Kimberly and Jim Beach



Nai'a Born 4/10/2009 Amarinhar Golfino Alegre WWD

Nai'a is our 3rd PWD, and is aptly named. Nai'a means dolphin in Hawaiian, and Golfino Alegre is joyful dolphin in Portuguese. From the very beginning, she has loved the water, and anyone who has seen her leaping into the lake appreciates her zest for life. She has blossomed from the annoying puppy to our PWD Nani to being the fun Auntie to Kailani, our new puppy. I don't know what we would have done without her great tutelage in play and bite control. Nai'a is truly our joyful dolphin, always leaping her way into our hearts. Take care all! Barbara Fletcher and Walt Aviles



Reef Born 4/10/2009 Amarinhar Recife NA NAJ AXP AJP OFP CWDX

All of Reef's litter mates were named after knots in honor of my first PWD and Reef's great grand mother Bolina (Portuguese for Bowline, an essential knot used by sailors). The Reef knot is a very common knot also known as a square knot or granny knot, but Reef is anything but common. She was our most reliable worker in the water earning her CWDX with ease, and she was also very good at agility. Her favorite sport was tracking and she is now enjoying Scent Work. Reef has learned to love playing with her "sister" Hope who keeps her young. Reef is remarkably vocal and quick to tell us when anything important is happening, or supposed to be happening, and we are so fortunate to have her in our lives.
Lauren McDermott and John Murnane



Woof Born 4/10/2009 Amarinhar Lobo De Madeiras AX AXJ OFP AWD

Woof is a littermate to all the Amarinhar "knots", so his puppy name was Marlin Spike, which seems like a pretty tough name for the sweet, gentle dog he became. We re-named him after our first PWD, Shiver Me Timbers – Woof is a modified version of Timbers' Wolf and an acronym for Worker On Organic Farm. He is quite the farm boy, living out in the "country" with us, where he takes nature walks every morning, swims in the pond, and scavenges for "treats" left behind by deer, rabbits, coyotes, and javelina. Living far from town, Woof has been home-schooled, and has not participated in the new performance events. His titles are few, but the love we share is bountiful; Woof is "...my anchor in life's ocean, but most of all, he's my best friend".

Kathy Groschupf and Frank Baucom



Zico MACH Willowbay's Desert Surprise CD RA MXS MJS MXP2 MJP XF T2B2 SWA SCE SEE SHDN CGC CWD

It is hard to believe that Zico is 11. We have had quite a journey together and he has taught me so much. Needless to say he has kept me really busy through the years. He is one bossy boy and loves an adrenaline rush, positive or negative. He is a real food hound and is very attuned to opportunities to steal. When he was a puppy and I was training him to go outside to do his business he rang the bell at the sliding glass door and I would let him out. But what he noticed was when he rang the bell I got up from the table and turned by back to the table to open the door and he would steel my food. So I learned I had to have the leash handy and put it on him before I turned my back on the table. Many times I wonder who is training who. His favorite activity now is Scent Work where he gets a reward right away when he finds the odor.
Judy and Steve Weinstein

Mark your calendars: PWD Sweepstakes and Supported Entry, February 5, 2022

