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President's Message

With foggy mornings and cool evenings, Fall has announced its arrival, but without blustery, wet days. Let's hope that we'll soon get rain to refill our ponds and rivers.

PSLRA is fortunate to have an annual health clinic. What dedicated club members started many years ago as an eye clinic has blossomed into a health clinic offering a wide variety of health tests: CNM, EIC, Optigen, CERF, heart echo and Doppler, and microchipping. This is truly one-stop shopping for canine health care.

We are deeply indebted to Mary Jane Sarbaugh and Nina Mann who organize this event every year. I hope everyone appreciates all the behind-the-scenes work they devote to the clinic. They arrange for the venue, the doctors and assistants, and all the necessary paperwork and supplies. This is no small undertaking due to the variety of services and to the documentation requirements. Thanks to Doctors Tom Sullivan, James Woodfield, and Laura Steward who provided professional services at the clinic.

By the time you read this issue of the newsletter, the Fall WC will have happened on October 5. Thanks to Marlys Swanson and Bea Ferguson who again organized this event. We did some things differently this year. We moved the date of the event from September 22 to October 5 so that we could hold our event in tandem with a WCX/WC test for Flatcoats, Golden Retrievers, and Irish Water Spaniels. Maybe we will do this again next year if the other breed clubs hold a test in October. Let us know what you think.

Thanks to everyone who voted for 2013 Master National judges. The results were: Ballot 1: Mike Collson 13, Laura Judd 2; Ballot 2: Bill Largent 11, Julie Cairns 6. (Not everyone voted on both ballots.) Jim Charboneau will represent the club at the Master National Retriever Club annual business meeting this month in Alabama.

LOOKING AHEAD, I want to draw your attention to some important upcoming events.

We will hold a general membership/board meeting at Mitzel's Restaurant in Fife at 6:30 p.m. on October 24. Please plan to attend, especially members who live in the south sound area. We hope to liven up the meeting with the awarding of door prizes and other fun things. (Directions are listed below.)

Nominating Committee. Terrie Sato is chairing the nominating committee for the January 2013 election. Nina Mann, Carole Jensen, and Marlys Swanson are committee members. Please contact one of them if you are interested in serving as an officer or board member. The nominating process concludes next month. The nominations will be formally announced at the December holiday party/membership meeting.

Fall Agility Trial, November 3 & 4 at Argus Ranch in Auburn. Please contact Kristi Clark at kristiclark2001@yahoo.com if you can volunteer. This is a fun event to work at.

Enjoy our wonderful fall weather!

Directions to Mitzel's Restaurant, 5402 Pacific Hwy E, in Fife: From the north, take I-5 south and exit the freeway at Exit 137. Turn right at stoplight and go one block to Pacific Hwy. Turn right at stoplight and turn immediately right into Mitzel's parking lot. From the south, take I-5 north and exit the freeway at Exit 137. When the exit splits in to two lanes, take the left lane (eastbound on 54th Ave E) cloverleaf which merges into 54th Ave E. Cross over the freeway, and go to Pacific Hwy. Turn right at stoplight and turn immediately right into Mitzel's parking lot.

IMPORTANT DATES

**October 21, Tracking
Test, Bow, Nina Mann**

**October 24, Fall all
member meeting, 6:30
p.m., Mitzel's in Fife.**

**November 3, 4, Fall
Agility Trial, Argus
Ranch in Auburn**

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: **Stephanie Harris, Membership Chair**
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club business**September board meeting**

Board Meeting, was held at 6:30 p.m. September 26, 2012, by Teleconference. Present: Ron Perry, Sarah Fischer, Nancy Harney, Nina Mann, Stephanie Harris, Cathy Hakola, Gail Gegg, Brenda Hubbard, Kim Dotson, Shelah Frey, Tamaria Hartman, Fred Drennan. Absent: Jill Mahoney, Franna Pitt

Officer Reports

President: The Master National Judges vote polling is going well.

Treasurer: TOTAL Bank Accounts: \$33,190.45. The fall hunt test showed a positive income this year. It would be a good idea to find an organization to donate funds to this year.

Secretary: The closeout information for the specialty and obedience event arrived from AKC. The events need to be re-applied for, and submit judges for AKC approval next year using the online tool.

Acknowledgments

Laura Steward, Marlys Swanson, Angela Rogalla, Liz Skillingstad, Mary Jane Sarbaugh, and Nina Mann for their help putting on another successful health clinic.

Committee Reports

Rescue Report (Brenda): Teamed with Seattle Purebred Dog Rescue (SPDR), the following labs have found new forever homes this month: Buddy, Shadow, Bella, and Ace.

New Members: Deborah Cox

Ethics/Litter Listing Review Committee:

The committee would like to meet again before providing board recommendations regarding adjustments to the club's Code of Ethics and Litter Listings.

Health Clinic: Entry numbers at the Eye Clinic:

87 ACVO

6 Echocardiograms

4 CNM Tests

9 Microchips used

7 EIC Tests

20 Optigen Tests

New this year: After November 1, 2012, OFA will be issuing their own new forms for eye clearances rather than communicating with CERF. OFA will accept the current CERF ACVO forms until the new ones are available.

Nominating Committee: Terrie Sato was nominated, moved, seconded, voted and

approved to Chair the Board and Officers nominating committee this year. She will be assembling a committee to contact existing board members about their future plans and potential new board members for the 2013 calendar year. The nominating committee will present potential board members and officers for approval and voting at the January all-member meeting.

Old Business

—The WC will be held at Greenleaf's. The board is discussing having a survey regarding the WC on our website in the future.

—World Pet Expo at Puyallup November 3-4. Cathy Hakola has registered the club to have a booth at the event. It is a new event for PSLRA and the audience will be primarily interested in pet education. The two day event will have openings between 10-7 Saturday and 10-6 Sunday. Members can contact Cathy Hakola if they would like to help.

—VST (Variable Surface Tracking Test) Fred and Franna are working to find venues and researching the possibility of hosting the event as either a match or official event. More information will be presented at the next board meeting.

New Business

The fall All-Member Meeting will be held at Mitzel's in Fife October 24, 6:30 p.m.. There will be door prizes.

Open Discussion

—Charitable or Research donation ideas are needed. The amount has previously been Labrador specific for health research, rescue, etc. Previous donations have been \$1,000 to either a single or multiple organizations. Tamaria Hartman will chair the donations committee.

—The Holiday Party will be hosted by Nina Mann and Bea Ferguson at Julie Germano's training facility in Arlington on December 1..

—The board is discussing an in-person meeting date for the annual planning meeting in November.

—Next Meeting: All-Member Meeting, Wednesday, October 24, Mitzel's in Fife. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m

New Eye Registry

Those of you who had your dog's eyes tested at the Health Clinic may have noticed the flier on the registration table entitled:

OFA AND ACVO ESTABLISH NEW EYE CERTIFICATION REGISTRY

I won't repeat the page here. You can all read it by opening the OFA web site. There is an article on the first page and a link to the original press release. This new registry came about because ACVO (American College of Veterinary Ophthalmologists) became increasingly dissatisfied with CERF's reliability in sending in eye forms to be entered in the OFA data base. Some of you commented that you paid the CERF fee last year and never had your eye clearance posted.

This new registry is supposed to go into effect on November 1 and all the veterinary ophthalmologists should receive the new forms by mid October. Our clinic was done with the old CERF forms and I asked Eddie Dzuik who is in charge of this for OFA about the timing for our late September clinic. His response was as follows:

"Some of this may just need to play out, but I think you have three options here. While the ACVO's transition date is officially 11/1/12, if we receive OFA eye forms prior to that date, we will process them without question. Your options will be:

- 1 - Complete a CERF form, and mail in to CERF like normal. In this scenario there *could* be an issue with the regular transfer of data. I can't guarantee that CERF will continue to share data with us during this interim phase like they always have in the past.
- 2 - Complete the CERF exam form, but submit it to the OFA. The exam forms will be very similar, and all the same exam results will be collected. The CERF form could be submitted to the OFA for entry in to the OFA Eye Certification Registry; we would require a signed note from the owner stating that it was their intent to submit this form to the OFA.
- 3 - If the examiner has the new forms in hand for anyone who has a dog examined this month, you can just submit the form to the OFA.

The OFA will archive and continue to display all the public domain CERF data that we always have displayed, so serial exams on a dog will be evident on the OFA website."

I have just sent in my forms to OFA, along with the required signed note, and will be expecting to receive an OFA number instead of a CERF number for my dogs. Our own club's litter listing forms will need to be updated and the LRC Breeders Directory forms will also be changed. Both CERF and OFA clearances will be accepted.—Nina Mann

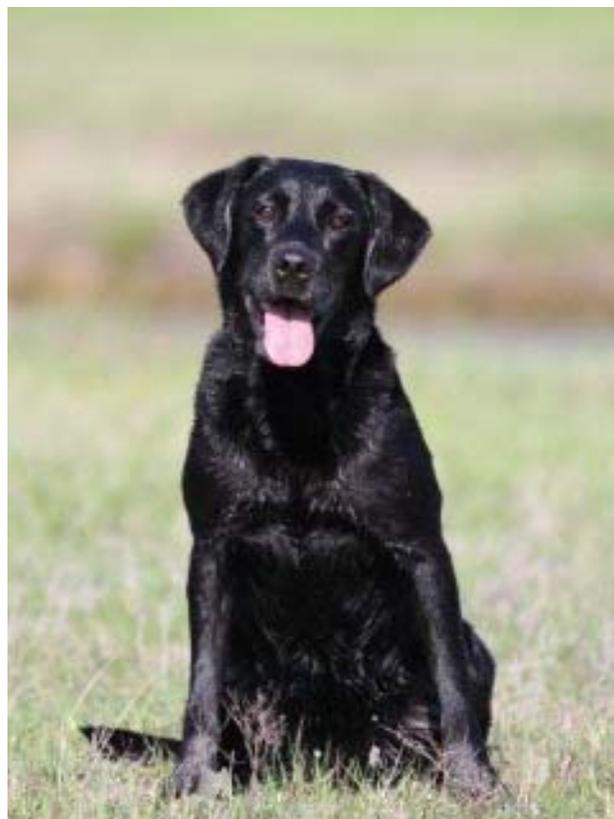


Braggs

Three months after finishing his AKC breed Championship on June 9, 2012, Fergus finished his AKC Master Hunter title on June 16 at the Sand and Sage HRT in Mesa, Washington. He is now Am/Can CH ReiMur's Juz Fulla Myself MH CD RN Can JH/WCI. Fergus is the 58th CH/MH Labrador in the history of the breed and we are incredibly proud of him! Huge thanks to Butch and Bev Higgins for their wonderful care and training of Fergus to his MH—we could not have done this without you!—submitted by Darlene Pado



Proving that you can be good looking and smart, Clipper, Winroc The Flying Cloud, earned a JAM in the Amateur stake at the Mission Valley Retriever Club (Montana) field trial September 2. There were 69 dogs that started and only 12 finished. It was a very hard four series. Clipper is owned and handled by Vicky MacLean and bred by Lee Foote.—submitted by Vicky MacLean



We had a great time at PSLRA this year.

Can CH Koa's Hilton Waikoloa, RN, and WC won her All Around bitch class and won Best All Around under Judge Beth Wilkerson. This is Paris's second time winning Best All Around at PSLRA. She also had the pleasure of winning the open chocolate bitch class and teaming up with her sister Koa's Hidden Jewel to win Best Brace in Specialty, top right, under judge Marion Hopkinson. Bred and owned by us at Koa Labradors.

Can CH Misty Mountain Diamond Head Hula Girl, WC was second in Sweeps at the KISS specialty under Judge Diane Welle, and fourth on Saturday under Judge Beth Wilkerson and made the cut in her regular classes both days. Bred by and co-owned with Toni Leitao and Lorraine Yu.

Can CH Himoon's Facing Future At Koa, RN, WC was first in Open black and Reserve Winners Dog under Judge Marion Hopkinson. He teamed up with Kawai to win Best Junior Handler, see below, under Judge Dalene McIntire. Bred by and co-owned with Lucy Issacson Logen.—submitted by Chantel Nahoopii



Qualifiers at Master National

Congratulations to the following PSLRA dogs and owner/handlers who qualified for the 2012 Master National October 18-28 in Demopolis, Alabama:

- WESTSHORE'S POCKET ROCKET MH, Paco, Jim Charboneau. As Jim is a judge at this year's Master National, Paco is automatically qualified for the 2013 event.
- RAVENSRIDGE HIGH FLYER MH, Kite, Barbara Strauss
- WINDYCANYON SHOOTING STAR MH, Rion, Teresa Massagli and Fred Drennan
- AUTUMN'S MIDNIGHT LEGACY MH MNH, Abby, Jean and Chuck Fowler
- BAYSIDE'S SUREFIRE BLACKHAWK MH, Cinder, Don and Cheri Wildes
- GROUSE CREEK'S SIERRA MH, Barbara Hawley

Congratulations also to a local amateur, who also qualified, but is not a club member.

- KINGSLAND TOPGUN NELLIE BENELLI MH, Nellie, Bill Woll

If we missed anyone that qualified for the 2012 Master National, please let us know.

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Family Gives to Guide Dogs, then Takes One Back

By Susan Chaney

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Raising Guide Dogs was a family affair for the Prindle family of Seattle from the time Douglas Prindle was 8, until after he and his younger brother had both gone off to college. Doug wanted to be in 4-H, something his mom, Janine, had done as a young girl. He tried working with 'Jubilee,' Janine's Flat-Coated Retriever, Aardo Ad Libitum Jubilee, UD.

"He told me, 'I need a littler dog.'"



Douglas Prindle's interest in 4-H sent his family on a decades-long course with Guide Dogs for the Blind that none had charted.

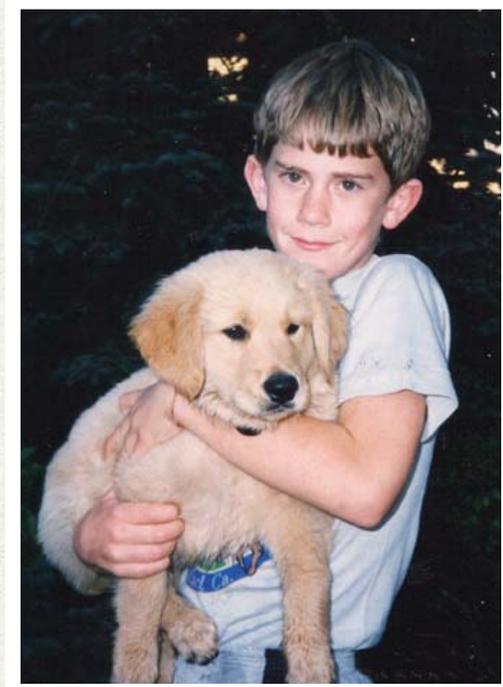
Because Janine was diagnosed in 1980 with retinopathy that could someday lead to blindness, she suggested that Doug do a Guide Dog project. "I thought it might be something our whole family would appreciate," she

says. "He was 9 years old when he got his first Guide Dog puppy." That was Jersey, a yellow Lab. After eight months, the young puppy raiser took her to the fair, a rite of passage for 4-Hers, where the dog was deemed Grand Champion Guide Dog puppy. "He was so tickled with that."

All in the Family

When Jersey left the Prindles to go to Guide Dog school, young Doug secretly hoped she wouldn't do well. "He knew if she didn't, he could have her back." But Jersey learned quickly and was soon assigned to someone who needed her assistance. "My son was so disappointed," Janine Prindle recalls of her now 36-year-old son.

But that didn't stop him from raising another. The Prindles had launched themselves on an odyssey that would see 30 such young dogs pass through their home, being socialized and loved on their way to careers as Guide Dogs. Soon, his younger brother, Aaron, was raising his own puppy for Guide Dogs.



Not to be outdone by his older brother, Aaron Prindle also raised Guide Dogs while growing up near Seattle.

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Doug got his last puppy in February of his senior year of high school. By then, Janine was the leader of a 4-H group whose focus was raising Guide Dog puppies. For eight years, the Prindles had two puppies in their home virtually all the time, she says.

Prior to getting that first puppy, though, Prindle had been showing Jubilee's mother, Ch. Frolickin' Magic Presto, UD, and competing in obedience with her. Janine continued to work with Jubilee after the boys got involved in 4-H.

Then, in 1997, when Aaron had graduated from high school, "I thought we were pretty much done with puppy raising," she says. Not quite. "My advisor called saying they had a 4-month-old that a family had to give up." Janine agreed to take the puppy, Button, "temporarily." When the advisor called to say that they'd found a new puppy-raising family for the young dog, Janine wouldn't let her go. "No, she's staying right here with me," she told her advisor.

A Guide Dog Comes Home

Janine and her husband, Jack, would raise nine more puppies before it was time for Janine to become the recipient of a fully trained Guide Dog. By 2004, her retinopathy had developed to the point where she had no peripheral vision, could no longer drive, and eventually led her to give up her job of 28 years as a teacher of remedial math and reading.

Retinopathy causes the blood vessels of the eye to break and bleed. To control the bleeding, the vessels are cauterized. "I do have some vision left," Janine says, "but not really good vision. Just a little bit of central vision."

None of that, however, could keep her out of obedience rings.

How could she when so much of her life had been about dogs?



Cranberry is already focused on Janine Prindle as she speaks at their Guide Dog training graduation.

A Girl and Her Dog

"When I was a kid all I wanted was a dog," she says. "In 1961 my parents went out to a dog show to look at different breeds of dog. They decided we should have a Basenji, so we had a Basenji. I was 9 years old. I thought this dog was the best thing that had ever happened. I was going to make it a show dog."

However, at 35 pounds, it wasn't a show-quality Basenji. Despite that, Janine was determined to show the dog, so she joined the local Basenji club. "My dad had taken the dog to obedience class. I remember going to this Basenji club match. I thought we were doing obedience, but it was junior handling. The judge was so, so nice," she recalls,



telling the young girl, "You still have a lot to learn."

Nonetheless, "I came home with a ribbon," she says. She got more and more involved with the Basenji club, and, at 16, a club member gave her a show-quality puppy. "I just loved the dogs," she says.

The Evergreen Basenji Club specialty was coming up, and Janine only had the money to enter one dog. "I had a really old fellow and the young one," she recalls, finally deciding to enter Benji in the Veteran class. "He was the first Veterans class winner of the Evergreen Basenji Club."

Although she left her Basenjies behind when she went away to college, she still went to dog shows, getting a fix of canine camaraderie whenever she could.

Into the Rings

Before she and Cranberry graduated from Guide Dog training, Janine had asked if she could compete in obedience with the dog. Guide Dogs told her that it would be fine once the pair bonded and Cranberry was guiding her well. After about eight months of working together and bonding in their working relationship, they took their first competitive obedience class.

Janine had to be careful to teach Cranberry the difference between obedience and working. "She was a little confused at one point." For example, when a judge says, "Forward," Cranberry interpreted that as a command to start walking. When Cranberry's in the heel position, Janine can't see her. The only way she knows that the dog is moving is if she hears her paw pads on the floor.



Cranberry went home to Seattle with the Prindles in 2007.

Not much has changed in all those decades. Janine got her Guide Dog, yellow Lab Cranberry, in 2007. The young dog went to school with Janine each day, where her small classes of six kids at a time were excited to have Cranberry in the classroom, but learned to leave the dog alone.

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Cranberry earned her Rally Excellent title in January 2012. She also has a Companion Dog Excellent title in obedience.

"It's been a lot of fun," Janine says. "People have been really helpful." Even though the AKC obedience department gave her a letter to show judges outlining the accommodations she needs, she rarely has to use it. "I do ask for assistance for when I have to go out of the ring for long sits and downs." Sometimes a judge will adjust his or her hand signals so Janine can see them from a distance.

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She never knows what might come up to create a new challenge, though. Recently she was at a competition where the rings were circled with "light, plastic chains," rather than gates. "I could hardly see that," she says. "How am I going to know when to tell her to sit?" So I just watched her really carefully. When she started to slow down, I told her to sit."

Now almost 7, Cranberry has her Companion Dog Excellent and Graduate Open titles in obedience, as well as novice, advanced and excellent titles in rally. She's still working on her obedience Utility Dog title.

Prindle thinks she's been able to continue in obedience and rally, at least partially, because she did both before she lost her sight. "I have done it before, so I know what needs to be done. It might be more difficult for someone who's learning to do it for the first time."

Her 4-year-old Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever, Corey, is just getting started in obedience and rally. The pair will travel to Albany, Ore., in September for the National Specialty and some performance competition.

And Back to School

Janine, Cranberry and Corey's activities go beyond competing and working toward titles.



Janine Prindle and Cranberry set sail for Alaska on a cruise in May 2012. Other Guide Dog teams were on the same ship, including Janine's friends, Dianne Phelps and Hibiscus.

After retiring from teaching in June 2011, Prindle found that she missed being in a school environment. Because she had gotten Cranberry certified as a therapy dog

with Therapy Dogs International, she was able to start a local program of kids "reading" to dogs. She, Cranberry and two other teams visit the school where her husband teaches. "We went in once a week so the kids could read to her. Every kid got a chance to read to at least one dog every Wednesday. It really is fun. The kids are great."

When school starts next month, the program will resume.

Twice a month, Cranberry and Janine visit a home for people with Alzheimer's disease. "That is something that I really enjoy, too. It's totally different than the kids at school. You can tell that they really enjoy it," she says. The visits often prompt residents to recall the dogs they've had over their lifetimes, she says.

Prindle doesn't think she's going to completely lose her vision. "It's been fairly stable for the last few years," she says. "Some days are better than others, based on my blood pressure. When it's too low, the left eye doesn't have the usual amount of vision."

If she were to lose the little central vision she has left, she says she likes to think she wouldn't give up her canine sports and activities. She has some totally blind friends who compete in various performance events with their dogs. One in California has a Golden Retriever that does hunting tests. Another has put a CDX on her dog, along with her husband, who is also blind.

For now, Janine has no plans to slow down. "It's just the satisfaction of doing it," she says. "I enjoy working with my dog; I enjoy training her. I'm a little bit competitive. I just want her to do it [get her UD]. What's really neat about competing in obedience is I've met the most wonderful people. I have a real strong support group in the people I train with."

Dogs have brought joy to Janine's life ever since she was 9. "My dogs have brought me a lot of happiness," she says. "I enjoy just being with them." They serve her especially well in the evenings when her husband is often away.

But Cranberry has given her a very special gift. Before she had her, Janine says, "It was like, 'look at that poor lady using a cane to get around.'" Now people notice her and Cranberry, and treat her like any other person out and about with a dog.

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LIST OF LITTERS BORN OR EXPECTED AS OF 10/1/2012 that conform to the PSLRA 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 PSLRA of any litter or any one litter over another. Litters are removed from the list after three months.

To publish **LITTER LISTINGS** in the newsletter, the following information **must be available**

Elbows and hips must be certified on both the sire and dam. Dogs and bitches whelped before 5/1/87 are exempt from elbow clearance requirements and will be marked OFEL N/A. Prelims are not acceptable! The board has recently agreed to accept PennHip clearances that score in the 50th percentile or higher, passing Wind-Morgan clearances, and clearances from the Ontario Veterinary College (OVC) in Canada. Female Labradors (bitches) with a Wind-Morgan, Penn Hip, or OVC clearance must not be bred before the age of 20 months, or 24 months with an OFA clearance. Male Labradors (dogs) with a Wind-Morgan or Penn Hip clearance must not be bred before the age of 12 months, or 18 months with an OVC clearance, or 24 months with an OFA clearance.

Eye clearances on both parents annually.

Heart clearances will be included in the listing at the discretion of the breeder.

A PSLRA member must own either the sire or the dam and must submit the listing for a non-member.

Please contact Nina Mann if you need a Litter Listing form, to be used for ALL litters.

All Breeders must update their litters each week with Nina Mann via email (harbortop@netzero.net) as to the sex and color of puppies you have sold. The listing will be deleted after three 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 **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 donation to PSLRA (c/o Nina Mann) to show your appreciation. These donations will all be used for Lab Rescue.

Litter born 6/15/2012 2 YM, 1 BF available

Sire: Somersun Skyfire Six Shooter for Livewire
OFA24G, OFEL24N, CERF 9/2011, EIC Clear, CNM Clear, PRA Clear, Cardiac Echo Normal

Dam: Can CH Cimarron SkyfireBy Gosh N By Golly
OFA24F, OFEL24N, CERF 9/2011, EIC Clear, PRA Clear, OFA Heart Normal

Litter: 4 YF, 3YM, 2BM, 1BF

Call: Stephanie Harris (509) 929-53=227

Email: stephanie@skyfirelabs.com

Website: <http://www.skyfirelabs.com>

Listed: 7/26/2012, 9/1/2012, 9/28/2012

Litter born 7/19//2012 1 BF, 5 BM available

Sire: Kingsland's Rocky Top MH
OFA24E, OFEL 24N, ACVO 10/12/11, CNM clear, EIC Normal

Dam: Oaklandbay Jade
OFA35G, OFEL35N, CERF7/3/12

Litter: All black

Call: Jeff & Cammie Storey (253) 853-2105, (206) 940-0287

Email: csfirefly@yahoo.com

Listed: 9/1/2012, 9/21/2012

Litter born 9/1/2012 1 CM, 3 CF available

Sire: Kingland's Super Cooper
OFA24E, OFEL24N, ACVO 8/2012, CNM Clear, EIC Normal

Dam: Midnightsky's Merganser Mira
OFA24F, OFEL24N, Acvo 8/2012

Litter: 6 CM, 4 CF

Call: Teresa Meredith. (253) 845-1311

Email: kingsland.labs@hotmail.com

Website: kingslandlabradors.com

Listed: 8/28/2012, 9/28/2012

Litter expected 10/22/2012

Sire: CH Skyfire's Oughta Be Haulin
OFA25G, OFEL25N, CERF 9/25/2011, Heart Clear cardiologist, PRA clear, EIC clear

Dam: Can CH Koa's Hilton Waikoloa RN WC
OFA24E, OFEL 24N, CERF 7/15/2012, Heart clear cardiologist, EIC carrier

Litter: all chocolate

Call: Chantel Nahoopii (360)770-0637, (360)724-5227

Email: koalabs@msn.com

Listed: 9/25/2012

Older 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 prospective buyers any known health and/or temperament issues that are on file with the Breeder Listing Chair.

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 hips, elbows and eyes and why the dog is being placed. The listing of older dogs in no way constitutes an endorsement by PSLRA. Price will vary.

Yellow Male 3 years old

Intact

Timber is a sweet, affectionate and energetic boy who will make a great family companion and occasional hunting dog. He is a Canadian champion and has had some training in both obedience and field. He loves kids and dogs and has hip, elbow and eye clearances.

Call Nina Mann (360) 629-7619

Email: harbortop@netzero.net

Website: www.harbortoplabradors.com

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Yellow female 10 months

To be spayed

Georgia is a really sweet, active, fun dog. She is crate trained, partially house trained, very social. Loves kids, other dogs, fine with cats. Current on all vaccines, microchipped. She has no health issues at all, just looking for an active person or family to be with !

Call Laura Steward, 228 Oyler Rd, Ethel, WA 98542,

360-978-4742, 360-731-9017

Email: laura@cimarronfarm.com

Listed 9/29/2012

Yellow Female Just 2 years old

Must be spayed

This youngster will make an excellent hunting dog. She has been collar trained, retrieves and holds the bird, delivers to hand, and is a good swimmer. She is very, very energetic and needs attention in a home that doesn't have multiple dogs - a couple or so would be OK, but not so many that she can't get a lot of individual attention.

Call: Jan Skewes 360-678-4362

Email: skewesmit@cablespeed.com

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Comments to "Family Gives to Guide Dogs, then Takes One Back"

Alxe Noden: August 18, 2012

What a wonderful story. Our dogs make such a difference.

Tim Bulone: August 18, 2012

This story about Janine Prindle and her family demonstrates the many remarkable ways people and dogs can interact. What a lovely example of humans and dogs working together to help the blind, help students learn to read, help Alzheimer's patients recall wonderful memories and remind us how special the bond is with our dogs. Thank you.

Kathy Short: August 27, 2012

I have enjoyed many times watching Janine and Cranberry show in the ring. They always amaze me when they are together. To watch their bond and to see them work not only in the ring but as a team always brings me great joy and pride. Being a Guide Dog raiser my self and seeing how much Cranberry does for Janine makes it all worth it. They all ways are a great insperation to me also as I am just learning to show in the AKC ring! Thank You.

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