

The Retriever Believer



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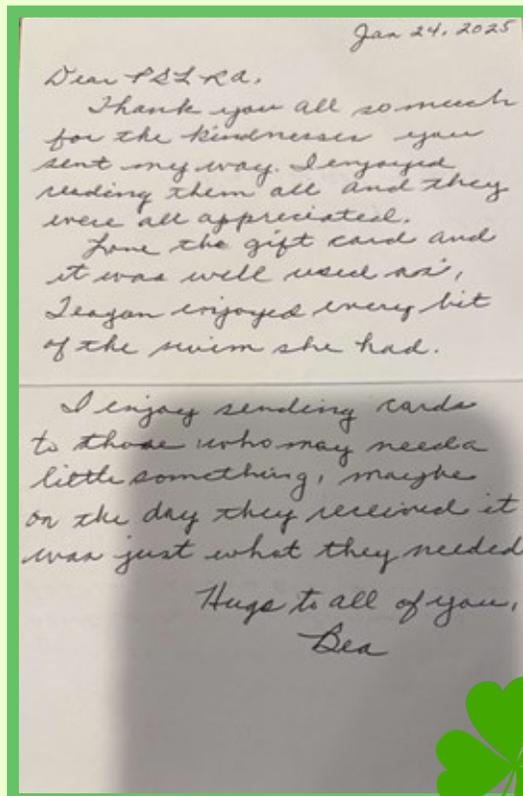
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Hello Members,

This month's featured photo is a recent note to the club, read at the February board meeting, from fellow member and official sunshine bringer Bea Ferguson. If anyone knows of a club member that needs a little cheer, let Bea know!

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Hear Ye, Hear Ye!

*March Membership Meeting
&
Planning of 2025 Events*

March 22nd 1:30 pm

*Yacht Club Broiler
Silverdale, WA*

*Will also be Zoom if reception is good.
Contact a board member for Zoom login.*

Working Certificate Reminder!

PSLRA Working Certificate (WC)
Date: April 26, 2025

Place: Eatonville, Washington.

Pre-Entry Only.
Entry closes April 19, 2025
Limited to 30 dogs.

Event Chair: Cindy Meyer

Any Questions?
Please email rockingmlabs@gmail.com

For event information see the PSLRA website's Events page.



FEBRUARY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

PSLRA Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday Feb 19, 2025

Start time: 6:34 p.m.

ZOOM

Board members & officers present: Becky Dannaker, May Jane Sarbaugh, Stephanie Harris, Rob Parkins, Marcy Johnson, Denise Harland, Brenda Hubbard, Kimberly Dotson, Jill Mahoney, Jessica Baker, Diane Sullenberger, Marlys Swanson, Katie Somers.

Board members absent: Linda Maffett, Scott Dannaker, Lisa McGlothlen.

Officers Reports:

- President – Becky Dannaker. Welcome everyone and honored to be president!
- Vice President – Stephanie Harris. Nothing at this time.
- Secretary – MJ Sarbaugh. Shared thank you card from Bea Ferguson. Sent thank you to Kelli Robson, of Royal Canin, who spoke at our banquet.
- Treasurer – Cindy Olson. Financials are always available for anyone who requests.

Acknowledgements:

- Christmas Party— Denise Hetland! It was so much fun.
- Banquet— Jen Hajny, MJ Sarbaugh, Turena Koontz.
- Membership— Jill Mahoney... Thank you! It's a big job getting everyone signed up and on the roster!!
- Sportsman Show— Tamaria Hartman, Marlys Swanson, Cindy & Bryant Meyer. Brenda Hubbard who was present for one shift said that it really was a good experience and a worthwhile endeavor for public outreach.

Committee Reports:

- **Supported Entries—**
 - * Puyallup (January 11)— Jessica Baker: Suggested we drop this show as a supported entry. The show giving club is not easy to work with and as a result this year was not supported because of that.
 - * Peninsula - Marcy: Ready to go. A big thanks to Denise for putting prizes together!
 - * Lynden - Marlys: Paperwork has been submitted. Waiting to hear back.
- **Membership—** Jill: Dues are coming in, roster will be up to date very soon!!! Reminded us all to get our dues in if we have not. No new members to read in.
- **2025 Specialties—**
 - * Summer— Stephanie/Katie: Plans are moving along. We still need judges liaison (can be more than one) will be much easier now that we are closer to the airport. Still need someone to organize the lunches - good directions will be given. Also not too late to add Obedience and/or Rally. Just need a chair. Exploring new ribbon ideas. Working on Premium list. Dedicating this to Don Ironside's Memory.

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FEBRUARY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

- * November 2024 Specialty— Jessica Baker/Kerry Edinger: Discussed judges and will ask judge committee to look at their list to make recommendations. Our specialty will be with sweeps on Thursday. After discussion it was moved, seconded, and passed unanimously that we will support the Friday and Saturday Labrador regular classes at the all-breed shows during the fall Monroe weekend. No sweeps on those days. This supported entry will take the place of the previous supported entry at Puyallup Saturday Show.
- Annual Banquet— Wrap up. Need new chair. Discussion regarding moving the banquet now to the Fall Specialty weekend. Would need a change of by-laws. Annual voting would also need by-laws changed.
- WC— April 26. Cindy & Bryant Meyer and Tamaria are chairs. More info to come.
- Spring HT— Chantel Secretary. Liz Gibson - chair. Dedicating this HT to Don Ironside's Memory.
- Agility— Cheri Levine. Paperwork submitted.
- Health Clinic— Marlys & Denise. Same location as last year. 4th Sunday in September. Dr Woodfield is confirmed. Marlys will contact Dr. Kice to confirm as well.

Old Business:

- Jill— Still working on possibility of VENMO. Tabled.
- 2025 B-Match. Stephanie looking into new location and dates! Waiting to hear back from chair Lisa.
- Sunshine protocol— Bea, who is Awesome, sends the most beautiful and thoughtful cards. Please let her know if you know any club members that need a little TLC.
- Kimberly— Suggested we put info to become a foster home for rescue in newsletter and on web page. Brenda agreed to work with Edith on getting this information on the web page and in the newsletter.

New Business:

- New Ideas for membership engagement. Any ideas from the membership are welcome!!!! Contact a board member! Volunteer to head something up! Puppy party? Training day?
- Don Ironside— Dedicate June specialty and HT. Agreed.
- Planning Meeting in March. Marcy will check with the restaurant for after Saturday judging. Will also Zoom for those who can't make it.

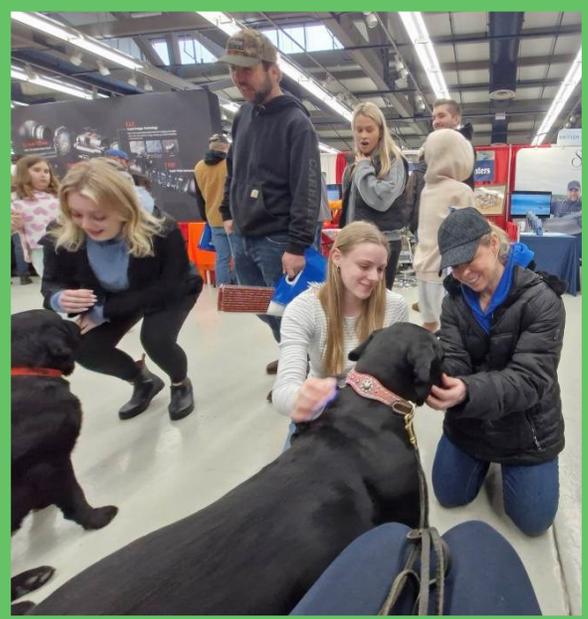
Online Business/Discussion:

- AKC changed rules for sweepstakes judges, effective January 2025. Can now exhibit in same day regular classes, but it is up to the show giving club. Also eligibility requirements to hold shows was modified. Also premium lists and judging programs to include Darkness to Light Abuse information.
- Budget for Sportsman show approved. \$150.
- Bea's thank you card.

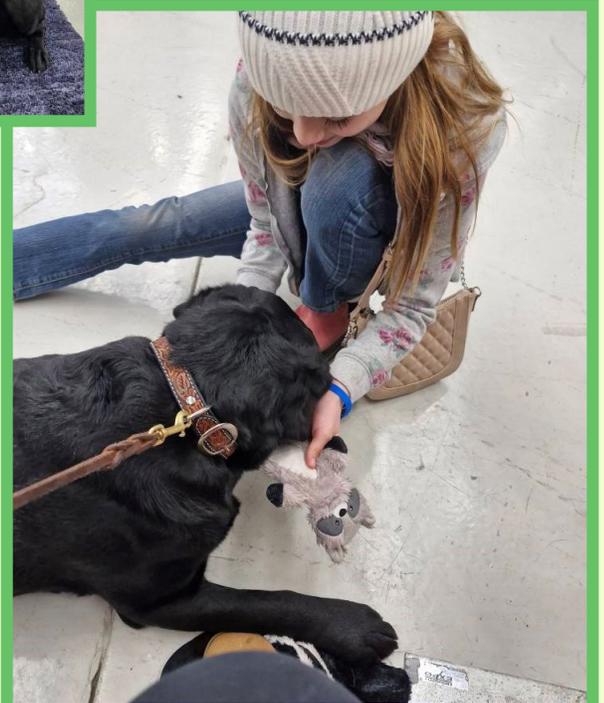
Adjourned 8:01 p.m. Next meeting will be March 22nd.

2025 SPORTSMAN'S SHOW PHOTOS

PSLRA
thanks
all the
members
who
joined
in.



And
particularly:
Tamaria
Hartman,
Marlys
Swanson,
and
Cindy &
Bryant
Meyer.



MORE SPORTSMAN'S SHOW PHOTOS



CHECK YOUR MICROCHIP REGISTRY!

URGENT!!! NOTICE FOR

PETS WITH MICROCHIPS!!!

The microchip company Save This Life Microchips, which animal control agencies and hundreds of other hospitals have used for 13 years, has suddenly and without notice shut down. The URGENT issue for you as a pet owner is that they have unlinked their database from the national registries. **Currently - if your pet were to become lost, there is NO WAY for ANY shelter or vet hospital to find your information. You MUST register your pet's microchip with a new company.**

Microchip registration options!



PetLink/ DataMars

www.petlink.net
\$29.99 registration
PROMO \$9.99 with
code: VEDCO



HomeAgain

<https://www.homeagain.com/>
\$19.99 registration



AKC Reunite

<https://www.akcreunite.org>
\$22.95 registration

Infographic courtesy of Idaho Veterinary Hospital.

CLUB INFO & 2025 CALENDAR

About Membership:

Membership in PSLRA is open to anyone interested in Labrador Retrievers. Annual dues are \$20 for individuals, \$25 for families. Junior memberships are \$10. Please note that new members require the signature of two sponsors on the application form.

About the Newsletter:

The Retriever Believer is published monthly by the Puget Sound Labrador Retriever Association.

Contributions in the form of articles, letters or photos are always welcome.

It is our goal to provide an open forum where members can present their views to the club. The editor and the board of directors reserve the right to decline publication of advertising and other material submitted for publication.

Submissions are due by the 20th of each month by email. Please put "newsletter" in the subject line and send to newsletter@pslra.org

March 19

Board Meeting 6:30pm

Location: Teleconference

March 22

Member Meeting 1:30pm

**Location: Yacht Club Broiler
Silverdale, WA**

April 16

Board Meeting 6:30pm

Location: Teleconference

April 26

Working Certificate 10:00am

Event Chair: Cindy Meyer & Tamaria Hartmann

Location: Rocking M Boarding Kennels

May 3-4

PSLRA AKC Spring Hunt Test 8:00AM

Event Chair: CHAIRPERSON NEEDED

Location: Snoqualmie Retriever Training Grounds

May 15

Deadline: Junior Scholarship Application

Chair: Marcy Johnson & Mary Jane Sarbaugh

August 15

Deadline: All-Around and Versatility Dog Award Applications

Chair: Mary Jane Sarbaugh

August 23-24

PSLRA AKC Fall Hunt Test 8:00AM

Chair: CHAIRPERSON NEEDED

Location: Snoqualmie Retriever Training Grounds



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Obedience Chairperson for the 2025 Specialty in June.
Rally Chairperson for the 2025 Specialty in June.

Marlys Swanson or Chantel Nahoopii can give you all the instruction and guidance you'd need to step into these roles. Without chairpersons there will be no obedience or rally trials!

PSLRA Field Committee Chair (FCC)

This is an ongoing position. Please Contact Cindy or Jim Olson for more info and a summary of duties. Without a FCC there will be no Hunt Tests!

Hunt Test Crew:

Hunt Test Chair

Hunt Test Secretary

Head Marshall

Gun Captain

Stake Marshall

Stake Chair

Bird Steward

The club has one hunt test in the Spring and one in the Fall.
There are job descriptions for each of these positions.

Please contact Cindy or Jim Olson at cindyto@q.com for more info.
They will be more than happy to mentor you for success!

LABRA-BRAG!

NEW TITLE Preferred Agility Champion **NEW TITLE**

WindyCanyon's TNT Tornado

MXP₅ MXPS MJP₅ MJPS PAX MFP CGC CC



So proud of Nitro! We love you.

~ Mom and Dad Levine.

*Congratulations to Nitro,
Owner-Trainers Cheri and Mark Levine,
and Nitro's Breeder Anne Swindeman!*

Available Dogs

As of March 4th, 2025...

Five month old yellow female.

Name: Reba

Spay/Neuter Status: Intact. Sold with spay contract.

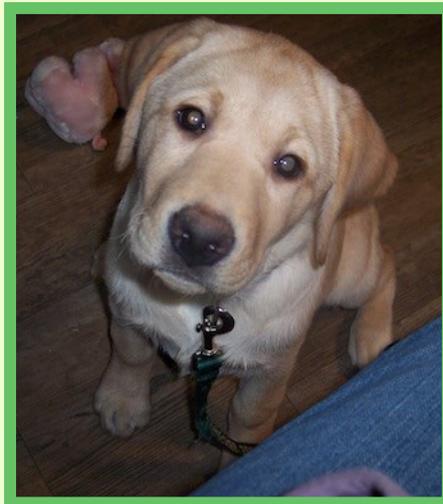
Health Information: Reba is a healthy happy puppy. She has no known health problems. She is up to date on vaccinations.

General Information: Reba is a 5-month-old Champion sired puppy, whose parents both have their health clearances and lovely temperaments! Reba is leash trained, and walks very nicely on lead, sitting automatically when you stop (or if asked), she has obedience, crate and housetraining started. She will make a wonderful companion, great temperament!

Contact: Cecilie Drege

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Date Listed: 03/04/25



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