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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

June and July have *not* been slow months. While we completed our match early last month, many of us have been busy making preparations for the Specialty Show and Obedience Trial, and the WC. There is much activity occurring behind the scenes.

Barb Ironside and Linda Walkley, chair and co-chair, and their show committee have been actively making arrangements for the 1000 and 1 details connected with the specialty. Everything from paper plates to obedience equipment to judges' hospitality must be organized in advance.

Even if you can't come to help with set-up, tear-down, or the many other volunteer posts at the Specialty, come just to watch our beautiful dogs compete in conformation, obedience, and the field. Don't miss it. It's going to be a great show!

There are so many people working on volunteer duties connected with our events, that I sometimes fail to mention them. Liz Skillingstad and Marcy Johnson have been working for months to prepare for the August 1 Working Certificate test. I appreciate their efforts and encourage members to come out and watch and help with the WC on Whidbey Island the day after the specialty ends.

Also, it is not too soon to volunteer for the Fall Hunt Test at Pepper's Farm in Carnation. Yes, we might be calling and e-mailing you too, but please take the time to e-mail Cindy Meyer at rockingmlabs@qwest.net or me at perrylab@aol.com to sign up for a 1/2 day, full day, or a day and a half of fun.



Finally, I want to mention some other unsung heroes of our club. Every month, Terrie Sato and Chris Roth put together this newsletter. Unless you actually have to edit the newsletter and meet monthly deadlines, you don't realize all the work it involves. Terrie must plan each issue by soliciting articles and pictures, formatting brags and board minutes. When the copy is ready, she transmits it to Chris, who works her wonderful magic by formatting everything into the very readable and attractive publication you receive. Many thanks to these two club members who provide us with an excellent newsletter, and one in which the club can take pride.

Enjoy the summer and the Specialty Show-Ron

IMPORTANT DATES

July 24-25 Rose City Lab
Club HRT, Sauvie
Is OR
July 30-31 PSLRA Specialty
Show, Whidbey Is
August 1 Working
Certificate,
Whidbey Is
August 7-8 Rainier Hunt
Test, Pepper's
Farm (closes 7/21)
August 28-29 PSLRA hunt
test (closes 8/23)

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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 other advertising of litters must comply with the PSLRA Code of Ethics.

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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club business

June Board Meeting Minutes

The regular June meeting of the Puget Sound Labrador Retriever Board of Directors was called to order on June 30, 2004, at 7:05 p.m. by Ron Perry, President, at the home of Fred and Linda Walkley. Minutes of the May meeting were approved as submitted by email.

Secretary's Report:

—Prior to the meeting, it was M/S/V by email to buy three more tables and more pooper scoopers for the show and match trailers.

—It was M/S/V to put the old obedience equipment in the match trailer and purchase new regulation equipment for the specialty.

—It was M/S/V to keep the hunt test fees for the fall test the same as the spring test.

—Correspondence was received from AKC closing out this year's spring hunt test and also approving the date and judges for the fall test. A thank you was received from Beckie Jensen.

New Members:

Shelbie and Steve Karl, Kim Parkinson, Karen Prins, Jane Robbs-Linse, Jon and Pam Paley, Cody Joachim, Lois and Jim Schoettler, Edwin Suhrbier, and Monte Courtney were welcomed to the club.

Acknowledgments: To Fred and Linda Walkley for hosting the meeting, to Marcy Johnson for arranging such wonderful grounds for the match, to Kimberly Dotson for chairing the match, to judges Linda Maffett, Laura Berger, Jan Palumbo and Becky Jack and to ring stewards Linda Walkley, John Doherty, Terrie Sato, Barb Ironside and Bea Ferguson.

Treasurer's Report: In the absence of the Treasurer, there was no report.

Specialty Report: Ads are still coming in. Appreciation was expressed to Sirinda for contacting Annette about her transportation and for hosting the judges before the specialty. Nina will ask Marianne Foote if we can keep the LRC wicket until after the specialty.

WC Report: Everything is organized and we will have ducks for birds.

Web Site: Marcy Johnson said her brother might be available to redesign our web site. She will talk to him about it.

Fall Hunt Test: The premiums for Rainier and our test were mailed in one envelope to save postage.

Field Equipment Purchase: It was M/S/V to purchase two bird crates at \$50 each and four new bird racks at \$75 each at once and to go ahead with the purchase of two additional wingers at \$550 each if the Treasurer reports sufficient funds available in checking.

Master National Survey: It was M/S/V to send Bryant Meyer to the MNRC meeting and to split the costs with Rainier. Ron will continue to monitor and give us feedback on the responses to the survey.

Trailer: Fred Walkley has offered to install shelves in the new trailer but needs guidance on what needs to be stored in it and how. Sharon will also get an estimate from the people on the island.

Donation: Mary Jane sent a report that Dr. Brewer had received our donation. The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.. The next meeting is tentatively planned for August 25, 2004, at Fred and Linda's house. Our regular July date is too close to the date of the specialty. Any pressing business will be taken care by email or with a short meeting at the specialty site if required.

Respectfully submitted,
Nina Mann, Secretary.



See you
at
Whidbey

Application for All-around or Versatility Awards

I would like to apply for an All-around Labrador or a Versatility Award (circle one) for:

(print full name of dog including titles)

who, for an **All-around award** has:

- A) earned an AKC, CKC, International or other conformation championship
- B) earned an AKC, CKC or other Obedience, Tracking or Agility title
- C) earned a Working Certificate, and AKC, CKC, or other hunt test title or a JAM at a licensed field trial.

OR for a **Versatility Award** has earned a title in any **three** of the following areas:

AKC, CKC or other Obedience, Tracking, Agility, Hunt Test or Field Trial title or a Therapy Dog Certification from any organization approved by the Board of Directors.

Name of Member/Owner _____

Name of Member/Breeder (for All-around only) _____

*Please attach copies of all certificates and send everything to Nina Mann,
5760 312th Street NW, Stanwood, WA 98292-9649 before August 23, 2004.*

What are these All-Around and Versatility Awards?

For the benefit of all our new members, until 1996 our club only gave one award, an All-around Labrador award, given to any member's Labrador who met the qualifications above. WCs are recognized as this award predates the hunt tests. The Versatility Award for three titles after the dog's name was added in 1996 to recognize the achievements of members who are not interested in conformation. The club will pay for each award plaque given at the annual banquet in January, provided at least one title was earned while you were a member. If you join with a dog who has all titles already in place, we still recognize the dog's achievements, but you will have to pay for your plaque. If you already have either an All-around or Versatility award, you may still apply for the other, but in that case you will be asked to pay for your plaque.

Each year the closing date for earning the awards is just before the closing date for advertising in the National Specialty catalog so that the club can put in a full page ad to recognize the dogs achieving those awards in the current year. To apply for one, fill out the form above. You may earn the All-Around Award as either the breeder or the owner, but only one plaque will be given to owners and one to breeders. Co-owners and co-breeders may buy a second one. **The Versatility award is for owners only.** The list of past winners is posted on our web site and in the front of our specialty catalog. This list will be updated as you earn new titles and send in copies of certificates. The closing date for this year's awards will be August 23, 2004, although additional new titles can be added right up until the plaques are purchased in December.

So far we have quite a few awards applied for:

ALL AROUND AWARDS 2004

Intl CH Annie Get Yr Gun JH CD

bred by by Beckie and Bob Jensen
owned by Kimberly and Chris Dotson

Intl CH Koa Maui Da Hawaiian Supaman CD JH CGC WC
bred by Chantel Nahoopii and Kim Tyler
owned by Chantel Nahoopii

Intl CH Koa's Kauai Elegance CD JH WC CGC Pet Partner
bred by Chantel Nahoopii and Kim Tyler
owned by Chantel and Kawai Nahoopii

Intl CH Pinamark Jumpnshipto Duckndogs CD CGC CC WC
owned by Carole Jensen

Can CH ShaRays Lord Isaac CD JH WC
bred/owned by Ray and Sharon Edwards

CH Sterling's Brown Bomber CD JH WC
bred by Marilyn Parker and Janet Schoonover,
owned by Marilyn Parker

VERSATILITY AWARDS 2004

**Can CH Bayview's Gusta Wind CDX JH CGC CC Am/Can
WC Pet Partner Can CD**
owned by Carole Jensen

Blythmoors Undeniable CDX TD OA OAJ WC
owned by Margie Dykstra

Intl CH Koa's Kauai Elegance CD JH WC CGC Pet Partner
owned by Chantel and Kawai Nahoopii

ShaRay's Happy Abby CDX AX OAJ TDI
owned by Vicky Maclean

The Clutch Chronicles



The long summer days have been a blessing for Clutch, allowing for more activity time. I am a firm believer in the principle that a tired dog is a good dog and we have been training regularly and getting in a few extra walks before the sun goes down. I am not convinced, however, that all of the action is wearing him out. In fact, it may be building up his stamina. He is always raring to go and still seems to have the energy to entice the other dogs into a rowdy game before bed time.

Clutch is very much like a young boy spending his first summer on a farm. We live on small acreage with barn, horse and garden. He delights in chasing the deer that come to munch my plants. I am happy to see the deer run off though Clutch's big feet act like rototiller blades as he plows through flower beds to chase them out of the garden. He suffered from a severe intestinal disturbance in late June. I pulled out the Kaopectate tablets and mentally went down the list of possible causes. Based on his otherwise healthy attitude I could only guess that he had eaten something that disagreed with him. Sure enough, I saw him run to the apple tree and gobble down the culls that nature had dropped from the tree. It was the age old story of the little boy eating too many little green apples and getting a belly ache. I spent several mornings picking apples up from the ground before I let Clutch out to play, but now it seems that he has lost interest in them as he no longer spends time under the apple tree.

At eleven months, Clutch is beginning to do some territorial marking. He regularly marks the trees, my roses and the side of the barn. He hurriedly tries to cover all of the spots where the other dogs have been. So far he has not attempted to mark the house, either inside or out. He did learn an important physics lesson the other day. Electrical current is indeed carried through water, and it is not wise to lift a leg on a hot-wire. It was a shocking experience! I think it is safe to say that the horse turnout is one bit of territory Clutch will not be marking again any time soon.

Membership Report from Joni Willing, Membership Chair

We now have a total of 411 members and send out a total of 267 newsletters plus 30 to other LRC clubs; 166 newsletters are sent electronically and 101 still have to be mailed. Some of you are able to receive the newsletter electronically but have elected not to. It is time for those of you who can receive email to get on the bandwagon and save the club some money. Those that don't have an email should be the only ones receiving by it USPS.

All you need is the free download of Adobe Reader, and the great editors have it in a very manageable size. Please try it and save the money and time for all of us.

I want to thank Chantel Nahoopii who has volunteered to take over as Membership Chairman next year. It will be an easy transfer with help from all of you. Sending your 2005 dues on time is the main item. Remember they are due by January 31 for everyone, except those two who have paid for next year already. It is OK to send them early—it really helps get things ready for a new membership book each year.

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junior showmanship

My First Dog Show

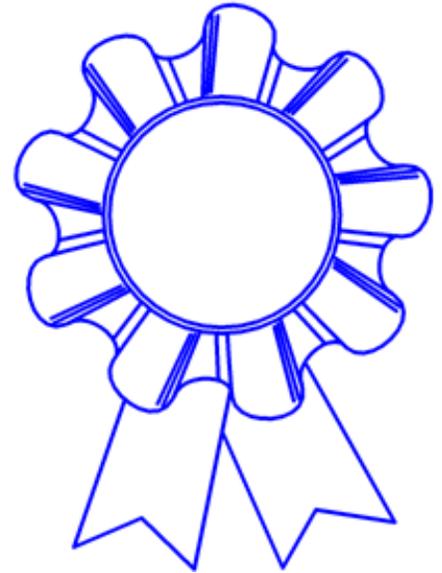
by Josh Swanson, nine years old

I attended my first dog show this year. It was the PSLRA Match at Remlinger Farms. I really didn't want to show my dogs, but my mom said they were giving out ribbons. She just wanted my brother and I to try one time. I was scared of the people watching me and I didn't know what they would ask us to do.

First we showed in Junior showmanship, eight to 10 years. My brother showed our dog Emma and I showed Penny. In this class we all got red, white and blue ribbons and a dinosaur.

Because I liked the ribbons from my first class, I told my mom I wanted to show some more. So, she let me show our dog Emma in an adult open class. I won this class and then had to go back in and compete again. Then I won Best Opposite Sex with Emma.

It turned out to be a lot of fun and I want to try showing again. The best part was the ribbons and playing with all the other kids.



Josh Swanson with prizes, prize winning dog Emma, and Judge Laura Berger

Match 2004 Report

by Kimberly Dotson

Fun Match 2004 was held June 12, 2004, at Remlinger Farms in Carnation. The location was excellent and I thank Marcy Johnson for reserving the location. A special thank you goes to the match secretary Kristi Clark. Thanks to all who came out early to help set up and to tear down in the afternoon. It was great to see new members and their up and coming dogs. We all appreciated the members' potluck dishes and the pizza purchased by the club. Thanks also to the judges and stewards: Sweepstakes—Linda Maffett
Conformation—Laura Berger
Obedience—Jan Palumbo
Junior Showmanship—Becky Jack
Ring Stewards: Linda Walkley, John Dougherty, Terrie Sato and Barb Ironside.

Our Winners for the Match 2004 are:

Best in Sweepstakes—Niptnuck Miss American Pie—Owner Becky Jack

Best Opposite in Sweepstakes—Himoon The Duke at Clovercreek—Owners Chris and Kimberly Dotson and Lucy Issacson-Logen

Best Puppy—Interlochen Clovercreek Comet—Owners Chris and Kimberly Dotson

Best Opposite Puppy—Sharay's Nikolas of Whidbey—Owners Sharon Edwards and Ron Perry

Best Adult—Himoon The Duke at Clovercreek —Owners Chris and Kimberly Dotson and Lucy Issacson-Logen

Best Opposite Adult—Sharay's Fair Emma—Owners Sharon Edwards and Maryls Swanson

Best Junior Handler—Jessica Dotson with Jake

Following is a list of our up and coming handlers:

Britney Needham/Star
Kawai Nahoopii/Splash
Bree Edwards/Charm
Katie Dotson/Annie
Daniel Swanson/Emma
Josh Swanson/Penny
Joe Edwards/Abraham
Jessica Dotson/Jake
Claire Fernandez/Leo

Thanks to all who participated. You're the BEST.



Josh Swanson shows Penny in Juniors with Becky Jack judging, left. Above, Kawai Nahoopii shows fine form as does her dog, Splash.



Barb Ironside acts as steward as Sharon Edwards helps a young handler in photo at left. Below, Ron Perry with Nick winning Best Opposite Puppy, with Judge Laura Berger.



training thoughts

Sit or Stand?

by Nancy Dyson

There was a time when people said that if you wanted to do obedience with your dog, you shouldn't do tracking (encourages sniffing) or field (encourages them to look out rather than up). And if you want to do conformation with your dog, don't do obedience (encourages dog to look up and also to sit when you stop). Happily those days are, if not gone, then at least fast disappearing. Now that people want to do so many different activities with their dogs, we are learning to actually train for those differences.

While I would be the first to admit that the breed ring is not my favorite venue, some of you have actually seen me in a dress (albeit with my hairier retrievers), and I do train my dogs for both obedience and conformation as well as for tracking and field. In the process, my dogs have taught me a *lot* about cross-training though they say I still have lots to learn! One lesson they have definitely taught me, however, is that they really *can* sit in the obedience ring and stand in the breed ring.

I'm convinced that it does indeed help to let the dog know which game you're playing. I give my dogs a verbal cue and say "show dog" when they're going to do conformation. I tell them about "show dog" while they're getting in the van, being brushed for the ring, and while they're getting dressed. Many of us have dogs that know our work shoes are boring but our casual shoes have possibilities so why shouldn't they be able to distinguish collars? I make a point of switching collars for our different activities and I'm certain they pick up on it. As soon as they're dressed, we might gait a few steps and stand, all the while talking about "show dog." For obedience, there is a different collar and different commands. We "go heeling" and we warm up by lining up in heel position and sitting, heeling two or three steps and sitting again.

I also try to make a big distinction in my body language between conformation and obedience to cement the stand versus the sit. In obedience, your position in relation

to your dog is prescribed. You must both be facing in the same direction and the dog's ear should be about in line with your left leg. In conformation, however, there are no such limitations so why not take advantage of that? When I have my dog stand for the breed ring, I make certain I am not in heel position but rather *turning into* my dog. This gives my dog a very different picture of me. I'm also allowed to talk to my dog in the breed ring unlike obedience so, again, I use that. I have a different command and hand signal for the breed ring stand. I say "step-step" which is how my dogs learn a conformation stand; they learn to free stack by walking into the stand and square up step by step or foot by foot. (This is in contrast to obedience where they learn "stand" from a sit and kick back their rear legs into a stand without moving their front feet.). As I gait my dog, when we are approaching the judge or wherever I want my dog to stand, I will turn into my dog *before we come to a stop* and tell my dog "step-step." This is a totally different picture than what he sees in obedience and my verbal cue leaves him in no doubt as to what is expected next.

I am careful never to stand directly in front of my dog in the breed ring because that is what my dog would see if I wanted him to sit in front for obedience. As long as my body is even slightly turned, he should notice the difference. Again, I can also use verbal and hand signals to help prevent confusion.

Obviously, the use of bait is another big distinction between conformation and obedience. The trick here is what one does with the bait. As many of us teach our dogs to sit by bringing food up over the dog's nose, I avoid raising the bait too quickly over my dog's head in the breed ring. If I want my dog's head up, I hold the bait out away from the dog first then raise it smoothly and only slightly, all the while giving the step-step command to reinforce the stand. I also make my hand look different by holding my index finger

straight out. This is not something my dog will usually see while learning a sit.

To cement the obedience sit rather than inadvertently cause my dog to stand, I teach the sit both in front of me and at my side in heel position. I'm careful to use the same footwork every time when I do a halt in obedience so my dog knows to sit rather than stand. But, because of the conformation training, we already have the hand signal trained for not only the novice stand for examination but also the utility signal stand and the moving stand.

Unfortunately there are always glitches in even the most careful training. If you have someone else show your dog, you have to be sure you train *them* to use all the same signals. Then, too, I have seen more than one breed champion strike a gorgeous standing pose in the obedience ring at the sound of clapping!



Kimberly Dotson with Best Puppy Hailey and Judge Laura Berger at the Fun Match

BRAGS

Trolldom's Eloise JH, aka "Weezie" finished her JH at the Western Montana Retriever Club trial on June 5. Weezie is owned and trained by Vicky MacLean.

It has been a remarkable year so far for the dog named **Blue Sky's Jenny MH** and me. She was born 1/02/01. Over the weekend of June 26 and 27, she completed her fifth Master Test of this year, thereby earning her Master Hunter title and also qualifying for the 2004 Master National. What a thrill! She seems to be taking all of this in stride—just business as usual. I'm the guy doing the celebrating! So far this year she has completed five of seven Master Tests she entered. In addition to that she has won the PSLRA 5 Series Event and placed fifth in the Rainier Hunting Retriever Club's 10 Series Singles Competition. If she hadn't over-run the short marks quite so badly, we might have been competing for first. Jenny is proudly owned, trained and handled by Don Aker.

NEW CHAMPION Am Cn Ch Devonshires Art of Elegance, WC—on June 6 Ellie earned her third major by going BOB, BOW and WB at the Tacoma Kennel Club show. On June 27 Ellie earned her last two points at the Bell-Vernon show to finish her American Championship. Ellie has been completely owner handled by Sonya Dudder and is out of Ch. Valleywood Blackthorn Brier and Ch. Devonshire Sophia Loren. Ellie was bred by Allison Hillius and is loved by her owners Sonya and Allison.

Miss Mainland Cooper, CGC, Delta Pet Therapy Dog—Cooper is the first ever registered Delta Society Therapy dog produced from Mainland Labradors! Cooper and her trained DS team handler, Kristin Smith, passed their evaluation with flying colors on February 5, 2004. Cooper achieved her official Therapy Dog Certification at the young age of two! She continues to touch many hearts in her therapy work. We are so proud of her dedicated accomplishments. Cooper is owned, trained and loved by Kristin and

Andy Smith and was bred by Shelah Frey, Mainland Labradors.

Int'l CH. Himoon Cougar Creek Hot Tamale, CGC received her titles in Seattle June 12 and 13 by going BOB twice and taking a group third! "Molly" was bred by Lucy Isaccson-Logen and is owner handled by Cecilie Drege of Cougar Creek Labradors.

Little Miss Katie IV JH CD earned her third senior hunter leg at the EGRC hunt test June 26. Katie is owned and trained by Dixie Humble.

ShaRay's Tara of Whidbey CD SH Delta Dog earned her third MH wing at EGRC's hunt test.

Sharay's Alexander of Whidbey CD SH Delta Dog took third place in the

RHRC10 series. He has qualified in four of the last five 10 Series and placed in two.

ShaRay's Nikolas of Whidbey CTGC took second place in Senior Puppy at the RHRC 10 Series and fourth place in Senior Puppy at the Washington Retriever Club's 10 Series. He also won Best Opposite Puppy at the PSLRA Sanctioned Match in June.

All three ShaRay dogs above bred by Sharon and Ray Edwards; trained, handled, and owned by Ron Perry.

U-UD HR Nomad Take The High Road UDT SH Can CD earned his fourth master hunter leg at the EGRC hunt test on June 26 and 27. Traveler is owned, trained and handled by Terrie Sato.

The Working Certificate (WC)

The PSLRA will be offering an opportunity to earn a Working Certificate title on Sunday, August 1, 2004. The WC will be held on the Davis Ranch in Langley, Washington on Whidbey Island. Pigeons and/or ducks will be used. The preregistration deadline is July 14, 2004, and the registration fee is \$25. All registrations must be sent to **Liz Skillingsstad, P.O. Box 7427, Tacoma, WA 98406**. Dogs may be registered day of trial for a fee of \$30. All pre-registered dogs will be run first. The test is scheduled to begin at 10 a.m.

The following Working Certificate guidelines were taken from the The Labrador Retriever Club, Inc. web site. The working certificate is designed to demonstrate that a dog is not gun-shy. A dog is expected to retrieve a shot game bird at a minimum of 50 yards on the land. It is also expected to retrieve two ducks in succession from water deep enough to require swimming to demonstrate that the dog is willing to reenter water. Steadiness is not required so a dog may be held on the line, but the dog may not be released for the retrieve until the bird has fallen. Nothing may be thrown and no coercion may be used to encourage completion of the retrieve once the dog has been released.

For more information contact Liz Skillingsstad at 253-752-1696 or lsky@harbornet.com.

PSLRA Newsletter Input: LIST OF LITTERS BORN OR EXPECTED AS OF 7/7/04 that conform to the P.S.L.R.A. Code of Ethics. Information is as submitted by owners and provided as a service to the public. Listings of litters are in no way an endorsement by P.S.L.R.A. 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, Penn Hip or OVC clearance must not be bred before the age of 12 months, or 24 months with an OFA clearance.
 - Eye clearances on both parents annually. After the dog's examination at age 10, annual examinations are no longer necessary.
 - 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 contact Marlys Swanson if you need a Litter Listing form, to be used for ALL litters.**
 - All Breeders must update their litters each week with Marlys Swanson via email (marlyss982@aol.com) 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 for \$10 (operating expenses for Breeder Listing and Puppy Referral Programs) to: **Marlys Swanson, 3512 – 93rd Place NE, Marysville, WA 98270.**
 2. Your litter notice will appear 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 Marlys Swanson) to show your appreciation. These donations will all be used for Lab Rescue.

Litter born 4/16/04 (1 YM Available)

Sire: FC AFC Yellowstone's TNT Explosion
OFA 29G, OFEL 59, CERF 04/2004
Dam: Cropper's Round Lake Royal Honey, SH
OFA 24G, OFEL 24, CERF 10/19/03
Litter: 6 YM, 4 YF
Contact: Bob & Evelyn Gunther (206) 782-8081
Email: bgunthers@aol.com
Listed 4/25/04, 7/5/04 Seattle, WA

Litter born 4/16/04 (1 BF, 3 BM Available)

Sire: Dunn's Marsh Cougar Blue Heaven
OFA 31G, OFEL 31, ACVO 1/22/04
Dam: Bayview's Tequila Sunrise
OFA 33G, OFEL 33, ACVO 3/27/04
Litter: 3 BF, 3 BM, 1 YF, 1 YM
Contact: Karen Bannerman (360)588-0463 days,
(360) 588-0463 evenings Email: Jusban@aol.com
Listed: 5/12/04, 7/9/04 Anacortes, WA

Litter Born 5/30/04 (1 CM, 2BM Available)

Sire: Can Ch Sunnydaze Black Max SH CGC
OFA 24G, GDC OFEL 45, CERF 03/03/03
Hips, Elbows, Shoulders and Tarsus GDC 44G
Heart cleared 7/3/2001;
Dam: Harbortop Cinder A'Redwick JH
OFA 26G, OFEL 26, ACVO 03/07/04
Litter: 2CF, 3BF, 2CM, 3BM
Contact: Julie Kirk (509) 588-6712 or (509) 588-6712
Email: redwick@televar.com
Listed 5/15/04, 5/31/04, 7/8/04 Benton City, WA

Litter Expected 6/19/04(2 YM & 1 YF Available)

Sire: Can Ch The Flying Fortress Hunts-On Am/Can CD, JH, WC,
CGC, TT, Pet Partner
Wind Morgan 19mos #1390 Hips, elbows, shoulders,
hock; ACVO 10/02/03; Heart cleared 22mos
Dam: Jessie Royal Norsky
OFA 27G, OFEL 27, CERF 11/15/03
Litter: (5 YM and 4 YM)
Contact: Eric Lien Day (206)915-7624 Evening (425) 868-4388
Email: Norsky31@earthlink.net
Listed 6/7/04, 7/8/04 Sammamish, WA

Litter born 6/13/04 (5CF, 1BF Available)

Sire: Bayviews Twerp
OFA 29G, OFEL 29, ACVO 05/03/04
Dam: Bayviews Little Nudger
OFA 24G, OFEL 24, CERF 5/27/04
Litter: 5 CF, 2 BF
Contact: Doug & Terri Cogswell (360) 297-4483
Email: Labbies4u@msn.com
Listed 6/27/04, 7/7/04 Kingston, WA

Litter expected 08/04/04 (Black & Chocolate expected)

Sire: CH Belgairn Polo, JH
OFA 24F, OFEL 24, ACVO 02/20/04
Dam: Sunnydaze Wish Upon A Star
OFA 26G, OFEL 26, ACVO 05/24/04
Litter: Black & Chocolate expected
Contact: Linda Maffett (360) 961-5269
Email: sunnydazelabradors@hotmail.com
Listed 7/7/04 Seattle, WA



**OTHER DOGS THAT A BREEDER
HAS DECIDED TO PLACE**

(Note) Owners of all dogs that are listed here have filled out and signed a PSLRA "Listing Form" disclosing to perspective buyers any known health and/or temperament issues and are on file with the Breeder Listing Chairperson.

These dogs are usually well socialized, frequently have some training, and are very desirable as companions. These dogs may not meet either owner's requirements for show or field performance or the code of ethics for breeding. Prospective buyers are encouraged to ask whether these older dogs have acceptable clearances on eyes, hips, and elbows and the reason why the dog is being placed. The listing of other dogs in no way constitutes an endorsement by P.S.L.R.A. Price will vary.

Chocolate female, 3 years old (intact)

VERY sweet and calm, loves kids, plays well with others, and loves her Costco doggie bed. Basic obedience and house manners, crate trained, no bad habits, loves the park and the car too!

Contact: Linda Maffett (360) 961-5269 or email
sunnydazelabradors@hotmail.com

Listed 5/5/04, 7/10/04

Seattle, WA

Black male, 9 Months (neutered)

"Wallace" is just 9 months old, sweet, gentle, neutered, micro-chipped, crate and house trained, some obedience. Nice pup, no behavior problems at all.

Contact Lucy Isaacson-Logen (206) 362-8004

Email: Himoonlab@msn.com

Listed 6/13/04

Seattle,

WA

Black female, 5 yrs old (spayed)

Very calm housebroken matriarch looking for a quiet home. Great with kids and cats and enjoys walks

Contact: Elyse Belanger or Cindy Busler (360) 400-1745

Email: meadowvu@ywave.com

Listed 6/16/04, 7/8/04

Roy, WA



The Rescue of Stanley: PSLRA Rescue at Work

by Edith Bryant

This young yellow male was painfully thin and his fur was dirty and matted. He had evidently been on his own for some time. On New Year's Eve, his time as a stray came to a screeching halt when he was hit by a car. Transported to a nearby vet clinic, the friendly guy did not appear to have any serious injuries beyond severe road burn and a dislocated elbow. With his elbow in a temporary splint, he was transported to the Everett Animal Shelter for an official stray hold.

Not surprisingly, no one appeared to claim him. The shelter staff feared that the injured dog would not be readily adoptable, and asked Lab Rescue to save him from probable euthanasia. Foster parents Lance and Nancy Robertson picked up "Stanley," as he was now known, and took him home for some TLC and recuperation. Somehow, at the shelter, Stanley's temporary splint had been removed, so Lance and Nancy were not aware of his injured elbow.

A couple of weeks later, Stanley made a return visit to the vet to be neutered. Coincidentally, Lance and Nancy took him to the

same vet that had treated him as an emergency on New Year's Eve. After his surgery, Stanley developed a serious cough. At first this was thought to be kennel cough, a common side effect of a stay in a shelter. But when Stanley did not seem to be getting better, Lance and Nancy took him back to the vet for further investigation. At that time, the alert vet staff remembered Stanley from his emergency visit. X-rays showed that Stanley had bruised lungs resulting from the car accident. Unfortunately, during positioning for chest x-rays, his previously dislocated elbow popped out again! Poor Stanley.

After two and a half months of loving care by Lance and Nancy, Stanley was finally ready to find a new home. A sweet, sensitive fellow, Stanley needed a new family that would provide a quiet and peaceful environment for him. A couple that had just lost their elderly rescued Lab came along and fell in love with Stanley! He is now enjoying a happy and safe life with his new family who appreciate his many sterling qualities. No more roaming the streets for Stanley!



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