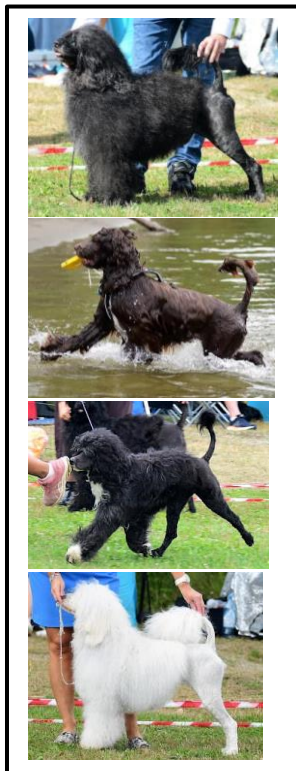


# Welcome to the Norwegian Portuguese Water Dog Specialty 2023



**11 to 13 August 2023 in Horten, Norway**



## Program:

### Friday 11 August (evening)

- Puppy classes 4-6 months and 6-9 months

### Saturday 12 August

- Official specialty 2023
- Unofficial show with wet dogs (including puppies)
- Unofficial show freestyle
- Best in show
- Social gathering with non-alcoholic drinks

### Sunday 13 August

- Seminar for breeders
- Water work competition

## Specialty judge: Steven Dostie, Maine, USA

**Organizer:** The Norwegian Breed Club of Portuguese Water Dog

**Accommodation, seminar and social activities:** *Dal Gjestegård – Apartments and camping.* Place your booking directly with *Dal Gjestegård* by phone number +47 408 40 851 and refer to the Norwegian Portuguese Water Dog Specialty.

**Show and water work competition:** Mastebakke 71, 3184 Borre

For more information: [post@portugisisk-vannhund.no](mailto:post@portugisisk-vannhund.no)

**Follow the breed clubs facebook Page or the event page on facebook.**

Register to all shows is done at the Norwegian kennel clubs pages:

<https://www.nkk.no/terminliste-utstilling/category860.html>

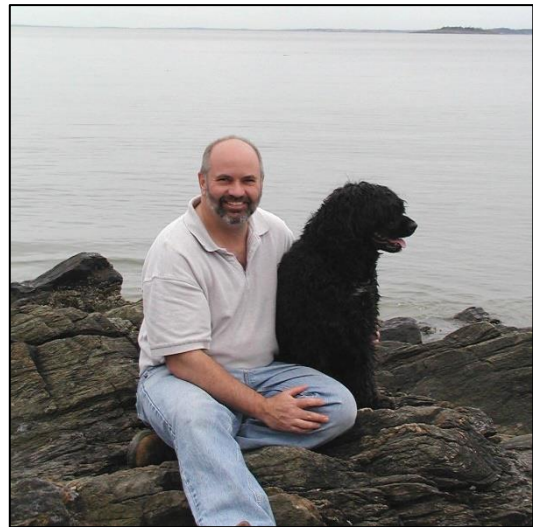
Select «official» for the breed speciality, or “Unofficial” for the puppy classes, wet dog and freestyle.

Registration for entering the breeders seminar, email [even\\_stor@hotmail.com](mailto:even_stor@hotmail.com).

Please include in the email, the name of the kennel or a few words about your experience with the breed.

## **About the judge:**

Steven Dostie has been involved in breeding, showing and training dogs for over 50 years. As a child Steven lived next door to a Cocker Spaniel breeding kennel where he started working when he was 10 years old. The owner of the kennel was also a founding member of the local Animal Shelter.



In the early eighties Steven concentrated on breeding Rottweilers and produced a number of champions and top obedience dogs in that breed. For the past 35+ years he has been passionately involved with the Portuguese Water Dog, breeding under the DownEast prefix. DownEast dogs are actively shown in conformation, obedience, agility, tracking, barn hunt, nosework and of course, water work.

He has well over 75 breed champions in both the US and Canada. DownEast dogs and their handlers have achieved literally hundreds of performance titles. Steve is very involved with the Portuguese Water Dog Club of America and the betterment of the breed in America. He has been a past board member, has served as President, was instrumental in the development of the Illustrated Breed Standard and is currently serving on both the Judge’s Education and Breeder Development Committees. He is also involved with numerous local all-breed clubs.

Steve has been judging Portuguese Water Dogs since 2005. He has judged numerous specialties including the National Specialties in the United States and Canada, and is once again judging the PWDCA's National Specialty in 2023.

Steve lives in Maine with his wife, Christine, their Portuguese Water Dogs as well as Christine's American Water Spaniels. He has retired as the Executive Director for the local Humane Society, where he worked for over 38 years.