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President's Message

I have many "Thank You's" to pass out for our hunt test. You have probably already seen Terrie Sato's post on Facebook (see page 17), which I think represents how the judges (and handlers) felt about the test, its organizers and workers, and the club. Dan Kaiser, a judge from Idaho, said that he has never seen such great organization, support, hospitality, and efficiency from a club. The judges' gifts were director chairs embroidered by Jill Mahoney with the club logo, the judge's name and the date. To say that all the judges loved them is an understatement. Member judges such as Doug Gallucci, Liz Gibson, Chris Dotson, and Jim Charboneau were especially pleased.

I thank the test committee for coming out to perform their duties during test set-up on Friday. Club members Dianne Clark, Randy Clark (Dianne's husband), Keo Lewis, and Cindy Meyer all contributed to putting on the judges' dinner. Randy's BBQ'd chicken was a highlight. These people, including Michelle Smith, also were responsible for the daily hospitality—lunches, treats, refreshments, etc.

One of the main reasons the test was so well executed is that we had excellent lead persons who were conscientious and well organized. Our secretary, Keo Lewis, performed her duties with her usual efficiency and also handled dogs in Junior Hunter. Our chief marshal, Dianne Clark, had test dogs and marshals lined up a week before the test. Our marshals were fantastic and kept handlers moving through the holding blinds and resolved time conflicts. Thanks also to Dianne and Randy for bringing their trailer so that Keo and her husband could use it at the test.

Don West was an excellent gun captain. We had great gunners all weekend and very few "no birds," which saved the club money in extra birds. And speaking of birds, Marlys Swanson and Angela Rogalla came out and reserved dead ducks for the fall WC (stay tuned for a new date for that event, which is being negotiated).

Also critical to the effort were our stake chairs; Bryant Meyer and Don West in Master Hunter, Liz Skyllingstad in Senior Hunter and Junior Hunter, and Kimberly Dotson in Junior Hunter. These people had to keep their stakes organized and functioning smoothly, as delays can affect other parts of the test in progress. They have to orchestrate the change from one series to the next, and tear down equipment at the end of the day. Liz in particular deserves special praise and thanks because she worked from set-up on Friday until we closed the doors of the equipment trailer Sunday afternoon.

Finally, but not the least, we had great teenagers who worked at the test. They were hard working, courteous, and grateful for the pay they received.

For me, the high point of the test was celebrating the birthday of one of our club's founders, Nina Mann. I wonder if we would even have hunt tests if it weren't for people like Nina, who are so completely committed to the All Around Labrador. We also celebrated Dianne Clark's birthday.

Congratulations to all who handled their dogs, especially the qualifiers. Also, congratulations to those who succeeded in other venues over the same weekend in conformation and agility.

IMPORTANT DATES

September 23, Health Clinic, Cascade Clinic, Nina Mann, MJ Sarbaugh

September 26, Board Meeting

October 6, Training & Fall WC, Greenleaf's, Bea Ferguson & Marlys Swanson

October 21, Tracking Test, Carnation, Nina Mann

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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Ellensburg, Washington 98926
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club business

August board meeting

Minutes from August 29, 2012 Board Meeting

President's Report:

We received acceptance letters from 2013 Specialty Judges.

Treasurer's Report:

Total Bank Accounts including Juniors and CD's: \$28,641.33

Secretary's Report:

Fall Agility Trial has been approved by AKC.

Acknowledgements:

Specialty Acknowledgements: Ellis Gnyp for taking the extra time to make sure the grounds were cleaned on the last day. The Grillmaster meals were well received from members who appreciate the work put into making them available. The judges were very pleased with the atmosphere and hospitality at the specialty. Gail Gegg for her speedy duties as Treasurer.

Committee Reports:

Specialty Wrap-up: Very positive results from participants at the specialty. The dinner on Saturday night was well received and attended.

New Members, Welcome!

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Ethics/Litter Review Committee:

The ethics committee met at the Specialty and will provide feedback to the board at a future date.

Health Clinic:

The Health Clinic is coming up in September 23, members are encouraged to send forms as soon as they can.

Variable Surface Tracking Test:

Will be held February 17, 2013.

Fall HRT & Budget:

Good entry, especially for junior hunter. Cindy Meyer and Dianne Clark will be hosting the judges' dinner. Only one judge needs lodging, which will keep overall cost low. We have workers lined up. The HRT budget was MSA by board vote. Judges gifts are being created by Jill Mahoney.

Old Business:

—Leftover Items from Membership Meeting

Based upon feedback from the general membership, the board will initiate an anonymous poll online for members to vote on potential alternative dates for the awards banquet and the match.

New Business:

World Pet Expo at Puyallup 11/3-4

The show will be at the Puyallup Fairgrounds on November 3-4, 2012, between the hours of 10-7 p.m. on Saturday and 10-6 p.m. Sunday.

Master National Retriever Club:

The board has selected Jim Charboneau to represent our club at the annual Master National meeting (email vote).

The Future of PSLRA's Five Series Singles (5SS)

by Fred Drennan

After the 5SS event this year, I raised an issue to the Board of Directors: Why do we put this event on? Who does the 5SS benefit? Should we consider changes to it? These questions were prompted by the fact that it is difficult to find someone willing to chair the event, and workers are hard to come by. This isn't an AKC sanctioned event; i.e., it doesn't "count" toward a title of any sort. Given the difficulties associated with putting on this event the past several years, it seems now is the time to examine what this event is about and whether or not the club should continue to sponsor it.

The 5SS has been offered in the Spring by PSLRA for about the last 20 years. On the same day PSLRA usually puts on Puppy Retrieving Stakes and a Labrador Retriever Working Certificate test at the same site. The Puppy Stakes are a training event with a slight hint of competition as puppies are awarded placements, although help in retrieving is often given. The Adult 5SS is less of a training event and more one of performance. All dogs entered are scored for the first three retrieves, and then retrieves four and five are by invitation only. Two sets of judges judge the first three retrieves, and then combine to judge the last two series. Placements first through fourth and qualifiers are then awarded.

Who participates in this event? It is open to all retrieving breeds, club members and non-members equally. Many of the entrants run in AKC hunting retriever tests, and many also have AKC hunting titles, from junior through master. I will label this group the 'HRT Community.' Marking is the primary characteristic being judged in this event. While the marks are all singles, in the final series the marks often incorporate advanced concepts including complex water entries/exits, distance and terrain. These affect a dog's ability to cleanly retrieve the bird. Judging of the dogs is based on the judge's consideration only of marking. It does not include other factors which might be considered at the AKC HRT level. From the perspective of the 'HRT Community,' this is a fun event, challenges even advanced dogs, and occurs early in the HRT season so is a good refresher. However, many participants are non-club members and don't volunteer to help out.

As previously mentioned, in the past several years it has become very difficult to find someone willing to chair the Adult 5SS. My initial proposal was to consider replacing the Adult 5SS with a club training event along the lines of a "mock AKC Junior Hunt test." Under this proposal, dogs would be judged as though this was a real test, with judges providing helpful suggestions to handlers and commentary on the elements of scoring at that level. For club members who are interested in moving forward with field work but who might be intimidated by actually entering a hunt test, this would be a great learning opportunity. While not as valuable for advanced dog/handler teams, there may be more club members interested in participating, willing to help out, and potentially chair such an event. There have been some positive and negative comments to this proposal, so the Board would like to send this out to the membership for comments. I think there are several options here:

1. Leave the Adult 5SS as it is
2. Replace the Adult 5SS with a mock JH test.
3. Eliminate the 5SS entirely, which may happen anyway if no one volunteers to chair the event.

The Board will be seeking input from members over the next several months. Please, if you have comments, let the Board hear from you.

2013 Specialty:

Motion to offer a stipend of \$500 for judge's airfare was MSA by board vote.

LRC National 2013:

The week of events is now being finalized. There are multiple events being discussed by the committee.

Next meeting September 26, 2012.
Adjourn, 8:35 p.m.

Brag

Can CH Harbortop Kiwi JH RN taking 98 and first place in Rally Advanced at the specialty with new co-owner Jennifer Gerber.—
Submitted by Nina Mann



CAN CH Cedarwood Masters Flt Of The Phoenix, two years and just days, was winner of the American Bred class and RWD under David Hopkinson at the PSLRA Specialty!

AM CAN CH Cedarwoods Browning Copied, WC, JH, received a Judges Award of Merit at PSLRA Specialty, also under Mr. Hopkinson—Submitted by Diann Sullivan



Brag for Rocking “M” Retrievers - Rocking M Sunflower Jade MH earned her Master title at the RHRC Fall Hunt Test in August. Congratulations to Bryant and Cindy Meyer. Cindy also got a qualifying score on Jade at the Fall PSLRA Master hunt test. That makes two passes toward qualification for the 2013 Master National. Keep up the great teamwork Cindy and Jade.—Submitted by Bryant Meyer

Can CH Harbortop Look At Me JH finished her JH, four for four. Mia is co-owned with Barb and Mike Marks and was trained and handled by them.—
Submitted by Nina Mann

BEST HUNTING DOG IN SPECIALTY SHOW & NEW OBEDIENCE TITLE!
 CAN CH Mainland Catch Me A Sailor, JH, RN, BN, WC, CGC, Sailor, won the Hunting Retriever Dog class for Best Hunting Dog in Specialty Show under respected breeder Judge Marion Hopkinson of Rocheby Labradors from England at PSLRA on August 4 for his third 'Best Hunting/Gun Dog in Specialty Show' win. Sailor and I also qualified for his third leg and first place placement for his Beg Novice Obedience title on August 18 at Olympic Kennel Club. Sailor earned all three BN legs back-to-back, all with high scores in the mid-upper 190s/200 with two first placements and a third placement in his large classes. He received many lovely compliments from all his obedience judges on his very nice work and handsome conformation. Sailor is loved and proudly owned by Kristin and Andy Smith of Seaside Labradors.



Winners Dog and Best Puppy In Sweepstakes from Saturday. NIPNTUCK CUSTOMIZED, Breeder/Owner Rebecca Gorton Jack pictured on the left with judges and friends.

The BVKC show was very good to us. Koda, CH/Can CH ShaRay's Clearly Artesian JH CDX RA, won a Group 2 from the Veteran Class. Koda is bred by and co-owned with Sharon Edwards, Brad and Marlys. We couldn't be happier to have Koda return to the ring with such great success.

This has been a great year for Koda. It was an honor to win BVSW at the KISS Specialty and PSLRA under respected breeder judges Dian Welle and Beth Wilkerson.

Thank you Sharon for breeding and sharing Koda with us.—
submitted by Marlys Swanson



ISLAND & PACIFIC LABRADOR RETRIEVER CLUB
Specialty & Sweepstakes, Thursday, October 25, 2012
Location: Tradex, Convention & Trade Center, Abbotsford, BC, Canada

Breeder Judge: Barbara Nowak, Broyhill Labradors, (California)
Sweepstakes Breeder Judge: Lorie Chamaschuk, Cambridge Labradors, (Alberta)
5 Sets of Points will be available for Labradors!

Entries Close: Noon, Wednesday, October 3, 2012
The IPLRC Specialty & Sweepstakes is held in conjunction with Canada's Largest All Breed Dog Show.
"Travel The World," October 25 - 28, 2012

Premium List and information is available at:
www.lowermainlanddogfanciersofbc.com or www.bcdogshowservicesltd.ca

More information is also available on the IPLRC Club website at: www.IPLRC.com
Island & Pacific Labrador Retriever Club is also on Facebook!

PSLRA Specialty Show, August 2012

Saturday Critique notes by Marion Hopkinson

Firstly, may we say how pleased and very honoured David and I are to be back here with all of you. We must ask you to convey our thanks to the hard working committee, the ring stewards, and your superintendent who is the most helpful person for us UK judges. We must not forget the wonderful chefs you have in this club—food like nowhere else—it is super. And most important, a big THANK YOU to all you exhibitors for your sporting ways and your lovely dogs. You asked for a critique and I have given you a brief one on the first two in each class. You will note I haven't said too much about the movement. That is quite honestly because the front movement is almost universally bad in those present. The side view was good with some good extension. David and I discussed it and really do not know why nearly all the dogs either weaved or pinned in front. You have good brisket and the upper arms are no different (better or worse) to many more worldwide. But I just couldn't get more than six all through to come forward with an extended foot anywhere near straight in front. On the plus side, you have great heads, coats, rears with good second thighs, and a lot of good tails. Nice hocks and in spite of their weight (in some cases) the movement was brisk. The veterans were in top order and a credit to their owners.

Saturday August 4

Dogs 6-9 months: 1st—Ghostone Hyspire Kiss N' tell, just 6 months, chocolate, and a good size at this age—not overdone in head with correct muzzle length and clean cheek, well boned to good tight feet, very balanced in profile and sound.

2nd—Double Dutch Raised On Rock 'N Roll, black youngster more compact in profile, well defined head with nice eye, good bone, feet and coat—not just the balance yet, but sound and positive on the move.

Dogs 9-12 months: 1st—Somersun Diamond In The Rough, substantial 11 month old who presented a very nice outline and is good to go over—good front and brisket—well ribbed and good quarter with the required second thigh, excellent double coat.

2nd—Scarlaws Finny Son of Guinny, a size smaller than 1, but very nicely constructed and looks very well in profile, good head and kind expression, nice clean neck, well muscled on quarter, lacking coat today, but what he has is good harsh texture.

Dogs 12-18 months: 1st—Nipntuck Customized, very typey young yellow with a lovely melting expressive head, good through clean neck to laid shoulder, in excellent coat with good undercoat, well off for bone and feet tight, a bit longer cast but moves with great reach and drive from the side, Winners dog.

2nd—Laurghens Big Water at Rivermark, smart young black, shorter coupled than 1 excellent rib and quarter, not quite the definition in head yet, but pleasing expression, sound on the move.

Bred By: 1st—Quail Run's Long Drink of Silence, 20 month eye catching black, stands 4 square and well balanced, kind head, good through front assembly and well ribbed, quarter wide and good firm hocks.

2nd—Wynter Creek Party of One, very nice yellow and close up to one in all respects, in excellent coat and condition, strong firm topline and good tail set, well off for bone and good feet, sound.

Am Bred: 1st—Mykiss Jacks Are Wild At SciFi, well coated black with the firm strong topline that sets the balance, good head shape and kind eye, clean neck, plenty bone and substance, hock just a little long, but an overall very nice dog sound on the move.

2nd—Somerset the Last Dance, well presented yellow with a lovely head and eye, good neck flows through to body and strong quarter, sound.

Open Black: 1st—Himoon's Facing the Future at Koa RN, excellent breed type, lovely molded head that says Labrador, deep brisket, big rib and well-angulated rear, feet tight and moves soundly. Res Winners Dog

2nd—Nipntuck Chasing Fame, another good strong dog with a lovely outline, plenty substance and depth, well boned and in excellent coat—sound mover.

Open Choc: 1st—Harlequin Like a Rock, compact and well put together with a good reachy clean neck, well ribbed and good rear in excellent coat and sound on the move.

2nd—Harbortops Chocolate Challenge, another very well put together young dog with excellent outline, nice size and elegant outline, loved his type and profile just didn't move as well as one.

Open Yellow: 1st—Quail Run Krazy Alaskan Eskimo Mojo, strongly made with lovely head and good pigment, well coated, good well angulated quarters and tight feet, hocks well let down and sound.

2nd—Blu Top Hoity Toity, another really good type and close up here, another very pleasing head and sweet expression, deep body and well sprung rib, plenty of substance and good feet sound on the move.

Veteran 7-9: 1st—Huntson Reign of Mustardseed RN MH, deep yellow with the typical Labrador head and expression we all like, good neck, shoulder, body firm and deep, good topline held on the move and he drives from behind.

2nd—Ch Sharay Clearly Artesian JH RA CDX, another top quality dog here with excellent head, body deep and well off for bone, good feet, quarters wide, hocks firm, sound mover.

Veteran 9 -11: 1st—Gch Double Dutch D'Artagnion JH RN OAP AJP, lovely black in super coat and condition, head has that lovely molding and work under the eye that spells Labrador, strong body with substance and rib, well angulated quarter and finished with a good tail, sound.

2nd—Fawnhaven Mischief Maker Delphi CD SH RN, my notes say—real lab here—such a pleasing head and expression, total willingness to please, excels on bone feet and in superb coat with good undercoat.

Specialty Snapshots



Friday, under judge David Hopkinson: MBISS GCH/Can CH Sunnydaze Running Across The Miles was awarded first JAM, pictured with Linda Maffett.



Best Of Breed under Marion Hopkinson ~ MBISS GCH / Can CH Sunnydaze Running Across The Miles shown with Linda Maffett.



Best Of Breed, Best Of Winners, and Winners Bitch from the Friday KISS Specialty. Himoon Life Is A Beach ~ Breeder Lucy Isaacson-Logan, Owners Stacey and Shawn Parsons.



Best In Sweepstakes from Friday under Dian Welle: Dolce Vita's Just For Kicks ~ Owned/Bred by Sonya Dudder.



Friday's Winners Dog under David Hopkinson: Somerset Free N Easy ~ Bred By Jennifer Foote, owned by Merlyn Foote and Jennifer Foot. Somerset Free N Easy was also Best Of Opposite Sex on Friday when he was Winners Dog.

PSLRA Specialty Show, August 2012

Sunday Bitches Critique notes by Marion Hopkinson

Sunday August 5

Bitches 6-9 months: 1st—Dolce Vita's Just For Kicks, very pretty 8 month old, lovely head shape with good stop, neck of good length into laid shoulder, well ribbed and good quarters, coat and tail to finish a very nice puppy.

2nd—Nipntuck Make Mine Shine, another full of breed type, head and expression just spells Labrador, well boned to neat feet good through body, another good coat and tail.

Bitches 9-12 months: 1st—Lincoln Creek Valley Super Kut, quality black giving a classy outline, very well boned, good topline, big, well developed quarter with good hocks, angulation still developing, nice puppy.

2nd—Everland She's On Fire, another typey black here, shade longer cast than 1 but nicely balanced, just still at the developing stage but a very nice prospect all around.

Bitches 12-18 months: 1st—Somersun's One Big Blonde, very stylish pale yellow with super double coat, lovely balanced head set off with good pigment, gives a balanced profile and keeps her topline on the move, sound both ways.

2nd—Sharay Lola of Vallivue, lovely bitch of quality and close up to one, head neck and shoulder all good, outline spells a quality bitch and deep bodied with nice reach on the move.

Novice - Brush & Marsh Look Out Taz Is Coming, very good in outline with clean head neck and shoulder, well coated and good reach from side movement

2nd—Cedarwood Heirloom Recipe 4 Coffee Nudge, shorter in body than 1 with good bone coat and tail, just preferred movement of 1 today.

Bred by: 1st—Nipntuck Spent It On Fame, lovely melting expressive head, good sized bitch with well laid shoulder and deep body quarters wide and sound on the move.

2nd—Blu Top's Pin Up Girl At Chibry, head very well defined, muzzle just a little shorter than 1, super topline and outline which she keeps on the move not quite the heavier bone but well balanced in profile.

Am Bred: 1st—Harlequins Mykiss I Am Annie Oakley, elegant, super flow from head to tail, reachy neck to shoulder, longer cast through body to good quarter in good coat and condition, and sound.

2nd—Nipntuck Sis Boom Bah, loved this bitch's head and expression, overall quality is just 'there.' Deep bodied, good wide thigh, coat and tail, just not the front movement of 1.

Open Black: 1st—Somersun Everland Mustang Sally, this lovely girl just came and conquered, full of all we look for oozing type, quality, and balance, plenty substance, but not cloddy, lovely head and soft expression, clean neck to shoulder, deep well sprung rib and quarter well filled, in excellent coat that is so well laid—no fluff or feather—just makes a fitted jacket, sound and free mover to take Winners Bitch.

2nd—Somersun Artesian Silk Stocking, another from the top drawer with quality to spare, excels in her deep body and good bone, lovely to go over and in great condition, super angulation and moves well.

Open Choc: 1st—Koa's Hilton Waikola RN, elegant and smart in profile, well put together with substance—easy mover both ways.

2nd—Sunnydaze Black Pearls Pirate at Gainspride, super for type and really all attributes apply here, nothing much to separate these two who are both very nice typey Labradors.

Open yellow: 1St - Himoon Life is a Beach, neat pale yellow, so vibrant and alert kind expressive head and good neck to shoulder, ribs well sprung and quarter wide and muscular, strong low hock which she used to drive off. Reserve Winners Bitch.

2nd—Belquests New Hope at Sci fi, good-sized deeper yellow with balanced outline. Good harsh texture to coat, well-constructed and sound mover.

Best of Breed: MBISS GCH / Can CH Sunnydaze Running Across The Miles. Deep yellow male, excellent in outline with well-defined head, clean neck to good shoulder and deep brisket. Ribs well sprung and topline firm, quarter well-angulated and second thigh well muscled, substance and bone befits this strong dog and he is a sound and active mover. Best of Breed with pleasure.





Senior Showmanship





The Senior Showdown Winners

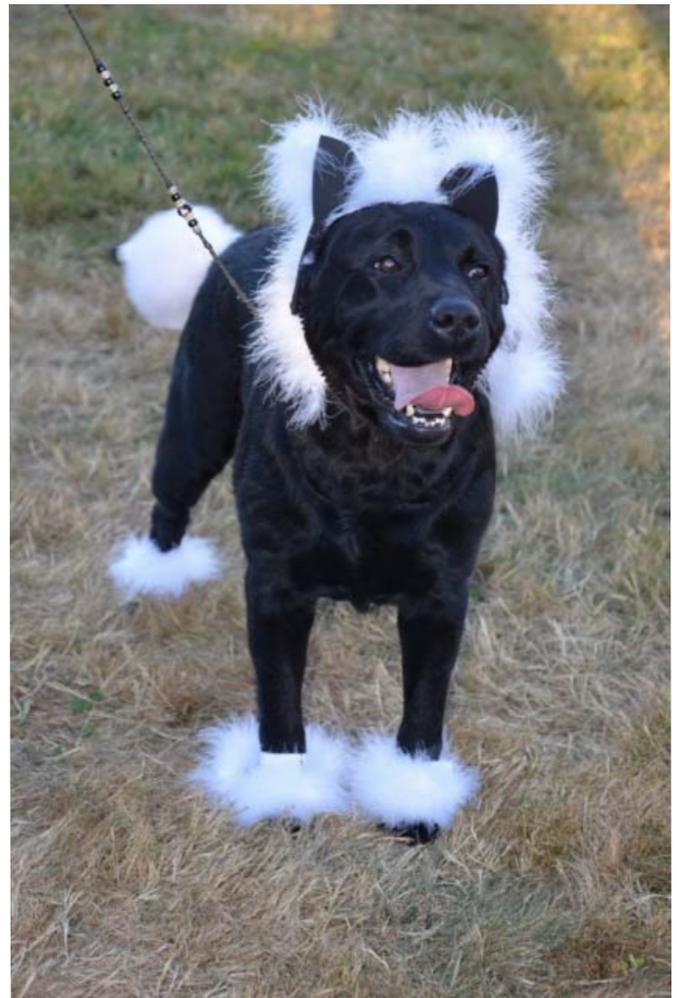




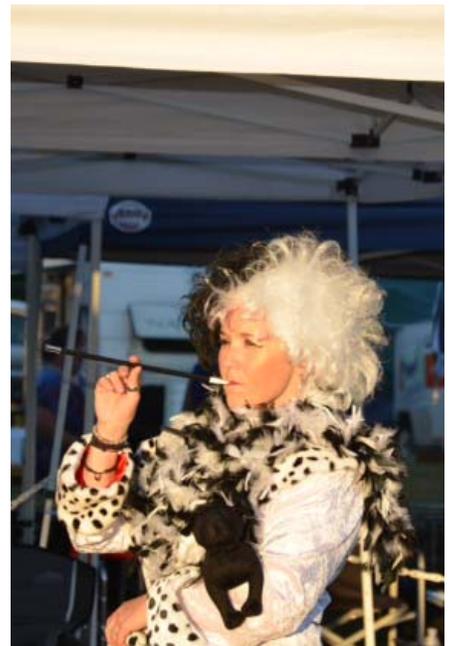
Pinky Parsons



Matha Skewart



Linda Maffett as Cruella de Vil



Puget Sound Labrador Retriever Association Training Day and Working Certificate (Labrador Retrievers only)

When: Saturday, October 6, 2012
 Start time: 12:30 Working Certificate (This is an estimate and will be announced)
 Judges: Liz Skillingstad & TBD
 Chair: Bea Ferguson 360-403-9698, Email: babfergie70@comcast.net
 Marlys Swanson 360-658-7604, Email: Marlyss2000@gmail.com
 Where: Greenleafs - just south of Monroe on Hwy. 203
 What: WC \$25.00 pre-entry, \$30.00 for day of event
 Training (if possible will be offered in advance of the start of the WC) Only fees will be for the cost of birds. We do ask that you assist with these events, free training provided!
 Directions: From Monroe (Intersection of Hwy 2/Hwy 203) approximately .9 miles south on Hwy 203, located on the West side of the Hwy
 From Duval: Approximately 5.3 miles north on Hwy 203. Located on the west side of the Highway.
 Registration limited to 50 Dogs - pigeons or ducks will be used (birds will depend on availability)
 Many thanks to those that have volunteered to judge, gun, set-up, and assist everywhere needed.

**This event will follow the Flat Coat WC/WCX. Times may vary.
 Notice will be posted on the PSLRA Lab Chat and Facebook.**

Pre-Registration Deadline is September 28, 2012. Registration on day of event (October 6) between 10:00 and 12:00
 (Dogs registered on day of event will run after the pre-entry dogs)
 Make check payable to PSLRA
 Send Pre-registration to: Marlys Swanson, 3512 93rd PL NE Marysville, WA 98270 (360) 658-7604
 Email: Marlyss2000@gmail.com

Name: _____ Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____
 Total Paid: _____
 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 test.
 Signed: _____ Date: _____

NOTE: ONE ENTRY FORM PER DOG
Please make copies of this form to enter additional dogs.

WC Application Form

The Labrador Retriever Club, Inc. Working Certificate requires the following:

1. A land single retrieve of 50 yards in light cover
2. Back to back singles in water to prove willingness to re-enter the water
3. The dog is not required to be steady or deliver to hand. The judge(s) may designate an area for delivery.
4. The dog should not be gun shy.

Name of Dog: _____
 Call Name: _____
 AKC # _____ Sex _____ Birthdate: _____
 Owner Name: _____ Phone _____
 Address: _____
 E-mail: _____

LIST OF LITTERS BORN OR EXPECTED AS OF 9/1/2012 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, Optigen, EIC 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 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 available. The listing will be deleted after three months from the first litter listing date unless relisted.

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 Skyfire By 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) 929-53227

Email: stephanie@skyfirelabs.com/Website: www.skyfirelabs.com

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

Litter expected 9/1/2012

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: All chocolates

Call: Teresa Meredith. (253) 845-1311

Email: kingsland.labs@hotmail.com

Website: kingslandlabradors.com

Listed: 8/28/2012

Litter born 7/2/2012 2YM,

1 YF available

Sire: Penara's Without Warning

OFA25G, OFEL25N, CERF 11/2011, OFA Heart Normal, EIC Normal, CNM Clear, Optigen Normal

Dam: Skyfire Cimarron's Redy or Not

OFA24G, OFEL24N, ACVO 3/2012, OFA Heart Normal

Litter: 5 YM, 2 YF (Fox Reds)

Call: Laura Steward DVM (360)978-4742 Eve./(360)731-9017 Days

Email: laura@cimarronfarm.com/Website: www.cimarronfarm.com

Listed: 6/21/2012, 9/1/2012

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 is 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.

Litter born 7/12/2012

1 YF available

Sire: GCH Sunnydaze Running Across The Miles

OFA25G, OFEL24N, OFA Heart Normal Echo, ACVO 7/2012, Optigen Normal, EIC Clear

Dam: Cimarron's Hannah

OFA26G, OFEL26N, OFA Heart Normal Cardiologist, ACVO 7/2012, EIC Clear Litter:

Call: Laura Steward DVM (360)978-4742 Eve./(360) 731-9017 Days

Email: laura@cimarronfarm.com/Website: www.cimarronfarm.com

Litter born 7/12/2012

1 BF available

Sire: MBISS GCH Thornwood's Dress To Thrill

OFA24G, OFEL24N, CERF 5/2012, OFA Heart Normal Specialist

Dam: Skyfire's The V Stands For Vendetta

OFA28G, OFEL35N, CERF 5/2012, OFA Heart Normal

Litter: 1BM, 2 BF, 1 CM, 1CF

Call: Jane Brugge 360-456-1799 Days, (360) 528-0138 Cell

Email: janebrugge@centurylink.net

Website: www.highnoonfarms.com

Listed: 6/21/2012, 7/22/2012, 9/1/2012

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

Normal, EIC Normal, CNM Clear, Optigen Normal

Rescue Story Update

by Brenda Hubbard

Do you remember Mable, the sweet young yellow female rescue lab featured in the February and March newsletters? When we first introduced you to Mable in February, she had been in our care for almost two months. We knew she would need to be fostered for a longer period of time as her skin issues were so severe and we wanted her to heal before going to her forever home. Mable was adopted near the end of March, as a “special needs” adoption, due the commitment and expense of her medical condition.

The most amazing couple, Sheri and Jim, came forward to adopt Mable. They had owned several female yellow Labs and were currently without a dog.

When Gary and I got Mable home from the shelter in December 2011, we fell in love with her winning personality. Gary said, “She really deserves a chance.” Well, Mable’s lucky stars were certainly all lined up when Sheri and Jim chose to take her home. She got more than just, “a chance.” Mable landed in *Labrador Heaven!* Sheri and Jim live in a small, charming town on Hood Canal. Mable goes for a long walk every day with Sheri, rain, snow, or shine. She has a ball swimming and playing in the canal. In Sheri’s first e-mail back to us and Edith Bryan, our Rescue chairperson, Sheri said, “I know we made the right choice, and



Mable with Sheri Harris

“I’m sure Mable feels the same. She is easy to train and is a fast learner. We are pleased!”

In the summer, Sheri is the manager of their small town’s community pool. Pretty little Mable has settled in very comfortably as the official greeter of all pool patrons and has become the pool’s unofficial mascot. Mable is with Sheri every hour the pool is open. Like a typical and playful young lab, Mable is creative at play and has developed some cute antics to entertain the kids. I’ll let Sheri tell you in her own words:

“She is doing great! Everyone loves her at the pool. Mable carries a ball around and loves to pretend it fell in the pool. But, she throws it in (I’ve caught her). She then waits for some kid to get it and throw it. It’s usually a race to see who can get it first. Mable is also real good at watching the kids swimming under water; and then having her face almost in the water (while still pool side) so when they come up, she licks them. It’s so funny. At first it would surprise the kids, but they all play her game now.

Her coat looks great. Yep, Mable is a total hit at the pool. She runs out to greet everyone who comes. Tell Gary ‘his’ little girl is now ‘Jim’s’ little girl! Although she spends most of her time with me, Mable really loves it when he gets home.”

Thank you PSLRA for inviting me to judge my favorite hunt test. I had a wonderful time watching dogs and handlers work through the three series of the Master stakes. I love the cool mornings that let us know fall is coming and the toasty afternoons that say summer is not quite ready to leave. The dogs were excited to play and played well. I especially love passing my PSLRA friends! My co-judge, Jim Charbonneau, was just plain fun to judge with. By the way, he will soon be on his way to Alabama to judge the Master National so “Wahoo” to our club for snaring a master national judge! The chair I received as a judges’ gift, complete with the PSLRA logo and my name, will always remind me of a fun weekend spent with great people and lots of good workers. Oh, as an added bonus my husband agreed to run Bravo in Junior and finished his JH title for me! Mike finished the JH on Puff, Chip, and now Bravo. I am calling him, “The Closer.” — Submitted by Terrie Sato



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