

**ARE YOU LOOKING TO WATER TRAIN DURING THE WINTER?  
THEN COME JOIN THE 1<sup>ST</sup> OF TWO DRY DOCK SEMINAR'S  
HOSTED BY THE MAYFLOWER PWD CLUB**

**SUNDAY, 19 February 2017 10:30-4 PM**

**WAGGIN TAIL DOG TRAINING CENTER, 67 BROADWAY STREET, WESTFORD, MA**

### **THE AGENDA**

Kari Lavalli & Karen Ash are excited to show you how to build a team relationship with your dog. You will gain an understanding of the basic exercises by breaking them down into progressive, easy-to-learn steps, most that can be done without water... even in your living room. You and your dog will build confidence together by the successes you achieve in this step-by-step approach. And since retrieving is a big part of beginner water work, we will show you how to make your recalls and stays more reliable and FUN!



This workshop is for beginners and intermediate levels. Exercises taught here will help build on the skills needed for the Dry Dock seminar in April, led by instructor Deborah Lee Miller Riley, where the focus will be on directional foundation work. You will also be well prepared to "jump on in and splash around" at our Mayflower Water Camp in June with instructor Julie Asbed. Competing for PWDCAs water titles is fun and we are here to show you how!

### **THE INSTRUCTORS**

**Karen Kirby Ash:** Karen has been involved with dogs since childhood. Having owned a variety of breeds, Karen is passionate about the PWD, and water training. Karen has owned and trained multiple titled PWDs including two Courier Water Dogs, one who earned her Courier Water Dog Excellent and 21 Versatility Awards. With a Masters in Psychology, Karen has become an accomplished dog trainer handling her own dogs in conformation, obedience, rally, agility, water and nosework including owner handling her male Baker to the Top Ten in Breed. Karen has trained in agility for almost 20 years and is a graduate of the White Mountain Agility Instructors program. In 2016, she ranked #6 in the PWDCAs Owner Handler Program for performance events. Karen breeds Portuguese Water Dogs under the registered kennel name of Saltydawg, is a health and litter log administrator for the National PWDCAs Club, and serves as Vice President and on the water committees of the Mayflower PWD and the PWDSNE Clubs. In 2017, Karen is the registration chairperson for the 26<sup>th</sup> PWDCAs National Specialty. In addition, Karen teaches private and semi-private water lessons at the residence where she grew up on Sunset Lake in Braintree, MA.

**Kari Lavalli:** Kari has trained under a number of obedience instructors and attended numerous agility and tracking seminars as well as water training seminars, obedience and canine conditioning seminars. She participates in several online programs such as Susan Garrett's Recallers course. In the summer of 2016, Kari took 3 of the Operant Conditioning Workshops (aka "Chicken Camps") to improve her understanding of animal training techniques. She has taught beginner's water clinics for the Mayflower Portuguese Water Dog Club and served on that club's board of directors from 2010 to 2015. Currently, Kari is an officer on the board of directors of the Tracking Club of Massachusetts. Her dogs hold a variety of titles in obedience, rally, agility, nosework, barn hunt, and water. Kari holds a Ph.D. in biology from the Boston University Marine Program and specializes in the behavioral ecology of lobsters. She has taught animal behavior at the college level and brings a variety of approaches to training dogs and their owners. Kari teaches Basic Manners classes at Performance Plus in Raynham, MA.

**Kim Holden:** Karen and Kari will be assisted by Kim who has titled her PWD Cleo in water and rally and is currently training her Saltydawg PWD puppy Pearl for conformation, and multiple performance titles. Kim proved to be an invaluable asset to Karen and the attendees at the beginner's water camp in 2016. Kim manages the Mayflower PWD Club's webpage, sends out our Evites and is currently on the Mayflower PWD board. For 2017, Kim is nominated to serve as Secretary for the club.



## Hold Harmless Agreement

I understand that attendance of a dog-training event is not without risk to me, 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 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 (Waggin Tail Dog Training Center, Westford, 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 (Waggin Tail Dog Training Center, Westford, 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: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE (Parent or Guardian if minor): \_\_\_\_\_ PRINTED NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

**You MUST sign the Hold Harmless Agreement and return it with your check and registration.  
(No refunds within seven days of the workshop.)**

Mail registration and Hold Harmless Agreement to:

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QUESTIONS - call Karen @ 603.845.7070 or email [saltydawgpwds@gmail.com](mailto:saltydawgpwds@gmail.com)