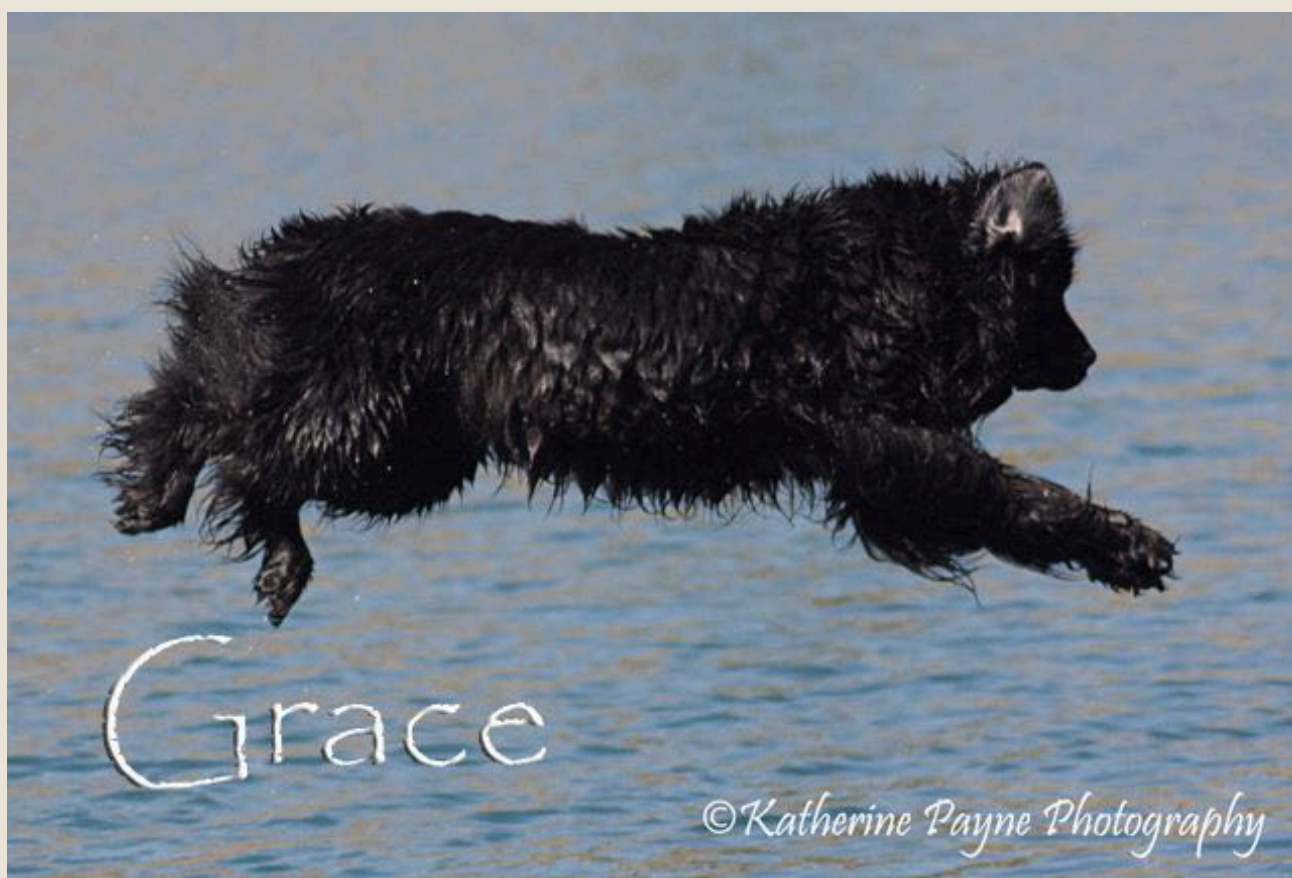




High Country Newfoundland Club's  
Newf News  
First Quarter 2017



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### HCNC BOARD of DIRECTORS

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Community Service	Steve Gunther
Draft Test NCA-Fall 2017	Open
Email List	Club Secretary
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Fun Match Oct 2017	Terri Desnica, Lori Moreland
Health Clinic	Open
Historian	Lori Moreland
Holiday Carting/Tree Pulling	Steve Gunther
Holiday Party	Lori Moreland
Meet the Breed 2018	Claudia Walters
Membership Applications	Mark O'Connor
National Ad	Claudia Walters
NCA Regional-2017	Claudia Walters, Lori Moreland
NCA Water Tests 2017	Patti Pigeon
New Puppy Buyers Welcome	Mark O'Connor
Rescue HCNC	Steve Gunther
Nominating Committee	Carol Jefferson
Sunshine Committee	Open
Webmaster	Matt Sidesinger

High Country Newfoundland Club Website

<http://www.hcncnews.org>



Newfoundland Club of America

<http://www.ncanews.org>

Message from the Newsletter Editor:

Submissions for the next issue of HCNC Newf News are requested by June 30<sup>th</sup>..

Please send them to [corylyn77@hotmail.com](mailto:corylyn77@hotmail.com) with "HCNC Newsletter Info" in the subject line.

Send Photos Too. Happy Spring!!

## HCNC Membership News

Mark O'Connor  
HCNC Membership Chairperson  
847-757-8997

**NCA Membership Information**  
<http://www.ncanewfs.org/mambers/shtml>

### Welcome New Members:

#### GENERAL

**MORELAND**, Sean and Alea  
5730 Dudley St.  
Arvada, CO 80002  
c. 303-564-0532  
[strangeprisoner@gmail.com](mailto:strangeprisoner@gmail.com)

### New Member Applications:

**BOONE**, Joyce and Michael  
316 Baby Doe Dr.  
Leadville, CO 80461  
828-406-3220  
[newrivernewfs@hotmail.com](mailto:newrivernewfs@hotmail.com)  
Sponsors: Matt Sidesinger & Mark O'Connor

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PO Box 381  
Telluride, CO 81435  
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Loveland, CO 80539  
970-640-6499  
[marci@milamay.com](mailto:marci@milamay.com)



HCNC MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

Renewals are due annually on **MAY 1ST**

Please make checks payable to "HCNC" and mail to **Mark O'Connor, 8284 Rossman Gulch Road, Morrison, CO 80465**. Memberships are due annually. ALL memberships expire 4/30. General (voting) membership – Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, Wyoming. All others are affiliate memberships.

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Important) NCA member? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Important) NCA member? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Is this a change? \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Publish? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

List only one email address. **Please UPDATE email address.**

FAX: \_\_\_\_\_ Publish? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

Please check appropriate membership renewal line. All memberships types receive the newsletter.

\_\_\_\_\_ General Membership – voting – in region - \$30.00 (if you joined in Feb. - Apr. of the current year your dues are current until the following May)

\_\_\_\_\_ Affiliate Membership – non-voting – out of region - \$30.00

\_\_\_\_\_ Junior Membership – (ages 8-18) - \$15.00

**HCNC By-Laws: 2. Lapsed – A membership shall be considered lapsed and automatically terminated if a member’s dues remain unpaid 30 days after May 1 of each year. Any lapsed membership may be reinstated only by approval of the Board. In no event shall a member be entitled to vote at a membership meeting if dues are unpaid at the time of the meeting.**

(renewal form continued on next page)

**Sharing your Newfie expertise is just one way you can help others within HCNC. Below is a list of codes. If you have expertise in any of these areas would be willing to mentor others as part of your club service, please circle the code below. This information will be included as part of the membership directory so others interested in learning can contact you for help, ideas, etc.**

- A Agility
- B Boarding (babysitting other people's Newfs)
- C Conformation (Evaluation, Instruction, Handling) D Draft Work
- E Education (General Public, New or Perspective Owners, Workshops)
- F Foster
- G Grooming
- H Health Issues
- I Internet (Webmaster, Updating Home Page, Mass Mailings) J Judges Education
- M Mentor
- O Obedience
- P Puppies (BL = Black; BR = Brown; G = Gray; L = Landseer) R Rally
- S Stud (BL = Black; BR = Brown; G = Gray; L = Landseer)
- T Tracking
- Th Therapy Visits
- U Rescue (Transportation; Database Upkeep; Surrender & Applicant Liaison, etc)
- V Volunteer (Committee Chair, Board Member, Fun Match, Hospitality, Parades)
- Specify interest \_\_\_\_\_
- W Water Rescue Work
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

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## 2017 HCNC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 11, 2017  
HCNC Hosts the  
2017 Draft Test at  
the NCA National

HCNC Dues  
Renew  
MAY 1st

Draft Training  
May 13, 2017

June 9 & 10, 2017  
Water Training  
Seminar

July 28-30, 2017  
HCNC Water Test

September 15-  
16, 2017  
Water Test  
(2 day test)

Dear HCNC Members,

The High Country Newfoundland Club will be having a **Board** meeting and **General** meeting on Saturday, May 13, 2017 at 12:00-4:00 pm at the Berner Barn. 9630 E Colorado Ave, Denver, CO 80247.

Matt Sidesinger  
President, HCNC

HCNC is seeking volunteers to Chair the following committees:

Health Clinic  
NCA Draft Test Fall 2017  
Spring Fling  
Sunshine Committee

DRAFT WORKSHOP



Draft Dog Workshop -- Saturday, May 13th (10am- 1pm)

High Country Newfoundland Club will be hosting a draft training event on Saturday, May 13th. The training event will be divided into 3 separate workshops—TadPull (Very Novice Carters), Draft Dog (DD) and Draft Dog Excellent (DDX) based on Newfoundland Club of America regulations. Participants will register for ONE workshop -- they run simultaneously. For HCNC Members: Annual Meeting to Follow

Workshop #1: TAD PULL

For those new to carting or never carted yet. Beginner draft dogs/ handlers will learn how to fit a harness, receive help hitching a "green" dog, learn ideal cart/shaft adjustments, learn where to find equipment, and start working on draft training techniques. The first ever HCNC beginner event, the "Tad Pull" will be reviewed. There will be harnesses and carts available for use as needed.

Workshop #2 DD/TDD Training (for all levels-- beginner to advanced)

Beginner draft dogs/ handlers will review the proper fit for harness and ideal cart/shaft adjustments, see the "new" DD test 90 degree turns, learn how to teach a back up, etc. Any dogs comfortable with pulling a cart will be able to work on draft maneuvers, modifying exercises as needed for successful training (on leash, etc).

Workshop #3: DDX Training (\*\*for beginner to advanced DDX)

All 11 DDX exercises and techniques will be shared for breaking down the exercises, and all participants will get a chance to practice each exercise. \*\*Dogs must be DD-titled or proficient to participate in the DDX workshop\*\* Any level handler can audit without a dog.

Cost: \$15 HCNC Members working spot (dog+handler) \$25 NON-Members Working Spot \$0 HCNC member audit spots (Without a dog) \$10 Non-member audit (without a dog)

Location: The Berner Barn located behind the home at: 9630 E. Colorado Ave. Denver, CO 80247 Major cross streets are Parker Road and Iliff Ave. Please enter on the West side of the house before the green fence and drive back to the building.

Bring: harness, cart, dog (for working spots), water, treats, crate, chair. A crate mat for underneath your crate and chair is required by the facility. There will be light snacks and water available for human participants, please bring LOTS of your dog's favorite treats. DDX participants also bring extra traces. There will be some extra equipment to borrow.

Questions: Sue Raney (email raneyfamilyemail@comcast.net or 720-320-1663)

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Please send your registration in advance of the workshop so we can plan materials! Please mail this form to:

HCNC Draft Seminar, Sue Raney, 6040 Routt St, Arvada CO 80004 (check payable to HCNC)

Workshop (circle one): TadPull Working TadPull audit DD working DD audit DDX working DDX audit

Participant's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's call name: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe your dog's current training level (i.e. ready to test, total beginner, DD-titled, etc)

\_\_\_\_\_

WATER WORKSHOP



HIGH COUNTRY NEWFOUNDLAND CLUB  
~ WATER WORKSHOP ~

2017 JUNE 9 & 10

with Deanna Alko



Take, Hold, Give ~

**Take** a moment to review and provide the information requested on the following page. **Don't Hold** back, we want to learn a bit about you and your dog. **Give** our requests appropriate consideration. We are looking forward to this event and want you to have an excellent experience!





**WATER WORKSHOP**

**HIGH COUNTRY NEWFOUNDLAND CLUB WATER SEMINAR WITH DEANNA ALKO**  
**June 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at Chatfield Gravel Ponds**

Time of the seminar 9 am until 3 pm both Friday and Saturday

- The seminar is set to start promptly at 9 am so attendees need to arrive at the beach and be set up and ready to start.
- The seminar is scheduled to go until 3 pm, however it may run longer depending on how the day is running.

Please send any questions or concerns you might be having at this time or any time prior to the seminar directly to Deanna before the seminar so she has the opportunity to answer your questions during the seminar. You can also email the questionnaire (Page 2) to her before the seminar. Her e-mail address is: [deanna\\_alko@mac.com](mailto:deanna_alko@mac.com)

Working Spots are limited to 20 Dog/Handler teams. Audit Spots are unlimited\*.

All Breeds are welcome to attend. Bitches in Season are not allowed to attend.

Fee for a **Working Spot is \$120.00** for one dog and one handler. Only one dog will be working with the handler during each day.

Fee for a **Audit position is \$60.00.** (NO DOGS ALLOWED) – We encourage you to be in the water stewarding so be prepared. Although not required it will give you a up close experience with your auditing position.

Lunch will be provided both days for the attendees and Deanna will decide the best time to break for lunch each day.

**Closing date for registration is June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017.**

**REGISTRATION FORM**

Handler Name	
Dog Name	
Phone	
E-Mail	

I am interested in:	Please check your preference	
Working (limited)		\$120.00
Auditor (unlimited)		\$ 60.00

If you wish to have a working spot and the seminar is full, please indicate below your preference.

- A) If you want to be placed on the alternate list should an attendee drops from the seminar
- B) Be assigned an auditor spot
- C) Withdraw your registration.

If working spots are full, I want to be placed on the alternate list.		
If working spots are full, I just want to be placed in an audit spot.		
If working spots are full, I want to pull my registration and not attend		

**Payment needs to be sent to:**

**Checks Payable to High Country Newfoundland Club (HCNC)**

**Mail registration form and Information Form (PAGE 2 of Flyer) and check to:**

**Patti Pigeon**

**16400 W 51<sup>st</sup> Avenue**

**Golden, CO 80403-1609**

Any questions please contact Patti Pigeon [ppigeon105@aol.com](mailto:ppigeon105@aol.com)

## ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET



Once again the members of the HCNC and their Newfoundlands had a fantastic year! The annual awards banquet honoring the dogs, their owners and breeders was a great celebration at Maggianos's Little Italy in Englewood. We all enjoyed a delicious family style Italian meal featuring wonderful appetizers, salads, incredible pasta entrees and the most delicious desserts. I really enjoyed planning this year's banquet. Thank you to Claudia Walters for reading the awards as Matt Sidesinger presented them to the members. Linda Morley Roser received a special honor for her years of dedication to the Newfoundland breed. We had a wonderful group of attendees this year and I hear a great time was had by all. Everyone got to take home wonderful goodie bags filled with dog treats and toys, compliments of LoriLeigh Moreland of Pet Empawrium. Thank you for your generous contributions. (I know my guys loved the stuff I brought home to them!)

It was so nice to hear all of the accomplishments of so many dogs, of course we did have a few "In Memoriums", as well, so sad when our beloved dogs leave us, but was so nice to hear the sentiments written by the people who loved them so much. What a wonderful time we had honoring our wonderful dogs and their people. Thanks to everyone who helped to make this possible. Looking forward to 2017!  
Submitted by: Karen Benenati



ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET



## MEET THE BREED



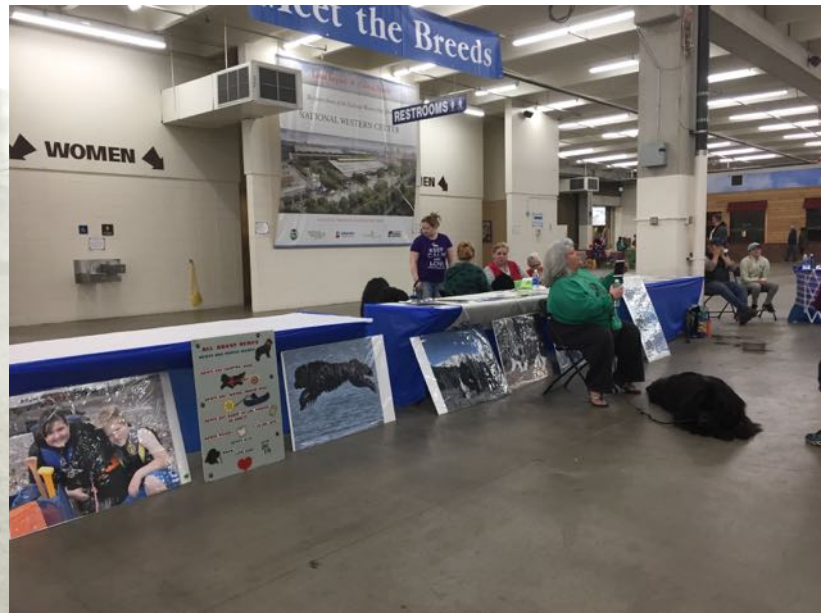
### Meet the Breed

The Colorado Kennel Club hosted a two-day dog show at the National Western Complex. Each day, various breeds were featured in the Meet the Breed area. Newfoundlands were spotlighted from 9-10 AM on Sunday, February 19th. A large group of High Country Newfoundland Club members were on-hand to meet and greet the public. It was an awesome opportunity for us to educate the public on the characteristics of the Newfoundland. Since we had everything from puppies to veterans, we were able to provide the public with an opportunity to interact with our breed in the various life stages. Kids and adults petted, hugged and took photographs with the Newfies! It was also a wonderful time for club members to visit and make new friends. Everyone that attended got a HCNC pin and sincere appreciation for attending the event.

A big thank you to all club members that helped make this a successful event!



MEET THE BREED



2017 NCA DRAFT TEST SPONSORED BY HCNC



The 2017 NCA National Draft Test was awesome. We had the following qualifiers:

**New Titles:**

Karma with Debby Rothwell **DD** - Long Beach, California

Gus with George Chew **DD** - Granite Bay, California

Manny with Laura Thost **DD** - Redmond, Oregon

Page and Ramble with Cherrie Brown **TDD** - Vacaville, California

Morgan and Panche with Dean Edwards **TDD** - Calgary Alberta Canada

PI with Eleanor Cantrell **DD** - Hobart, Washington

Merin with Robyn Gallacher **DD** - Calgary Alberta Canada

**Requal for DDX**

Jeter with Randy Robinson **DDX (2)** - Fresno, California

Many many thanks to all the volunteers that help make this test such a success!

RESCUE UPDATE

## High Country Newfoundland Rescue (HCNF) Update

Career and education time restraints have made it impossible for Melissa Sharp to continue in her capacity as President of HCNR. As Treasurer of HCNR I have decided to re-organize HCNR to better be able to serve the Newfies in our region who are in need. The first step is to form a new board. I have reached out to some people who have been supportive of HCNR in the past.

Other than the need for reorganization, the rescue is in good financial shape and still carries the 501c3 designation from the IRS making donations fully tax deductible.

If you are interested in getting involved with HCNR or can suggest others I should reach out to please contact me. Individuals do not need to be member of HCNC.

Thank you for your continuing support of High Country Newfoundland Rescue.

All the best,  
Steve Gunther  
651-253-5851  
sagunther@live.com

COMMUNITY SERVICE

**Community Service**

HCNC was again invited to join the students at Golden High School. In December we were invited to help the students de-stress during finals week. This time we were invited to attend an assembly which was part of a build-up to the April 28th Day Without Hate and attend the lunchtime Pups, Popsicles and Positivity event.

The assembly included addresses from the principal, students and Ben Reed, teacher and founder of Day Without Hate. Ben gave a great address about the ideals of Day Without Hate - nonviolence, respect and unity. After the assembly the dogs enjoyed time meeting students and eating popsicles.

Check out the DWOH website: <http://daywithouthate.org/presenters.html>

The attendees were:

Summit with Joy and Lisa Johnson  
Kismet with LoriLeigh Moreland  
Torrey with Amy Lange  
Choo Choo with Steve Gunther  
Sinjin with Donna Dolezal  
Sadie with Sue Raney

Newfies, Rottie and humans enjoying sharing the experience with the students of Golden High School. Thank you Emmy Adams for the invitation.

We have already been invited back to de-stress students during finals week in May. The dates will be the 23rd and 24th. More details will be coming soon via a club email.

If you are aware of any other community service opportunities please contact:

Steve Gunther  
[sagunther@live.com](mailto:sagunther@live.com)  
651-253-5851



COMMUNITY SERVICE



**Wags and Brags**



Mike & Patty Taylor are pleased to share special news about Magnum—he received recognition from the Baylor Animal Assisted Therapy program by being recognized as March’s “Team of the Month.” Below is the correspondence received from the AAT’s coordinator:

From Linda Marler, AAT Coordinator:

Animal Assisted Team of the Month - March 2017

The team highlighted for the month of March 2017 is Patty and Magnum (newfoundland). Patty and “Mag” joined Baylor’s AAT program in January 2016 (testing in November 2015). Mag is that great big black fuzzy dog that walks around with a bib on..... Mag shares his home with 2 other Newfs. Magnum also has a CGC (Canine Good Citizen) certificate as well as an RN (Rally Novice) and a BN (beginner Novice obedience). Patty and Magnum frequent the Irving hospital but they have also been seen at Grapevine , Plano and BHVH. He is a well-loved dog at all of the places he visits. Thanks Patty and Mag for sharing your slobbers with the patients, families and staff at Baylor.

**Wags and Brags**

Ian,  
**Sweetbays Caspian BN, CDX, RE, TD, NAJ, NAP, DD(2), DDX, WD(1), WRD(3), CD-II**  
got his TD tracking title at the Denver Foothills Tracking Association Tracking  
Dog Test

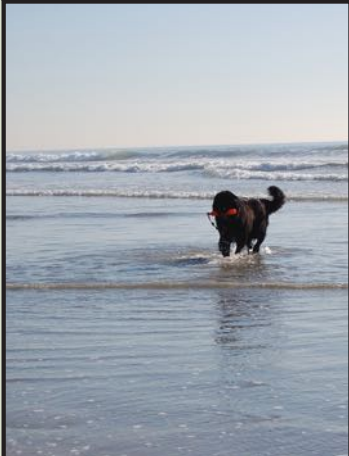
Submitted by: Terri Desnica



## GROWING WITH GRACE

By: Claudia Walters

**Growing With Grace**  
**VN CH Blackwatch Blk Diamond Heavenly CD, RN, CGC, WRD, DD, TDI**  
**October 11, 2004-March 19, 2017**



### **Have you heard about the Sunshine Committee?**

#### **SUNSHINE COMMITTEE:**

Hi all Newf people! Not everyone in our club is aware that we have this committee. It's been around for a long time! This committee is meant to reach out to club members who have lost a dog, family member, or if members become ill, etc. It's always hard to hear about a loss or illness, but getting a card or communication may send a little sunshine! It's nice to be thought of. The way to reach out and get information to the Chair is to contact a board member direct, (they will send info to the committee), or contact the sunshine committee chair directly. The committee cannot send a card, etc. out if they have not been contacted and do not know of circumstances.

Thank You,  
Jewel Cody, Sunshine Chair



**Submit your brags, photos, & corrections with  
“HCNC Newsletter Info” in the subject line  
to the Newf News Editor:**

**Lynn Kitch**

**[corylyn77@hotmail.com](mailto:corylyn77@hotmail.com)**

**Next Deadline is June 30, 2017.**

***Interested In A Newfoundland Puppy?***

***Looking for a Breeder? - Contact the NCA Breeder  
Referral Hotline***

***call 1-866-NCA-NEWF (1-866-622-6393) between  
9AM and 9PM Eastern***

***[ncanewf@comcast.net](mailto:ncanewf@comcast.net)***

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deductible. The donations need to be made out to  
the High Country Newfoundland Rescue Inc and not  
the club. Any checks made out to the club will not be  
tax deductible.**

**Contact Melissa Sharp with any questions  
[melissa@newmexiconewfs.com](mailto:melissa@newmexiconewfs.com)**