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President's Message

Congratulations to all that attended the Spring Working Certificate on April 5 and qualified with their dogs. I want to thank the judges Shelah Frey and Nina Mann, and the many volunteers, including the chairs, Bea Ferguson and Angela Rogalla. The pre WC training was great and it encouraged members to sign up day of the event to participate in the WC. The weather held and it was great fun for all.

By the time you read this newsletter, we will be days away from the first Hunt Test of the season. If you are available, please come out and watch or help. There is nothing more exhilarating than watching our beloved Labradors do what they were originally bred to do. Hope to see you out there.

The PSLRA B-Match is coming up June 14. There will be Obedience, Rally, and Conformation classes. This is the time to practice with your labs on Obedience and Rally or get your puppy out and start training for the Specialties this summer. There will be a potluck and a club meeting afterwards. The B-Match is chaired by Marlys Swanson, marlyss2000@gmail.com. Please feel free to e-mail her with any questions.

~ Kimberly

IMPORTANT DATES

**May 3-4, Spring HRT,
Pepper's, Liz Gibson**

May 21, Board Meeting

**June 14, B Match,
potluck, meeting,
Renton, Marlys
Swanson**

**June 20-22, Spring Agility
Trial, Skykomish River
Park, Monroe, Cheri
Levin**

**August 1-3, KISS and
Specialty, Cathy Hakola
and Cindy Freeman**

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

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**Submissions must be received by the editor
by the 20th of each month.** Please use
"newsletter ideas" in subject line.

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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:
Stephanie Harris, Membership Chair
341 Cross Creek Drive
Ellensburg, Washington 98926
stephanie@skyfirelabs.com

club business

April board meeting

PSLRA Board Meeting, Wednesday, April 16, 2014, Teleconference. Board members present were Kimberly Dotson, Marlys Swanson, Cindy Freeman, Jan Palumbo, Jennifer Hajny, Shelah Frey, Cathy Hakola, Nancy Harney, Stephanie Harris, Tamara Hartman, Brenda Hubbard, Jill Mahoney, Linda Maffett, Lizzie Moir. General member present; Mary Jane Sarbaugh.

Officer Reports

Treasurer: Cindy Freeman reported the following balances in our accounts, and provided detailed financial reports by email:

CD	3,830.55
Jrs Fund	1,542.07
Checking	12,785.55
Rescue	2,535.66
TOTAL	\$20,693.83

Acknowledgments

For the WC: Chairs, Bea Ferguson and Angela Rogalla; Judges, Shelah Frey and Nina Mann; Volunteers, Kristi Clark, Lee Foote (who also brought the ducks) Cindy Freeman, Franna Pitt, Fran Seagren, Cheri Wildes; and Gunners, Al Seaton and Chris Dotson.

Committee Reports

Rescue: Brenda Hubbard reported on three rescue dogs this month. See article on page 4 in this Newsletter.

Membership: Stephanie Harris reported that we have three new members this month. Look for that information in our June newsletter.

Spring Agility Trial: Cheri Levine provided the following report by email: The Spring trial is on schedule. Dates June 20-22. Set up for June 20 at 8 a.m. Take down for June 22 around 3 p.m. Judges: Carol Smorch - Woodbury Minn. and Robyn Veenma - Sequim, Wash. Location is the same as last year, Skykomish River Park, Monroe, Wash. Equipment is taken care of by Agility Agogo. Judges' hotels, airfare and rental cars taken care of. No ribbons will be ordered except the specialty ribbons. This year it will be high in group. We didn't have enough labs to complete the high in class. Specialty ribbons ordered by Kim Dotson. Toys this year will be poop bags.
Spring Hunt Test: Liz Gibson provided the following report by email: We are

doing well on the Spring Hunt test for May. I have almost all the helpers lined up for the test. We will be paying the kids by the hour, as that seems to be fair. They will have to get the judges to sign a piece of paper so we can keep track of hours. I will need someone on the grounds to sign/write checks at the end of the weekend! If anyone has a source for coffee bags (duck bags) please contact me, we are looking for those! Because of the unpredictable weather early May and difficulty of providing food on the grounds, I would like to have the Judges' dinner in Duvall, recommending that PSLRA will pay for dinner but not alcohol! I will be getting gift certificates for the judges.

Fun Match: Marlys Swanson reported that everything is on schedule. Grounds and judges lined up. Flyer coming out next week.

Specialty 2014: Cindy Freeman reported that she is working with AKC on a daily basis to get them to straighten out the details of the obedience classes and posting the judges for the Specialty. Stay tuned.

Old Business

Health Research Donation: Tabled until next month. Need to do more research on the research.

Breeders List: The new requirement for volunteering at one club event per year in order to be listed on the PSLRA Breeders list went into effect in 2014. That means breeders need to volunteer for one event in 2014 in order to be on the list in 2015. Linda Maffett volunteered to send out a notice to all breeders currently on the list. Tamara Hartman volunteered to collect information from the chairs of all the events regarding who volunteered. Marlys will get a report from the chairs after each event. She is working on a form to use to make it easy for the chairs to provide her with this information.

New Business

Hunt Test Equipment: Nancy Harney brought up the need for new equipment for the hunt tests. The PSLRA wingers are old, battered and decrepit. Nancy volunteered to look into what is needed and the cost.

Facebook Ad: A motion was made, seconded and passed to take out an ad on

Facebook. The cost is \$150 for the ad set up, then \$350 for 350,000 views. There is no contract. We will try it for a month. The Board will approve the ad before it is placed.

Meeting adjourned at 8 p.m..

Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 21, 2014, 6:30 p.m., teleconference.



Membership Notes

New members:
 Barbara & Mark Pilkington
 labs03@netzero.net
 15116 2nd Ave NE
 Marysville, WA 98271
 Brush & Marsh Labradors
 360.652.3204
 Family membership
 Sponsor: Diann Sullivan

New members, Megan and Tony Newhouse have moved and would like to let everyone know their new address.
 6553 Everson Goshen Rd.
 Everson, Wash. 98247
 360-224-1179
 Megan and Tony Newhouse

Breeder's Directory changes

The Board voted by email to implement the changes to the Breeders Directory effective January 1, 2014. The changes are as follows:

- * Require at least two full years membership in PSLRA prior to being eligible (or have been a member in good standing in another Labrador Retriever Club for at least two years).
- * Require two sponsors prior to being eligible to be on the list.
- * Require at least once each year volunteering at a PSLRA event or serving on a PSLRA committee.
- * Work out a system to have the volunteer/committee service be self-reporting. (We have ideas for this.)
- * Breeder's List would be updated once a year at membership renewal.

No change in fee.

Rescue Reports



SUNNY is an 11 month old yellow male Lab whose owners found that keeping an active young Lab in a small house while they worked long hours was not a good fit. They were not able to give Sunny the attention, training and exercise that he needed. They contacted our rescue program and we were delighted to find an opportunity for Sunny to make use of his many Labrador talents. Sunny is now the companion for a family that includes children of various ages, three other dogs, and he is being trained for search and rescue work. Sunny's days are filled with exercise, training and fun - what a great life for a Lab!

COCO is an 8 year old chocolate female Lab whose owners were moving and could not take her to their new living arrangements. Coco has always been great with other dogs, fine with cats and has lived happily with two toddler children. She is house trained, obedience trained, and very friendly and playful. She has an old leg injury that occasionally causes her to limp a bit after vigorous exercise, but it does not seem to bother her or slow her down. She is in excellent health otherwise. We are happy to report that Coco has found a new family to love and has settled down happily in her new home.



Update on SHELBY: After 6 months in foster care hoping for the perfect family to come along, 10 year old Shelby has finally found the home she was waiting for! Her new owners report that "Shelby is doing fantastic! She's really settled in and become an integrated member of the family. Everyone who meets her always says, What a sweetie! She's certainly an easy dog to live with." It takes time to find a home for a senior Labrador in need of rescue - Shelby has arthritis and some other medical issues, too, which made some potential adopters wary. We are so pleased that Shelby's patient waiting paid off and that she is happily enjoying her golden years with her new family. Thanks to foster parents Kim Hayes and Brenda and Gary Hubbard for opening their homes and hearts to this lovely lady.

Brags

Thank you, Tamaria Hartman, for handling Siggie, MBISS GRCH CAN CH CEDARWOODS SIGNATURE BROWNING COPIED, JH, WC, at the Potomac. Though he had been dropping coat since March, he was selected from his group of ten in BOB. I am so thankful to Tamaria. On the day of the Field training in February, I fell on ice and shattered my left leg. Surgery ended that trip for me. Siggie now has multiple puppies with majors out of their puppy classes!



B-Mor's Morgan LeFay, Morgan, qualified at her first HRC test at the Starter level. She made marking look easy. I was very proud of her. We had a very nice day at Whistling Wings Hunt test on April 19— submitted by Bea Ferguson.

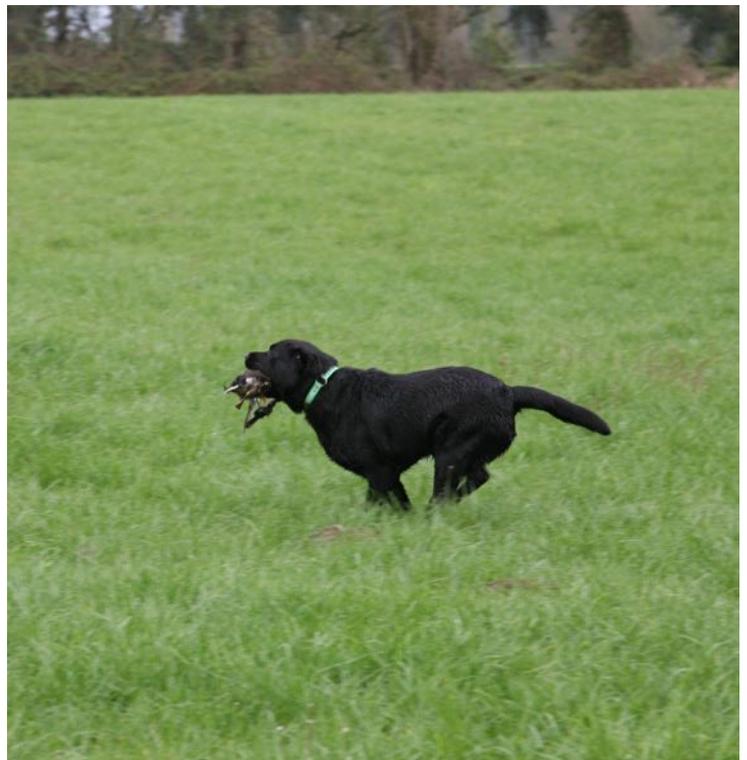
WC—Training



Cheri Wildes giving instructions for training



Jason Richmond training with Rudy and Olivia



Training for WC



Kimberly Dotson, Fran Seagren, Al Seaton



Mark Pilkington training for WC test



Ryan Moravek with Mya

Successful Spring WC

Our Spring WC had a great turnout of volunteers and participants! We spent the first two hours training with Cheri Wildes and Fran Seagren. We cannot thank you ladies enough for giving your time and experience to this event. Again, a big thank you! Our judges, Shelah Horne Frey and Nina Mann did a great job and were very helpful with our new participants. We had such a great volunteer team for this event, and I want to thank all of you who helped out. You all made the day great! It was amazing to see so many new faces in the field. We hope the day sparked interest for people to continue fieldwork with their lovely Labradors. We hope to see all of you again at the Fall WC. Once again, thank you all.

Below is a list of the qualifiers for the WC:

Kimberly Dotson: Skyfire's Hinoon Million Dollar
Baby CGC and CH Mar-Moye Low Country Gullah
JH RN CD

Roman Rogalla: GrCh/Can CH Artesians Water Bug
and B-Mors's Morgan Le Fay RN CGC

Jan Skewes: Harbortop's Sayer's Duke of Denver TD
WC

Ryan Moravec: My Kiss A Knight for Mya

John Abbenhouse: CH Misty Mountain Some Like It
Hot

Misha Abbenhouse: Wynter Creek Mon Ami Fideze
Indio Kid

Kelly Keller: Himoon Parting the Water

Chrissa Henry: Winroc Zest of the West



Roman Rogalla with Duke and Jan Skewes



Watermark WC test.



Roman Rogalla running Morgan



Bea Ferguson organizing participants for the WC test

LIST OF LITTERS BORN OR EXPECTED AS OF 4/28/2014 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 12 weeks.

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 agreed to accept PennHip clearances that score in the 50th percentile or higher, and clearances from the Ontario Veterinary College (OVC) in Canada prior to May 2012. Bitches with a Penn Hip, or OVC clearance must not be bred before the age of 20 months, or 24 months with an OFA clearance. Dogs with a Penn Hip clearance must not be bred before the age of 12 months, 18 months with an OVC clearance, 24 months with an OFA clearance.
 - * Eye clearances on both parents annually.
 - * Heart, EIC, PRA and CNM 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 available. The listing will be deleted after 12 weeks from the first litter listing date.
1. Mail the completed form and a check (US funds only) for \$10 (operating expenses for Breeder Listing and Puppy Referral Programs) or email your PayPal receipt 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.
 3. If you know that the Litter Listing and the Puppy Referral programs have helped you sell your puppies, **please send a \$10 donation** to PSLRA (c/o Nina Mann) to show your appreciation. These donations will all be used for Lab Rescue.

Glossary: EIC: Exercise Induced Collapse. CNM: Centronuclear Myopathy. ECHO: Echocardiogram. PRA: Progressive retinal atrophy. CBP: Clear by Parentage.

Litter born 1/24/2014**1 CF available**

Sire: GCH Can CH Cedarwoods Signature Browning Copied JH
OFA24G, OFEL24N, Cardiac Echo Normal, EIC clear,
PRA clear, ACVO 7/2013

Dam: Can Int CH Cougar Creek Jazzy Josslyn
OFA24G, OFEL24N, CERF 3/2013, Cardiac Normal, PRA
CBP, EIC clear

Litter: 3 BF, 4 CF

Email: Cecilie Drege, cougarcreeklabs@frontier.com

Listed: 11/27/2013, updated 1/23, 2/26, 3/18, 4/26/2014.

Litter Expected May 17, 2014

Sire: Kingsland's Super Cooper
OFA24E, OFEL 24N, EIC clear, CNM clear, Cardiologist
normal, CERF 10/06/2013

Dam: Kingsland's Free Flowin River
OFA24E, OFEL24N, EICclear, CNM CBP, Cardiologist
Normal, CERF 10/06/2013

Litter: All Chocolate

Call: Teresa Meredith (253) 845-1311

Email: kingsland_labs@hotmail.com

Litter expected May 22, 2014

Sire: Kingsland's Super Cooper
OFA24E, OFEL 24N, EIC clear, CNM clear, Cardiologist
normal, CERF 10/06/2013

Dam: Kingsland's Sweet Elsie
OFA30G, OFEL24N, EIC clear, CNM CBP, Cardiologist
normal, CERF 10/06/2013

Litter: All chocolate

Call: Teresa Meredith (253) 845-1311

Email: kingsland_labs@hotmail.com



Paypal to PSLRA—FYI

by Marlys Swanson

Go to Paypal - <https://www.paypal.com/webapps/mpp/send-money-online> , choose you want to send someone money.

Send money to pslrainfo@gmail.com. Add a note what the payment is for.

Then forward the chair of the event your receipt so that they know you have paid.



June 14th, 2014

PSLRA Labrador AKC Sanctioned B Match Sweepstakes, Conformation, Obedience, Rally

Membership Meeting & Potluck (to follow conformation "Best in Match") Cedar River Park Play (Carco Park) field at the Henry Moses Aquatic Center

1717 SE Maple Valley Highway Renton, WA

Judges

Adult Classes: Scott Dannaker
 Sweeps & Juniors: Alisha Barnhart-Johns
 Obedience: Jan Palumbo
 Rally: Julie Germano

Entries

Puppies 4months of Age and older may enter
 Entry Form Online For Print: www.pslra.org Day-of Entries: 9:00am-10:00am

Prizes - All Dogs Will Receive a Soft Toy

Sweepstakes:
 Best In Sweepstakes
 Best Opposite In Sweepstakes

Conformation:

Best Puppy in Match
 Best Opposite Puppy in Match
 Best Adult in Match
 Best Opposite Adult in Match
 Obedience: Qualifying Ribbons
 Rally: Qualifying Ribbons

Schedule

9:00am - 10:00am Day of Entries, handling class*
 10:00am - Juniors then Sweepstakes & Reg. classes
 10:00am - Rally and obedience (2 rings)

*Shelah Frey has agreed to provide a handling class, this is a great learning opportunity.

Directions

Cedar River Park/
 Henry Moses Aquatic Center

From I-405 Southbound:

Take exit 4 to merge onto WA-900 W/Sunset Blvd N toward WA-169 S/Maple Valley Hwy Turn left at WA-169 S/Maple Valley Hwy Turn right at Cedar River Park Drive, follow signs through parking lot to event at the softball field

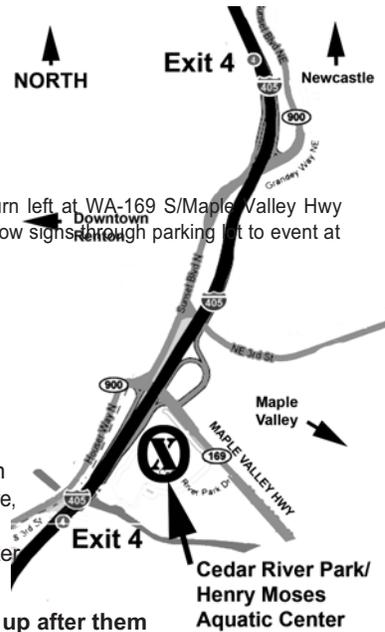
From I-405 Northbound:

Take exit 4 to merge onto WA-169 S/Maple Valley Hwy Turn right at Cedar River Park Drive, follow signs through parking lot to event at the softball field

Membership Meeting & Potluck

Following conclusion of Best in Match Please join us and bring a dish to share, Non-Members Welcome!
 The club will provide utensils and water

Please keep dogs on-leash and pick up after them



Entry Form (Use a separate form for each dog)

Dog's Registered Name: _____ AKC# _____

Sire: _____ Dam: _____

Breeder(s): _____

Owner(s): _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Email: _____

Circle all classes entered

Sweepstakes		Regular Classes		Obedience (Circle class and A/B)				Rally	
Dog	Bitch	Dog	Bitch	Novice	A or B	Pre-Novice	Grad Open	Novice	A or B
4-6 mos	4-6 mos	4-6 mos	4-6 mos	Open	A or B	Grad Novice	Pre-Utility	Advanced	A or B
6-9 mos	6-9 mos	6-9 mos	6-9 mos	Utility	A or B	Pre-Open	Versatility	Excellent	A or B
12-15 mos	12-15 mos	12-18 mos	12-18 mos	Beg. Nov	A or B	Jump Height _____		Jump Height _____	
15-18 mos	15-18 mos	Novice	Novice						
		Adult	Adult						
Juniors (Circle)		Novice Junior	Novice Intermediate	Novice Senior	Open Junior	Open Intermediate	Open Senior	Master Class	

Entries: \$10.00 (\$5.00 additional entry, same dog)

\$ _____ First Class + \$ _____ Second Class \$ _____ = \$ Total _____

By signing this form I agree that I will hold PSLRA and its members free from liability for any claim arising out of the entry of this dog(s) or its presence at the event.

Signed: _____



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