



## The Mayflower PWD Club Presents

Martha Ruskai's All Level PWD

Water Camp at Camp Lyndon

117 Stowe Rd., Sandwich, MA

June 23-24, 2018

Join us for an early season start to water training your PWD. This workshop is open to all levels.\*\* Come prepared to get wet, have fun, and learn a lot of training techniques in the water and on land.

### THE INSTRUCTOR

#### *Martha Ruskai:*

I fell in love with Portuguese Water Dogs in 1987. In 1988 I lucked into Buddy, Regala's Dom Antonio, an 18 month old male from long time breeder Eleanor Pierce. I joined the PWDC in 1990. Nikki and Max followed. In 2002 I learned that Alice Vicha was looking for "the right kind of home" for bitch puppy. Alice wanted "someone who would DO things with the very smart and very active puppy". That puppy was the infamous Missy, "HRH Queen of the Sand Angels", Norvic's Norman's Christmas Cheer CDX NA NAJ OAP NJP NFP CWDX SROM. Missy and I entered our first Movers and Shakers water trial without really knowing what was expected. Missy passed her Junior Water Certificate with her signature enthusiasm in July 2004. Missy had an unbridled joy in leaping from a boat and WORKING in the water. She taught Bubbles, who has now taught DeeDee to love that bumper retrieve. We also enjoy AKC & NADAC agility, Owner Handling in the breed ring and participate in formal obedience. I currently live with 2 PWDs; 11 year old, Bubbles, CH Driftwood's Estrela do Estagio CD OAP OJP NFP CWDX GROM and 1 year old DeeDee, Afortunado Cigano do Estagio. I am a founding member of both Carolina PWD clubs, and served as a PWD Rescue Rep for 15 years. I think that the best seat in the house for observing temperament and structure in motion is from the edge of the water. Now retired from 23 years as a college theater arts professor, I enjoy a freelance opera design career and part-time dog training with the Winston-Salem Dog Training Club. Helping with training and judging water trials gives me the chance to support and encourage others to continue making sure this funny, smart, fantastic breed can do what they were bred to do, *working in the water* as part of a great team.

### THE WORKSHOP

This workshop is limited to PWDs only. **NOTE: the limit of working spots is 15 dogs**. There is no limit to the number of auditors who may attend.

**WHEN:** This workshop will run from 9-4 on Saturday and 8:30-3:00 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.

**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:**

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. Two night minimum rental and preference given for multiple occupancy for participants. Up to four persons per cabin. You will need to bring your own bedding and towels.

**ONLY ONE VEHICLE MAY BE PARKED AT THE CABIN.** All other vehicles must park in parking area. We will have a campfire with social hour around the firepit! **CONTACT [tobiannko@gmail.com](mailto:tobiannko@gmail.com) or call 978-505-8203 to register and for pricing of the cabins.**

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 if you prefer to purchase a lunch.

**\*\*All participating dogs must have solid basic manners. I.E., Sit, stay, down and recall.**

**We maintain the right to excuse anyone using abusive training methods with no refund.**

Send registration materials and **check made out to the Mayflower PWD Club** to:  
Tobi-Ann Kocher at 19 Hickory Hill Rd. Wayland, MA 01778 any ?'s email: [tobiannko@gmail.com](mailto:tobiannko@gmail.com)  
**First Come First Served: All registrations will be accepted based on the envelope postmark date.**

**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 SELECTIONS (limited to 10 working teams)**

Water Camp, Working Spot, Full Weekend  
23 & 24 June 2018                      **Member \$160.00**                      **Non-Member \$180.00**

Auditor Fee:                                      **Member \$60.00**                                      **Non-Member \$80.00**

**Total Enclosed**                                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**PREFERENCE WILL BE GIVEN TO TWO DAY PARTICIPANTS BEFORE CONSIDERING ONE DAY SPOTS.**  
**One day rate will be \$90 for members and \$100 for non-members.**

**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 Lyndon, 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).**