

Breed First - Hydrodash Senior {HDS}



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After our first season of dock diving, Sully still wanted to compete. He loved the distant jumps, but I wondered if he would love the other disciplines just as much? North American Diving Dogs added Hydrodash for the 2020 season. Hydrodash requires the dog jump off the dock, swim the length of the pool, knock the toy off the rig at the end of the pool, and swims back. The judge times how fast they do this and that is their score.

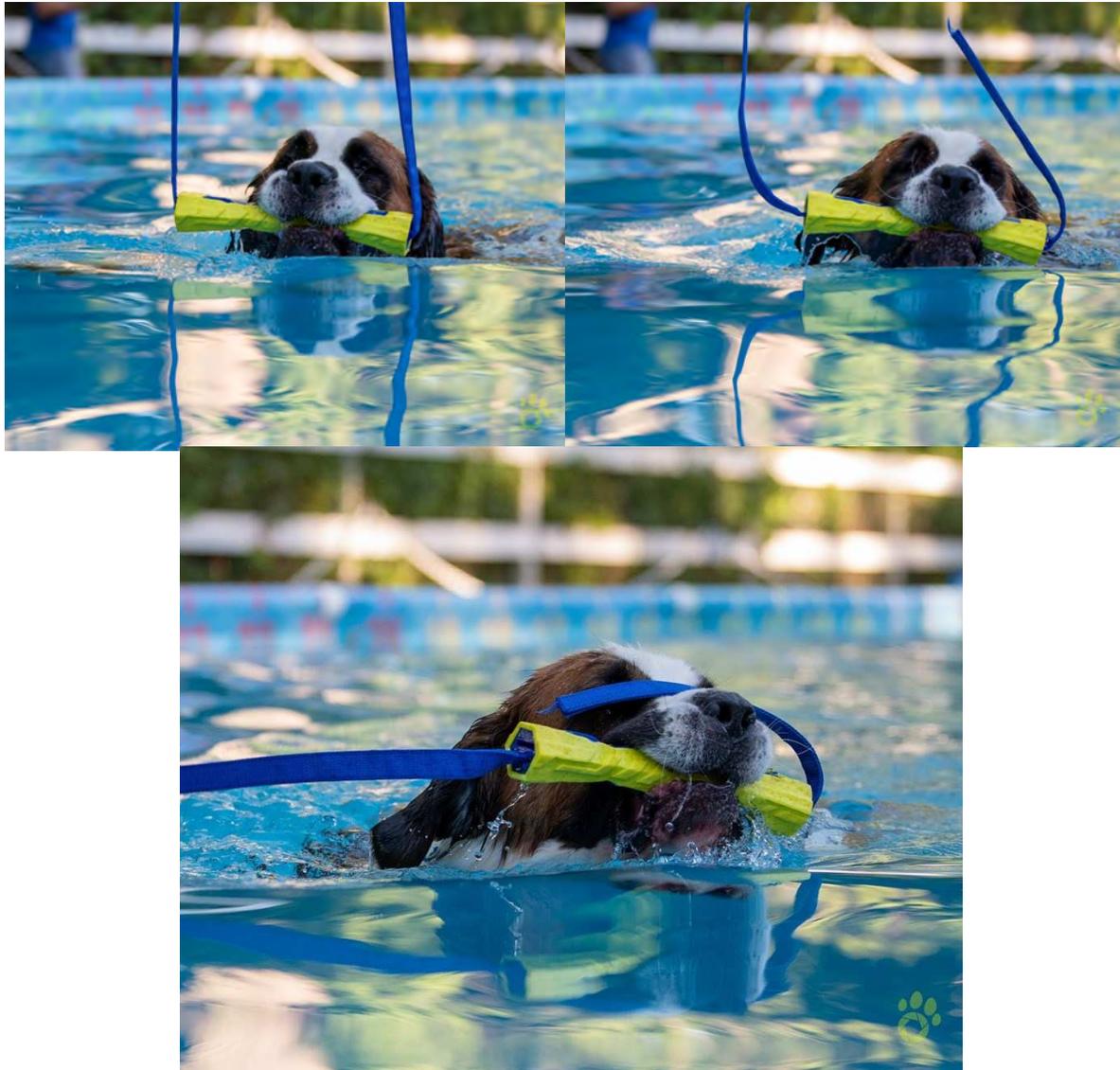
I wasn't sure if Sully would want to get the toy at the end of the pool, but Sully caught right on. I started with having my mom hold the toy at the end of the pool and bounce it around so he would see it. He flew right off the dock to swim to it. After a couple swims, I attached it to the rig and he knew what to do.

Now that he knew the game, I signed him up to do it at our next NADD event. He remembered the game and got a score of 23.397 seconds. This put him in the Senior Division, which is 19 to 23.999 seconds. He is the first Saint Bernard to ever compete in Hydrodash. Since he did so well, I kept signing him up to compete in it. In order to get the Hydrodash Senior title, he would need 5 legs in the Senior division to get it.

Sure enough, two months later he earns his final Senior leg and gets the title! He earned the title on the leg he also got his personal best of 21.786 seconds.

Sully is such an amazing partner to have. He loves all that he does and gives 100% every time we step onto the dock.

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**First Saint Bernard to Earn
Hyrodash Senior Title**

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