PUGET SOUND LABRADOR RETRIEVER ASSOCIATION Litter Listing Program

Information is as submitted by owners and provided as a service to the public. Listings of litters are in no way an endorsement by PSLRA of any litter or any one litter over another. Litters are removed from the list after 3 mos. To publish **LITTER LISTINGS** in the newsletter, the following information **must be available**

- ➤ Elbows and hips must be certified on both the sire and dam. Dogs and bitches whelped before 5/1/87 are exempt from elbow clearance requirements and will be marked OFEL N/A. Prelims are not acceptable! The board has recently agreed to accept PennHip clearances that score in the 50th percentile or higher, passing Wind-Morgan clearances, and clearances from the Ontario Veterinary College (OVC) in Canada. Female Labradors (bitches) with a Wind-Morgan, Penn Hip, or OVC clearance must not be bred before the age of 20 months, or 24 months with an OFA clearance. Male Labradors (dogs) with a Wind-Morgan or Penn Hip clearance must not be bred before the age of 12 months, or 18 months with an OVC clearance, or 24 months with an OFA clearance.
- > Eye clearances on both parents annually
- > Heart clearances will be included in the listing at the discretion of the breeder
- > A PSLRA member must own either the sire or the dam and must submit the listing for a non-member.
- > Please use the PSLRA Breeder Litter Listing Program form below for ALL litters.
- All Breeders must update their litters each week with Nina Mann via email (harbortop@netzero.net) as to the sex and color of puppies you have sold. The listing will be deleted after 3 months from the first litter listing date unless she hears from you.
- 1. Mail the completed form and a check (US funds only) for \$10 (operating expenses for Breeder Listing and Puppy Referral Programs) to: Nina Mann, 5706 312th St NW, Stanwood, WA 98292-9649.
- 2. Your litter notice will appear in the next PSLRA newsletter if it conforms to the Code of Ethics (attached)
- 3. If you know that the Litter Listing and the Puppy Referral programs have helped you sell your puppies, **please send a donation** to PSLRA (c/o Nina Mann) to show your appreciation. These donations will all be used for Lab Rescue.

LITTER NOTICE FORM (This information will also be in the litter listings issued by Puppy Referral) Litter born (or expected) on: Puppies available (those unsold at time of listing)_____ (number & sex & color) Sire: ACVO or CERF (Age in Months & number) (Age in Months & Rating) (Date of Last Exam) OVC# PennHip WindMorgan (Age in Months & Percentile Score) (Age in Months) (Age in Months & Score) Dam: _____ A#_____ OFEL____ ACVO or CERF_ (Age in Months & Rating) (Age in Months & number) (Date of Last Ex OFA# (Date of Last Exam) WindMorgan (Age in Months & Score) (Age in Months & Percentile Score) (Age in Months) Color expected or number and color of each sex born: (e.g., 1ym, 2yf, 4bf, 1bm) Name of Owner of Litter_____ Address______City____Zip/Postal Code______ Telephone Number (DAY)_____(EVENING) ______ Email Address:

YOU MUST supply hip, elbow and eye information and ATTACH COPIES OF YOUR CERTIFICATES. Remember that to comply with the PSLRA Code of Ethics, <u>BOTH</u> parents must have all these clearances except on elbows of dogs and bitches born before 5/1/87.

PSLRA Code of Ethics

The Puget Sound Labrador Retriever Association, recognizing our responsibility to the Labrador Retriever and the retriever breed enthusiast, sets forth this Code of Ethics, to reflect the desire of the membership to:

- ♦ Keep the Labrador Retriever sound, healthy and free of hereditary diseases.
- Maintain the working ability of the Labrador Retriever.
- Conform to the American Kennel Club's published Standard of the Breed.
- Be honest in the evaluation of animals used for breeding and/or offered for sale.
- Exercise truth in advertising.

As an aid to evaluating the suitability of stud dogs and brood bitches, we recommend that members breed only stud dogs and brood bitches that have met the following requirements:

- Labrador Retrievers that are registered with the AKC or a recognized foreign registry.
- ♦ Eyes are examined annually by a veterinarian ophthalmologist and are certified free of hereditary eye diseases.(ACVO/CERF) After the dog's examination at age 10, annual examinations are no longer necessary.
 - In the event frozen semen is used to produce a litter, the dog whose semen is used is required to have a current eye clearance. If, however, that dog is dead, the last clearance within 12 months of the dog's death or a clearance at age 10 will be accepted.
- Hips and elbows are certified free of dysplasia by at least one of the following methods:
 - Certification by the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals (OFA) for dogs/bitches 24 months of age or older,
 - A Wind-Morgan report certifying that dogs/bitches 12 months of age or older are free of degenerative joint disease.
 - A PennHip score in the 50th percentile or higher for dogs/bitches 12 months of age or older,
 - Certification by the Ontario Veterinary College (OVC) of Canada for dogs/bitches 18 months of age or older,
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 the age of 12 months, or 18 months with an OVC clearance, or 24 months with an OFA
 clearance.
- Are of sound temperament and free from disqualifications as described in the breed standard.

Members should guarantee the general health of their breeding stock and their puppies at time of sale. Only those litters whose sire and dam have met the above requirements and either sire or dam are owned by members in good standing of PSLRA will be allowed to advertise in the Club's newsletter or be listed with the PSLRA Puppy Referral Chairperson.

Only stud dogs that have met the above requirements and are owned by members in good standing of PSLRA may be listed in the PSLRA Stud Dog Referral List.

- Copies of certifications must be furnished to the stud dog referral chairperson.
- Further, PSLRA urges all members to adopt a spay/neuter program, to sell companion animals on a limited registration, and to take back any dogs of any age if buyers can no longer keep them for any reason.

A member should not supply puppies for auction or for resale to pet stores, laboratories or other wholesale outlets, in accordance with AKC guidelines.

PSLRA also recommends that its members obtain at least one of the following on their stud dogs and brood bitches before using them in their breeding program:

- ♦ A qualifying score in AKC Novice Obedience, Junior Hunter, or Novice Agility
- ♦ An AKC tracking title or certification as a Therapy Dog.
- ♦ A Bench Championship point in an AKC licensed dog show.
- ♦ A Judges Award of Merit (JAM) or a placement in an AKC licensed field trial.
- ◆ A Retriever Club Working Certificate.
- The equivalent of any of the above by a recognized American or foreign registry/organization.

PSLRA strongly urges its members to exercise good sportsmanship at all dog related events.

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