



## **“BRIDGING THE YEARS”**

**Newfoundland Club of America, Inc.**

**Monday, April 29 – Saturday May 4, 2019**

**Bavarian Inn Lodge • Heritage Park • Frankenmuth, Michigan**

**[www.ncanationalspecialty.org](http://www.ncanationalspecialty.org)    Facebook™ group: **NCA National Specialty****

**WELCOME . . .** Warm greetings from the 2019 NCA National Specialty Committee!

This year's theme --- “Bridging the Years” --- is inspired by Frankenmuth's historic covered bridge, which was a dream-come-true for the Zehnder Brothers, completed in 1980. Once again, when you cross the Cass River next April and enter “Little Bavaria”, the Bavarian Inn Lodge and adjacent Heritage Park will welcome your return and provide an outstanding show venue. Whether this will be your first National Specialty or your fiftieth, it promises to evoke pleasant memories from the past, offer fun in the present, and make new memories for the future.

“Bridging the Years” encourages us to reflect about the various reasons we look forward to attending the National Specialty year after year: to celebrate our love of Newfoundlands with fellow fanciers; see beautiful dogs; visit with friends from around the world; recall a fond win or winner; remember breed mentors of the past; compete for another win; plan a breeding program; or learn something new, just to mention a few. Whatever beckons you to return in 2019, may Frankenmuth's covered bridge inspire you to pursue your dreams, and may they all come true!

**Show Chair Steve Britton and the 2019 National Specialty Show Committee**

**LOCATION . . .** Frankenmuth is located in the “thumb” area of Michigan, just a few minutes off I-75 between Flint and Saginaw. Northbound traffic on I-75, use exit 136; southbound traffic on I-75, use exit 144. Directions to the Lodge from anywhere in the United States are located at [www.bavarianinn.com](http://www.bavarianinn.com).

## **OPENING CEREMONIES!**

**Attention Regional Clubs ...** Tuesday afternoon’s Opening Ceremony will begin, once again, with an impressive Color Guard presentation, planned by Jill Britton, followed by a Parade of Regional Clubs. Show your Regional Club’s Pride for its work in support of the Newfoundland Club of America by participating in the ceremony!

We have a large flag with each club’s logo to carry in the parade, and following the ceremony, the flags will be displayed on the show grounds to wave in tribute throughout the week. Your club can be proudly represented in the parade in one or more of the following ways:

- 1.) Select a member to carry your club’s flag in the parade.
- 2.) Invite other members (and their Newfs) to participate in your entry.
- 3.) Include a short narration highlighting your club’s accomplishments (e.g. working tests, regional specialties, community service, workshops, matches, health initiatives, rescue, parades, etc.) to be read when your club members enter the ring.
- 4.) Include a “float” (decorated Newf-drawn cart or wagon) that represents your club’s geographic region, activities, or a theme of your choice.
- 5.) Identify your group as a unit in some way, such as matching T-shirts, hats, etc., or in costumes to complement the theme of your “float”.

Prizes for 1st through 4th places will be awarded for the most creative entries!

We invite international clubs to participate in the parade, as well, by bringing their own flag.

A CD player will be available if a group wants specific music played during its procession.

There is no entry fee for this event, but please return an entry form by the April 1st deadline to aid us in planning a well-organized ceremony. **The entry form is on page 18**

**THE SITE . . .** Show headquarters is the picturesque Bavarian Inn Lodge which is nestled on the banks of the Cass River, adjacent to Heritage Park and the spacious Harvey Kern Pavilion. The Bavarian Inn Lodge features 354 rooms and suites, a seven- acre Family Fun Center (with five indoor pools, two whirlpools, children’s play area, mini golf, game room, exercise room, and Ratskeller Lounge), Oma’s Restaurant, and Lorelei Lounge. A short scenic walk over the covered bridge leads to Main Street, which is home to over 100 specialty shops and other well-known restaurants. The show rings, grooming, and vendors will be in Heritage Park, including the Harvey Kern Pavilion, just across a bike path from the hotel. The distance from the tower entrance of the hotel to the show ring in Heritage Park is just slightly over .2 of a mile. You can see an aerial view of the hotel and show grounds on the NCA Specialty website.

The Kern Pavilion affords the Newfoundland Specialty show some flexibility in dealing with the potential weather challenges a late April/early May dog show presents. However, it is important that all fanciers work together, in the spirit of good sportsmanship, to make the logistics of this show site work.

Michigan’s climate in late April/early May is unpredictable; come prepared for all kinds of weather. Plan to bring warm clothing; that is, clothing that can be *layered*, hats, gloves, rain gear, and warm boots. The average high temperature for the week of the Specialty is 62 degrees, and the average low temperature is 40 degrees.

## AIR TRAVEL & AIRPORT TRANSPORTATION . . .

Nearby airports are Bishop (Flint) and MBS (Midland-Bay City-Saginaw in Freeland); each are located approximately 35 minutes from Frankenmuth. Detroit Western Metropolitan Airport in Romulus, Michigan is approximately 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> - 2 hours away - depending on traffic and road construction. Exhibitors are encouraged to coordinate their airport arrival and departure times to share the cost of the van.

A local car service will again have a full sized van available that can accommodate dogs and crates: **Contact:**

**Custom Transport, LLC** of Saginaw,

Michigan (**ask for Karen**). • **989.284.4484**. We are confident you and your Newfoundland(s) will, once again, enjoy the conveniences of this site and the opportunities to experience the Old World charm of Michigan's "Little Bavaria."

## THE 2019 NATIONAL SPECIALTY JUDGES . . .

Kimberly Meredith-Cavanna.....	Intersex
Linda Hurlebaus.....	Dogs Classes, Brace, & Team
Debra Thorton ....	Bitch Classes, Maturity & Junior Showmanship
Diane Price.....	4 – 6 Month Puppy
Laura VandeVen.....	
	Veteran Dog Sweepstakes & Best Veteran Dog in Sweepstakes; Puppy Dog Sweepstakes Best Puppy & Best of Opposite Puppy in Sweepstakes
Rebecca Carner.....	
	Veteran Bitch Sweepstakes & Best Veteran Bitch in Sweepstakes; Puppy Bitch Sweepstakes
Suzanne Hemminger.....	Obedience & Rally
Dianne Allen .....	Obedience & Rally
Mark Iken.....	Draft Test
Gary Walker .....	Draft Test

**ROOM RESERVATIONS . . .** We have reserved all 354 hotel rooms at the Bavarian Inn Lodge; but reservations must be mailed, and may not be postmarked prior to **January 8, 2019**. (Reservations postmarked prior to January 8, 2019 will be returned.) Reservations must be made on the reservation **form is on pages 15 - 16** and include a deposit of one night's lodging. The reservation form may be duplicated.

Please be considerate when making reservations. Every year unneeded reservations are made, only to be cancelled at a later date, creating unnecessary confusion for potential guests and the hotel staff. (To avoid making duplicate reservations, those who preregistered at the 2018 Specialty will receive confirmation of their room reservation prior to January 8.) If you must cancel reservations, please do so as early as possible. **Any reservation cancellations must occur on or before March 1 to receive a full refund.**

**BAVARIAN INN PERKS CLUB . . .** Planning to attend future NCA National Specialties hosted at the Bavarian Inn Lodge? Newfoundland fanciers may wish to benefit from additional hotel amenities by signing-up for the Bavarian Lodge's Perks Club. Sign-up on-line at [www.bavarianinn.com](http://www.bavarianinn.com).

**BE A CONSIDERATE GUEST . . .** In 2001, the Newfoundland National was the first dog show ever held at the Bavarian Inn Lodge/Heritage Park location. In fact, until that time, animals were not permitted in the hotel. The hotel managers took a chance when they permitted the NCA to hold our Specialty there, and we did not disappoint them. Because our guests took good care of the facilities, the NCA's positive reputation paved the way for future dog shows for other breed clubs. Please do your part to uphold our reputation as considerate guests. Exercise your dogs in designated areas only and use the plastic bags and trash receptacles provided to facilitate clean up. We need everyone's help in keeping the hotel rooms and show grounds, including grooming areas, clean. **The Newfoundland Club of America and the Bavarian Inn Lodge reserves rights to enter locked hotel rooms if it believes a dog or dogs inside are in distress, or left unattended or unsecured.**

**ON LINE PAYMENT OPTION . . .** Do you prefer purchasing on-line? Here's your link –  
[www.ncanationalspecialty.org](http://www.ncanationalspecialty.org).

**REGISTRATION . . .** Register for the Specialty to receive your Registration Bag filled with important information regarding events and schedules, *goodies* from the great State of Michigan, a logo pin, and official name tag. Your name tag is your ticket to the Welcome Reception, and other Specialty events. The registration fee for the 2019 National Specialty is \$35 per adult if purchased by the February 1 “early bird” deadline; \$40 thereafter until the April 1 deadline. The registration fee for Juniors (ages 8-18) is \$20 for the first child, \$15 for each additional child in the family.

National Registration Bags can be picked up in the hotel lobby on Sunday, April 28, from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.; Monday, April 29 and Tuesday, April 30, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. After that time, registration materials will be available in the ringside Hospitality Area. To register, **please use the form on page 17. Contact: Rita VanBrandeghen.**

**RESERVED GROOMING . . .** A limited number of reserved grooming spaces will again be available in the Harvey Kern Pavilion, adjacent to the conformation ring. Each assigned 5' x 10' spot will include enough room for two 24" x 48" crates and one grooming table and with access to electrical power. (Some sharing of electrical power will be necessary.) The cost is \$85 per week for each space. One additional adjacent crate space (approximately 30"x 10'), not including electrical access, may be reserved for \$25 for the week.

When reserving grooming space, we encourage you to plan ahead and “buddy-up” with friends. By sharing with friends and coordinating the use of the reserved space and electrical resources during the show, you will make it possible for more people to reserve space to groom in the Kern Pavilion and conserve resources at the same time.

**PLEASE: If mailing your reservation, all forms requesting adjacent spaces next to other exhibitors, MUST be mailed in the same envelope. If your reservation is transmitted electronically, use the special pull-down box on the electronic form to note your adjacent space request.** Please make your plans with others well in advance of mailing or transmitting your forms. The show committee does not guarantee requests when forms are mailed separately or not noted on the electronic form.

Other non-reserved grooming space, outside of the Kern Pavilion, with a limited number of electrical outlets, will be available on a first come, first served basis. However, the show committee cannot guarantee the availability of electrical service in these areas.

Please note that dogs cannot be left in their crates overnight. Also, privately owned generators are not permitted within 50 feet of the Kern Pavilion; high intensity lights or canopies are not permitted inside the grooming area.

The first postmark date accepted for reserved grooming space is **January 8, 2019**. Items hand-cancelled at the Montrose, Michigan post office and received on or before January 8, 2019 will be returned unopened. If using an expedited delivery services, please waive the signature. Reservation and cancellation deadline is **March 1. The Reserved Grooming form is on page 20. Contact: Steve Britton.**

**GENERAL PARKING . . .** The hotel parking lots have space to accommodate 1,800 vehicles, so, there is ample parking available for exhibitors and spectators. Exhibitors may drive to the grooming buildings to unload before parking their vehicles. At its Specialty, **The Newfoundland Club of America reserves the right to forcibly enter a parked vehicle if it believes a dog, or dogs inside are in distress.**

## TENTATIVE SCHEDULE . . . (TIMES SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

### Sunday, April 28 . . .

4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. .... Registration & Logo item sales.

6:00 p.m. - 7: p.m. .... Dining with the NCA Board.

**Please note, due to Heritage Park scheduling issues, the Reserved Grooming and Handler Parking will not be available until late Monday afternoon (about 5 p.m.).**

### Monday, April 29 . . .

Draft Test 1/Hosted by North Central Newfoundland Club.

10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. .... Registration & Logo item sales.

5 p.m. .... Grooming Areas available for set-up

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. .... Dining with the NCA Board.

### Tuesday, April 30 . . .

Draft Test 2/Hosted by North Central Newfoundland Club.

Regional Obedience & Rally Trials/

Hosted by the Penn-Ohio NC.

Canine Cardiologist exams by appointment.

10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. .... Registration & Logo item sales.

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 P.M. .... Junior Education Seminar -  
Ringside (Welcoming Meeting to  
immediately follow - until 4 p.m.).

2 p.m. .... 4 - 6 mos. Puppy Judging.

4:00 p.m. .... Opening Ceremonies.

6:30 p.m. .... Welcome Reception

8:00 p.m. .... NCA Annual Meeting.

### Wednesday, May 1 . . .

National Obedience & Rally Trials.

Puppy & Veteran Sweepstakes.

Silent Auction - Rescue.

Canine Cardiologist by appoint - if times needed.

Lunch Break ..... Living Legends.

### Wednesday, May 1 . . . (cont'd)

Thirty minutes after sweeps judging concludes:

Weather permitting the Top 20 Judging is in outdoor show ring.

6:00 p.m. .... Juniors' Pizza Party & Mini-golf.

6:00 p.m. .... Specialty Carting & Wagon Exercises.

7:00 p.m. .... Health and Longevity Committee Program.

### Thursday, May 2 . . .

Dog Judging.

Silent Auction - Health Challenge.

9:00 a.m. .... Juniors Scavenger Hunt.

6:00 p.m. .... Derby Day Top 20/10 Pre-race Party -  
Food & Cash Bar.

7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. .... Top 20/10 - NCA Derby Day.

### Friday, May 3 . . .

Bitch, Brace, Team and Maturity Judging.

Silent Auction - Health Challenge.

9:00 a.m. .... Meeting for Juniors at ringside.

10:00 a.m. - 1 p.m. .... CGC & Trick Dog Testing

After conformation judging:

..... Rescue and Honors Parades.

5:00 p.m. .... Working Dog Forum.

6:00 p.m. .... Pre-Auction Dinner & Cash Bar.

7:30 p.m. .... Fine Arts Auction & Raffle

### Saturday, May 4 . . .

Inter-sex Judging.

Lunch ..... Junior Showmanship Judging.

6:30 p.m. .... Cash Bar.

7:00 p.m. .... Banquet.

### Sunday, May 5 . . .

Site Clean-up ..... All day.

**HERITAGE PARK & KERN PAVILION AVAILABILITY . . .** Note, except for the Monday April 29, 2019 draft test, Frankenmuth Heritage Park and the Harvey Kern Pavilion (including the reserved grooming and parking areas) are not available for set-up until after 5 p.m. on Monday, April 29, 2019. The adjacent dog bathing area in the Bavarian Inn Lodge parking lot will be available on Sunday, April 28, 2019, sometime in the afternoon.

During the week, the Harvey Kern Pavilion hours will be open from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily, with the exception of Thursday. Thursday evening, the grooming area in the Kern Pavilion will close for grooming during the Top 20/10, 6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., and will reopen after the Top 20/10 and will remain open until 10:30 p.m.

## **DOG SHOW & OBEDIENCE TRIAL ENTRIES:**

For 2019, the show superintendent is again Roy Jones Dog Shows. Roy Jones Dog Shows has a good reputation for its personalized customer service. **Note:** Roy Jones Dog Show's On-line Entry System will not accept an international postal code, but any fancier may instead process entries by using Info Dog.com. **Entries processed by any alternate AKC superintendent's online entry system, such as InfoDog.com, will need at least an additional 24 hours for processing. Please process your entries early.**

### **Dog Show Superintendent.**

*Roy Jones Dog Shows*

P.O. Box 828 • Auburn, IN 46706

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(For overnight private carriers only)

**NOTE: ROY JONES DOG SHOWS DOES NOT GUARANTEE ENTRIES TRANSMITTED BY ELECTRONIC TABLET OR CELLPHONE. AN UPDATED *IOS* BASED ENTRY SYSTEM IS UNDER DEVELOPMENT**  
**Entries close Wednesday, APRIL 10, 2019.**

**PREMIUM LIST INFORMATION DEADLINE . . .** The **deadline** for receiving premium list information, **to Steve Britton, show chair, is by December 1, 2018.**

**CATALOG ADVERTISING . . .** **Deadline for receiving ad copy is February 1.** Share your great dog, share your memories, thank a friend, announce your regional club's activities or sell your products with an ad in our specialty catalog. Full page b & w ads are \$50, color ads are \$75, half page ads (no photo) are \$30. A booster listing is \$10. To place an ad or booster listing, use the **form on page 19**. We reserve the right to reject ads deemed inappropriate. **Contact Joan Gunn** for more information. Our Booster ads are offered at only \$10, and will be listed in the show catalog.

**UNIFORM TROPHY DONATIONS . . .** Annually, the NCA Specialty awards fine Lenox China as Uniform Trophies to winners and placers at its National Specialty Show. Would you like to make a donation to sponsor a class for this coming year's show? A Uniform **Trophy Donation Form is on page 27**. **For more information, contact: Pam Rubio. Deadline: December 1.**

**SPECIAL AWARD DONATIONS . . .** If you miss the trophy donation deadline of December 1, 2018, to be listed in the premium list and catalog, there is still time to donate special awards. These awards will be presented at the banquet. The donor is responsible for making sure the award is delivered to the Trophy Chair at the Specialty. To make a donation, complete the **form on page 27**. **Contact: Pam Rubio. Special Awards Donation deadline is March 1.**

**RESERVED HANDLER PARKING . . .** Reserved handler parking-by-reservation is again available to any exhibitor with three (3) or more Newfoundlands entered. Parking will be in paved parking lots approximately 125 ft. from the show ring. Each spot will be 18' X 18'. The cost is \$75. There will be a limited number of larger spots, 18' x 36', to accommodate larger handler vehicles over 18', such as box vans at a cost of \$120 each. RVs are **not** permitted to park in the Handler Parking Area. Generators may not run during the quiet hours, 10:00 P.M. — 6:00 AM. **The Newfoundland Club of America reserves rights to forcibly enter a parked vehicle if it believes a dog, or dogs inside are in distress.** Reservations will be accepted beginning with a **January 8, 2019**, postmark. Items hand cancelled at the Montrose, Michigan post office and received on or before January 8, 2019 will be returned unopened. **Please note, the reserved parking area will not be available until 5 p.m. on Monday, April 29, 2019.** To reserve a spot, fill out and return the **form on page 21**. **Contact: Dejah Petsch. Please note, the reservation/cancellation deadline is March 1.**



**DOG BATHING . . .** Washing stations with warm water will be setup in the Reserved Handler Parking Area (upper lot) in the Bavarian Inn Lodge Parking Lot, and available for use beginning Sunday afternoon, April 28. No bathing or grooming of dogs is permitted in any hotel rooms at the Bavarian Inn Lodge.

## **RV CAMPING & PARKING . . .**

**Limited On-Site Camping . . .** Frankenmuth city ordinances prohibit overnight camping except in commercial campgrounds. However, the City of Frankenmuth has again waived its “No Overnight Camping” rule for our 2019 Specialty and **will permit a maximum of 20 self-contained RVs** (motor homes and camping trailers only; no tents or pop-ups) to camp on-site in a designated area. The designated area is conveniently located behind the Kern Pavilion. There will be no electric hook-ups, but a water source, and a dump station will be available nearby. Please note, **the Newfoundland Club of America reserves rights to forcibly enter parked vehicles (locked or unlocked) if it believes a dog or dogs inside are in distress.**

The limited number of on-site camping spaces **must be reserved for the entire week** (Monday, April 29—Saturday, May 4) at a cost of **\$400**. In the event the designated camping area becomes unusable due to weather conditions, the camping fee will be refunded, and RVs must move to a commercial campground. (The City of Frankenmuth will not permit camping in any other area of the show grounds.) Reservations for on-site camping will be accepted beginning with a **January 8, 2019** postmark. Items hand cancelled at the Montrose, Michigan post office and received on or before January 8, 2019 will be returned unopened; the deadline is **March 1** or earlier when available spots are filled. No refunds will be given after **March 1** unless someone else is on a waiting list who wants the space. To reserve an on-site camping space, complete the RV Reservation **Form on page 22**. **Contact: Chuck Ialungo.**

**Nearby Campgrounds . . .** Overnight camping, with full hookups, is available at the following nearby commercial campgrounds, which accept reservations up to a year in advance:

- Frankenmuth Jellystone Park (approximately 1/2 mile from the show site) • (989) 652-6668  
[www.frankenmuthjellystone.com](http://www.frankenmuthjellystone.com).
- Pineridge RV Campground (approximately 5 miles from the show site) • (989)624-9029.

**Daytime RV Parking . . .** For those who plan to camp in one of the commercial campgrounds and drive their RV to the show each day, a paved hotel parking lot, south of the main Lodge entrance and in view of the covered bridge, will be reserved for daytime RV parking. The distance from the daytime RV parking lot to the show ring is about .3 mile. Those who utilize this option may wish to consider renting a golf cart. To help us plan the number of RV parking spaces needed, please complete the **form on page 22**. **The deadline is March 1**. **Contact Chuck Ialungo.**

**HOSPITALITY . . .** Again this year, the Lions Club Building will include a Hospitality Area during show hours to help you make the most of your Specialty experience. Conveniently located near the main show ring, come here in the morning for complimentary coffee, pastries, fresh fruit and to pick up the latest edition of The *Bavarian Belle-wether* (the daily newsletter). Also, if pastries aren't your thing, the Frankenmuth Lions Club will have a limited menu of breakfast and luncheon items for purchase. Check the bulletin board for up-to-date announcements about the day's events, purchase tickets for Specialty activities, reserve a table at the banquet, and get your questions answered by the friendly and knowledgeable volunteers. At lunchtime, a variety of delicious lunches will be available for purchase, plus snacks and beverages throughout the day. It will be a warm place to come inside, meet friends old and new, and stay “connected” with what is going on at the show. **Contact: Cathy and John Borklund.**

**WELCOME RECEPTION . . .** The Welcome Reception is always a great way to begin the National Specialty week— an enjoyable opportunity to relax and catch up with far away friends and acquaintances from the world of Newfoundland Dogs. We hope you will join us at the Welcome Reception and Celebration, prior to the NCA Annual Meeting, on Tuesday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 p.m. at the Bavarian Inn Lodge. **Contact: Roger Frey**

**NCA ANNUAL MEETING . . .** The NCA Annual Meeting will take place immediately following the Welcome Reception. As always, it is an opportunity to review the happenings of the Newfoundland Club of America during the past year. It is also the time that NCA recognizes the Top Dogs (Conformation, Obedience, Versatile Newfoundlands, Working Achievement, ROMs , etc.), Juniors, and other award winners. Enjoy some delicious refreshments, too.

**Show Photographer . . .**  
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### **RESERVED “GOLD LEVEL” RINGSIDE SEATING**

**GOLD LEVEL SEATING PACKAGE (30 SEATS AVAILABLE):** At this year’s National Specialty we will be including a comfortable Specialty Camp Chair with folding side table and the 2019 National Specialty logo on the back with choice of name added to the chair. Best of ALL it is yours to keep!! You will also have non-alcoholic beverages and snacks available in the ringside reserved seating area Tuesday through Saturday!! You will enjoy the show from a front row seat and be able to watch the classes and Best of Breed competition from your comfortable chair under the tent. The cost of this seating is \$250 for Tuesday through Saturday. As an additional bonus, **GOLD attendees** will receive a small goodie bag to celebrate **GO PINK Winners Bitch Day** and another on the **GO BLUE Winners Dog Day**...PLUS you will be invited to the **GOLD & PURPLE Best of Breed Cookout!! Form on page 24 Contact: Terri Seastrom. LIMITED GOLD LEVEL RESERVED SEATING** reservations beginning with a December 1, 2018 postmark; deadline is March 1, 2019, or when 30 chairs have been reserved.

### **RESERVED “PURPLE LEVEL” RINGSIDE SEATING**

**PURPLE LEVEL SEATING PACKAGE (30 SEATS AVAILABLE):** With this reservation you will be able to sit in a second-row reserved seating position under the tent and will be invited to join the **GOLD & PURPLE Best of Breed Cookout!!** Snacks and Non-alcoholic beverages will be provided Tuesday through Saturday!! The cost of this seating is \$150.

Don’t delay these seats will go fast!! Get your **LIMITED PURPLE LEVEL RESERVED SEATING** reservations beginning with a December 1, 2018 postmark; deadline is March 1, 2019, or when 30 chairs have been reserved. **Form on page 24. Contact: Terri Seastrom**

**REGIONAL BASKETS . . .** Some very generous regional clubs will be donating baskets, filled with interesting items from their areas. The Regional Baskets have been a popular feature of past Specialties, and we are happy to have them again this year. They will be on display at various events throughout the week before they are presented. **Contact: Janet Harriss.**

**LIMITED EDITION PLATES . . .** The NCA has a small inventory of Limited Edition Plates from past national specialties available, and proceeds from the sale of the plates help fund the uniform trophies for the specialty. If interested in purchasing a plate, **Contact (Directly): Cindi Goodwin, P.O. Box 659, Belmont, NH 03220. Phone: (603) 527-9133; Email Cindi: fulltilt@metrocast.com, for more information.**



**MEALS & BANQUET . . . Dinner with the NCA Board . . .** Again, this year, on Sunday and Monday evenings from 6 p.m. – 7 p.m., the 2019 National Specialty is offering dinner by reservation in a private dining room. **Ticket sales end April 1.** Please indicate your selected entrée preference on the **meal reservation form located on page 26.** **Contact: Cindi Craig**

**Friday Evening: Salad Bar & Pasta Buffet . . .** Last year, the dinner preceding the Brown Bag / Fine Arts Auction was so much fun, we are offering a meal again this year. Come join us for a healthy and delicious Salad Bar & Pasta Buffet where you can create your own gourmet meal to suit your taste. Tickets are \$25 and must be purchased in advance by the **April 1 deadline; form on page 26.** **Contact: Cindy Craig.**

**Saturday Evening: Banquet . . .** The Bavarian Inn chefs will, once again, prepare a sumptuous buffet featuring carved roast beef, Frankenmuth chicken, potatoes, a variety of salads and side dishes, rolls, dessert and beverages. The cost is only \$40 per person. Tickets must be purchased in advance by the **April 1 deadline.** The table sign-up book will be located at the registration table Sunday – Monday, and it will move to the Frankenmuth Lions Hospitality Building the remainder of the week. Seating is limited, and the availability of extra tickets at the show cannot be guaranteed. To order tickets for the Sunday, Monday, Friday and Saturday evening meals, complete the reservation **form on page 26.** **The deadline is April 1.** **Contact: Cindi Craig.**

**Other Meals . . .** The Bavarian Inn Lodge takes pride in serving delicious, well-prepared meals in its restaurants. Oma's Restaurant and Lorelei Lounge are located on the main floor near the hotel lobby; the Ratskeller is located in the lower level Fun Center and serves cafeteria style. In addition, there are a variety of other local restaurants nearby.

**SPECIALTY LOGO ITEMS . . .** This year, National Specialty Logo Items are available to purchase from an online store, or at the 2019 National Specialty. For your shopping convenience, an online store will open will remain open until April 1 -no foolin', use the **form provided on page 23.** If you request, the host committee will ship your items during this time, but if you would prefer to pick up your logo items upon your arrival in Frankenmuth, there are no shipping costs. This year's logo is outstanding; it easily transfers or is embroidered on T-Shirts, Sweatshirts, Full Front Zippered Hoodies (embroidered), Insulated hot and cold Drink cups and Caps.. The online store is located at **[www.ncanationalspecialty.org](http://www.ncanationalspecialty.org)**. The host committee will have Specialty Logo items in Frankenmuth available Sunday thru Friday in limited quantities, but if you don't see your size, check with us and we will see if we can get it to you before you leave for home. **Contact: Nancy Duggan. The deadline for placing all pre-show logo item orders for pick-up at the specialty is April 1, 2019, and the deadline for placing orders with shipping is March 15, 2019.**

**FINE ARTS AUCTION & SILENT AUCTION . . .** The traditional fine arts auction and silent auction will take place on Friday evening, May 3rd. Watch the Specialty website and Specialty Facebook® for a preview of the beautiful and unique items that will be available at the auction.

Item drop-off locations and times will be posted in hospitality and registration, as well as included in the daily newsletter.

Please complete the appropriate **form on page 36 and return it by April 1.** Your donations will be appreciated!  
**Contacts: Brooke Moore-Beck for the Silent Auction; Jane Mullin for the Fine Arts Auction.**

**SILENT AUCTIONS . . .** Silent auctions, with the proceeds to benefit Newfoundland Rescue and the Newfoundland Health Challenge, will take place in a tent near ringside on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. Be sure to stop by and help these important causes. Donations are gratefully accepted. **Contacts: Sue Miller (Rescue) or Mary Jane Spackman (Health Challenge).**

**OBEDIENCE & RALLY TRIALS . . .** We are pleased to offer two obedience and rally trials. The Regional Obedience and Rally Trial, hosted by the Penn-Ohio Newfoundland Club, will take place on Tuesday, April 30, and the National Obedience and Rally Trials will follow on Wednesday, May 1. The obedience and rally rings will be in the Kern Pavilion. Entry information is in the show's premium list. **Contact: Kathy Sutliff.**

**DRAFT TESTS . . .** The North Central Newfoundland Club will host two (2) draft tests on site in conjunction with the National Specialty. The first draft test will be on Monday, April 29, and the second test will be held on Tuesday, May 30. Premium lists will be available on line at [www.northcentralnewf.org](http://www.northcentralnewf.org) . For more information, a premium list or to volunteer, use one of the **forms on page 29**. **The volunteer form deadline is April 1.** **Contacts: Tara Kelly - Bertrand, test chair, or Ashley Gaer, test secretary. Do not send draft test entries to Roy Jones Dog Shows.**

**CANINE GOOD CITIZEN AND TRICK DOG TITLE TESTING. . .** The NCA is pleased to offer the AKC Canine Good Citizen and AKC Trick Dog Evaluations at the NCA National Specialty on Friday, May 3 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The CGC title certifies that dogs have the training, manners and behaviors to be reliable and well-behaved members of families and communities. Also, it can also be a gateway toward Therapy Dog work. What better way is there to showcase canine good manners and a classic Newfoundland dog "hallmark of the breed" temperament! **Contact: Heidi Peterson form on page 34. The pre-registration deadline is April 1, 2019.**

**WORKING DOG FORUM . . .** The NCA Working Dog Committee invites you to the annual Working Dogs Forum! You are invited to help the NCA's Working Events to reach the next level of growth, advancement and achievement by joining us for mingling, discussion groups, and conversations on topics regarding water and draft events across the country. The forum is scheduled for 5 p.m. on Friday, May 3, 2019. Our greatest hope for this event is an opportunity to find commonality while sharing, mentoring and inspiring each other as we preserve the Newfoundland's working heritage. Hope to see you there!

Light snacks, beverages and cash bar will be provided. Please indicate your RSVP by checking that you plan to attend on the **reservation form on page 35**. (For headcount only) **Deadline: April 1. Contact: Sue Raney.**

**ACTIVITIES FOR JUNIORS. . .** The Juniors Committee is excited and pleased to announce activities, just for Juniors, **beginning on Tuesday, April 30**. Join with your fellow Juniors and attend as many activities as possible. A schedule of our exciting activities follows. Sign up for **Junior Registration on page 17**. **The deadline for registration is April 1. Contact: Donna Thibault.**

### **2019 TENTATIVE JUNIORS SCHEDULE**

All activities are open to registered Juniors, ages 8-18.

#### **Tuesday April 30**

JUNIOR EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR – 1:00-3:00 pm – Ringside. Bring your dog for an interactive training seminar.  
WELCOME MEETING – immediately following the seminar until 4:00 pm. All activities for the week will be explained at this time. Juniors wishing to help with Thursday evening's Top 20/10 event will find out the specific roles and jobs available.

#### **Wednesday May 1**

Pizza, ice cream and mini golf party – 6:00 – 8:00 pm – Lower level FUN ZONE.

#### **Thursday May 2**

JUNIOR SCAVENGER HUNT – Ringside meeting at 9:00 am and hunt ends at noon.  
TOP 20/10 – Juniors who wish to help at the evening Top 20/10 event will receive their assignments.

#### **Saturday May 4**

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP – Ringside. Best of luck to all our juniors!

• **Thank you everyone, can't wait to see you!**

**HONORS PARADE . . .** Join us ringside after the rescue parade on Friday, May 3rd, after conformation judging and the Rescue Ceremony to applaud Newfoundlands of all ages for their accomplishments. Any living Newfoundland with an AKC, CKC, or NCA title is eligible to participate. Each dog entered will be listed in the show catalog and receive a lovely commemorative medallion. You and/or your dog do not have to be present for the parade in order to enter, but we encourage all entrants to join in and receive the well-earned applause. The non-refundable entry fee is \$25. **If entering by mail, please complete a separate entry form for each dog you are entering and send it to Jill Britton, Specialty Treasurer. Do NOT send Honors Parade entries to the Show Superintendent. Entry form is on page 32. The deadline is February 1. Contact: John Borklund.**

**RESCUE CEREMONY . . .** Tell everyone at the National the story of how your great rescue dog came into your life. Join us for the rescue ceremony on Friday, May 3rd, ringside (after completion of the conformation dog judging) where your special story will be shared with the audience as you and your dog walk across the ring to receive your commemorative medallion. Use the **form on page 31**. There is no entry fee. **The deadline is April 1. Contact: Sue Miller.**

**MEETING ROOMS . . .** If you need a meeting room during the Specialty for a group or committee, you must reserve the room in advance using the **form on page 38**. Include the date and meeting time, number of people attending, and room setup instructions. **The deadline is March 1. Contact: Steve Britton.**

**POST SHOW CATALOGS . . .** If you can't attend the show but would like a catalog, we will mail a catalog and printed results to you for \$40 (includes postage). There will be additional postage for orders outside the U.S. **The deadline for ordering catalogs is April 1.** To order these catalogs, please use the **form on page 37. Contact: Nancy Duggan.**

**LIVING LEGENDS . . .** The NCA Living Legend award is given to dogs/bitches of any NCA members/breeders that have achieved the venerable age of 10 years or more by the specialty date. Previous honorees are welcome to participate. Dogs need not be present to be honored, but are encouraged to be present in the ring to receive this award. All Living Legends will be recognized in a special catalog and will receive a Living Legend Medallion and poster during the lunch break on Wednesday, May 1. The fee is \$15 or \$25 if you wish your medallion, poster, and catalog to be mailed. To register for this award, complete the **form on page 33. The absolute deadline is March 1. Contact: Pam Rubio**

**SPECIALTY CARTING. . .** Prior to the development of the NCA Draft Test, Specialty Carting and Wagon Exercises were developed to demonstrate carting at specialty shows and were designed largely for people interested in exhibition carting activities. It is a perfect event for someone not quite ready to compete in a full draft test. There are on-leash and off-leash divisions for individual dogs or teams. The exercises include harnessing and hitching, basic commands while hitched, and maneuvering within a large ring setting. Specialty Carting is currently scheduled to take place on **Wednesday, May 1st**. Barry Jones of Vermont will be the judge. Pauline Baldwin is a co-chair.

Specialty Carting and Wagon Exercises is not a 'titled' event. Each dog that passes will earn an NCA Specialty Carting and Wagon Exercises Certificate. Dogs passing the on-leash division may post enter on site and compete in the off-leash division.

Newfoundlands must be twelve (12) months of age to enter. The fee for a single or team entry is \$15; on-site post entries for dogs, bitches or teams that qualify in one class or category is \$10. Entries for Newfoundlands (only) will open with a **postmark of January 8, and close on April 1, 2019. The entry form is on page 40.**

To obtain a copy of the rules for the Specialty Cart and Wagon Exercises, visit the NCA Working Dog website at [www.ncanewfs.org/working/draft](http://www.ncanewfs.org/working/draft) or contact Dwight Gorsuch, 6282 Burriss Rd., Rock Hall, MD 21661-1100; [bearnmindnewfs@gmail.com](mailto:bearnmindnewfs@gmail.com)

For more information, **contact: Sue Mendleson; PO Box 225; Washington, ME 04574; [nff@fairpoint.net](mailto:nff@fairpoint.net) Deadline: April 1.**



**Win, Place & Show** ... Join us at “Bavarian Downs” where the Top 20/10 Newfoundlands will take their lap around the track in celebration of their crowning achievements in conformation & obedience at **NCA Derby Day!**

Judging of the Top 20 Conformation Newfoundlands is Wednesday, May 1st. Judging will begin 30 minutes after the conclusion of Sweepstakes judging. Beverages, snacks and logo souvenirs will be available for you to enjoy. This is your chance to see the top dogs up close, study their pedigrees and make your prediction on who will **Win, Place & Show** at the run for the roses!

Inspired by the Kentucky Derby, think big hats, mint juleps and southern charm. Our **NCA Derby Day** will be held on Thursday, May 2nd starting at 6:00 pm with a Pre-Race Party featuring a cash bar including a special mint julep served in a commemorative silver julep cup! Southern hospitality will be served up at a Kentucky BBQ buffet.

**A Derby Hat contest** for those attending will be the highlight of intermission. Entries limited to the first 20 to hit the starting gate.

Tickets for **NCA Derby Day** are \$25 and includes admission, food and your racing program. Space is limited so be sure to purchase your tickets before the last Newf crosses the finish line! **The reservation deadline is April 1, 2019.**

Be an **NCA Derby Day Sponsor** and help support the event by celebrating your own kennel or a favorite Newf! Three levels of sponsorship are available:

**Sponsor – Show: \$75**

Receive 1 ticket and a logo t-shirt

**Sponsor – Place: \$200**

Receive 2 tickets, a commemorative julep cup and a logo t-shirt

**Sponsor – Win: \$500**

Receive 2 tickets, 2 commemorative julep cups, 2 logo t-shirts, a large personalized banner and ground floor seating in the “paddock” section.

**Catalog Ads – full color**

Booster Acknowledgement - \$25    ¼ page - \$50    ½ page - \$75    Full page - \$125

**NCA Derby Day racing form on page 28. Contact: Susan Wagner**

**GOLF CARTS . . .** For your convenience, golf carts will be available for rent. The cost will be \$250 for a regular 2-passenger cart or \$325 for a 4-passenger cart for the week. The golf carts will be available beginning Monday, April 29. They can be picked up at the Reserved Handler Parking Area and must be returned to the handler parking area no later than Saturday, May 4-immediately following the awarding of Best In Specialty Show. To order a golf cart, please complete the **form on page 38. The ordering deadline is April 1.** Late reservations are subject to an additional \$100 delivery charge. **Contact: Mike Lovett.**

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED . . .** There are many aspects of the show that need volunteers, and your help is greatly appreciated. If you are willing to share some of your time at the Specialty, please complete the form on **page 35** and the information will be provided to the appropriate chairperson. **The deadline is March 1. Contact: Steve Britton**

## HEALTH AND LONGEVITY HEALTH EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR . . .

Featuring: David A. Wilkie. D.V.M., M.S., Diplomate A.C.V.O., Professor, Comparative Ophthalmology, Chair, Veterinary, Clinical Sciences, The Ohio State University.

This year's seminar will focus on canine eye diseases/problems, particularly in the Newfoundland. Internationally known, Dr. David Wilke will speak to these issues, and answer questions Wednesday, May 1 at 7:00 PM. The seminar is free, but please indicate you will be attending.



Dr. Wilkie was born in Toronto, Canada and obtained his D.V.M. degree in 1984 from the University of Guelph, Canada. He spent one year at the University of Pennsylvania as an intern and in 1985 came to The Ohio State University to begin a 3-year residency and Masters degree in comparative ophthalmology. He received both his Masters degree (MS) and ophthalmology specialty boards (ACVO) in 1988. He was subsequently hired as an Assistant Professor in the department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences at The Ohio State University. He was promoted to Associate Professor of veterinary ophthalmology in 1994 and then to Professor. He is currently Professor of Ophthalmology and Department Chair of Veterinary Clinical Sciences. In addition, Dr. Wilkie is a Professor in the College of Medicine at The Ohio State University.

Dr. Wilkie has trained 23 residents who are Board Certified in the American College of Veterinary Ophthalmologists or the European College of Veterinary Ophthalmologists and 3 Diplomates in Japanese Comparative Ophthalmology. In addition, Dr. Wilkie has provided advanced training in ophthalmology to 20 graduate students and over 34 veterinarian ophthalmologists from 12 countries. Dr. Wilkie is author of 104 articles, 106 abstracts and 48 textbook chapters, and serves as a research consultant to numerous national and international research facilities. He has served as an editor of several textbooks and is currently a reviewer for 25 Veterinary and Human ophthalmology and research journals and serves on the Editorial Board of 9 Veterinary and Human ophthalmology and research journals. He is the past chairperson of the American College of Veterinary Ophthalmologists, Examination Committee and Past-President for the American College of Veterinary Ophthalmologists. Dr. Wilkie currently serves on the American College of Veterinary Ophthalmology Foundation board. In addition, Dr. Wilkie has served on the Editorial Review Board and as Associate-Editor for *Veterinary Ophthalmology*. Dr. Wilkie is currently the Editor and Chief for the journal of *Veterinary Ophthalmology*. He is an international speaker having presented seminars in the USA, Canada, Japan, Austria, Germany, Belgium, Italy, Spain, Norway, Denmark, Netherlands, Great Britain, Russia, Slovenia, Finland, Ireland, Taiwan, Portugal, Switzerland, Israel, Slovakia, Hungary, South Korea and the Czech Republic. Dr. Wilkie is a respected teacher both at the University and internationally. He has twice been nominated for the Norden Distinguished Teacher Award and for the Merck/AgVet Award for Creativity in Teaching. He received the Omega Tau Sigma Alumni Gamma Award in 2000, the Dr. Charles W. Fox Award for Distinguished Teaching in 2012, and the National Gamma Award for Distinguished Service in 2014 at Ohio State University. He was awarded the North American Veterinary Conference - Equine Speaker of the Year Award in 2013. He has been twice nominated for the AAVC Faculty Achievement Award (2016/2017) and received the AAVC Faculty Achievement Award in 2017.

Dr. Wilkie's areas of interest include ocular surgery, inflammatory diseases of the eye, ocular pharmacology, cataract surgery, intraocular lens implantation, glaucoma, and comparative ophthalmology. He is married to Dr. Susan Johnson a Professor in small animal internal medicine and they have 2 children in University. In addition to work, Dr. Wilkie plays hockey and enjoys downhill skiing, wilderness canoeing, windsurfing, scuba diving and life at the cottage in Canada! **There is no charge for attending this seminar. Please fill out and return the registration form located on page 30. The reservation deadline is April 1, 2019. Contact: John Cornell.**

**CARDIOLOGY CLINIC . . .** We are fortunate to have Board Certified Cardiologist Dr. Dennis Burkett back again. Dr. Burkett will be available for exams all day Tuesday, April 30 and half day Wednesday, May 1 for auscultations at \$50 and dopplers at \$200. NCA member dogs will receive a \$50 discount on dopplers. Pre-registration is highly recommended, walk-ins on space available. **Deadline: March 1. See the form on page 25. Contact: Pam Rubio**

**OPHTHALMOLOGY CLINIC . . . New this year!** Board Certified ophthalmologist Dr. David Wilke will provide eye exams Tuesday, April 30 in the afternoon, and Wednesday, May 1 in the morning. Eye issues are an increasing concern in Newfoundlands, so take advantage of this opportunity at the clinic price of \$30. Pre-register early, as this clinic will be open to all breeds and limited to 50 dogs per day. **Deadline: March 1 See the form on page 25 Contact: Pam Rubio**

**WATER . . .** Are you tired of trying to haul enough water for your dogs while at the Specialty? Maybe you don't have room to bring all the water you need? Are the stores all sold out by the time you get there to buy water? Certainly it is best for the dogs to have purified water when traveling or away from home, and we are again making this option available for you.

Water will be sold only by the case. One case consists of six one-gallon jugs of water. **Due to a scheduling conflict with Frankenmuth's Heritage Park this year, cases of water cannot be delivered to the show site before Monday afternoon, April 29, 2019; please plan accordingly.** In part, this is a fundraiser for the 2019 National Specialty, and we hope a convenience for our exhibitors. All water will be purchased locally and is purified water. **Orders must be received by April 1.** We will not order any extra cases of water after the deadline. Please plan accordingly. **See the order form on page 39. Contact: Lynne Anderson-Powell.**

**VENDORS . . .** Our goal this year again is to have new and exciting vendors, as well as those we have come to expect and look forward to seeing every year. Our vendors will find themselves located in an area directly adjacent and convenient to the show's outdoor conformation ring so they can see and be seen.

If you are interested in becoming a vendor at the 2019 Newfoundland Club of America National Specialty, please complete the **form on page 37** and a contract will be sent to you. The cost is \$300 plus a donated item to our Fine Arts Auction valued at \$50.00 or more. Each space is tented, 10' x 10', and includes one table and two chairs. Vendors who were at the show in 2018 will receive an additional \$50 credit. You must fill out the contract and return it with the \$300 fee. There may be a few spots without tenting; if a non-tented space becomes available, \$100 will be refunded. **The deadline is March 1. Contact: Kathryn Rowland.**

**PAYMENT SUMMARY SHEET . . .** Please complete your payment summary sheets with each order sheet submitted. Please print clearly; your specialty treasurer really appreciates it. **The payment summary sheets are on pages 41.**

**INFORMATION, PLEASE! . . .** We don't want you to miss out on any of the interesting and exciting activities at the Specialty. Here are some places you will find the latest updates and answers to your questions:

- Lion's Club Hospitality Area—Volunteers will be there to assist you during show hours.
- The Bavarian Belle-wether. (daily newsletter)— The *Bavarian Belle* is the name of the historic paddlewheel boat on our logo. A "bellwether" is a predictor of something that will happen in the future. So, for show results and reminders about the daily schedule and upcoming events, look for your copy slipped under your hotel room door overnight at the Bavarian Inn, or pick up a couple at the Lion's Club Hospitality Area.