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*Older dogs perform
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IMPORTANT DATES

February 27, picnic trials, JBLM
February 28, TDU & VST Tracking Test, Hamlin Regional Park, Shoreline
March 12-13, Seattle Kennel Club, Meet the Breed, Club Information Booth, CenturyLink Event Center, Seattle

Newsletter Information:**Publishing of an article or advertisement**

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The Retriever Believer will publish brags (free) and Puppy Referral litter listings provided a club member owns either the sire or the dam and a \$10 listing fee has been paid to Puppy Referral. All litter listings and litter advertising must comply with the PSLRA Code of Ethics.

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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:
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 341 Cross Creek Drive
 Ellensburg, Washington 98926
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club business

January membership meeting

The PSLRA Awards Banquet and Membership Meeting was called to order at Mama Stortini's in Puyallup on Saturday, January 16, 2016 at 6:40 p.m. by Kim Dotson. In attendance were Kim Dotson, Marlys Swanson, Jennifer Hajny, Cash Hajny, Linda Maffett, Olivia Maffett, Nina Mann, Brenda Hubbard, Sonya Dudder, Diane Sullenberger, Leslie Douglas, Mary Jane Sarbaugh, Stacey Parsons, Katie Somers, Lizzie Moir, Kim Dotson, Chris Dotson, Katie Dotson, Stephanie Harris, Jill Mahoney, Angela Rogalla, Roman Rogalla, Greg Meinhold, Sandy Meinhold, Cindy Olson, Jim Olson, Megan Newhouse, Barb Pilkington, Bea Ferguson, Marcy Johnson, Cheri Levine, and Michelle Brown.

President's Report

Welcome

Acknowledgments:

—A huge thanks to those who served on the Nominating Committee - Mary Jane Sarbaugh, Cecilie Drege, Ramdas Vaidyanathan, and Marlys Swanson.

—And to Stacey Parsons and Kim Dotson for chairing the Annual Banquet.

Committee Reports

Sportsman Show - Looking for volunteers.

Please consider signing up to sit in the booth. Contact Beth Wilkerson at misseswilk@aol.com to sign up. The Sportsman Show is January 27-31.

Specialty - There was discussion on reserving RV spots this year. Please contact Jill Mahoney with any questions. chibrylabs@gmail.com.

Fun Match - If you are interested in pursuing your judge's license, please contact the Judges Selection committee—Linda Maffett—

Sunnydazelabradors@hotmail.com to be added to our judge's list.

Old Business

Breeders List - To sign up for the Breeders List, sign up through the club website. Once you have signed up, an email will be sent to the webmaster to confirm eligibility. Once that is verified, an invoice will be sent to you through PayPal. For questions, contact Jill Mahoney at chibrylabs@gmail.com.

New Business

Awards - See Awards and recipients elsewhere in this newsletter!

Meeting adjourned: 7:10 p.m.

New Email

Mary Hallowell nbrk@centurytel.net

Nina Mann Harbortoplabs@gmail.com



2014 Awards

Performance Awards

CH HRCH B and M Meinhold Col. Hawker MH RN WC
owned by Greg and Sandra Meinhold

Intl CH PACH Country Classic Award Winner CDX RA MX MXJ MJB
MXP3 MXPB MJP\$ MJPB PAX OF WC
bred/owned by Julie Germano

Intl CH Country Classic Blue Grass CD RE JH OA NAJ NF
bred/owned by Julie Germano

Intl CH Country Classic's Dancing With the Stars RN WC
bred/owned by Julie Germano

Intl CH MACH Country Classic's Maid to Order CD RA JH AX MXJ NP
bred/owned by Julie Germano

Intl CH Country Classic's Rumor Has It RN WC
Bred/owned by Julie Germano

GCH Can CH Harbortop's Belle Nicole CD JH WC
bred/owned by Nina Mann

Oldest Performance Dog Award

Oldest dog to earn a title this year was: MACH3 PACH2 WINDYCANYONS DARK RANGER CD RA JH MXC MJS2 MXP5 MJP8 MJPG PAX2 OF XFP T2BP2, who turned 12 this past November. Strider has been running agility since he was two years old, and is loved by Cheri and Mark Levine.

Member Awards

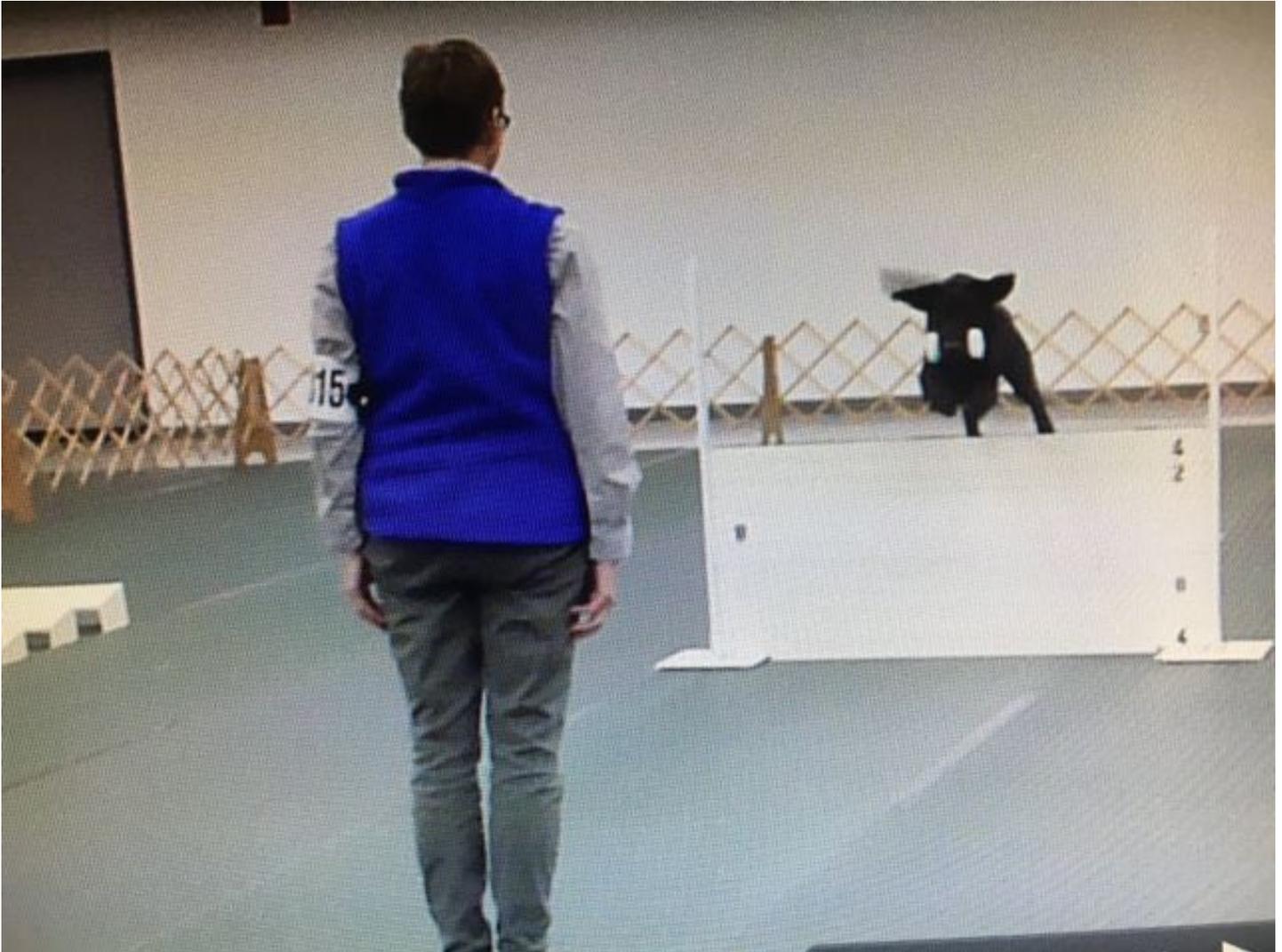
New Lifetime Member: Barbara Gilchrist

Member of the Year: Colleen Doll

President's Award: Mary Jane Sarbaugh

Bravo

On Saturday January 16, Birdland's Go For Broke CD BN GN MH completed his CDX with a second place at the Tacoma Kennel Club Show in Puyallup. Bravo is owned, trained and handled by Terrie Sato.



Bravo performing the retrieve over the high jump as required to earn a CDX leg.

Reminder!

Washington Retriever Club February 27 picnic trial

The Washington Retriever Club will be hosting our second trial this year on Saturday, February 27. We will have hot food available for purchase.

Our trial on January 31 was a lot of fun, as planned! Our picnic trials are intended to be a fun day that provides the excitement and competition of formal AKC events, yet is a more relaxed atmosphere for handlers. Having our trials early in the year gives dogs and handlers a chance to get back in the game before the official hunt test or trial season starts for 2016.

You can enter your dog in either the “gun dog” or “field trial” category, except for the Puppy Stakes. Puppy stakes will not be judged separately. There will be placements in all stakes.

As with other retriever clubs, volunteers are critical to making the events a success. Anyone interested in volunteering, please let me know. In addition to a big “Thank You” from the other members who will be working at the event, a hot meal is free of charge for all our volunteers!

Our picnic trial/gun dog stakes are as follows with ribbons for the top finishers:

Puppy/Jr Gundog Stakes: Junior puppy (puppies under 7 months) \$15.00; Senior puppy (puppies under 12 months) \$20.00; Jr Gundog (any age, single marks) \$20.00

Field Trial Stakes: Derby (young dogs under 24 months) \$25.00; Qualifying (advanced dogs, all age) \$25.00; Open (top dogs, all age) \$30.00

Gun Dog/Hunt Test Stakes: Junior Gun Dog (single marks, all age) \$20.00; Senior Gun Dog (double marks, blinds, all age) \$25.00; Master Gun Dog (doubles, triples, blinds, all age) \$25.00

In order to have our picnic trials run faster and more smoothly, we are planning for pre-entries for our February 27 trial.

Visit our Facebook page for more details or contact me with any questions or if you are willing to help with our event. Fran Seagren, Secretary WRC (labrdrs@earthlink.net)

Driving instructions: Take Hwy 7 to the Roy Y (near the 188th cross street). Stay to the right at the Roy Y, go 3.8 miles on Hwy 507 until you get to East Gate Road, the first traffic light. Turn right at the light onto East Gate Rd and go 2.0 miles and then turn left onto the first paved road on your left (there will be a sign for the left turn for the Roy Gate). Then almost immediately take another left turn into the parking area for TA12. Note, if you cross the railroad tracks you have gone too far and will need to turn around. There will be a sign identifying TA12 and WRC will have road signs along the route to direct you to the sign-in area.

Oldest Performance Dog Trophy

At the PSLRA banquet in January, the club honors the oldest dog to earn a performance title in the past year with the presentation of a perpetual trophy.

This year, three of our veteran Labradors earned titles. Cheri and Don Wildes lovely boy, Magnum, earned both his AKC and CKC Master hunter titles. He also qualified for the Canadian Master National. Magnum turned eight last May and this year plans are in the works for him to earn his Canadian Grand Master and to work on some Rally titles. He has also started Nosework. Guns Up's Magnum Force of Gleneden MH CKC MH was sired by Don and Cheri's Ranger. He is not only a performance dog, but he is also a great hunting companion.



Darlene Pado and Fergus were really busy in 2015. Fergus was born in February of 2007, just edging out Magnum by a few months in vying for the oldest dog trophy. In 2015

Fergus, already an AKC Champion and Master Hunter, earned his UKC Championship title in one weekend with four Winner Dog wins, three Best of Breed wins and a Group 3, a Group 1 and a Best in Show. He earned a Rally Advanced title with placements, a Rally Excellent title with placements, A CKC CD with placements and a CKC WCX. Fergus qualified for and ran the 2015 CKC Master National. He has a best Veteran in Sweepstakes win at the LRC, Inc., Parent Club Specialty. In addition he earned two HRC Upland legs, two legs of his CKC MH title, one leg of his CKC SH title and two legs of his AKC CDX title. He placed first in Hunting Dog at the LRC Specialty and second in Hunting Dog at the PSLRA Specialty. Darlene is justifiably proud of this dog that she bred, trains and handles. We can't wait to see what 2016 has in store for this team!

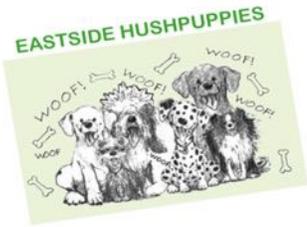


The winner of the Oldest Performance Dog is Mark and Cheri Levine's boy, Strider, shown below with chocolate buddy Ginger. Strider turned 12 in November and is still happy and healthy running Agility trials. In 2015 Strider earned his PACH making him MACH3 PACH Windycanyon's Dark Ranger RA MX MXC OF T2B JH. Congratulations to Cheri and Mark for keeping this veteran dog in great competitive shape and to Anne Swindeman for breeding a great dog!



Although Strider earned the Old Dog Trophy, here is Ginger his older sister at the age of 15 who wants to be a part of the picture!

THE OLYMPIC KENNEL CLUB & THE EASTSIDE HUSHPUPPIES 4-H CLUB



Sanctioned B Match with OC Obedience & CGC Tests



SUNDAY, MARCH 6, 2016
ENUMCLAW EXPO CENTER
 45225 284TH Ave SE, Enumclaw, WA 98022

ALL BREED CONFORMATION, OBEDIENCE, JR. SHOWMANSHIP & CGC TESTS

Check In & Day of Show Registration 8:30am-10:00am

CLASSES		REGISTRATION & PRICING	
10:00am		Pre-Registration	
Obedience - Show N Go:	Canine Good Citizen Tests:	First Class PER Dog	\$8
Beginner Novice	CGC	Additional Classes PER Dog	\$3
Sub-Novice and Pre-Novice	CGC Advanced	Junior Showmanship	\$4
Novice		CGC or CGC Advanced Test	\$10
11:00am		Day of Match	
Conformation (Sexes Divided)	Junior Showmanship	First Class PER Dog	\$10
4-6 mos	PeeWee: Under 9 years old	Additional Classes PER Dog	\$4
6-9 mos	Novice Junior: 9-11 years old	Junior Showmanship	\$4
9-12 mos	Novice Intermediate: 12-14 years old	CGC or CGC Advanced Test	\$10
12-18 mos	Novice Senior: 15-18 years old		
Open	Open Junior: 9-11 years old		
	Open Intermediate: 12-14 years old		
	Open Senior: 15-18 years old		
HUGE BASKET DRAWING		CONCESSIONS	
ALL PRE-ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY FEBRUARY 25, 2016		BAKE SALE	

Mail Pre-Entries to:

ESH: DeNova Weaver
 12128 SE 17th Pl
 Bellevue, WA 98005

Questions:

ESH: DeNova Weaver: denovaw@gmail.com
 OKC: CatFugman: kidsndogs_4@hotmail.com

THE OLYMPIC KENNEL CLUB & THE EASTSIDE HUSHPUPPIES 4H CLUB Sunday, March 6, 2016

Sanctioned B Match

Owner's Name: _____ Handler's Name (if different): _____
 Owner's Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Owner's Email: _____ Owner's Phone: _____

Pre-Registration Pricing		\$8 first class / \$3 each add'l class		\$4.00 each class		\$10/ test	\$	Office Use										
Day of Show Pricing		\$10 first class / \$4 each add'l class																
Use Additional Form If Registering More Than 4 Dogs			Obedience (# of Runs)		Conformation (✓)		Jr Showmanship (Indicate Novice or Open)		Canine Good Citizen	Amt Due	Arm Band							
Call Name	Breed	M/F	Beginner Novice	Sub-Novice	Pre-Novice	Novice	4-6 mo	6-9 mo	9-12 mo	12-18 mo	Open	Pee Wee	Junior	Intermediate	Senior	CGC or CGCA	Per Dog	1 per Dog

Please detach after completing

Cash or Checks payable to ESH



ESH Initials _____

Total \$ _____



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 Evidence of noncompliance may be reported through your local Extension office.



PSLRA Show and Go

PSLRA members jumped right into the 2016 calendar with the annual Show and Go on January 9. This event provides the Puget Sound obedience community an opportunity to garner some valuable training before the Puyallup cluster of dog shows. It is also profitable to the club.

Nina Mann and Michelle Brown co-chaired this event, and it ran smoothly from beginning to end. The Show and Go was held at club member Julie Germano's training facility near Arlington. The ability to run two rings in a well matted, warm and dry facility makes this a popular event for the obedience crowd. Many PSLRA club members came, worked their dogs and stayed to volunteer. What an ideal club activity!



Co-chair Michelle Brown busy at the match.



Darlene Pado waits her turn to run Fergus through Open and Utility.



Cheri Wildes, Amy Smith, and Bea Ferguson all worked hard to make the show and go a success.



Club members Darlene Pado, Nina Mann, and Amy Smith ready to help in the Open ring.



Laurie Weaver, seen here running Poppy through Utility, judged all day for PSLRA at our Show and Go.



Julie Germano checking the running order as steward at the Show and Go.



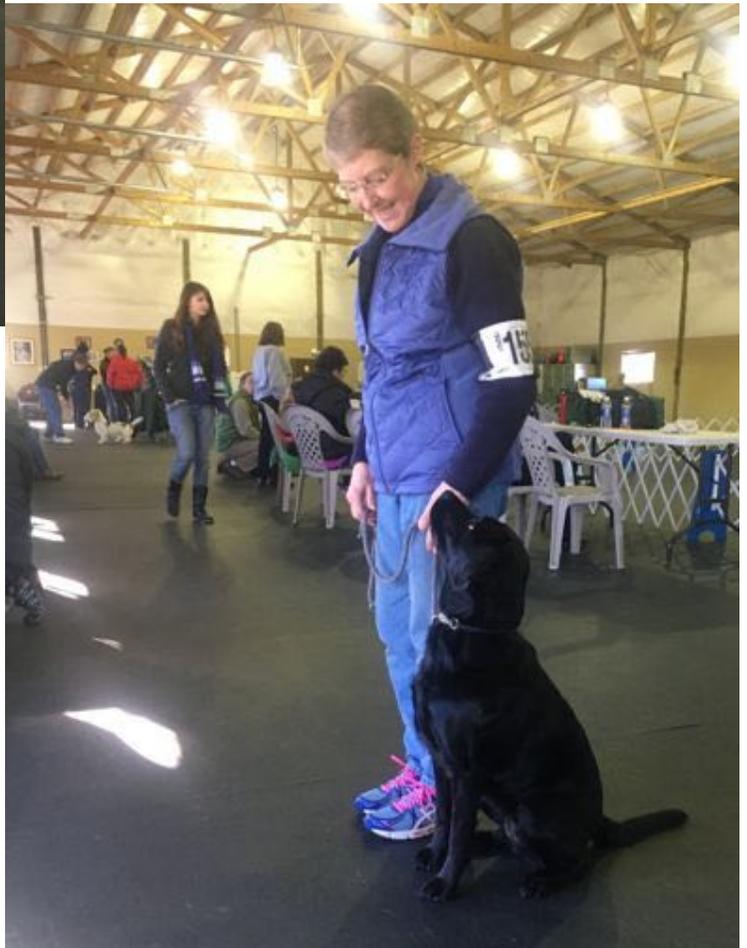
Nancy Harney getting ready for the next utility dog.

Show and Go

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Nancy Dyson tells Story finding heel is important.



That's it Story, now your ready to go into the ring!



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