

# THE RETRIEVER BELIEVER

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## President's Message

*I've returned home from my two weeks on the east coast with a few thoughts....*

*I had the chance to travel with some good friends (who I made through this club) to the Potomac this month. For those of you who are new to Labradors or to the Lab show world, The Potomac is the largest Labrador show in the world with over 1500 entries of just Labradors this year. For anyone who loves Labradors - if you've never been and you get the chance to attend - GO! It's a fabulous experience - a bit of a circus and overwhelming at first... rather like a three ring circus with only Labradors. I'm pleased to say that the west coast dogs did very well winning top honors against Labradors from all over the world. A few of our PSLRA members traveled with dogs and were right up there in the classes - certainly a testament that our Labradors (and Labrador breeders) here in the Northwest are every bit as good as anywhere else.*

*In attending a huge event like this, part of me is thinking of the behind the scenes work - and thinking we have all the same logistics and issues as any club, large or small, putting on an event. Location, weather, volunteers, budget, awards, judges, food - all have to be taken into consideration when hosting an event. PSLRA is know across the country as a club that holds first class events - from hunt tests, to specialties, to agility trials. We are fortunate to have a large membership base with a wide range of interests. While this diversification encourages members to try out new and fun events with their dogs, it also stretches the work force of the club with a multitude of events.*

*I encourage all members to come out to one of our many events and see what it's all about. Workers are always appreciated and often require little training (or skill) beyond a smile and willingness to jump in. Our event chairs can be found on the website or ask any board member if you'd like to find out how more - about any event.*

*I also ask members to keep in mind that this club is run through the hard work of volunteers - none of us are getting paid to work at a function or do the behind the scenes work. Some of our members give incredible amounts of time (and heart) to our events. They do it because they love the breed and believe in what they are doing. A smile and a kind word go a long way toward making that person's day. Looking forward, we have the spring hunt test, sanctioned B/OB match and our summer agility trial coming up in the next two months.*

*My goal for this month - I will try to be the person that my dog believes I am.  
Stephanie*



Northwest club members met new friends at the Potomac. Pictured are members attending the Potomac Gala: Jill Mahoney, Stephanie Harris, Jennifer Hajny, Perrin Christensen, and Becky Jack.

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**IMPORTANT DATES**

**May 3, 4, Spring Hunt Test,  
Peppers Farm, Carnation,  
contact: Ron Perry  
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**June 14, PSLRA Conformation &  
Obedience Sanctioned B  
Match, Tolt-MacDonald Park,  
Carnation, Becky Jack  
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**June 21, 22, Spring Agility Trial,  
Lake Tye Park, Monroe**

**Sponsor an award at the 2008  
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Membership in the PSLRA is open to anyone interested in Labrador retrievers. Annual dues are \$20 for individuals, \$25 for families. Junior memberships are \$10 (for a separate listing in the membership book and a separate newsletter). Please note that new members require the signature of two sponsors on the application form.

Requests for information, applications and/or payment of dues should be addressed to:

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club business

## April board meeting minutes

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m. by President Stephanie Harris. In attendance at the Issaquah Highlands Fire Station: Stephanie Harris, Terrie Sato, Ron Perry, Jill Mahoney, Jennifer Hajny, Nina Mann, and Lucy Isaacson-Logen.

### Officer Reports

*President:* No report

*Secretary:* Event correspondence from AKC received approving Specialty and Agility trial. Minutes from March 26 approved via e-mail.

*Treasurer:* Current balance in check and savings is \$8,914.02.

### Acknowledgements

—Terrie and Jill for their work organizing the 5 Series

—Lucy for picking up the key for tonight’s meeting room

### Committee Reports

*Spring Agility Trials:* No report

*Five Series & Working Certificate:*

Terrie reported that the event went smoothly and made some money.

Handlers had a great time, and the weather was great.

*Spring Hunt Test:* Volunteers needed to hold down costs. Contact Ron Perry at perrylab@aol.com

*Judges Selection Committee:* A second team obedience judge is needed for the 2009 trial. Acceptance by 2009 invited judges is pending.

*Match:* No report. Event date is June 14.

*Specialty:* The board referred the following matters to the Specialty committee for resolution:

—Layout planning

—Overnight parking fees

—Confirmation of contract costs with Marymoor Park

—Preparation of an event budget

—Entry fee for Breeders’ Cup

—Announcement in premium that showers will not be available

### Old Business

*Popper Guns:* The board confirmed previous approval to purchase two new popper guns to replace ones that are broken and beyond repair.

*Seattle Kennel Club Meet the Breed*

*Program:* The board approved a revised draft letter that comments on

the program from PSLRA’s perspective. AKC and the Labrador Retriever Club will receive copies.

*IRS Filing:* Club’s filing for IRS 501C7 status is in progress.

*Umbrella Purchase:* Lucy reviewed costs and report on straw poll of potential sales. She will develop an order form for members to purchase.

*Sammamish Supported Entry:* No report.

### New Business

*Cherry Valley:* Rangers have indicated that the state will not mow the public property due to budget cuts. Clubs that put on hunt tests and field trials are looking into the possibility of sharing the costs of mowing.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 28.



## PSLRA Agility Trial

The PSLRA Agility Trial is scheduled for June 20, 21, and 22 at Lake Tye Park in Monroe, Wash. This will be an outdoor trial on grass. Friday is for excellent level dogs only starting at 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday will be all classes and start time will be 9 a.m. until finished...around 2 p.m. You can enter online by accessing [www.r2agilityonline.com](http://www.r2agilityonline.com).



This trial will be special for us this year. As most of you heard, Creative Indulgence, a local photographer, will be there shooting shots of Labs for the future 2010 Brown and Trout lab agility calendar. What a great opportunity to show your lab, so please sign up for the trial! We would also love to have you just come out and support the LABS!



## Five Series

by Terrie Sato, event chairperson

The PSLRA Five Series Singles marking competition was held on April 5 at the Greenleaf Retriever Grounds just south of Monroe, Wash. The weather was cold but dry as vehicles pulled in and a good representation of the retrieving breeds arrived to show their marking skills. Puppies also arrived, some for their very first experience in a hunt test situation.



For adult dogs, both a land and water series were set up to be run simultaneously. The land consisted of a live shot flyer about 65 yards out in an open field and a winger mark that required an 85 yard run through a bit of cover and terrain. Pigeons were used



and the lovely white birds showed up beautifully, allowing the dogs to carefully mark the falls. The water series required approximately a 55-yard swim with an angle entry and angle exit as the bird fell in some light cover down the shore. Many a dog started out on a wonderful line to this bird, but faded to the shore and got lost hunting short on the shoreline.



Meanwhile, the puppy stakes and Working Certificate (WC) test were preparing to run. The puppies also had two land marks. One of these marks was a live shot flyer and the puff of feathers proved very exciting to a few of these young hunting dogs. There were also two marks in the water for these youngsters. The excitement of birds made many of these pups forget that it was early spring and they had little, if any, water experience. Most took the plunge and brought back their birds. Seven youngsters earned their WC. The senior puppies had a three-way tie for first place and a run off was needed to determine the winner. These handlers marched their pups to the adult final series and with very little modification, ran their puppies on the water mark. All three did excellent work, but the judges were able to determine a winner.

Twenty adult dogs were called back to the final series. A land single featuring another live shot flyer presented difficulties in terrain. A water single provided cheating opportunities, as it required a small entry into water and on to a point with an angle exit off the point. Running land to the point and squaring off the point to the bird produced groans from many a handler. When the final calculations were completed there was an obvious winner but a tie for second place. The judges quickly set up a long tricky water mark and though both dogs did excellent work, the dog that took the most water on the way to the bird was the winner of the run off. The atmosphere of friendly competition had everyone cheering for each other.



This event could not have taken place without the help of many people. Thank you to our judges, Barb Ironside and Kristi Clark, for making the puppy marks a very positive experience. Thank you to Mike and Rhonda Forman, Ron Perry and Liz Skillingstad for setting up and judging the adult series. Much appreciation is extended to the people who worked during the day and did prep work before this event. My co-chair, Jill Mahoney proved a jack of all trades. Dedicated help came from Bryant Meyer, Jeff Lusk, Don Ironside, Mary Jane Sarbaugh, Jennifer Hajny, Barb Strauss, Dixie Humble, Cheri and Mark Levine (and friend), Lee Foote, Mahrie Leshner, Nancy Harney, Chantel Nahoopii, Liz Gibson,

Laura Berger, Richard Ramay, Fred Drennan, Dale Worthington, Christine Robertson, Rod Bell, Jerry Keating, Morris Worsham, Randy Robertson, Don Kreager and Mike Rutz.



Duke/Larry Robertson  
 MeME/Sue Bell  
 Addi/Cheri Levine  
 Dutch/sandy Clark  
 Rap/Syl Caditz  
 Tripper/Lee Foote  
 Wilson/Mike Rutz  
 Meg/Dee Romano  
 Cynder/Lee Redd



The results of the day are as follows:

*WC Qualifiers*

Gulliver/Brandy Tarantino  
 Junior/Brandy Tarantino  
 Sailor/Kristin Smith  
 Jake/Don Kreager  
 Barry/Becky Jack  
 Tandy/ MJ Sarbaugh  
 Keeper/ Mary Hallowell

*Junior Puppies*

1st place Kite/Barb Strauss  
 2nd place Rocket/Jeff Lusk

*Senior Puppies*

1st place Legend/Mark Fillingham  
 2nd place Bart/Sue Bell  
 3rd place Brewster/Liz Gibson  
 4th place Precious/Bob Morris

*Five Series*

1st place Wally/Sandy Clark  
 2nd place Katie/Dixie Humble  
 3rd place Abbey/Randy Robertson  
 4th place Journey/Dale Worthington

*Other Qualifiers*

Nitro/Richard Ramay  
 Judd/Bob Morris  
 Deuce/Jeff Lusk  
 Charlie/Dale Worthington  
 Clutch/Terrie Sato  
 Monty/Christine Robertson





# Puget Sound Labrador Retriever Association Conformation/Obedience/Junior Showmanship



Sanctioned Match  
Saturday June 14, 2008

\*\*\*\*\* **Come Join in the Fun** \*\*\*\*\*

This year's event is being held at **Tolt-MacDonald Park, in Carnation, Washington.**  
Please see below for directions and a description of our classes.  
Between Sweepstakes and Conformation judging, there will be a  
**pizza feed and brief membership meeting.** PSLRA will provide **pizza and drinks.**

Judges for the day: **Conformation – Bob Gilchrist Sweepstakes – Jennifer Hanjy**  
**Obedience - TBD Junior Showmanship and Exhibition – TBD**

All judging is held outdoors; bring appropriate weather protection.  
Professional handlers may show only their own dogs. Champions are not eligible for competition.

**Sweepstakes Classes: 4-6, 6-9, 9-12, 12-15, 15-18 months.** Only dogs/bitches winning first place in these classes may compete for **Best in Sweeps and Best Opposite in Sweeps.**

**Conformation Classes: 4-6, 6-9, 9-12 months.** These are considered puppy classes; only dogs/bitches winning first place in these classes are eligible to compete for

**Best Puppy and Best Opposite Puppy.**

**12-18 months, American Bred, Bred by Exhibitor, Open.** These classes are considered **Adult** classes. Only dogs/bitches winning first place in these classes are eligible for

**Best Adult.**

**Junior Showmanship Classes: Peewee through the Best in Junior Showmanship will be the first classes offered.**

**Exhibition only:** Peewee handler classes are divided into: Children under six and those over six but not yet 10 years of age.

**Novice Junior, Novice Senior, Open Junior, Open Senior.** Only the first place winners of the regular junior classes will be eligible for **Best Junior Showman.**

All children entered in Peewee, and regular junior showmanship classes will receive a beautiful participant rosette and a fun doggie gift.

**Exhibition Only Classes:** Altered Dogs, Altered Bitches. These dogs/bitches are not eligible to compete for any further prize.

**Obedience Classes:** Novice A and B, Open A and B, Utility A and B High in Trial and High Combined rosettes will be awarded if applicable.

**Directions to Match:** Take Highway 203 to Carnation, watch for signs. Tolt-MacDonald Park: 31020 NE 40th St, Carnation, WA 98014

## PSLRA MATCH ENTRY FORM

Day of Match registration from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. All judging to start at 10 a.m.

Sex: \_\_\_\_\_ 1st Class: \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Registered name: \_\_\_\_\_ Call name: \_\_\_\_\_

Breeder: \_\_\_\_\_ Owner: \_\_\_\_\_

I agree to hold PSLRA and its members harmless from any claim arising out of entry in this match.

Pre-entry due by May 31 ~ \$7 first class, additional classes \$3 same dog.

Day of Match entries ~ \$10 first class, additional classes \$5 same dog.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Total fee: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail your completed entry forms along with your check made payable to PSLRA to Becky Jack, 15010 – 168<sup>th</sup> Ave NE, Woodinville, WA 98072

If you have any questions, please call or e-mail Becky NipntuckLR@aol.com 425/483-8993

### ~ Added Fun ~

Obedience: Introduction to obedience and answering of questions — at the obedience ring. Approximately 9 a.m.

Conformation: Introduction to conformation and small handling class in the conformation ring. Approximately 9:30 a.m.

# Notes on “The Potomac”

by Lucy Isaacson-Logen

“Please fasten your seat belts.” What a foretelling statement! Having heard it on my flight east, it easily came to mind again, early on the first day of the huge Potomac specialty as scores of remarkable Labradors started streaming into the three conformation rings. My breath caught in



my throat. Being part of the largest Labrador specialty in the world and seeing some of the finest Labradors from the states as well as from many other countries had me breathless and thrilled. The entire entry of dogs is well over 1,000, not to mention all of the Labrador people, breeders, enthusiasts and legends that come along with them; the whole show was exhilarating.

This year was the 33rd year of the spring Potomac show. Each year there are fabulous dogs and their people, gala evening events, vendor shopping, raffle, rescue tables, dinners with friends, studying of potential stud dogs, watching the heavenly bitches and puppies, taking photos of favorites; oh, it's endless. So much happens in three days, including up to 12 hours of judging.



In the few years that I've gone to “The Potomac” I have stayed with several different groups of gals. I enjoy doing this; I learn so much from all of them and we have so much fun sharing our common love of Labs. This year I stayed with Vicki Lord, Patty Streufert and Luanne Curtis.

These gals' dogs all placed in their classes and Patty's lovely 11 month old boy won reserve winners' dog! When the winners are chosen, there is a huge roar from the crowd — both for the class winners and especially for the Winners' Dog and Winners' Bitch and their Reserve Winners. As you can imagine, these are wins of a lifetime. Vicki's Blue finished his rally title as well. I took over 350 photographs of friends, dogs and activities.

Each year I have met a

few more Labrador breeders from around the nation and from abroad as well: people whose dogs I have admired some that I have talked to online and some whose reputation in Labradors is simply phenomenal. Just sitting ringside I can pick up endless bits of Labrador information from a grand cross section of people. Oh, I should mention that the crowd watching the show is

three to five rows deep around all three rings. My time at the show is usually spent moving around the ring taking photos, but when I need a seat, I'm one of those folks who “holds down” other's chairs if they are not occupied. No one minds. In doing this I never know who will be in the seat next to me, and frequently I have heard a voice or turned around and nearly jumped out of my skin because a Labrador Legend is sitting right there! Wonderful friendly and informative discussions pop up all the time around the ring. So you can understand—there is rarely a dull moment or a lull in conversation.

The best of breed class takes hours. The ring dividers are removed to make one large ring and it is filled with many of the



dogs of our dreams. This year, the breed class was so large it was divided into five groups. I spent most of the time these dogs were in the ring moving around to get the best camera angle. What a glorious testament to our beloved breed. To emphasize this fact, as the breed class finished and best puppy and best bred - by were barely finishing up, a huge thunderstorm broke loose. Reminding me of Beethoven's Eroica, thunder, wind and enormous rain drops came pummeling out of the sky upon us. Within minutes there were lakes forming. This torrent continued for several hours. What a finish!

## Braggs

**Nipntuck Show Me The Magic**, Genie, owned by Linda Maffett and Buffie Gonzales, bred by Becky Jack, won her large (37) 12-18 Regular Class and also her 12-15 month Sweeps class, (entry 19). Becky tells us she was one of two girls considered for Best In Sweeps. SO CLOSE!

**Sunnydaze Harlequin Southern Comfort**, Belle, was also at the Potomac and placed a respectable third in Open Chocolate bitches. Bred by Linda Maffett and owned by Linda Maffett and Diane Sullenberger.

More Sunnydaze Brags

In Canada at Oceanside K/C in Maple Ridge:

3/27/08 ~ **Nipntuck Snapdragon** WB and BOS for three points.

3/28/08 ~ **Nipntuck Snapdragon** WB, BOW and BOB four points. Group 4 for one point to finish her CH.

3/28/08 ~ **Nipntuck Sunnydaze Thomas Haas**, WD and BOS to finish his Championship.

In the US at Kern County K/C

3/28/08 ~ **Harlequin Romance At Sunnydaze**, WB and BOS

**Intl CH WindyCanyon's Northern Spy CDX JH RA CC**, Mata, and I slipped-slided away in the \*SNOW\* at the Moses Lake/Wenatchee Agility trials on March 28 and brought home a Q for a Blue in Novice JWW! On Saturday, we double Q'd for a third in Std and fourth place in the 20" JWW class. One more set of Qs to go and we'll have two more titles on the youngster! Submitted by Anne Swindeman

**Am/Can Ch Mainland Seasac Third-Times-A-Charm** finished her AKC Championship at PDFC. Cricket has had many Specialty and Group wins along the way. We're excited to do all this from the Bred-By Exhibitor class. Cricket has qualified for the Eukanuba Invitational in December 2008 and 2009. She's out of BISS Am/Can Ch Ghoststone's Boomtown, JH x Can Ch Mainland Singular Sensation. Cricket is owned and loved by Nancy Clark and Shelah Frey.

DJ, **Can Ch Ms T's Maximum Effort** (BISS Ch Ghoststone's Louie Downtown CD x Ch SR Ms T's Dusti Winds Over Char-Don CD RE), bred, co-owned and handled by Terry McFadden, earned his Rally Novice title at the CDOKC, Tucson, Ariz. on March 23. He also took WD for a four point major at the Colorado KC, Feb. 17. His littermate, **Ms T's Char-Don How Love Moves**, River, took WB/BOW/BOS for a four point major at S DFA, Feb. 29, and WB on March 3, for two points. Cash, **Ms T's Char-Don Ring of Fire** (Ch Chelons Firestorm x Dusti), took WD for a four

Kawai also handled her Golden Retriever Dawson to their sixth Novice Junior win at this show, which made them eligible to move up to Open in Canada. The pair showed at the Renaissance show in April making their Open debut and won first place. Her dad and I are extremely proud of the two of them and her dedication to training her dog. Now if I could just get her to show the Labradors in conformation on a full time basis. Submitted by Chantel Nahoopii and the Koa crew.



point major at S DFA also. Rock, **Char-Don's Ms T's Rockin'Tyme** (BISS Ch Belgairn Pictionary RN JH x CharDons A Piece of Tyme), bred and co-owned by Terry, took RWD from the 12-18 class at CDOKC show, handled by co-breeder/co-owner, Janet Schoonover, who also is the co-owner/co-breeder on DJ and River.

The Chocolate Rocket is now officially **Can/Int'l CH Daybreaks Chocolate Splash At Koa, CD, JH, WC, CGC**. Kainalu went Winners' Bitch, Best Opposite at the Oceanside Kennel Club show in March to finish her Canadian Championship. Bred by Debbie Needham, loved and spoiled by us!

Pictured above are three Nipntuck dogs who won all five of their classes at the Potomac. The first one is **Nipntuck Show Me the Magic**, 12-18 month yellow bitches and 12-15 month sweeps. **Nipntuck Boot Scootin'**, BBE black bitches and Best BBE overall (had to defeat WD to do so), and **Nipntuck Big Leaguer**, 12-18 month chocolate dogs and 15-18 month sweeps. Genie is owned by Linda Maffet and Buffy Gonzales.

## Secret Agent Pup



Low and behold, I have reached a milestone this past month.... March 3 was my second birthday! And I celebrated by going to visit

Doc Anderson. My mom and him have known each other for a long time (or at least I think so, because of how long they can sit and talk to each other) Anyways, I had to get some x rays done, which I thought was really weird because, I hadn't hurt myself and was feeling fine. I found out afterwards as we were leaving it was for my final OFA clearances. Not sure what those are, but I did find out that they came back Good hips and Normal elbows. Mom seemed pretty happy to say the least.

We've started something new around the house. We've started doing daily roadwork. It's Mom and Kawai on their bicycles and we're right along with them. It's actually a lot of fun. At first I didn't totally understand the whole "ride beside, not in front of" the bicycle, but it only took one time of my toe getting run over

for me to understand how this whole thing works. We're up to 2 1/2 miles a day, every day. It was hard to keep up with Mom on the bike at first, but three weeks in to it; boy do we all travel as a pack. The neighborhood dogs are finally starting to leave us alone as we trek down the road. Boy, am I glad that Mom loves us all enough to keep us safely in the yard with a fence. It's sad to see how many dogs are left loose to wander the roads by their loved ones. A dog could get hurt on the road. That's why we stay in our collars and with Mom and Kawai.

Goose and I attended a 5 series. Let me tell you how cool that was, because it involved birds!!! But it was a little more disciplined than our training sessions. (Note to self: Mom is much happier when I remember the rules that she's taken so much time to teach me!) Our first bird, a water mark, I had a beautiful water entry, although, I'm pretty sure that my return with the bird left a little to be desired, but I did come back! Goose ran with Kawai, too bad he's such a Mama's boy and kept looking for Mom. He did get his water mark, even after one heck of a detour he made it back with me to the second series. Um hello, we're retrieving and there are birds.... Stick to the fun. But he's a boy

and they take forever to learn! The second mark was the land series and we sat at the line and I waited as patiently as doggie possible until Mom said my name and off I went. It seemed like I ran for miles as fast as I could with still no bird in sight. But I did find the gun station with some friendly (or so I thought) people in there. They had birds, I asked them to share, but they just weren't willing, so back to hunting for my bird I went. I found it and back to mom I went. The third mark was a live shot flyer and there was no way I was waiting for Mom to tell me it was okay to go. Like lightning, straight to the bird and then I started back, and heard another gunshot, so I thought I'd head that way. (Goose and I had the same idea; unfortunately it was not a good idea!) We ended up scoring 39 out of 60, Goose got 43 out of 60, so we did not get called back, but it was a day like no other. I had so much fun and can't wait to do something like that again. I heard talk that there is a hunt test the first weekend of May. In fact, Mom is standing behind me right now waiting to get on the computer to enter the test, so got to sign off.

Back again next time for more adventures. Signing off for now  
Agent Nyah K9



## PSLRA UMBRELLAS

**Preorder your PSLRA club umbrella - burgundy or hunter green umbrella  
with silk-screened club logo in black:**

Select color: number of each color ordered:

Hunter green: \_\_\_\_\_ \$15.00 each

Burgundy: \_\_\_\_\_ \$15.00 each

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

Your email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please send me a check for the total amount payable to PSLRA:

Lucy Isaacson-Logen  
18941 Forest Park Dr. NE  
Lake Forest Park, Wa 98155

I should be ordering the umbrellas within the next month. If you have any questions please email me at: [himoonlab@msn.com](mailto:himoonlab@msn.com)

LIST OF LITTERS BORN OR EXPECTED AS OF 4/9/08 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 50<sup>th</sup> 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 Jessica if you need a Litter Listing form, to be used for ALL litters.**
  - All Breeders must update their litters each week with Jessica Meadows via email (labradays@aol.com) 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 **Jessica Meadows 17910 37<sup>th</sup> Dr NE, Arlington WA 98223**
  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 Jessica Meadows) to show your appreciation. These donations will all be used for Lab Rescue.

**LITTER NOTICE FORM (This information will also be available from Jessica Meadows)**

### Litter Born 2/29/08

(Available: 1YM)

Sire: Am/Can Ch Timberline Big Ben at Fawnhaven, SH RN  
PennHip 80<sup>th</sup> percentile, Elbows Normal (GDC), CERF 9/23/07, OFA Heart

Dam: Molly Dolly Golden Sunrise  
OFA 43G, OFEL 43, CERF 10/16/07

Litter: 7YM, 5YF

Contact: Diane Jasper (509) 674-0889 Day/(509) 674-8229 Cell  
Email: [jasperranch@cleelum.com](mailto:jasperranch@cleelum.com) Cle Elum, WA  
Website: [www.jasperranch.com](http://www.jasperranch.com)  
Listed: 2/19/08, 3/6/08

### Litter Born 3/10/08

(Available: 2BF, 2YF, 3YM)

Sire: Ch Blackthorn's Floats My Boat  
OFA 24G, OFEL 24, ACVO 1/17/07, OFA Heart, Optigen Normal/Clear

Dam: Can Ch Cedarwood's Nick of Luck  
OFA 27G, OFEL 27, ACVO 3/6/08, Optigen Normal/Clear

Litter: 2BF, 2YF, 3YM

Contact: Bill Hunstiger (360) 652-6076  
Email: [billlabs@hotmail.com](mailto:billlabs@hotmail.com) Stanwood, WA  
Listed: 4/4/08

### Litter Expected 5/10/08 (expecting black & yellow puppies)

Sire: Ch Lockbriar Journey O'Briargln, JH  
OFA 24E, OFEL 24, CERF 1/28/08, OFA Heart

Dam: Intl. Ch Riverdance Dorothy of Aldebaran, JH RN  
OFA 24E, OFEL 24, CERF 11/26/07, OFA Thyroid, OFA Patella

Contact: Debbie Milks (509) 529-7471  
Email: [rdmilks@charter.net](mailto:rdmilks@charter.net) (Walla Walla, WA)  
Listed: 4/9/08

### Litter Expected 5/15/08 (expecting black & yellow puppies)

Sire: BISS Ch. Sunset Lubberline Spinnaker  
OFA 24G, OFEL 24, ACVO 12/1/07, Optigen Normal/Clear, OFA Heart

Dam: Am/Can Ch Himoon Takes Twota Tango CD CGC  
OFA 24G, OFEL 24, CERF 12/20/07, OFA Heart, Optigen Normal/Clear

Contact: Cecilie Drege  
Email: [cougarcreeklabs@peoplepc.com](mailto:cougarcreeklabs@peoplepc.com) Arlington, WA  
Website: [www.cougarcreeklabs.com](http://www.cougarcreeklabs.com)  
Listed: 3/18/08

### 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 prospective 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 PSLRA. Price will vary.

### Chocolate female, 3 years (intact, must be spayed)

She has OFA hips, elbows, heart and CERF. She has some basic obedience, is crate trained and current on vaccinations.

Contact: Cecilie Drege  
Email: [cougarcreeklabs@peoplepc.com](mailto:cougarcreeklabs@peoplepc.com) Arlington, WA  
Website: [www.cougarcreeklabs.com](http://www.cougarcreeklabs.com)  
Listed: 3/9/08

### Yellow female, 1 year (intact, must be spayed)

Very pretty, athletic, healthy, active girl. Both parents have all clearances and are champions. She is sweet, but a bit timid. She would be best as an only dog.

Contact: Cecilie Drege  
Email: [cougarcreeklabs@peoplepc.com](mailto:cougarcreeklabs@peoplepc.com) Arlington, WA  
Website: [www.cougarcreeklabs.com](http://www.cougarcreeklabs.com)  
Listed: 3/18/08

### Black female, 6 months (intact)

Holly is a pretty, birdy, smart, active girl that would be a wonderful hunting, obedience, or agility prospect. No health issues and she is PRA normal by parentage. Holly's mother has excellent hips and clearances on elbows and patellas, thyroid, and was CERF'd on 11/26/07 (normal). Holly's sire has good hips and clearances on elbows and heart by a cardiologist. He too was CERF'd on 12/4/07 (normal). Holly is crate trained, vaccinated, and is ready to compete in rally as soon as she turns 6 months old.

Contact: Debbie Milks (509) 529-7471 (evenings)  
Email: [rdmilks@charter.net](mailto:rdmilks@charter.net) (Walla Walla, WA)  
Listed: 4/9/08

## How to Prepare Your Pets For a Disaster

Pets are well-loved parts of many families, and they need to be taken care of in disasters just like other family members. Here are some tips to help you prepare to take care of your pets in case of emergency.

Prepare a pet disaster kit. Store it with your family disaster supplies kit. Some things to include in a pet kit are:

- A sturdy carrier
- An up-to-date identification tag
- A leash
- Food and water for at least three days
- A bowl
- Plastic bags for potty clean up
- Medication
- Can opener
- Blankets
- A copy of your pet veterinary record\*
- A photo of your pet\*
- Phone numbers of emergency veterinary clinic and local animal shelter\*

\*A small binder or folder is a way to keep each animal's documents together

Prepare and keep with the disaster kit a pet first aid kit, including various sizes of bandages, tweezers, antibiotic ointment, Q-tips, elasticized tape, saline eye wash and ear cleaning solution.

Take your pets with you in cases of evacuation. Pets are usually not allowed in emergency shelters, so make arrangements to have someone take care of your pet if you must stay in a shelter. Or, leave food and water in a secure location and check on your pets daily if that is possible.

Bring outdoors pets inside until after all dangers have passed and the animals have calmed down.

Be patient with your pets after a disaster, because they can get stressed out just like humans do and will probably need time to decompress.

If you must evacuate, do not leave your animals behind. Evacuate them to a prearranged safe location if they cannot stay with you during the evacuation period. (Remember, pets are not allowed in American Red Cross shelters.) If there is a possibility that disaster may strike while you are out of the house, there are precautions you can take to increase your pets' chances of survival, but they are not a substitute for evacuating with your pets.

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