



# Old West Newfoundland Club *Educational Weekend Retreat*

Camp Kachina  
14750 Camp Kachina Rd  
Belton, TX

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Old West Newfoundland Club did it again!!!! What a phenomenal group of people who came out and participated with their Newfs in this fun and educational weekend! The success of this weekend is because of the many people who came out with their Newfs (and non-Newfs) to participate. Thank you!

On Saturday, we began the day with a basic presentation of the different types of harnesses. In true style of Girl Scouts, we gathered in a circle to begin the demonstration. Once harnesses were covered, we moved outside and demonstrated several different types of draft apparatus.

Basic Control was set up in the tennis court area, which was fenced and gated, making it the perfect location for these exercises. And it was amazing to have 15 Newfs and 1 Saint Bernard in the ring together doing their 1 minute downs!

We set up a maneuvering course and all participants were able to work their dogs through the course, some dogs harnessd and hitched to their carts, others utilizing training shafts, and others in just their harness - making sure that all dogs and handlers, regardless of experience, were able to complete the maneuvering course in a positive manner for the dogs.

Once the maneuvering course was finished, we moved on to some basic grooming, starting off with a bathing demonstration and blow drying the dog. Huckleberry was a fantastic "demo" dog for grooming!

During the grooming, and with the assistance of Cami, we sold raffle tickets for the auction of the puppy harness, training shafts, and grooming booklet. Congratulations to Dani for the winning ticket!!!

A quick lunch break and then ready for a nice freight haul! Again, dogs and handlers of all levels participated and it was a nice way to finish up the day. The weather was perfect for both handlers and Newfs, and the freight haul throughout the trails and trees made it really nice for all.

After the day's activities, several participants joined together to "test" out the BarBQ from the restaurant that will be catering the dinner at the 2015 draft test. We believe it was a hit, especially the fried pickles!

Sunday was another great day and once again the weather could not have been better! A much smaller group of participants than the previous day, allowed for a lot of time to work on more specific issues, especially show grooming and more Basic Control practice.

We held the NCA Specialty Carting and Wagon Exercises and the following teams earned certificates:

Bristol & Annalyn - Both On-Lead and Off-Lead Divisions

Duncan & Leah - Both On-Lead and Off-Lead Divisions

At the end of the day, we cleaned up the site, swept floors and gathered our belongings, making sure the site was clean and as it was before we arrived. We all headed home with our furry companions, grateful for a wonderful weekend with friends, new and old, with the thought of looking forward to another time when our wonderful dogs bring us all back together.

Thank you to all the participants - the weekend could not have happened without your support. And thank you to Kathy Sylvia, for driving all the way from NM to help make this event a success. And of course, a big Thank You to the wonderful "demo" dogs, Huckleberry, Saphira and Eli, who helped with many of the demonstrations.

We are very happy and excited to announce that the money we raised from this weekend event will help support the 2015 OWNC Draft Tests in February!

Registrations: \$410.00

Raffle/Donations: \$204.00

Total Raised: \$614.00!!!

The only expense for this weekend was the rental of the building: -\$50.00

Balance: \$564.00

While it may not seem like much, this covers the cost of the airfare for one of our judges!!! And we are absolutely thrilled!

***Don't forget to order your T-shirt(s)!!!! Limited time and pre-orders only! We will not have these available for sale after January 30th! Order form is attached!***

# OWNC 2015 Draft Test T-Shirt Order Form



Our wonderful t-shirt (design by Erin Lynn) is available for pre-order. The t-shirt will be a Gildan long-sleeve 100% cotton and the color will be Natural (based on availability from company and may vary). Sizes Small thru XL are \$25.00 each. 2XL and 3XL are \$28.00 each. If you need your shirt(s) shipped, shipping will be \$5.00 per shirt. Please indicate the number of shirts you wish to order and specify the size(s) below.

SMALL \$25.00	MEDIUM \$25.00	LARGE \$25.00	X-LARGE \$25.00	2-XL \$28.00	3-XL \$28.00

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_

I will pick mine up at the draft test.  Please ship to the above address (\$5.00 shipping per shirt).



Total Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Make check payable to: OWNC (include form with payment)  
 Patti Emmerling  
 PO Box 966  
 Belton, TX 76513

**\*\*\*T-shirt orders must be received by January 30, 2015\*\*\***



Kathy discussing different types of harnesses. Photo by Daniela Bucy



Patti and Saphira demonstrating the single-point attachment Siwash harness. And look at that awesome t-shirt design! Photo by Janice Swenson



All the way from Oklahoma! David & Vanessa with Nova and Bogey! Photo by Janice Swenson



Patti demonstrating different styles of carting apparatus. Photo by Daniela Bucy



Nan and Leah having a “serious” discussion. Too much Red Bull or just too much “Bull?” Photo by Janice Swenson





The location is fabulous and the weather was perfect! There was an abundance of trees, shade, picnic tables, and benches throughout the site. A nice way to spend time with our dogs and good friends! Photo by Janice Swenson



Leah and Duncan all ready to go! And they have a matching picnic table in the background! How perfect is that? Photo by Janice Swenson



Basic Control ring - the tennis courts! Hey Eli, you look exhausted! I guess it took an awful lot out of you to fill up that bag -literally! Photo by Janice Swenson



Leo and Annalyn unpacking and getting ready for the day. Another benefit of this site...the wagons!!! They are awesome and make unloading/loading so much easier! Although, we may consider some modifications so we can hitch the dogs to them! Photo by Janice Swenson



Sailor: Um... what'cha doing Mom? I'm not so sure about this." Nikki: I'm not so sure either, but we will have fun!" Photo by Janice Swenson





Hey Leah....that's a water test shirt you have on there!!! Thinking you might need a snazzy new draft test t-shirt! Cami - we absolutely LOVE you! Photo by Janice Swenson



Looking awesome in that pretty pink harness, Jaycee! Ready to roll - let's go mom! Oh, ok...you can take my picture first! Photo by Janice Swenson

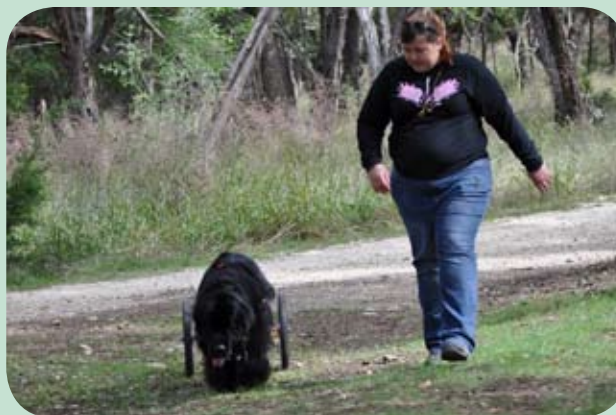
Cathy and Reis doing a fabulous job! Photo by Janice Swenson



Time for a Bath!!! Huck and Leah getting ready! Photo by Janice Swenson



Kathy drying Huck's Butt! Photo by Janice Swenson



Kayte and Rosey making it look easy!!! Photo by Janice Swenson





Kathy and Cami helping Leah and Huckleberry get used to having the cart near him. He is too young to pull weight right now, but not too young to get used to the harness and apparatus. Cami helped with many things all weekend! She is the future of Newfoundland working dogs! Photo by Janice Swenson.



Bradshaw!!! What a sweet boy and loves to kiss! We hope to see Linda and Bradshaw at our tests in February! Photo by Janice Swenson



Nan and Zac - look at that attention! He sure loves his momma! And that love is definitely mutual! Photo by Janice Swenson



Basic Control...long down exercise. There were 16 dogs in the ring for this exercise! What a great group of dogs and handlers - very impressive! Photo by Janice Swenson



Astrid and Hosea - what exuberance! We think she may have been a bunny rabbit, jackalope, or gazelle in one of her previous lives! What a happy puppy and fun to watch! Photo by Janice Swenson