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Deadline for all submissions to the Newsletter is the 18th of the month prior to the month of publication.

From the President

Welcome to the official beginning of the 2008-2009 Season! This is our 25th Anniversary Season and your board of directors wishes to make it a memorable one. You will notice that the Newsletters this year will all have the appropriate colored cover, Silver (gray) to commemorate our Silver Anniversary Season. The Rule Booklet alike is also silver (gray) and the Judges Cards are shining silver!

We (the board of directors) have chosen to celebrate this season by announcing for the 25th, 50th, 75th, 100th pulls and so on..... (you get the idea), the organization will issue a REFUND of the sanctioning fee for that numbered sanctioned pull. The organizer/s will also be featured as a winner in a subsequent Newsletter. Here is how it works;

- 1) Submit your sanction packets to Sue Ferrari as normal including all sanctioning fees.
- 2) As pull results come in, Sue issues the pull number as normal. The pulls submitted in numbers in multiples of 25 will receive a refund of ONLY THE SANCTIONING FEE for that pull, not multiple pulls (i.e. pull 25 and 26). All other fees due to the IWPA are still in effect after completion of each pull.
- 3) All time lines and deadlines for submission/s remain in effect as normal.
- 4) The organizer/s awarded refunds will be asked to submit a *brief* biography of their years as organizers. They may also list any current sponsors.
- 5) Only members in good standing are eligible for this promotion.
- 6) Board members and their families who share family memberships with them are not eligible for this promotion.

We hope organizers have fun with this very special season. Be creative and think of ways you can help commemorate our 25th Anniversary Season. One thought is to have "Silver Cups" as awards for your pull/s. Again, be creative! You can submit your ideas and presentations to the Newsletter Editors to help show your enthusiasm for this special season. Perhaps a special award may be presented at the 2008-2009 Championships for the organizer/s with the most creative, fun and ingenious way/s to celebrate our 25th Anniversary Season!

Have fun, be creative and be successful at what ever you do!

Robbie Reed

President

Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is a progress..

Working together is a success...

IWPA Weight Pull

Schedule of Events

September 6 - 7, 2008

Season Opener

Region 6 Kalkaska, Michigan (2489 Co Rd 571 NE)

Wheels:Sat 9/6/2008 Weigh-2:00 PM -- 3:00 PM

PullStart:3:00 PM

Wheels:Sun 9/7/2008 Weigh-10:00 AM -- 11:00 AM

PullStart:11:00 AM

Fees: \$15 for first dog / \$8 for each additional dog

Contacts: Shirley Webber, 231-258-2358
[sandtrapmutts@torchlake.com]

Chief James Webber, 231-258-2358
[sandtrapmutts@torchlake.com]

Prizes: TBA

Sponsors Northern Great Lake Weight Pullers

Wheels:Sat 9/13/2008 Weigh-8:00 AM -- 9:00 AM

PullStart:9:30 AM

Wheels:Sun 9/14/2008 Weigh-8:00 AM -- 9:00 AM

PullStart: 9:30 AM

Fees \$25 per dog for sanctioned pull / \$15 per dog for Novice pull

Contacts: Jamie Conrad, 423-307-0862
[conardsamericanbulldogs@yahoo.com]

Chief Jamie Conrad, 423-307-0862
[conardsamericanbulldogs@yahoo.com]

Prizes: Trophies / Ribbons

Novice Novice pull immediately after sanctioned pull

Sponsors Tractor Supply Co

September 16, 2008

WOW Power Mountain Pullers Club

Region 11 Waynesboro, Virginia (3988 Stuarts Draft Hwy)

Wheels:Tue 9/16/2008 Weigh-9:00 AM -- 10:00 AM

PullStart: 10:00 AM

Fees \$20 per dog

Contacts: Bob Via, 540-241-1691 [robviajr@yahoo.com]

Chief Bob Via, 540-241-1691 [robviajr@yahoo.com]

Prizes: Trophies

Sponsors The Power House

September 20 - 21, 2008

Region 2 Kickoff

Region 2 Nine Mile Falls, Washington (6497 Stone Lodge Road)

Wheels:Sat 9/20/2008 Weigh-11:00 AM -- 12:30 PM

PullStart: 1:00 PM

Wheels:Sun 9/21/2008 Weigh-9:00 AM -- 10:00 AM

PullStart: 10:30 AM

September 13, 2008

PA Early Fall Challenge Weight Pull

Region 5 Barto, Pennsylvania (Orchard Hills Training Center, Bella Vista Lane)

Wheels:Sat 9/13/2008 Weigh-7:00 AM -- 9:00 AM

PullStart:9:45 AM

Fees: \$20 per dog

Contacts: Sheryl Franklin, 610-792-4597
[sheryl@thefranklins.net]

Chief Melissa Kehler, 610-562-5347
[Alaskandreammalls@verizon.net]

Prizes: TBA

Sponsors Orchard Hills Training Center

September 13 - 14, 2008

TN Tractor Supply Puller Fall Kickoff

Region 7 Morristown, Tennessee (3480 W Andrew Johnson Hwy)

Fees \$15 first dog / \$10 each additional dog

Contacts: Bob or Donna Daymude, 509-276-2964 [tundrabou@aol.com]

Chief Bob Daymude, 509-276-2964 [tundrabou@aol.com]

Prizes: Ribbons

Comments: BBQ potluck Saturday after the pull. Bring your own meat and a dish to share. Utensils and plates will be provided.

Sponsors Tundrabou Kennels

September 27 - 28, 2008

Jefferson City Round Up

Region 7 Jefferson City, Tennessee (127 W Broadway Blvd)

Wheels:Sat 9/27/2008 Weigh-8:00 AM -- 9:00 AM

PullStart: 9:30 AM

Wheels:Sun 9/28/2008 Weigh- --

PullStart:

Fees \$25 per dog for sanctioned pull / \$15 per dog for novice pull

Contacts: Jamie Conrad, 423-307-0862 [conardsamericanbulldogs@yahoo.com]

Chief Jamie Conrad, 423-307-0862 [conardsamericanbulldogs@yahoo.com]

Prizes: Ribbons / Trophies

Novice Novice pull immediately after the sanctioned pull

Comments: ** Please note change on site location

Sponsors Tractor Supply

September 28 - 29, 2008

Canine Culture Iron Dog Weight Pull

Region 5 Oneida, New York (1186 Old North Main Street)

Wheels:Sun 9/28/2008 Weigh-9:00 AM -- 10:00 AM

PullStart: 10:00 AM

Fees \$20 per dog per day for sanctioned pull \$7.00 per dog per day for novice pull

Contacts: Lisa Mawson, 3156774647

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Novice Novice pull immediately after sanctioned pull

Comments: ** Please see change in the fees per the Organizer

Sponsors Canine Culture

October 4 - 5, 2008

Apple Days Pull

Region 2 Cashmere, Washington

Wheels:Sat 10/4/2008 Weigh-10:30 AM --

PullStart: 12:00 PM

Wheels:Sun1 0/5/2008 Weigh-9:30 AM --

PullStart: 10:00 AM

Fees \$15 for 1st dog, \$10.00 each additional dog

Contacts: Carole or Jeff Parsons, 509-782-4400 [Malamute77@aol.com]

Chief George Ferrari, 509-966-1133 [ferrari1133@msn.com]

Prizes: TBD

October 11 - 12, 2008

9th Annual Lake Placid IWPA Weight Pull

Region 5 Lake Placid, New York (5514 Cascade Rd (Route 73) North Elba Show Grounds)

Wheels:Sat 10/11/2008 Weigh-9:00 AM -- 10:30 AM

PullStart: 11:00 AM

Wheels:Sun 10/12/2008 Weigh-8:00 AM -- 9:00 AM

PullStart: 9:30 AM

Fees \$10 per dog

Contacts: Daniel Plosila, 518-891-4413

Chief Steve Jackson, 717-487-2941

Prizes: Ribbons 1st-4th place / rosettes & dog prizes for most wt. & % pulled

Sponsors Curtis Lumber, Jones Outfitters, North Elba Park District

October 11 - 12, 2008 **TENTATIVE**

Fall Fling III

Region 6 Kalkaska, Michigan (2489 Co. Rd 571 NE)

Wheels:Sat 10/11/2008 Weigh-12:30 PM -- 1:30 PM

PullStart: 1:30 PM

Wheels:Sun 10/12/2008 Weigh-10:00 AM -- 11:00 AM
PullStart: 11:00 AM
Fees \$15 first dog, \$8.00 each additional
Contacts: Shirley Webber, 231-258-2358
[sandtrapmutts@torchlake.com]
Chief Mark Krupski, 231-258-6192
Prizes: TBA
Comments: Please bring a potluck dish to share on Saturday
Sponsors Northern Great Lake Weight Pullers

February 14 - 15, 2009 **TENTATIVE**

Sportsman Show

Region 2 Yakima, Washington
Contacts: Sue Ferrari, 509-966-1133 [ferrari1133@msn.com]
Chief George Ferrari, 509-966-1133
[ferrari1133@msn.com]
Prizes: Medallions & Ribbons

February 28, 2009 -- March 1, 2009

3rd Annual Adirondack Snow Pull

Region 5 Lake Placid, New York (North Elba Show Grounds, 514 Cascade Rd (Route 73))

Snow: Sat 2/28/2009 Weigh-9:00 AM -- 10:30 AM
PullStart: 11:00 AM
Snow: Sun 3/1/2009 Weigh-8:00 AM -- 9:00 AM
PullStart: 9:30 AM
Fees \$10 per dog
Contacts: Daniel Plosila, 518-891-4413
Chief Steve Jackson, 717-487-2941
Prizes: Ribbons 1st-4th place / rosettes & prizes for most wt. and most % pulled
Sponsors Curtis Lumber, Jones Outfitters, North Elba Park District

November 8 - 9, 2008 **TENTATIVE**

Turkey Trot

Region 6 Kalkaska, Michigan (2489 Co Road 571 NE)

Snow: Sat 11/8/2008 Weigh-12:30 PM -- 1:30 PM
PullStart: 1:30 PM
Snow: Sun 11/9/2008 Weigh-10:00 AM -- 11:00 AM
PullStart: 11:00 AM
Fees \$15 for first dog, \$8 for each additional dog
Contacts: Shirley Webber, 231-258-2358
[sandtrapmutts@torchlake.com]
Chief Stephanie Pitz, 231-920-2177
[dogladyrescue@hotmail.com]
Prizes: TBA
Comments: Potluck dinner, please bring a dish to share
Sponsors Northern Great Lake Weight Pullers

March 7 - 8, 2009

4th Annual Lake Placid Snow Pull

Region 5 Lake Placid, New York (North Elba Show Grounds, 5514 Cascade Rd (Route 73))

Snow: Sat 3/7/2009 Weigh-9:00 AM -- 10:30 AM
PullStart: 11:00 AM
Snow: Sun 3/8/2009 Weigh-8:00 AM -- 9:00 AM
PullStart: 9:30 AM
Fees \$10 per dog
Contacts: Daniel Plosila, 518-891-4413
Chief Steve Jackson, 717-487-2941
Prizes: Ribbons 1st-4th place / rosettes & prizes for most wt pulled and top % pulled
Sponsors Curtis Lumber, Jones Outfitters, North Elba Park District

January 17 - 18, 2009

10th Annual Ticonderoga Wal*Mart IWPA Weight Pull

Region 5 Ticonderoga, New York (214 Wicker Street, Routed 9N/74)

Snow: Sat 1/17/2009 Weigh-9:00 AM -- 10:30 AM
PullStart: 11:00 AM
Snow: Sun 1/18/2009 Weigh-8:00 AM -- 9:00 AM
PullStart: 9:30 AM
Fees \$10 per dog
Contacts: Daniel Plosila, 518-891-4413
Chief Steve Jackson, 717-487-2941
Prizes: Ribbons 1st-4th place / rosettes for most weight pulled & best % pulled
Sponsors Ticonderoga Wal*Mart Store #2424

From the Judges Chair

Here we are with a new season upon us. Seems like we just finished last season!

As a reminder to those of you that were certified as *IWPA* Judges last season, the Standing Rules address the requirements for renewal. Article VII Section I states that all *IWPA* Judges should be an *IWPA* member in good standing. This means you will need to pay your membership dues before you can be renewed as an *IWPA* Judge.

Article VII Section VI states that for judge recertification and/or renewals, the judge must have officiated at NO LESS than 2 *IWPA* sanctioned events during the previous season. This does not require you to judge all classes at 2 events, but you must have judged at least one class at 2 separate events.

The first requirement is easy, just submit your membership. As for the second requirement, if you were a judge last season but did not officiate at 2 events you will need to submit a current judge's test. The good news is successfully passing the test and paying your fee is all you need to do. Judges that have lapsed more than 3 seasons must also apprentice.

So, if you are a renewing or even a new judge and you will need a test, contact me and I will get one to you. If you are just renewing, contact me for the 2008-2009 Judges Renewal form, which must be completed documenting you have reviewed and understand any new rule changes.

Terry Reed

Greetings from the Sanctioning Chair

Hi, I'm Sue, your new sanctioning chairman. I've started receiving some great pulls all across the States, and hope to see many more this year, our Silver Anniversary. Can you believe this organization has been around for 25 years? And speaking of our anniversary, please try to keep this in mind when you are naming your pull or even for your awards this year.

Please make sure when you send in your information that you are a current, in good standing member, and that your judge has sent in their paperwork. I would hate to not accept your pull for something that minor.

I do work during the day, but the fax machine is always on. That number is 509-972-2070. My home phone number is 509-966-1133, and you can always leave me a message. It does ring quite a few times, so please be patient.

Please let me know if there is anything that I can do to help you have a great and successful pull.

See you in the pull chute.....

Sue Ferrari

Darryl Williams

By Terry Reed



It is with great sadness, loss and grief that I write this memorial. Darryl Williams, long time puller in Region 3, passed away on August 21st, 2008. He began pulling with Roger and Kay Bramson in Casper, WY in 1989 or 1990. At the time, Darryl was pulling his dog named Achoo. He and his wife Jo joined the IWPA during the 1990-1991 season.

Darryl has pulled other dogs that he and Jo have enjoyed being owned by; Gus and Rambo. They recently acquired Snot (short for "It's not my dog"!).

He had a remarkable attachment to his dogs. He was always happy with them, what ever or how ever they did in competition. I and many others will remember he and Gus playing mind games with each other, a lot. I will never forget when Gus thought he trained Darryl. You see, Gus became wise to the fact when timers at the track called "time" he knew he could go lounge in the van with confidence that Darryl still loved him. What he didn't expect was Darryl to quickly figure that out. Darryl then started saying "time" as he stomped his right foot in disgust. Gus then started pulling, and pulling, and continued to pull. I guess Darryl won that battle!

Darryl will be remembered as a great friend by everyone who knew him. He was always willing to help in any way he could, even if it was just giving his opinion. He had a priceless gift of gab, which he will be forever remembered for.

He had a loving heart for children. He made special times for those kids he loved. He gave so willingly for those he didn't know, but knew only they came from troubled homes. Just as an example, he and Jo agreed to donate all their travel money to the charity that was the beneficiary of the funds raised at the 2006-2007 Championships in Evans, Colorado. Thank you Darryl and Jo for your loving contribution!

Darryl proudly proclaimed to be one of the "Williams Brothers".

Pictured here with Larry Williams and his dog Lady Hawk (pictured at far left) from Region 9, Rick Williams (center) also from Region 9 and his first pulling dog Achoo (standing in front of Darryl at far right). Photo taken on 03/27/99 at the Casper, WY last points pull.



Darryl Williams, thanks for all the memories..... From the many friends and competitors that will forever remember you.

New Member

Renewing Member



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October 1*

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Application for Membership

(Please print clearly in black ink)

DUES MUST BE PAID IN U.S. CURRENCY. Both Discounts may apply.

INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP (An individual membership consist of one adult 18 years and older at the start of the pull season).

Name _____ Date of Birth _____

\$40.00 Paid by check number _____ Paid by cash _____

FAMILY MEMBERSHIP (A family membership consists of two head of household adults or one or two parents and children under 18 years of age at the start of the pull season).

Name of Primary _____ Date of Birth _____

Name of Second Adult _____ Date of Birth _____

Family _____ Date of Birth _____

_____ Date of Birth _____

\$45.00 Paid by check number _____ Paid by cash _____

JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP (A member under the age of 18 at the start of the pull season, and has a sponsor who is a member of the IWWPA in good standing.)

Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Sponsor's Name _____ Sponsor's Signature _____

\$40.00 Paid by check number _____ Paid by cash _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Country _____

Phone (____) _____ E-mail _____

For returned checks the *IWWPA* will charge the check writer for cost incurred or a MINIMUM of \$25.00

Please submit Application with fees (make checks payable to the *IWWPA*, do not mail cash) to:

Rodney Martin
Membership Chair
3407 17th Ave
Evans, CO 80620 USA
E-mail: M5MKernel@aol.com

Signature _____

Date _____

rn (07/08)

INTERNATIONAL WEIGHT PULL ASSOCIATION

WEIGHT PULL SANCTIONING APPLICATION

(ALL BLANKS MUST BE FILLED IN)

Sanctioned Pull____ Other (Novice, Fun, Etc.)____ Wheels____ or Snow____

Pull will be run – Class by Class____ or Concurrent____ or Combined Classes____

Title of Event_____

Street Address of Event_____

City and State/Prov. Of Event_____ Zip/Postal Code _____ Region_____

Organizer (person responsible for event)_____

Organizer Address_____ Phone (____)_____

City and State/Prov. _____ Zip/Postal Code _____

Date of Event_____ Weigh in Time_____ Start Time_____ Entry Fee_____

Purse/Prizes _____

Date of Event_____ Weigh in Time_____ Start Time_____ Entry Fee_____

Purse/Prizes _____

Sponsor _____

Name of required I.W.P.A. member _____ Phone (____) _____

Name of Chief Judge _____ Phone (____) _____

If you would like to receive the Sanctioning Packet electronically put an 'X' in this box.

Please included your email address: _____

Send application plus fees to sanctioning director:

Sue Ferrari Phone 509-966-1133

807 Ghormley Rd Fax 509-276-9003

Yakima, WA 98908 E-mail ferrari1133@msn.com

\$35.00 Per Sanctioned Pull (U.S. Funds Only)

\$25.00 Per Other Pull (U.S. Funds Only) (NSF Check fee will be cost incurred or a minimum of \$25.00)

This application can not be processed without the signature of the organizer regarding the reading and understanding of the Sanctioning Rules printed on the reverse.

Signature of Pull Organizer _____ Date _____

For the use of the Sanctioning Director

Date this application received _____ Date and amount of Sanctioning Fees received _____

Date Sanctioning approved/rejected _____ Date information sent to Newsletter _____

Date notice of approval and sanctioning packet or rejection (must include explanation of rejection) sent to

Organizer _____ Date Sanctioning fees sent to treasurer _____ Date postmarked _____

INTERNATIONAL WEIGHT PULL ASSOCIATION WEIGHT PULL

STANDING RULES ON SANCTIONING

In order for your pull to be sanctioned and to count for points.

Any organization who wishes to put on a pull approved by the I.W.P.A. shall require the organizer or any of the officials to have an I.W.P.A. membership and use I.W.P.A. weight pull rules which include having an I.W.P.A. certified and approved judge.

A sanctioning application must be filled out by the organizer and delivered into the hands of the I.W.P.A. sanctioning director no later than the 15th of the month preceding the month in which the event is to take place, provided the event is scheduled between the 15th through the end of any given month. Pulls scheduled from the 1st through the 14th of any month must be received no later than the 15th of the month two months prior to the weight pull event. For example, an event scheduled for December 7th must be received no later than October 15th, an event scheduled for December 28th must be received no later than November 15th. *No exceptions to this rule will be made!!* It is the organizer's responsibility to ascertain if this application has been received by the Sanctioning Director.

Newsletter pull calendar information is taken from the sanctioning application; therefore, ALL questions must be answered. It may be considered false advertising for any organizer to falsify or fail to follow the information provided on the sanctioning request. False advertising will be grounds for placing the organizer on probationary sanctioning status.

The following list of information from your weight pull must be sent to the **Sanctioning Director** with a postmark no later than 5 days after the last day of your pull:

1. Weight Pull finish report
2. Organizer's report
3. Financial report with ALL monies due the IWPA for the \$5.00 per dog fee. For pulls held in Canada \$5.00 are payable in U.S. funds only. (Motion6/07)
4. All regular and provisional membership monies received at your pull with completed membership forms must be sent to the **Membership Director** with a postmark no later than **5 days** after the last day of your pull. New members are to be given the membership receipt included in your packet as proof of membership until their card is sent to them.
5. Send **Judge's Reports** to the **Judge Chairperson**

(The penalty for failure to meet the 5 day postmark requirement will result in a fine of not less than \$20.00 and \$5.00 per day for each day after 6 days that the pull results are not postmarked. Failure to pay a fine may result in loss of sanctioning and/or points). *Exception—Organizers of pulls held the last two weeks of the season are required to submit finish reports to the sanctioning director and FAX or OVERNIGHT their finish report, finance report, and organizer report to the statistician within one working day. (motion 5/98)*

Any grievances by an organizer or judge should be in writing, postmarked no later than 72 hours after the end of the weight pull event, and sent to the Sanctioning Director who will present the written grievance(s) to the I.W.P.A. Board of Directors *within two weeks of the receipt of the grievance*, for deliberation.

Sanctioning applications that do not include the sanctioning fees will not be accepted. Exception-When faxing application a copy of the check/money order for sanctioning fees must be faxed with the application. The original application and check/money order for sanctioning fees must be postmarked within one working day of the fax. The original application and payment for sanctioning fees must be received by the sanctioning director no less than one week prior to the event or the sanctioning may be canceled.

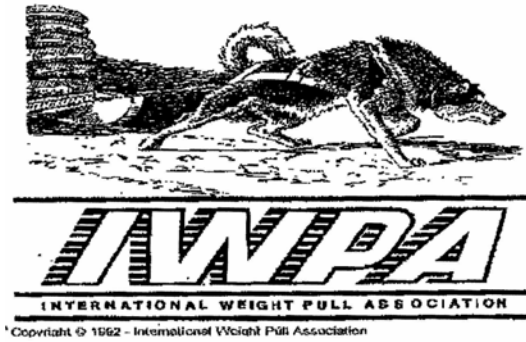
Organizers of events which have had sanctioning suspended after the pull will be required to mail a reimbursement to all entrants of the \$5.00 per dog fee. This reimbursement must be mailed within 72 hours of the receipt of written notice by the Sanctioning Director of suspended sanctioning. (Failure to reimburse funds when sanctioning has been suspended may mean loss of future sanctioning of event by the organizer)

The Board of Directors may not make a decision on sanctioning a pull but will make a decision regarding any grievance filed in regard to sanctioning.

If the Sanctioning on a pull is refused or the sanctioning is withdrawn from a pull, the sanctioning director will notify the organizer in writing within 2 days. A phone call or fax is a courtesy but the "in writing" is a requirement.

Cancellations of a pull will be accepted with no penalty as long as there is ample time to report the cancellation in the newsletter with the same deadlines as for sanctioning a pull. If these deadlines are not met, the organizer shall (at their own expense) send out postcards to all members to notify them of the cancellation. If this is not one, an organizer may be subject to loss of sanctioning fees. There will be no provisions for "Rain Dates". I have read and understand the above rules regarding sanctioning.

Signature of Organizer _____ Date _____



Judge Renewal

Name _____

Address _____

City, State (Province) _____

Zip (Postal Code) _____ Region _____

Telephone _____

E-mail _____

Judge renewal before September 1, 2008 \$10.00

After September 1, 2008 \$15.00 *Make checks payable to the IWPA*

Mail to:

IWPA Judges Chair

Terry Reed

2414 26TH Ave

Greeley, CO 80634

(970)339-9264

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Note: Renewing Judges **must sign and return this form** (with the proper fee) stating that you have read and understand the following changes in the IWPA Standing rules and Rule booklet that have been placed in effect at the board meeting on June 14th and 15th, 2008. This also includes the **Judges Code of Conduct** that was adopted by the board in 2002.

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Judge Code of Conduct (Ethics and Authority)

1. You must both possess and project an unwavering air of integrity and ethical behavior that protects the reputation of IWPA pull events as fair and well-judged. With common sense, judges can easily avoid situations, which might raise ethical questions. A

judge should avoid impropriety and the appearance of impropriety in all activities.

2. Judges are presumed to be honest, competent and dedicated. Nevertheless, it is all too easy to find yourself in uncomfortable or even inappropriate

situations. Guidelines cannot cover every situation, but they can help you avoid improprieties or perceived improprieties. A judge should perform the duties impartially and diligently. ("A judge shall disqualify himself or herself in a proceeding in which the judge's impartiality might reasonably be questioned, including but not limited to instances in which the judge has a personal bias or prejudice concerning a party...")

3. You Are in Charge: As the Chief Judge, you have full authority over all persons in the event. With this authority comes the responsibility to be thoughtful and considerate. Be as systematic in your procedure from dog to dog and weight class to weight class as conditions permit.

4. You should avoid theatrical movements or making inappropriate comments to competitors. Be polite, but generally limit your conversation with competitors to instructions that are in accordance with the IWPA rules.

5. The Judge may use whatever reasonable procedures he/she deems necessary to evaluate each dog's performance in an effective and efficient manner. The same procedures will be used to Judge each dog in a class. By entering any weight pull, the owner and handler of any dog agree to accept the decision of the Judge as final. The decision of a Judge is the responsibility of the Judge and not that of the IWPA.

6. IWPA events are intended to be family-oriented recreation for dog lovers and their dogs. Accordingly, IWPA expects the highest standard of conduct at all events.

Rule Changes for 2008-2009

Section 3 A #2 Officials, remove ~ "*handler's report and*".

Section 5 C #13, Add ~ "*from the start line*"

Will read; If any part of the harness or other equipment breaks, the handler shall have 60 seconds to repeat the pull from the start line after repairs. He/she may choose to accept this interrupted pull as a pass.

Section 5 C # 15, Add ~ "immediate"

Will read; No dogs including those not entered in competition shall be allowed in the immediate area ahead of the starting line except the dog that is pulling.

Signature

Official Use Only Postmark Date: _____ Date Received: _____

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Working Dog Degree Program

Your dog must meet the criteria below to be eligible for the various working dog degrees. When your dog has achieved the required number of pulls for a degree (at an IWPA Sanctioned or IWPA Approved pull) and you have completed the application forms for each pull, send the forms and \$10 for each certificate requested to the Working Dog Chairperson, after September 1 in the following program year. Your certificate will be mailed to the address on the application form. Please complete all blanks on the forms to aid in the processing of the certificates. All pulls required for a certificate must be achieved in no more than two consecutive program years. The program year is from September 1 to August 31 the following year.

Requirements for Certificates

Snow

1. IWPA Working Dog: the dog must pull 5 times its own body weight in 4 different pulls on snow.
2. IWPA Working Dog Excellent: the dog must pull 10 times its own body weight in 4 different pulls on snow.
3. IWPA Working Dog Superior: the dog must pull 15 times its own body weight in 3 different pulls on snow.

Wheels

1. IWPA Working Dog: the dog must pull 12 times its own body weight in 4 different pulls on wheels.
2. IWPA Working Dog Excellent: the dog must pull 18 times its own body weight in 4 different pulls on wheels.
3. IWPA Working Dog Superior: the dog must pull 23 times its own body weight in 3 different pulls on wheels.

Working Dog Degree Program Application Form

SNOW

- IWPA Working Dog (5 times body weight) _____ 4 individual pulls required
IWPA Working Dog Excellent (10 times body weight) _____ 4 individual pulls required
IWPA Working Dog Superior (15 times body weight) _____ 3 individual pulls required

WHEELS

- IWPA Working Dog (12 times body weight) _____ 4 individual pulls required
IWPA Working Dog Excellent (18 times body weight) _____ 4 individual pulls required
IWPA Working Dog Superior (23 times body weight) _____ 3 individual pulls required

Event Date _____ Event Name _____

Event Location (city, state/prov) _____

Track (check one) Natural _____ Carpet _____ Snow _____

Dog's Name _____ Breed _____

Registered Name, if applicable _____

Dog's Wt. At Pull _____ Weight Pulled _____ Times Body Weight _____

Dog's Time at Pull _____

Owner's Name and Region _____

Address _____

City _____ State/Prov. _____ Zip/Postal Code _____

Phone () _____ E-mail _____

I hereby certify that the above information is correct.

Signature _____ Date _____

If this is not an IWPA Sanctioned Pull, the judge's signature must accompany this application.

I hereby certify that this information is correct.

Judge's Signature _____ Judge's Name Printed _____ Date _____

Please enclose one form for EACH qualifying pull. Please make check or money order payable to IWPA. Please submit all Working Dog degree application forms with fees to: IWPA Working Dog Chair 9043 Pflum Rd NE Mancelona, Mi 49659: puppypower@hughes.net



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