



The Norwegian Elkhound Club of Canada proudly presents our 15th National Specialty

WHERE: Woodstock, ON
(with the Oxford County Kennel Club all-breed shows)

WHEN: Saturday, July 11, 2009

OUR JUDGES

Conformation - Mr. Nelson Huber, Plano TX

Nelson Huber purchased his first Elkhound in 1966, which turned out to be dysplastic. He bought his second Elkhound from Jack Hack – Ch. Valdemar's Winter Storm, which did a lot of winning. He showed dogs professionally for a number of years and has finished in excess of 75 Elkhounds over the years for himself and others. He was lucky to be able to show three Elkhounds to all-breed Best in Show wins – Ch. Valdemar's Winter Storm, Ch. Zackary of Staranne (owned by Connie Britt) and Ch. Valdemar's Critic's Choice (his own breeding). Choosy held the Specialty BIS record for a number of years. Nelson currently judges the Hound group, the Working group, Best in Show and Junior Showmanship. After 42 years of owning Norwegian Elkhounds, he still thinks they are the greatest of all the breeds.

Puppy & Veteran Sweepstakes – Ms. Kathy Lake, Sault Ste Marie, ON

Born and raised into dogs, Kathy is a second generation dog fancier – her father, Richard Lake is a licensed judge. He had the privilege to handle some very well known Elkhounds including Am & Can Ch Houndhaven's Nordic Raider, who was Canada's top Elkhound for many years, and Am & Can Ch Karin's Yogi Bear, American National Specialty winner. The Lake family showed these dogs, worked with their breeders and owners, and also trained and showed many of the offspring. Kathy is currently an all-breed professional handler who still loves the breed and showing Elkhounds for clients in Canada and the US.

INFO:

The Quality Hotel (Woodstock ON) will be our host hotel. The NECC has reserved a block of rooms at \$101.99 (+ taxes), single or double occupancy. For reservations, contact the hotel directly at 1-800-667-4466. Please tell the hotel you are with NECC when you reserve. For hotel location, see www.mapquest.com/maps?city=Woodstock&state=ON&address=580+Bruin+Boulevard

We invite all Elkhounders to join us at a Wine & Cheese get-together at the hotel on the evening of Friday, July 10, 2009 (location TBA).

The NECC Banquet and Silent Auction will be held in the evening, Saturday, July 11, 2009 in the Altadore Room. If you have an Elkhound or moose-themed article you would like to donate to our Silent Auction, please contact Specialty Chair Liz Sykes at lizsykes@rogers.com

A Booster (supported entry) will be held Sunday, July 12, 2009 (judge TBA).

We welcome contributions to our Trophy Fund (please specify which class(es) you wish your donation to support; classes, except Best of Breed, are available on a first-come, first-served basis). You may also make a donation to our Specialty General Fund, which will be used for all Specialty-related expenses.

For further info, contact Specialty Chair Liz Sykes at lizsykes@rogers.com