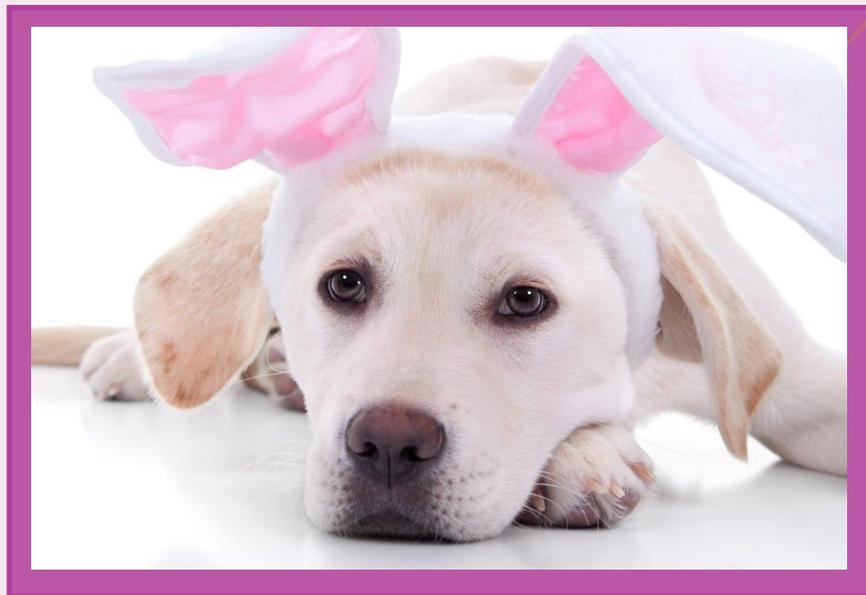


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It Takes a Community

When you sit down and think about all of the activities and events this club organizes and hosts, it can be overwhelming. The club would not be as successful were it not for the willing group of volunteers who step forward and dedicate themselves to their chosen area of service. While it is easy to sit back and assume someone else will step forward to take on a task, it is unfair to expect the same people to fill volunteer vacancies because nobody else will.

This is a club of over two-hundred members. Yes, you read that correctly! There are over two-hundred members in this club. With that incredible number of Labrador aficionados, there should be no reason for volunteers to feel overwhelmed or burned out. If you haven't put your name in the hat to help out in a while, please consider donating your time and help out at an event this year.

Our club will be stronger for it!

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Club Business

Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes - March 2, 2017



The meeting was called to order at 7:09pm. Board members present included the following: Stephanie Harris, Shelah Frey, Kristen Reiter, Jill Mahoney, Scott Dannaker, Brenda Hubbard, Marcy Johnson, Nina Mann, Diane Sullenberger, Katie Somers, Marlys Swanson, and Ramdas Vaidyanathan. Members present included: Mary Jane Sarbaugh, Roger Somers, Terrie Sato, Missy Bendzak, Sharon Edwards, Jim Olson, and Cheri Levine.

Stephanie and Shelah had nothing to present for either the President's and Vice-President's reports. Kris reported that the judges' letters have been sent to the May hunt test judges and are pending contract signatures and submission. Jill presented several concerns that have arisen through her responsibilities as club Treasurer. She reiterated that Canadian checks cannot be accepted as payment at our events. The charge to cash each foreign check, regardless of whether or not the check states to "pay in US funds" is \$42.97. This practice loses money for the club and cannot be allowed. As we do have Canadian members and event participants, we need to offer them a means of providing payment. PayPal or Square were two payment solutions suggested. Jill also reiterated that she requires ample notice in order to be available to distribute checks at an event. Event chairpersons are requested to provide an absolute minimum of one week's notice to the Treasurer so arrangements can be made to deliver checks to the necessary people and locations. The Treasurer's Report has been filed and financials shall be posted on the Yahoo group after the meeting.

Stephanie wanted to ensure that all of our club volunteers have been recognized for their service at our recent events. The work of Fred Drennan, Franna Pitt, Nina Mann, Michelle Brown, Terry Massagli, and Jan Palumbo helped make the tracking test in February possible. The Seattle Kennel Club Meet the Breed booth was staffed by Chairperson Marlys Swanson, Marcy Johnson, Bea Ferguson, Darlene Pado, Jodi and Sam Kelley, and Julie Germano. There was a large turnout, a great opportunity to educate, and the volunteers provided two dogs of

NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

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Membership in the PSLRA is open to anyone interested in Labrador retrievers. Annual dues are \$20 for individuals, \$25 for families. Junior memberships are \$10 (for a separate listing in the membership book and a separate newsletter). Please note that new members require the signature of two sponsors on the application form. Requests for information, applications and/or payment of dues should be addressed to: Stephanie Harris, Membership Chair 341 Cross Creek Drive Ellensburg, Washington 98926 stephanie@skyfirelabs.com



Meeting Minutes, con't

each color. The Seattle Kennel Club Educational Booth was also well-staffed by chairpersons Shelah Frey and Marcy Johnson, and volunteers Janine Prindle, Denise Hetland, Cathy Hakola, Darlene Pado, Diann Sullivan, Kari Sharpe Audette, Barb Pilkington, Marcus Chiu and Lee Foote. Fran Seagren and Chris Roth were thanked for their years of service editing and producing the newsletter and Kris Reiter was recognized for assuming the role. Brenda Hubbard wanted to be certain Mary Jane Sarbaugh was recognized for fostering the most recent rescue dog.



Jim provided a brief report on the Field Committee. The outstanding contract modification for the shared trailer is still pending as the meeting to discuss the changes had been postponed to later in the week. He has finished his inventory of the club equipment and has determined that we have enough shells

and poppers for both tests. The Spring Hunt Test will be limiting the Master to sixty entries, which he mentions shouldn't be a concern as historically the entries don't approach that quantity. The judges are set. The dates for the event are May 6 – 7, 2017. Jim announced that having a few young individuals, ages sixteen to twenty who would like to work the poppers and participate as general helpers would be particularly helpful. There is no update on bird availability.

Brenda presented the Rescue Report. The newsletter will feature an update on the most expensive rescue that PSLRA has ever sponsored. Ruby was fostered and adopted eight years ago with bilateral ectopic ureters, requiring a \$3,000 surgery to correct. She is loved by her owner and is doing well. Brenda also mentioned the foster that was being transferred into Mary Jane Sarbaugh's care. Winston is a young chocolate male with a healing aural hematoma.

Stephanie has been working to reconcile the membership. The task has been complicated by members who have submitted renewal forms but neglected to submit payment or vice versa. She will continue to work on this and hopes to have the membership books printed and distributed within the next thirty days.

There has been no update to the calendar on our website and there have been inquiries from several individuals on our Facebook page as well as within the Yahoo group. The website is created in Dreamweaver. Kris is willing to try to relearn the program to make the calendar/event updates, but will be limited in her capabilities. Anyone with experience working on websites is encouraged to take over this task.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS Something for Everyone!

April 19

Board Meeting Teleconference - 6:30pm

May 6 & 7

Hunt Test

Bob Pepper's Farm, Carnation, WA
Liz Gibson (Chairperson), Cindy Hunt (Test Secretary), Diane Clark (Chief Marshall)

May 17

Board Meeting Teleconference - 6:30pm

June 17

B Match

Carco Park (Cedar River Play Park), Renton
Marlys Swanson & Cathy Hakola (Co-Chairs)

June 17

Board and Membership meeting - at match

June 24 & 25

Agility Trial

Fun Fur Paws, Mount Vernon

July 19

Board and Membership Meeting

Diane Sullenbeger's home

August 4-6

KISS and Specialty Show

Enumclaw Expo Center, Enumclaw

August 5

Membership meeting

August 16

Board Meeting Teleconference - 6:30pm

August 26-27

Hunt Test

Bob Pepper's Farm Carnation

September 20

Board and Membership Meeting

South side (location to be determined)

September 24

Health Clinic

Riverdog Canine Coaching, Issaquah

October 18

Board Meeting Teleconference - 6:30pm

October 29

Tracking/TDX

Chuckanut Farm, Bow

November 4 & 5

Agility Trial

Argus Ranch, Auburn

November 15

Board Meeting Teleconference - 6:30pm

December 2

Holiday Party

Scott and Becky Dannaker's home

Still pending are the Fun Field Training day and the Fall WC.



More Meeting Minutes (yes, we've been busy!)

Nina presented an update on the tracking test. It was a great success with eight requests for four places. The event resulted in our first variable surface tracking award for our club. Discussion ensued as to whether the manpower and investment for this event was worth the benefits, as the number of participants we can accommodate is so small and the income doesn't pay the expenses. Nina explained that the event allows opportunities to our breed as Labradors receive a preference in the entries. Previous tests run had all available slots filled by Labradors in the past. The entries appear to be experiencing a lull currently, but if the event is cancelled due to lack of Labrador participants, the club will lose the fees, judges and dates for future tests.

The Fall Tracking Test is scheduled for October 29th. Discussion was tabled for a later date.

Marlys reported on the Fun Match. It will be held on June 17th at the Cedar River Park. The location has been secured and confirmed. Cathy Hakola will turn in an application to the AKC for the event. The judge selection committee needs to be called upon to make a decision for judges so that letters can be sent. If anyone knows of an individual striving to acquire his/her judge's license, please refer them to Marlys.

Cheri Levine reported on the Agility Trial. Julie Germano is her co-chairperson. The event will be at Fun Fur Paws on June 24-25 and the location is confirmed. Last year, Cheri admitted that the event spent too much. This year, she will tighten the budget and try to cut back on the finances. The judges chosen this year are local, so no air fare or hotels should be needed. There is an abundance of ribbons, so that expense will be eliminated. There will be an Old Dog Run held to benefit Old Dog Haven rescue. It will be held Saturday in the middle of the day. All other rings will close down for the event so spectators can root on the old dogs. The veteran dogs participating can be taken through the course on a leash and cannot be entered in any of the other classes at the show. The trial will provide food to judges and workers – if you work, you receive a lunch, if you don't, you pay to eat. Cheri plans to purchase Costco food instead of utilizing a caterer. She will need volunteers to help monitor the hospitality area.

Cheri reported on the Fall Agility Trial as well. She requested an increase of \$1 in the entry fees per each run in order to help cover the costs of the event. Currently, the fee is \$18/run. The typical person participates in six runs. This fee is a mild increase and would move the total closer to the going rate. Shelah made a motion to allow the rates to be increased according to the standard going rate as deemed necessary. There were no opposed and the motion carried. Cheri will provide an article to Kris to print in the newsletter, advertising the Old Dog Run as well as a request for volunteer workers. She will announce the event on Facebook as well.

The Specialty was discussed. The dates are August 4-6 in Enumclaw. Angela Rogalla, Linda Maffett and Katie Somers are co-chairpersons. Allison Rogers is in charge of trophies. Items for the raffle are already being collected and can be given to Linda and Diane Sullenberger. The judges have been assigned. Campsites are currently available and a space can be reserved through Stephanie Harris.

Mary Jane Sarbaugh is chairing the Health Clinic which will be held at Riverdog on September 24th.

The Fall Fun Field Day will be chaired by Scott Dannaker. Bea Ferguson and Marlys Swanson have stepped up to co-chair the Working Certificate. The events will be combined and held the same day, which has yet to be determined, as does the location which is pending.

Scott and Becky Dannaker will host the Holiday Party.

Old business was presented. The tri-club field trailer agreement is still a work in progress. PSLRA required clarification and an amendment to the contract but the meeting at which it was scheduled for discussion was postponed. Discussion was tabled until further clarification can be provided and the board can address any changes via email if necessary.

Even More Meeting Minutes (I know, right?)

The club has approved up to four supported entries a year with the goal of having one in each quadrant (north, south, east, and west) of our membership population. If anyone would like to propose a supported entry, it must be accompanied by a member who would be willing to spearhead it and present a budget to the board. The Wenatchee show held October 21-22 would represent the East side. Katie Somers volunteered to perform the necessary duties to provide supported entries at this show. Becky Dannaker has volunteered to handle the Puyallup show in January. This would represent the south side. Both of these shows would like to offer Sweepstakes. Judges hired would not be paid. Their hotel and gas would be reimbursed and they would be invited to our membership meeting and banquet. We need to check with the AKC to be certain that we are not limited in the number of supported entries or sweepstakes we can host in a year. Jill Mahoney made a motion to support the Wenatchee show with prizes and offer sweepstakes, provided AKC allows it, for a maximum budget of \$500. Stephanie asked for a show of hands for all of those who approved, she counted the raised hands which were more than 50% in favor, and the motion passed.

Concern was raised that we are concentrating our efforts on too few locations. The use of provisional judges was discussed. Marcy Johnson suggested including the Bremerton show in our efforts. She will look into it for next year. A question arose asking what exactly it means to host a supported entry. The club will provide gift certificates, donated gifts and toys to the conformation winners, as well as the high in trial and best combined score for rally. It is the chairperson's duty to obtain the prizes and ensure they are at ringside to be awarded. The host show organizers submit a letter to the AKC so our club is provided acknowledgement and publicity for our support. Katie will limit the budget to \$250 and try to locate a volunteer judge. Marlys Swanson expressed interest in chairing the efforts to have a supported entry at the four-day Lynden show in 2018.

The discussion of Old Business concluded and New Business was discussed. Terrie Sato reported on the Snoqualmie Wildlife Area Usage meeting with Fish and Wildlife to address the land use changes that are affecting our access to train our dogs and host events. The Crescent Lake and Cherry Valley areas have been used for Working Certificates, training days and 5-Series events for years. Fish and Wildlife have been limiting our access to these lands to the point that we currently are limited to a fifteen-acre plot covered in blackberries and with no access to water. A contract written by the game department in 1974 was located and reviewed. It states that the purpose of the land in question was for dog training and events. During the meeting, the commissioners heard each member present their concerns. Terrie, Cindy Olson and several members of other clubs have joined forces to be heard. One of the commissioners has run dogs in trials in the past. He explained to Fish and Wildlife that the dogs utilizing the land were trained dogs, not nuisance animals. More land might be made available if we can clean it up for use. This would involve mowing overgrowth and removing blackberries. If we are offered the opportunity to use the land, we must have a plan for its management. Terrie inquired if PSLRA would be willing to provide either financial support or volunteer physical labor to prepare the land for use as she would like to inform Fish and Wildlife we are willing to work for the benefit of using the land. Shelah made a motion to support Terrie's efforts monetarily or with volunteer hours. Terri will also utilize the PSLRA's large membership body as additional backup as we have over two-hundred members in our organization. She will report back to the board after the next meeting to let us know if there are any more specific ways we can provide assistance.

Terrie also put in a request to nominate judges for the Master National. The judges suggested include John Drennan, Susan Bell, Janet Peters and Ron Sauls. Marlys made a motion to allow Terrie's suggestions to be submitted for the Master National. There were no opposed and the motion carried.

Cheri Levine reminded the board that the Veteran Dog trophy had not been awarded last year. Terrie will write an article for the newsletter to remind members of this award and to recognize the veterans that are still earning titles.

There was no further business to discuss. The next meeting will take place on April 19th via teleconference. The meeting was adjourned at 8:53pm.



Rescue Report

Eight years ago, our rescue program was asked to rescue a three month old black female puppy because her owners could not cope with her continuing urinary infections and associated incontinence. Fostered by Brenda and Gary Hubbard, Ruby made herself right at home and charmed everyone she met. And she met a lot of people as her medical story developed - after a number of veterinary visits and referrals, Ruby was diagnosed with bilateral ectopic ureters. While surgery to repair this congenital condition is not always successful, the veterinary surgical specialists we consulted felt that Ruby's particular malformation had a very hopeful prognosis. The specialized surgery would be very expensive, however. Our rescue committee was able to put together a funding package with help from the SPDR Lab Fund, the PSLRA Rescue Fund, and several generous individual donors. Ruby came through her surgery with flying colors! She was mostly continent right after surgery, and she continued to improve as she recovered. We were delighted when Maureen and her mother fell in love with Ruby and adopted her - here is their story of Life with Ruby!

The Zen of Ruby

Ruby came to me at 7 months of age from the SPDR in June of 2009 after having a rough start in life. Born with ectopic ureters, the SPDR funded her surgery prior to putting her up for adoption. When I saw her on the web I knew I needed this pup. Luckily my mother and I were chosen to be her forever family.

We call Ruby our dog of Zen. She is the most laid back dog we have ever known. She has graciously hosted a number of dogs that have come through our door, whether they are play dates, overnight guests, long term vacationers (my niece calls our home The Hilton for Dogs) or permanent residents. She hasn't a mean bone in her body, shares everything with others and removes herself if conflict arises with other dogs.

Ruby has taught me many things, among which are:

- ◆ Relax and enjoy the journey—she has one speed, she's never in much of a hurry.
- ◆ Greet every day and everyone with a smile—her tail is always wagging when she meets people and dogs on the trails.
- ◆ If you can't negotiate, step away from the problem—see above.
- ◆ Embrace what comes—snuffle snow and make snow dogs.
- ◆ Not all Labs like or know how to swim—we have had to teach Ruby to swim every summer! It takes her a few dips in the ocean to realize she can do this! And she is so proud of herself when she realizes all fours are off the bottom and she is swimming on her own!
- ◆ Dinner time is when her belly says it is and not when I think it should be.
- ◆ Although she loves her dog family her favourite place to sleep is with me.

Ruby is pure love. When I look at her, all is right in our world and I couldn't imagine it without her.

Maureen



Keeping On Track



Urban Tracking Test Produces Titles

Submitted by Fred Drennan

The snow didn't stick!

Urban tracking tests require a variety of surfaces termed 'veg' [generally grassy] and "non-veg" [concrete, asphalt, bark chips, sand etc]. There has to be a clear distinction between these surfaces, otherwise the test cannot occur. Snow is a problem! Fortunately, the fat snowflakes that fell on February 26th in Shoreline WA melted on impact, and the test went on.

PSLRA is unique as a breed club in offering all of the AKC tracking events- the field events (Tracking Dog TD and Tracking Dog Excellent TDX in the Fall, scheduled for October 29 2017 in Bow WA) and the urban events (Tracking Dog Urban TDU and Variable Surface Tracking VST each February). Dogs that earn a TD or TDU & a TDX & a VST title receive the AKC designation of Champion Tracker CT, and it is a pretty rare group.

For the tests, judges plot a track the day before the event, tracklayers lay the track on the morning of the test, and then the dog/handler teams run the tracks after they have aged appropriately. For TDU, track lengths are 400-500 yards, 10-30% non-veg, and aged 30-120 minutes. For VST, tracks are 600-800 yards, 1/3 to 2/3rds non-veg and aged 3-5 hours. Articles are dropped by the tracklayer on the track and the dog has

to identify those as well. TDU articles are cloth or leather, but VST articles include plastic and metal. We had an overfull test, with 4 TDU and 4 VST teams drawn to run. This year we had passes at both levels, and new titles are:

Trax Gunther Johannes Orff TD TDU
Weimaraner male
Handled by Violetta Toma

Black Bandits Qiss Me Kwik TD VST NA OAJ OF
Manchester Standard Terrier female
Handled by Lale Aksu

Tracking events take a village. Tracklayers give up their entire weekend to participate in plotting on Saturday and then lay tracks on Sunday. We had tracklayers and drivers volunteering from PSLRA, the Golden Retriever club, Chuckanut, Porties, Dachshunds and others. Our judges were Roy Fair from OR and Teresa Keenan from MT as well as PSLRA's Franna Pitt as 'The VST Apprentice'. Club members Nina Mann, Michelle Brown, Terry Massagli, and Jan Palumbo all worked multiple jobs. As Chair and Chief Tracklayer, my thanks go to all!



Trax Gunther Johannes Orff TD TDU



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Honoring Our Veterans

Old Dogs Rule!

Submitted by Terrie Sato

The end of each year is a time to reflect. For PSLRA members it is a good time to appreciate the veteran Labradors in our club. Last year our club had good reason to celebrate the accomplishments of our aging Labrador companions. Four club members shared that their veteran dogs earned performance titles in 2016.

AKC GCH UKCCH HRCH UH Reimur's Juz Fulla Myself MH CDX RE CGC, Fergus, owned and bred by Darlene Pado earned both his CDX and Upland Hunter title in 2016 at the age of 9. Fergus was born in Feb. of 2007. He and Darlene are still going strong as he is learning new skills. Expect to hear more from Fergus in 2017 as he works his way around the agility ring.



**Am GCH Can CH UKC CH HRCH UH ReiMur's Juz Fulla Myself
CDX RE MH CGC Can CD/JH/WCX.**

Veterans, Continued

*Jill Mahoney shared that **Mainland's Mulligan Bridget At Chibry CD RN WC CGC**, born in 2008, earned her RN at 7 years 7 months with Chris Dotson this past summer. Unfortunately the Mahoney family lost Bridget in December of 2016. She was just a few points shy of her Championship. While earning her CD she earned a High In Trial. Bridget and Jill were a great team!*



**Mainland's Mulligan Bridget At Chibry
CD RN WC CGC**

Veterans, Continued

IntlCH HRCH UH PACH Harbortop Shokora UD RE TDX MH MXP6 MJP5 MJPS PAX2 is owned and trained by Fred Drennan and was bred by Nina Mann. Kora has earned multiple advanced titles in obedience, agility, hunt and tracking. Born in December of 2004, Kora proved that fine elderly ladies are still agile and have plenty of go. At the age of 12 she earned her PACH in 2016, as well as other MXP and MJP and PAX titles the same year.



**IntlCH HRCH UH PACH Harbortop Shokora
UD RE TDX MH MXP6 MXPS MJP₅ MJPS PAX₂**

Veterans, Continued



Int1CH MACH3 PACH4 Windycanyon's Dark Ranger CD RA JH MXC MJS2 MXPB MJP5 MJPS PAX OF XFD T2BP2

For those who wonder what PACH stands for, this is the Preferred Master Agility Championship. There's a lot of running and jumping involved with the only concession to age being a lower jump height. In 2016 the oldest dog to earn a performance title and winner of the club performance veteran trophy was **Int1CH MACH3 PACH4 Windycanyon's Dark Ranger CD RA JH MXC MJS2 MXPB MJP5 MJPS PAX OF XFD T2BP2**. Strider was born on 11/28/2003 He was bred by Anne Swindeman and is owned, trained and handled by Mark Levine. This is the second year that Strider's name will be engraved on the Oldest Performance Dog trophy. The PACH4 was Strider's retirement title. He has certainly proved to be an All Around Labrador but there can be no doubt that agility is his first love. Congratulations to Mark and Strider on a long and successful career!

Brag!



"Two-year-old Brach is ready to interact, happy, silly but under good control!

Handler is very supportive and connection is clear..."

Pet Partners Evaluator

Honors CH Sunnydaze for Peep's Sake, CGC, Pet Partner

As I've entered brags for so many talented dogs in this newsletter, I realized I have neglected to submit any for my own girl, Brach. She earned her CGC at the PSLRA specialty last year and her Honors CH in Lynden this winter. She has enjoyed multiple placements in the IABCA group ring and was in the Best in Show ring twice this Fall.

This weekend, she completed her evaluation to be a Pet Partners therapy dog. At the close of her testing, the evaluators approached me with a hearty congratulations. Not only was she determined suitable to be a Pet Partner, but we were declared qualified as a "Complex" team, capable of performing in more intense situations. The evaluator informed me that they were impressed with the level of training that she has for her young age and that less than 5% of new teams tested are granted the "Complex" qualification. I don't know how true that is, but will gladly accept the compliment! Brach and I are eagerly awaiting our paperwork approval and badges so we can start visiting and deliver Labrador wiggles and happiness to those who might need a smile. Official evaluation or not, I *know* that she is a master at that!

Submitted by Kristen Reiter

Volunteers Needed!

WEBMASTER

Do you know how to edit and manage a website? Our website www.pslra.org needs a webmaster who can update our events, litter listings and older dog placements on a routine basis.

Please contact Stephanie if you'd like to help the club and lend your expertise!

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HOSPITALITY

Help is needed to supervise the lunch/refreshment table at the Spring Agility Trial June 24-25 at Fun Fur Paws in Mount Vernon. The duties include ensuring the judges and workers receive their free lunches while ensuring that non-workers/participants pay for theirs. Please contact Cheri Levine if you have time that weekend to help.

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HUNT TEST

A few young individuals, ages sixteen or older are needed to work the poppers and participate as general helpers for our Spring Hunt Test on May 6 & 7 at Bob Pepper's Farm in Carnation.

Eager volunteers may contact Jim Olson.

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PSLRA Labradors in Action



Photos by Marcus Chiu

Thank you to our members
who volunteered at the
Seattle Kennel Club's
Meet the Breed.

Marlys Swanson — Chair
Jodi and Sam Kelley
Bea Ferguson
Marcy Johnson
Darlene Pado
Julie Germano



THANK YOU BOOTH VOLUNTEERS!

Janine Prindle Barb Pilkington
Denise Hetland Marcus Chiu
Cathy Hakola Darlene Pado
Diann Sullivan Kari Sharpe Audette
Lee Foote

Shelah Frey and Marcy Johnson
Chairpersons



Photo by Diann Sullivan

Litter Listing

LIST OF LITTERS BORN OR EXPECTED AS OF 2/28/2017 that conform to the PSLRA Code of Ethics.

Information is as submitted by owners and provided as a service to the public. Listing of litters is in no way an endorsement by PSLRA of any litter or any one litter over another. Litters are removed from the list after 12 weeks. To publish **LITTER LISTINGS** in the newsletter, the following information must be available

- ◆ Elbows and hips must be permanently certified on both the sire and dam.
- ◆ Current Eye clearances on both parents.
- ◆ At least one of each breeding pair must be tested and certified clear of EIC, CNM and PRA or be shown as CBP.
- ◆ Heart and other 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 obtain a Litter Listing form from the PSLRA web site, to be used for ALL litters. All Breeders must update their litters each week with Nina Mann via email (harbortoplabs@gmail.com) as to the sex and color of puppies you have available. The listing will be deleted after 12 weeks from the first litter listing date.

1. Mail or email the completed form to Nina Mann, 5706 312th St NW, Stanwood, WA 98292-9649. Please send the \$10 listing fee to Jill Mahoney, Treasurer, by check or PayPal.
2. Your litter notice will appear on the web site and in the next PSLRA newsletter if it conforms to the Code of Ethics.
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 Jill Mahoney, treasurer) to show your appreciation. These donations will all be used for Lab Rescue. Glossary: EIC: Exercise Induced Collapse, CNM: Centronuclear opacity, PRA: Progressive Retinal Atrophy, DD: Dilute clear, CBP: Clear by parentage.

Litter Listing:

Litter born 10/24/2016 1CM, 1 CF available

Sire: MyKiss Chips Ahoy

OFA24G, OFEL24N, ACVO 3/2016

Dam: Bailey Zipping Over The Moon

OFA39E, OFELL39N, ACVO 10/2015

Litter: 5 CM, 4 CF

Call: Alice Woo (425) 652-6000

Email: alicewoo@alicewoo.com

Listed: 12/8/2016

Litter born 3/6/2017 2 BF available

Sire: ClearCreek BonaVenture Dust In The Wind

OFA24G, OFEL24N, LREYE3/2016, EIC CNM & PRA clear

Dam: AM/Can CH Somersun Artesian Silk Stocking WC

OFA24G, OFEL24N, ACVO9/2016, EIC CNM ECHO clear

Six black girls, 2 black males

Call: Marlyss Swanson 425-422-4789

Email: Marlyss2000@gmail.com

Listed 3/3/2017, updated 3/22/2017

Litter due 4/21/2017

Sire: Can CH Cedarwood Capability Brown @ Blackthorn JH WC

OFA24G, OFEL24N, ACVO 3/5/2017, EIC, PRA & CNM

clear, Cardiac Echo Normal

Dam: Kingsland Bree's Dolce Bella

OFA24G, OFEL24N, LR-EYE 10/5/2016, PRA, Cardiac

Normal, EIC & CNM - CBP

Litter: All chocolates expected

Call: Karen Snee (206) 276-3199

Email: lolamom95@hotmail.com

Listed: 3/26/2017

Older Dog Listing:

Older Dogs listed do not need to conform to the PSLRA Code of Ethics. Prospective buyers are encouraged to ask about the needs of these dogs and why the breeder/owner has decided to place them. Many of the dogs listed have basic obedience and are housebroken.

Chocolate Male 2 years Intact
Sweet natured boy. Ha had some field training. Excellent drive. Would make a good hunting companion.

Call: Stacey Gnyp (360)384-1280

Email: Staceynyp@yahoo.com

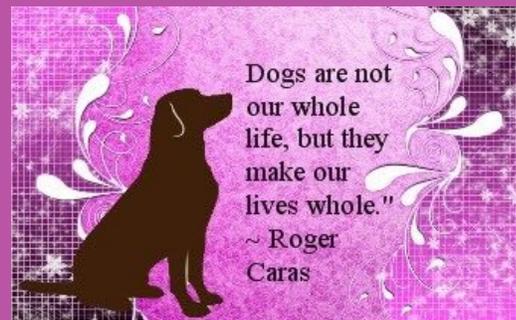
Listed 1/13/2017, updated 3/26/2017

Yellow Female 4 years Will be spayed
Healthy active young female. Kind with small children, all basic obedience training, housebroken, quiet, smart. Never a kennel dog, loves road trips. Up to date on all health needs. Pictures on our web site, www.familyyellowlabs.com.

Call Diane Bartholomew (509) 674-8229

Email: legacymtnranch@hotmail.com

Listed: 3/26/2017



PSLRA Hunt Test

May 6 & 7, 2017

The PSLRA Spring Hunt Test will have a limited master series. There will be a 60 dog limit and we will have 9 slots open for members who will be working the event. These 9 slots will have a special code that will be provided to them for early registration.

There is an opportunity for younger members (must be at least sixteen years of age) to work with the poppers and provide general assistance.

Anyone interested in working the event can contact Liz Gibson (Event Chairperson) or Cindy Olson (Hunt Test Secretary). Contact information can be found on Entry Express (www.entryexpress.net).



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