



The Mayflower PWD Club Presents
Karen Ash's Beginners PWD Water
Camp at Camp Lyndon
117 Stowe Rd., Sandwich, MA
June 19, 2016



Join us for an early season start to water training your PWD. This camp will focus solely on introducing your dog to the beginner skills Portuguese Water dogs need to compete at the Junior and Apprentice levels.

Come prepared to get wet, have fun, and learn a lot of training techniques in both the water and on land.

THE INSTRUCTOR

Karen Kirby Ash: Karen has been involved with dogs since childhood. Having owned a variety of breeds, Karen is passionate about the PWD and especially water training. Karen has trained and owned two Courier Water Dogs, one who has gone on to Courier Water Dog Excellent and has earned 18 Versatility Awards and has put on several lower level titles with other dogs. With a Masters in Psychology, Karen has become an accomplished trainer handling her own dogs in conformation, obedience, rally, agility, water and nosework. Karen breeds Portuguese Water Dogs under the registered kennel name of Saltydawg.

Karen will be assisted by **Kim Holden** who has also had many dogs of different breeds. Kim has put an AWD on her PWD Cleo and hopes to earn the WWD this summer. Kim is also training in rally, obedience and agility.

THE WORKSHOP

The beginner's workshop **is limited to PWDs only.** **NOTE: the limit of working spots is 8 dogs.** There is no limit to the number of auditors who may attend.

WHEN: This workshop will run from 9:00-2:00 on Sunday. There will be plenty of time for you to work your dog in the water, with rest breaks, to train some skills on land, and go back into the water.

WHAT TO BRING: Dog crate, water bowl, leash and buckle collar or harness, dog life vest (float coat), human life vest, LOTS & LOTS of varied and tasty treats that will not fall apart in the water (cooked chicken breast, frozen meatballs are best), a hungry dog (feed a half ration the night before and morning of), a clicker, chair for you, water gear, and if your dog is toy-motivated, bring a tug toy or plush toy (without a squeaky) for play sessions. PLEASE (!) NO prong or pinch collars and NO head halters. Dogs MUST have life vests and may not wear a regular collar when in the water. If you need a line to limit unsafe dog behavior in the water, it must be a floating line that is less than 5 ft in length, and has no knots or handles. NOTE: the beach itself is sunny, but the area just beyond the beach is a pine forest and quite shady. Bathrooms are available and are near both beaches. YOU MUST CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR DOG AS THIS IS A CAMPGROUND FOR CHILDREN.

If you need a life vest for your dog or yourself, please let Karen Ash know as she has some extras, ranging from puppy size to medium dog size.

THINGS TO CONSIDER: Recognize that most dogs do not get the exercise during winter and early spring months that they normally get in the summer and fall. Be aware that your dog may not be in the best physical shape this early in the season and be aware that that can lead to swimmer's tail, a painful condition that takes about 5-7 days to resolve. You **MUST** give your dog sufficient breaks throughout the training session and should not expect to have him or her in the water more than 10 – 15 minutes at a time. If an instructor tells you to put your dog up in its crate, do so, as they are seeing signs of fatigue and are trying to prevent your dog from injury – there will be **NO REFUNDS** for dogs that get swimmer's tail because of your failure to appropriately rest your dog during the day.

Also please be considerate of the other dogs and handlers present on site. Do not assume that because your dog is "friendly" that dogs will be so or will not take offense at being sniffed, stared at, or approached. Do not let your dog run wild on the beach, expecting other handlers to keep their dog in check to avoid a conflict. Keep your dog on leash when going to and from the beach.

WHERE: *Camp Lyndon 117 Stowe Rd., Sandwich, MA*





DIRECTIONS: *From the Sagamore Bridge:*

Take exit 4 for Chase Road. At the end of the ramp turn right. Follow for 2.4 miles. At the stop sign, turn right onto Farmersville Road. Go 200 yards. The Lyndon Center sign will be on the right and turn right onto Stowe Road. Go 2/10 of a miles and the Lyndon entrance is on the right.

HOUSING:

**There are a very limited number of cabins on site for rental Friday and Saturday night. Each cabin has two bunks. These may be rented on availability for \$35 per person/double occupancy. Preference will be given for 2 or more persons per cabin. You will need to bring your own bedding and towels.

The following hotels/inns claim to accept animals. Additional pet fees may be charged. You may wish to book reservations well in advance of the workshop if you are planning to come and have to travel a long distance.

-  Earl of Sandwich Motel, 378 Route 6A, Sandwich, MA; phone 508-888-1415
-  Sandwich Lodge & Resort, 54 Route 6A, Sandwich, MA; phone 508-888-2275
-  Peter's Pond RV Resort, 185 Cotuit Road, Sandwich, MA (1 or 2-bedroom cottages); phone 508-477-1775
-  Comfort Inn, 1470 Iyannough Road, Rte 132, Hyannis, MA; phone 508-771-4804

Food:

There will be a club sponsored BBQ at the camp on Saturday evening.

The club will provide coffee, munchkins, yogurt, fruit and water.

You are welcome to bring your own lunch and breakfast/snack items.

There will be a signup sheet available in the morning and a club member will make a sandwich run to Panera if you prefer to purchase a lunch.

Send registration materials and check to:

Karen Kirby Ash, 7 Stuart Circle, Moultonborough, NH 03254 603.845.7070, karen@saltydawgpwds.com.
Make checks out to the Mayflower PWD Club.

REGISTRATION FORM (PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY)
(Only one dog per registrant per form; two dogs maximum per registrant)

Participant: _____

Email address: _____ **Phone:** _____

Address: _____

_____ *street* _____ *city* _____ *state* _____ *zip* _____
Dog's Call name: _____ **Male** **Female**

Dog's AKC name: _____ **Dog's Age:** _____

Level of Training with this Dog: _____

Workshop Fees: Please circle selection (limited to 8 dogs per day)

Beginners Camp, Working Spot, Sunday 6/19/16 **Member** \$75.00 **Non-Member** \$80.00

Auditor Fee: **Member** \$25.00 per day **Non-Member** \$30.00 per day

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Hold Harmless Agreement

I understand that attendance of a dog-training event is not without risk to myself, members of my family, guests who may attend, or to my dog. I understand there are dangers involved in attending an event in which dogs are around strange people and other dogs, and that some accident or injury may result. I also understand that a water camp may have wildlife present that could present a danger to my dog or result in parasite transmission to my dog. I am willing to assume those risks for myself, members of my family, my guests, and/or my dog.

I hereby waive and release the Mayflower Portuguese Water Club, its instructors, participants, and guests, and the host training site (Camp Sandwich, MA), from any and all liability of any nature, for injury, damage, or death which I or my dog may suffer, including specifically, but not without limitation, any injury or damage resulting from the action of any dog, and I expressly assume the risk of any such damage or injury while attending this training session, or while on the training grounds or surrounding area. I agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss of my dog(s) by disappearance, theft, death, or otherwise, and from any claim for damage or injury to my dog(s), whether such loss, disappearance, theft, damage, or injury be caused or alleged to be caused by the negligence of the club or any of the parties aforementioned, or by the negligence of any other person, or any other causes. I hereby assume sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify and save the aforementioned parties harmless from any and all loss and expense (including legal fees) for any damage sustained by any person or persons or for any damage to property.

In consideration of and as inducement to my participation as a guest or participant in any Mayflower Portuguese Water Dog Club training seminar, I hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless the instructors, members, and guests of the host training site (Camp Lyndon, Sandwich, MA) and the Mayflower Portuguese Water Dog Club from any and all claims, or claims by any member of my family or any guest that may accompany me to these events, while on the training grounds or surrounding area, as a result of any action by any dog, including my own.

I understand that it is my sole responsibility to maintain control of my dog at all times while on the training grounds or surrounding area. I also understand that failure to control my dog at all times will be sufficient grounds for my dismissal from the workshop and forfeiture of all paid fees for said workshop.

HOST TRAINING SITE: _____ Camp Lyndon, Sandwich, MA _____ Date: _____

Signature (Parent or Guardian if a minor): _____ Printed Name: _____

You must sign the hold harmless agreement and send it with your application and check (not refundable within 7 days of the clinic).