

# NCNE at Mystic Seaport

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On February 16<sup>th</sup> Mystic Seaport reopened to visitors and marked the occasion with a Winter's Aweigh celebration. Part of the celebration featured Newfoundlands giving carting demonstrations. Seven Newfs and handlers participated.

An enthusiastic group of visitors asked many questions during the meet and greet about the breed and draft and water work. There was plenty of petting and hugging for the dogs, which they loved and lots of pictures.

A lot of the visitors said they came especially to see the Newfs. One little boy was so proud to say that he researched Newfoundlands at school and learned that they had webbed feet. He was thrilled to see for himself that they really did.

Everyone was fascinated with the maneuvering demo. They delivered firewood to many of the buildings and gave rides to children.



All the dogs were invited into the Children's Museum for story hour. They happily curled up on the floor surrounded by a large group of children and listened to a story about a Newf and enjoyed all the attention.

Thank you to everyone who took part in this wonderful event. The staff at the Seaport always enjoy our visit.



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