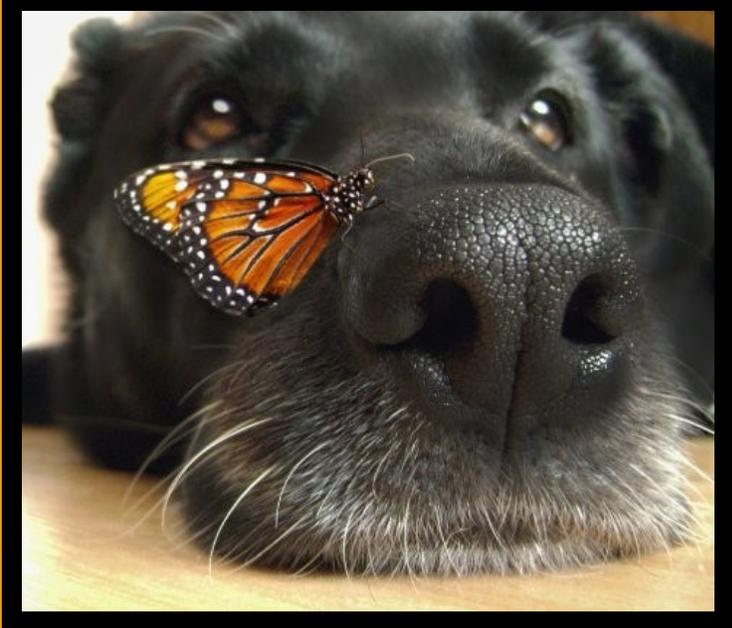


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I recently had the opportunity to try something I'd never done before—lure coursing! Having owned a Borzoi as a kid, I was aware of the sport and had even watched one when my mom found an event nearby. Our involvement in 4-H took us other directions and I never gave it another thought until I saw the premium for the UKC Premier. Listed among the all-breed show opportunities was coursing! As Brach and I have enjoyed FastCAT and Precision Coursing, it didn't seem all that much of a leap to try coursing, like the sighthounds do, out in a field equipped with a pully system to run a lure (plastic bags are so enticing!). The judge and support team were incredibly welcoming to newcomers and helped ensure our success. It was a blast! It allowed us all to blow off steam (read this as "allowed the pup to get good and tired!"), appreciate our dogs for being dogs, and add some letters of the alphabet to our dogs' names.

Why am I sharing this story with you? Because while we know they are a gun dog developed to aid hunters, Labs can COURSE. Labs can weight pull and do draft work. Labs can dock dive. They can do nose work and tracking, therapy, obedience, agility, barn hunt...you name it, there is nothing you can't do with your dog! Our brags this month and next prove this. Take a look at P!nk—she has brags in Barn Hunt and agility. Rumor is also featured donning some ribbons for her efforts in agility. Hermione added two new titles to her name—one in tracking and one in obedience!

So, step outside your comfort zone and try something new. Looking for opportunities? We have a hunt test and our specialty next month and an agility trial in November. You can learn a lot by volunteering. Who knows? You might find a new sport that both you and your dog will enjoy.

Kris

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2021 Calendar of Events

July 21	Board Meeting
August 6-8	Specialty
August 18	Board Meeting
August 28-29	Hunt Test Carnation, WA
September 15	Board Meeting
October 20	Board Meeting
November 5-7	Agility Trial Argus Ranch Black Diamond, WA
November 17	Board Meeting
December 15	Board Meeting
January 15	Rally Trial

NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

Please Submit Articles and Advertisements to:

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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:

Membership: membership@pslra.org

Secretary's Minutes—April

PSLRA Board of Directors Meeting April 28, 2021

6:30 PM via Zoom

Members present: Scott Dannaker, Becky Dannaker, Jim Olson, Cindy Olson, Katie Somers, Cheri Levine, Rob Parkins, Linda Maffett, Jill Mahoney, Brenda Hubbard, Angela Rogalla, Lisa McGlothen

Report of the President – Scott thanked Rob for stepping up to Secretary role. Membership will be notified by newsletter and FB membership page. AKC will need updated info.

Report of the Secretary – No report

Report of the Treasurer - Cindy Olson gave a report of financial totals. Posted recent financial report on April 20. Rob made motion made to approve tentative 2021 Specialty budget. Jim seconded. Motion unanimously approved.

Committees

1. **Membership** – (Jill Mahoney) No report
2. **Rescue** – (Brenda Hubbard) Edith did a nice story on adopted dog for newsletter and how pandemic has affected rescue.
3. **Field Training Day** – (Scott Dannaker) Chantel reached out about volunteering and looking at potential weekend. No one else has volunteered.
4. **Spring Hunt Test** (May 8 &9) – (Cindy Olson) One of largest hunt tests ever for club – almost 200 entries. Moving forward following Covid restrictions.
5. **Spring Agility** (June 25,26,27) – (Cheri Levine) Judges are in place, working on budget.
6. **Match** – Scott and Becky looking at mid to late June to host match at their house.
7. **Specialty** – (Angela Rogalla) Juniors and peewees are returning this year. Judges approved by the AKC. Stephanie Harris is updating premium with Baray as they come in. Friday night dinner will have gourmet food truck donated by Purely Northwest. BBQ on Saturday night. Box lunches will be available for pre-purchase and delivered to show grounds all three days.
8. **Fall Hunt test** – (Cindy Olson) Working on judges for August hunt test.
9. **WC** - needs a chair
10. **Health Clinic** – No update
11. **Fall Agility** – (Cheri Levine) possibly 2 days instead of 3.
12. **Supported Entries** – (Katie Somers) – Judges set for Wenatchee. Working on prizes.

Unfinished Business

1. **Challenge Trophies** - Committee consisting of Mary Jane Sarbaugh, Jill Mahoney and Becky Dannaker is in progress.

New Business

No bill received from Cheri Wildes for website updates.

Rob asked board members and committee members to get all event info wanted/needed for website calendar updates.

Angela Rogalla has requested more club equipment (ez ups, totes, etc). She will get with prices for budget approval. And possible tent rental for specialty.

Meeting adjourned at 7:29 PST

Secretary's Minutes—May

PSLRA Board of Directors Meeting May 19, 2021

6:30 PM via Zoom

Members present: Scott Dannaker, Becky Dannaker, Jim Olson, Cindy Olson, Cheri Levine, Rob Parkins, Jill Mahoney, Brenda Hubbard, Diane Sullenberger, Katie Somers, Angela Rogalla

Report of the President –

Report of the Secretary – No report

Report of the Treasurer - Cindy Olson gave a report of financial totals. Posted recent financial report on May 19.

Committees

1. **Membership –** (Jill Mahoney) No report
2. **Rescue –** (Brenda Hubbard) – No report
3. **Field Training Day –** (Scott Dannaker) Chantel reached out about volunteering and looking at date, potentially in June.
4. **Spring Hunt Test** (May 8 &9) – (Cindy Olson) – Net income \$, up due to shortage of birds – supplier informed club 2 days prior to event that they could not supply needed amount. HT Committee self-reported to AKC that test had used frozen birds for first few dogs. Letter of reprimand from AKC sent to PSLRA. Great turnout and participant response was positive.
5. **Spring Agility** (June 25,26,27) – (Cheri Levine) June 26 & 27. Everything going as planned. Old dog run going forward and proceeds donated to Old Dog Haven.
6. **Match –** Scott and Becky looking at Fall to host match at their house.
7. **Specialty –** (Angela Rogalla) Everything on track. Concerns over masks at show need to be discussed as we get closer to show time. Will update budget.
8. **Fall Hunt test –** (Cindy Olson) Working on judges for August hunt test.
9. **WC -** needs a chair
10. **Health Clinic –** Dr Kice recommended for health clinic. Lisa McGlothlin offered to help.
11. **Fall Agility –** (Cheri Levine) possibly 2 days instead of 3.
12. **Supported Entries –** (Katie Somers) – Wenatchee - Tamaria Hartman will be sweeps judge. Working on prizes.

New Business

Cindy Olson received letter from AKC on managing club finances. BOD needs to review for discussion at June meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:26 PST



Secretary's Minutes—June

PSLRA Board of Directors Meeting June 16, 2021

6:30 PM via Zoom

Members present: Scott Dannaker, Becky Dannaker, Jim Olson, Cindy Olson, Rob Parkins, Jill Mahoney, Lisa McGlothlin, Diane Sullenberger, Katie Somers, Linda Maffett, Marlys Swanson, Cheri Levine

Report of the President –

Report of the Secretary – Secretary has not received any communication from AKC

Report of the Treasurer - Cindy Olson gave a report of financial totals. Posted recent financial report on June 16.

Committees

1. **Membership** – (Jill Mahoney) New members reported by Jill.

Colin Ching and family, Monroe, WA. Sponsored by Jim Olson and Diana Clark

Tchesinkut Labrador Retrievers - Candice Little, Burns Lake BC. Sponsored by Jan Cameron and Lisa McGlothen

Cameo Labradors – Vicky & Kirby Hoskinson, Marysville, WA. Sponsored by Marcy Johnson and Shelah Frey/Ricco

2. **Rescue** – (Brenda Hubbard) – Submitted to Kristen and will be in next newsletter

3. **Field Training Day** – (Scott Dannaker) No one interested in coordinating.

4. **Spring Agility** (June 25,26,27) – (Cheri Levine) – Going well, on track.

6. **Match** – Scott and Becky looking at Fall to host match at their house.

7. **Specialty** – (Angela Rogalla) Everything on track.

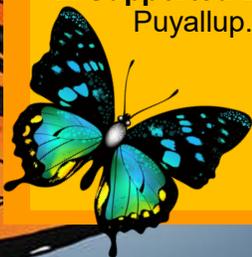
8. **Fall Hunt test** – (Cindy Olson) Judges and accommodations all set. Everything on schedule. Difficulty finding birds for test

9. **WC** - needs a chair

10. **Health Clinic** – Dr Kice – September 26, 2021

11. **Fall Agility** – (Cheri Levine) will be 2 days instead of 3. PSLRA will match the funds donated to old dog haven at our spring agility trial

12. **Supported Entries** – (Katie Somers) Wenatchee - Working on prizes. (Jill Mahoney) Puyallup. January 15, 2022. Sheila Ricco will be judge



Secretary's Minutes—June



June Minutes—Continued

New Business

- Hunting Dog/Training First Aid Seminar. Colin Ching and Dr. Anders Thoreson DVM of Klahaya Animal Hospital in Snohomish has agreed to be the primary speaker for Seminar. Proceeds to this event benefit the AKC Tri-Club, with the funds being used to update, replace, repair or purchase equipment. The event would be held at Green-Leitch's Training Grounds, Sept., 18th or 19th. Board agreed to support and help promote event.
- New coordinator for Litter Listing -Rebecca Bloom will no longer be doing this. Lisa McGlothlin will be taking over the volunteer position. Will send out email reinforcing litter listing policy due to abuses.
- AKC Managing Club Financials – Cindy (see letter posted on PSLRA BOD FB page from May 19). Club will look in to insurance.
- Open B of A savings account – discussion and vote at July meeting.
- Marlys asked for refunds of class sponsorships for 2020 obedience at Specialty that was cancelled. Board agreed to refunds.

Meeting adjourned at 8:57 PST



Member Welcome



New Members



Colin Ching and family

Monroe, WA

Sponsored by Jim Olson and Diana Clark

Tchesinkut Labrador Retrievers

Candice Little

Burns Lake BC.

Sponsored by Jan Cameron and Lisa McGlothen

Renewing Members

Cameo Labradors

Vicky & Kirby Hoskinson

Marysville, WA

Sponsored by Marcy Johnson and Shelah Frey/Ricco

We NEED You!

PSLRA WORKING CERTIFICATE CHAIRPERSON

[DOWNLOAD THE WC RULES FROM THE LRC WEBSITE](#)

1. **Select Date**

Date is dependent on conflicts with PSLRA events and grounds availability (suggest May - October)

2. **Select Location**

Jerry Leitch property; Monroe, WA - Jerry does not charge for property use but availability is limited contact: 206-999-7017

Cherry Valley Wildlife Area - available from April through Sept. 1; requires use permit

Contact WDFW in Mill Creek 425-775-1311 Cost \$50 - parking permit required

Snoqualmie Valley Retriever Grounds - may not need to reserve - \$15/dog for each entrant

Scattercreek Wildlife Area - possible if water is available- Contact WDFW in Ridgefield 360-696-6211 for test in Central WA location

3. **Present budget to PSLRA board:**

Income: expected number of entrants x registration fee (determined by bird cost and grounds cost)

Expenses:

Cost of grounds

Cost of Sani-can

Cost of popper shells and live ammo

Cost of birds

Judges gift

Possible gift to property owner

Printing and paper

Cost of moving trailer if needed

Hospitality (optional)

4. **Birds:** Contact club field chair for advice in obtaining pigeons. Field chair contact information is available in the newsletter and on the web page. Possible source of information: Pat Murphy 206-660-6890. Ducks or chukars can be ordered from Wendy Henslinger of Westwind Farms 509-322-1917. Ducks are approx. \$15/each

5. **Judges:** Arrange for two judges (at least one AKC approved)- make judges books (sample in folder) Check with the club field chair for advice if needed or refer to the AKC website under Events, retriever judges directory for local judges.

6. Put flyer together (sample flyer in folder)

7. Arrange for 2-3 gunners - contact field chair for information

8. When taking registrations send the checks to the club treasurer. Be sure to keep a record of the check numbers and amounts as back up.

9. Obtain an insurance certificate from Jan Skewes - this should be done as soon as date and location are scheduled.

10. Make a running order (acts as a catalog)

11. Make certificates (sample in folder)

12. Workers needed: gunners, marshals, 2-4 pop and throw workers,

13. Arrange for club trailer to be delivered

14. On site you will need garbage bags, holding blinds in the trailer, bird rack, club sign, LRC certificate information

15. Keep track of club workers and send to membership chair

16. Submit your expenses to the treasurer

17. Write up for the newsletter - be sure to take pictures

THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

Huge thanks to everyone who volunteered and helped us get through *our first hunt test for over a year.* It was really nice to see familiar and new faces. We really appreciated the hard work from all, over the weekend, made it through despite some bumps from not having a test for a while. Thank you to all the PSLRA members who came out, it was really heartwarming to see the response and get the help when we needed it!

– Liz Gibson

Sidney Ocheltree

Kari Audette

Bonnie Ebenal

Jean Fowler

Cindy Olson

Jim Olson

Dianne Clark

Randy Clark

Robin Corley

Scott Corley

Sharon Collins

Cheri Levine

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Rhonda Forman

Liz Skyllingstad

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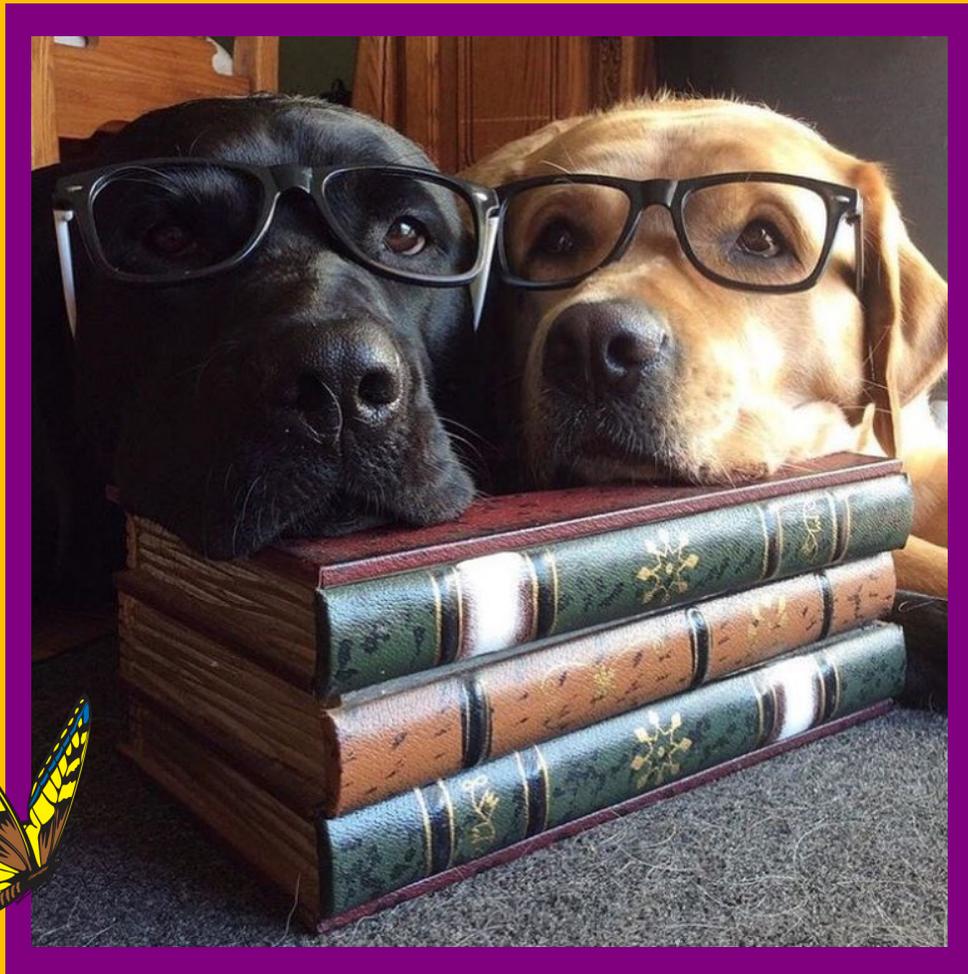
Doug Gallucci

Patti Gallucci

Hopefully we did not forget anyone!

THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

*Thank you Rob Parkins
for assuming the role of
PSLRA Secretary*



Bragg



Int'l CH Country Classic Get This Party Started
BN RN MXP₂ MXPB MJP₃ MJPB XFP RATM CZ8B
CGC TKN WC CC



"P!nk"

P!nk is back to playing in Barn Hunt. We entered our first trial in over 5 months and she gained two more qualifies for her RATCH title....one with a 2nd place. She loves hunting for those ratties. At the Bell Vernon Agility trial she placed 3rd and 4th in her Preferred Jumpers runs. She is running happy and fast and I couldn't be more proud of my yeller dog

Proudly owned by Denise Beaumont

Braggs

International CH Country Classic's Rumor Has It
CD PCDX BN RA NA OAP OJP NF XFP CC WC



Rumor

Rumor earned a 1st place in Excellent Jumpers Preferred at the Bell Vernon agility trial in April. She just needs one more qualify for her Title. She also had a qualify, at the same trial, in Time 2 Beat Preferred. Good job Team Rumor!

Proudly owned by Denise Beaumont

Bragg

Intl CH Windy Canyon Hermione of Blewett
CDX, RI, TDX, ACT 2, TKI, NJP, NAP



New Titles!

Intl CH Windy Canyon Hermione of Blewett CD, RI, TD, ACT 2, TKI, NJP, NAP earned her TDX at the Wenatchee Kennel Club Tracking test March 21, 2020. It was her first TDX trial, she was confident and successful! Our judges were Suzanne Schwab and Teresa Kennan.

Then, she earned her CDX at the Spokane Kennel Club show the last weekend in May. She completed her 3 passes, in 3 shows, earning two 2nd places and a 1st place!

Trained, Shown and Owned by Maggy Susman



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