



# NEWF TRACKS

## Message from the President

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Another season close with our water test



water training has come to a culminating annual OWNC that was held

Oct 6-8, 2017. Congrats to the new titlists and a hearty thanks to the hard working water test committee who made it happen. Over two thousand dollars was raised at the Saturday evening “Pizza under the Pavilion” dinner and auction. Proceeds will benefit the water test (\$1088) as well as OWNC Rescue (\$1510). Thanks everyone for playing! Even though it's still HOT here for now, soon it will be time to dust off those harnesses and draft carts and get ready for draft season and winter time. Wishing everyone a very happy autumn!

Mike Taylor

## Introducing .....



OWNC’s newest steward/junior handler. On September 5th, Megan Goldin and Caleb Liston welcome Quinn Justine Liston to their pack! We can’t wait to introduce her to the great State of Texas and its wonderful people!



## Wags & Brags

Magic earned her WD on July 29 at the SENC Summer Water Test, her first try at a water title! Magic is 6 1/2 and has loved the water and training since day one, but unfortunately the journey to this test was filled with one obstacle after another for 6 summers and she never made it to test time. Chronic

ear infections, 2 myringotomies, then a severe allergy dx finally cleared that up after 3 summers; then a broad jump accident led to an exterior ligament stifle tear, ccl tear, TPLO surgery, iliopsoas tear, and later a shoulder strain for the next 3 summers. I wanted to give up many times but every April she'd

go out and start playing with the water gear and I just couldn't say no. Just getting on the beach at the test was a huge win for us, and passing was the icing on the cake. We both had a fabulous time!

Anne Nored



Folk will know how large your soul is, by the way you treat a dog.

Charles F.  
Doran



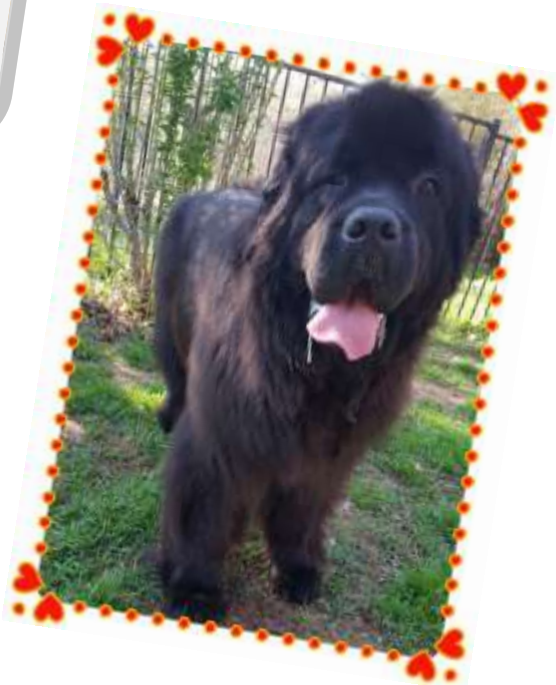
## Happy Birthdays!

A lot of celebrating going on in the Luber household!

Happy 2nd Birthday to my St Patrick baby. CH Rio Nova Beaming With Pride "Simone" (right & below)



Happy 6th Birthday to GCH King of Helluland Pride And Honour, CGC "Nova" (below), October 12



And Welcome to the family baby boy! of Helluland Loved By All "Ozzy" (below)



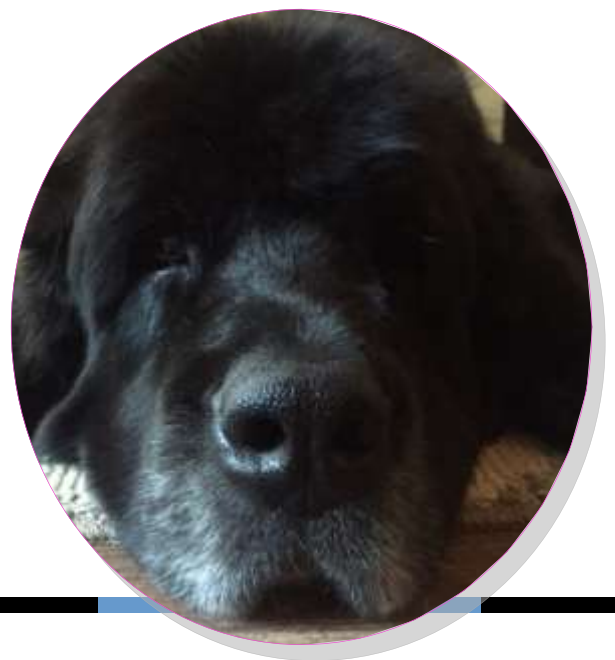
## Always in Our Hearts

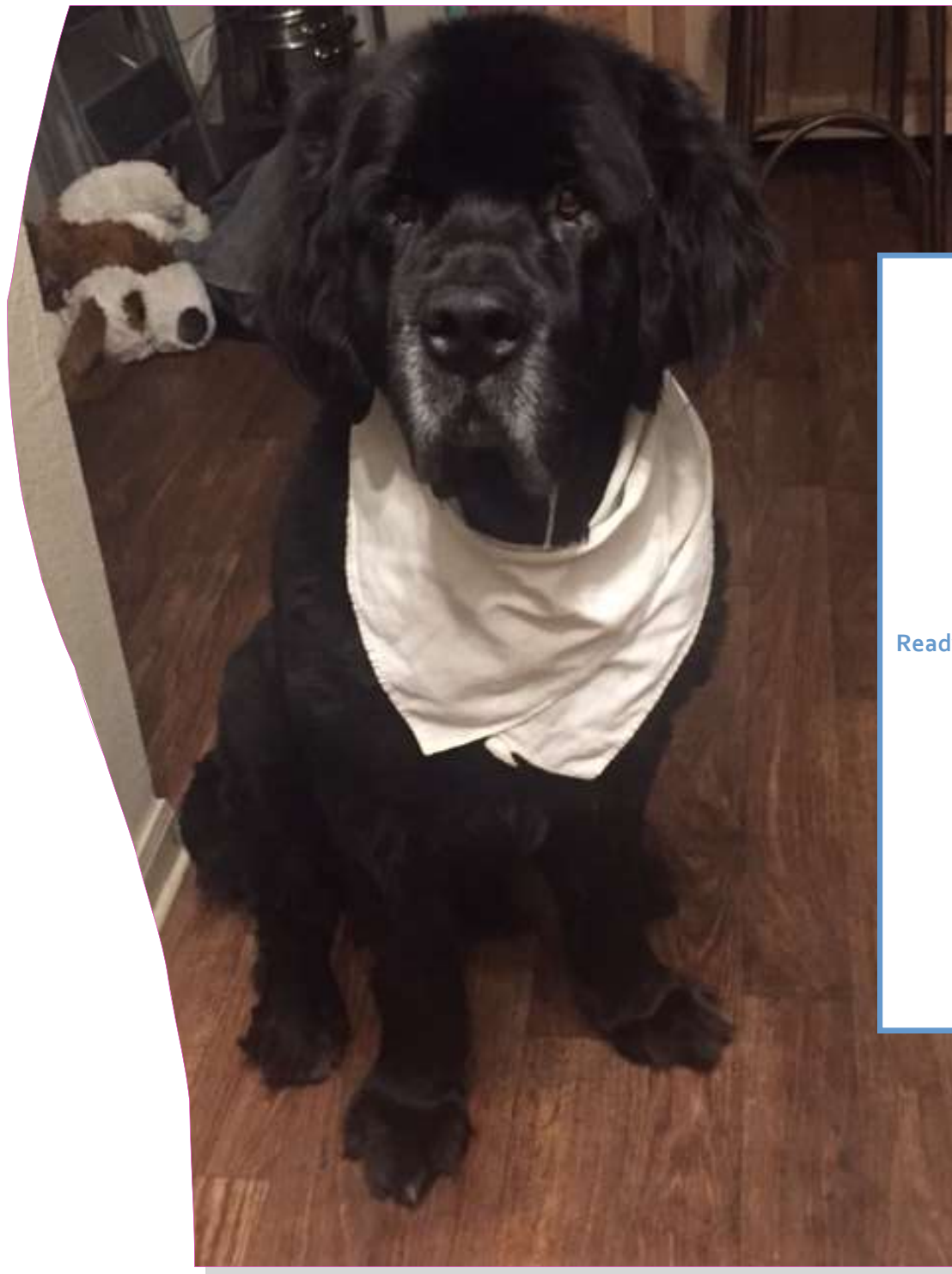
For 11 years Zoe the Newfoundland from Old West Newfy Club has been my companion and service dog. On August 7, 2017 Zoe was loved into the big light in doggie heaven. She was extraordinarily healthy and very beautiful until late June when her health began to slide away. She was medicated and ushered into several more weeks of limited activity. In the end,

she told me and the vet she was ready to rest. She went peacefully listening to Vivaldi and Pachelbel's Canon in D (her favorite) with the vet holding her on one side and me on the other. She was petted and soothed into a peaceful sleep. She lead a charmed life after OWNC rescue brought her into my life when she was a very large 6 month old Newf. She was respected, loved,

and thoroughly enjoyed her days. Thank you, Old West, for your magic with our earthly Gentle Giants. Zoe is missed deeply, but I know she is in heaven with Lucy The Near Newf (almost 14 at her passing), and my dog-adoring Texan father. They will romp and play forever. Thank you for the enormous blessings over all these years.

~Marcela "Cel"  
Clay





Ready for dinner!

## 2017 Water Tests Report

The Old West Newfoundland Club Water Tests were held at The Vineyards Campground on Lake Grapevine, Grapevine Texas. Two tests were held there in the past. It has a beautiful new pavilion with running water, electricity and kitchen facilities. Our judges were Ron Horn and Mary Jane Spackman who worked very well together. All three days were sunny and very warm.

Two tests were held over three days. On Friday, there were five junior entries (one of whom was a re-qual). And the

requal re-qualified again! On Saturday, there were seven senior entries (one of whom was a re-qual). And the requal re-qualified again! Although an X test was offered on Saturday, there were no entrants for it.

On Sunday, we had the same five juniors (with the one requal) and the same seven seniors (with the one requal and one absent) plus one move-up. We had one new WD and one new WRD! Congrats to the new titleists!

Of the dozen entries over the three days we had mostly Texas residents but also

exhibitors from Tennessee, Illinois, Missouri, and Indiana.

Congratulations to our two re-qualifiers and the two new titleists! Splendid results! And to those who didn't quite make it, we hope to see y'all next year!

The water test committee, stewards, volunteers and judges did an incredible job. Thanks to all for their time, effort, use of equipment and guidance.

Cara Perry  
Test Chair



Cara & Zac  
WD1

## 2017 OWNC WATER DOGS

**Shadrack's Toes in the Water, WD, DD, RN, ThD (Zac)**, handled by Cara Perry (*re-qualified on Friday*)

**Bear N Mind I'm Meant for Something Special, CGC (Zeke)**, handled by Leah Schlagel (*qualified on Sunday*)

## 2017 OWNC WATER RESCUE DOGS

**GCH Bear N Mind's Calling Down The Thunder, CGC, WRD4, DD1, TKN (Huck)**, handled by Leah Schlagel (*re-qualified on Saturday*)

**Blackwatch Irresistible, WD (Tilly)**, handled by Joan Gunn (*qualified on Sunday*)

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Joan Gunn & Tilly (new WRD), Judges Mary Jane Spackman & Ron Horn, Leah Schlagel and Zeke (new WD)



Judges Ron Horn, Mary Jane Spackman & WRD requalifier Leah Schlagel & Huck



## Fall Pumpkin Doggie Treats

### Pumpkin Apple Doggie Mint Treats (from damndelicious.net)

Freshen your dog's breath with these homemade dog treats. It's easy, healthy and cheap. It's a win-win!

#### Ingredients:

- 1 c pumpkin puree
- 2 large eggs
- 3 c whole wheat flour, or more, as needed
- 1 apple, grated
- 1/2 c mint leaves, chopped
- 1/4 c fresh parsley leaves, chopped



#### Directions:

- 1 Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper or a silicone baking mat; set aside.
- 2 In the bowl of an electric mixer fitted with the paddle attachment, beat pumpkin puree and eggs on medium-high until well combined, about 102 minutes. Gradually add 2 1/2 c flour at low speed, beating just until incorporated. Add an additional 1/4 c flour at a time just until the dough is no longer sticky. Add apple, mint and parsley, beating just until incorporated.
- 3 Working on a lightly floured surface, knead the dough 304 times until it comes together. Using a rolling pin, roll the dough to 1/4" thickness. Using cookie cutters, cut out desired shapes and place onto the prepared baking sheet.
- 4 Place into oven and bake until the edges are golden brown, about 20-25 minutes.
- 5 Let cool completely. Click and treat!



## Pumpkin Puppy Muffins (from [homemadedogtreatsnow.com](http://homemadedogtreatsnow.com))

### Ingredients:

- ½ cup pumpkin puree (canned pumpkin NOT pumpkin pie mix)
- 1 cup whole wheat flour
- 1 cup quick cook oats
- 1 Tbsp. Coconut oil
- 1 egg
- ½ tsp. Vanilla
- 1 Tbsp. honey
- ¼ cup Greek yogurt
- 1 tsp. Cinnamon
- 1 tsp. Ginger
- ¼ cup water



### Directions:

- 1 Preheat oven 350° F.
- 2 Lightly grease or spray mini muffin tin.
- 3 Place oats in blender or food processor and pulse until oats are about half powder.
- 4 Place oats and all remaining ingredients in a large bowl and stir until just mixed.
- 5 Fill muffin tins 2/3 full with batter.
- 6 Sprinkle oatmeal on top of each muffin to make them more eye appealing and give your pooch a bit of crunch.
- 7 Bake for 15-16 minutes until tops are golden brown.
- 8 When muffins have cooled store in refrigerator for up to a week or in freezer for 3 months.

October Semi-Annual Meeting Minutes  
The Vineyards Campground, Grapevine TX, October 7, 2017  
(special thanks to Amy Little for donning temp Secretary hat)

Roll Call: The meeting was called to order at 12:41 by President Mike Taylor. Sign in roll call found the following members, representing a quorum, present: Chad & Cara Perry, Steve & Nan Martin, Patty & Mike Taylor, Julie Janulis, Tracy Luber, Ron Horn, Andy Germann, Bob and Lisa White, Jennifer Stewart, John & Amy Little, Ron & Karen Bailey, Leo & Annalyn Paz, Phil & Leah Schlagel, Meredith Johnson, Robin Love, Sue Lynn Morton, Karlene Perry, Toni Tetreault, and Janet Harriss.

Minutes of previous meeting: Nan moved, Tracy seconded that Minutes of the previous meeting be approved as published in NewfTracks. Motion passed.

President Report: Mike thanked the membership for coming out. Thanked the water test committee - Cara, Patty, & Leah.

Secretary Report: Mike reported for Megan that new members since the last meeting are: Stacy & Pete Kipp, Marsha Davis-Riley & Jim Riley, Sue Lynn Morton & Robin Love, Lisa & David Merz, Bob & Lisa White, Erin Wackerla, Toni & Bill Tetreault.

Treasurer Report: Ron Bailey with a little assistance from Janet Harriss gave the financial reports. Patty moved to approve the report, John seconded, motion passed.

Committee Reports:

**Rescue report:** Phil Schlagel: reported 2017, we have \$9,500 balance. We had 11 dogs come into rescue, 8 adopted out, 8 still remain in rescue. We have 3 dogs that will remain in "long term" rescue and a special thank you to those foster families for their dedication to rescue. (Janice Swenson, Cathy Comstock, Roger & Pat Carbones, and Mitch & Kathy Ayer). Donations are coming in from the Ebay items that were graciously donated by Carol Winnert.

**Water Test 2017:** Cara, Chairperson, reported that the water test was smaller than usual. Thanks to judges, committee members Patty Taylor and Leah Schlagel and all who helped steward and the membership for the support!

**Supported Entry:** Tracy reported that the 2017 supported entry in Dallas will be in December and we will have new trophies.

**Newf Tracks:** Patty asked members to keep the wags and brags and articles coming in to make the newsletter a success. We will be cutting back on the number of newsletters send due to the Facebook page and other digital communication. There is no NCA requirement on the number of newsletters.

**Activities:** Erica Etchason Seminar was reported in the June Newf Tracks: On May 5-7, OWNC held a water seminar and imported certified trainer, Erica Etchason, as our instructor for the weekend. It was a wonderful weekend filled with enlightenment. Thank you to all the entrants for making is such a successful weekend. Big thanks to Nan Martin for helping secure our indoor training facility and being a great support during the planning and to Patty and Mike Taylor for researching and assisting with our outdoor site, the hours put in of construction of our water tables and markers and overall sounding board for planning. Leah Schlagel for the use of her awesome boat and hauling it everywhere all weekend John Little for finding our projector to borrow. Caleb Liston for rowing in some windy conditions and being a great go to guy for so many. Thanks to our awesome photographers capturing memories and to the auditors who became fantastic stewards! And our fantastic trainer who opened so many of our eyes to see our dogs in a different light, and expand their working horizons, and most importantly to make us see we don't need to enable unwanted behavior and to positively enforce the good once we break it all down into tiny slices, Erica Etchason.

Unfinished Business: At the last meeting Mike moved we hold a draft test in 2018, Leah seconded, motion passed. We have yet to have anyone step forward to run the test. If anyone is interested, please get with the Board.

New Business: Tracy motioned that we have a supported entry in 2018 in both Dallas and Houston. Janet seconded, motion passed.

Leah moved that we have a water test in 2018. John seconded, motion passed.

Adjournment: Annaly moved to adjourn, Nan seconded, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 1:04.



## Board of Directors:

Mike Taylor, President  
Leah Schlagel, Vice  
President

Megan Goldin, Secretary  
Ron Bailey, Treasurer

At Large Members:  
Andy Germann  
Amy Little  
Anne Nored

Webmaster:  
Janice Swenson

Newf Tracks Editor:  
Patty Hall-Taylor

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**www.ownc.org**

OWNC is a regional club under the parent organization, the Newfoundland Club of America. As a regional club, OWNC is independent of the NCA but seeks to act as a source of information for both the prospective puppy buyer and the new owner. Club members are dedicated to the betterment of the Newfoundland breed and willingly spend time answering questions and addressing concerns "Newfie" owners may have. (adapted from NCANEWFS.ORG)

For more information see us on the web at [www.ownc.org](http://www.ownc.org) which contains helpful educational links and a calendar of events.

## New Members!

Stacy & Pete Kipp, Houston TX  
Marsha Davis-Riley & Jim Riley, Katy TX  
Sue Lynn Morton & Robin Love, Caspian Springs TN  
Lisa & David Merz, Ft Worth TX  
Bob & Lisa White, Ft Worth TX  
Erin Wackerla, Dallas TX  
Toni & Bill Tetreault, The Woodlands TX



## Upcoming Events!

**Come support the  
Supported Entry  
Conformation  
Show**

**Texas Kennel Club  
December 9, 2017 (Saturday)  
Dallas Market Hall**