

Land Work

for Water Work

A Workshop Presented by
Heart of America Newfoundland Club

Saturday, April 17, 2021

*Kemper Outdoor Education Center
At Lake Jacomo in Fleming Park*

8201 Jasper Bell Road, Blue Springs, MO 64015



Photo by Gary Meyer

Time: 11:00 am to 4:00 pm / Outdoor workshop – Dress for the weather
Workshop will start promptly at 11:00. Please arrive no later than 10:30 so you can find a parking spot, potty your dog, pay for the workshop, sign waivers, set up your equipment, and get yourself and your dog settled. Park on the big gravel parking lot.

Fee: \$20 per dog

WHAT TO BRING:

- Your own picnic lunch, drinks, snacks.
- Your Newfoundland that you would like to start on water work this summer, with a collar and 6-foot leash. Any age okay. The handler must be able to control their dog.
- Crate (if you don't own one, a loaner can be arranged); all participants will be expected to take turns stewarding exercises for each other's dogs.
- Water bowl and dog water.
- Lots or yummy dog treats (soft dog treats or lean cooked meat; no hard biscuits).
- Any of the following equipment that you have for Jr/WD level of water training:
 - Canvas, plastic or firehose retrieving bumper
 - Lifejacket for retrieving
 - Boat cushion for retrieving
 - Knotted line
 - If you don't have the above equipment, the workshop will discuss equipment needed for this summer. Some equipment will be available to borrow or purchase at the workshop.
 - Any additional equipment you would like to introduce to your dog for Senior or Excellent levels.
- To start retrieving: a favorite toy or object that your dog LIKES to hold in his mouth.
- Pen and notebook, if you want.

WORKSHOP CONTENT

This workshop is open to any Newfoundland owner, but it's designed for novice handlers wishing to train their dogs for NCA junior level Water Rescue exercises (WD). It is designed to help you train your dog the basic water work skills he needs BEFORE you take him to the water this summer. If you spend 4 to 6 weeks training your dog in these land work skills, then he will have a realistic chance to earn his water title in one summer. If you haven't trained these skills, then your dog won't be fully ready to start training at the pond this summer.

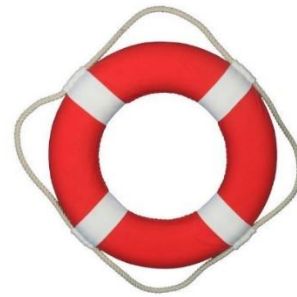
We will NOT be teaching you how to train the exercises IN the water here, just the building blocks that you can do at home on land. We will be focusing on all the skills for the NCA Junior Water Dog exercises and, time permitting, introduction to some of the exercises for the Senior (WRD) and Excellent (WRDX) levels.

Topics & Skills to be Covered:

- Equipment Needed (for practice & for the test)
- Review of the 6 Junior Division exercises
- Basic Obedience Skills needed for junior water work
- Retrieving Skills: Take, Hold, Give, Carry
- Taking Direction
- Find
- Delivery to Hand
- Going Out
- Take-A-Line
- Going around
- Towing (pulling) objects
- Towing handler

AND TIME PERMITTING:

- Senior landwork (intro for junior dogs)
- Excellent landwork (intro for junior dogs)



ADVANCE REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED BY APRIL 11

Email Marty Swindell:
martyswind@aol.com

Send your name, phone, email address, your dog's name, age & experience in obedience and Water Rescue training. You'll receive a confirmation email.

Bring your \$20 fee to the workshop (cash or check payable to HANC).

QUESTIONS???

Contact Marty Swindell • (816) 590-1665 • martyswind@aol.com

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