



RETRIEVER REVIEW

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General Meetings

No December General Meeting

Next Meeting In January @
Betty Barkley's ~ read more inside!

~ Club Officers ~

President: Barb Gilchrist
Vice President: Judy Chambers
Secretary: Deb Neal
Treasurer: Greg Huntzinger

Board Members

Ellen Sparks
Cindy Freeman
Nikki Berthold-Illias
Dan Neal

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Kathy Fagundes—2009 Specialty
Nikki Berthold-Illias -
2009 Hunt Test

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President's Message



Brrr!

Winter is technically not here yet but it sure feels like it! Our Club is quickly approaching the January General Membership meeting which is held the Saturday night of the Rose City Cluster All Breed Shows at the Expo Center in North Portland. We always have a great turnout at this meeting where the Voting of new Officers & Board, Food, and Christmas Gift Exchange happen. This year we have accepted Betty Barkley's generous offer to host this meeting at her home on Sauvie Island. Betty will provide directions to her home in the December newsletter and there will be a food list for what each of us should bring for the Pot Luck so please watch for this information in next month's newsletter.

Your President ~ Barb Gilchrist



October Meeting Minutes

RCLRC Minutes, October 23rd, 2009

Roll call: Barb Gilchrist, Julie Galbrath, Marilyn Parker, Jeff Kennedy, Joanne Huntley, Nikki Illias, Judy Chambers

Minutes from last meeting - approved

Report of President - Barb Gilchrist

Report of the Treasurer - None

Reports of Committees -

Nominating Committee:
President—Barb Gilchrist
Vice Pres.—Judy Chambers
Secretary—Kathy Fagundes
Treasurer—Greg Huntzinger

Board Positions -
#1—Julie Galbraith
#2—Dave Illias

Specialty - Report by Julie Galbrath, discussion occurred about entry fees for the 2010 specialty the decision was made to increase the entry fee's minimally to keep in line with the charges at other shows and increasing costs. Judges are confirmed, paperwork in process with AKC. Julie Continues to look for more Volunteers....obedience chair.

Hunt Test - Nick reported that all is going well for 2010 and the West coast is the site for the HRT National.

B-Match/WC - no reports

New members - none

Unfinished Business - none

New Business - Marilyn Parker noted that some other Labrador Clubs waive annual dues once you

have been a member of the club for 20 years. Because we are such a small club and our dues are so low as they are, it was decided that the RCLRC is unable to offer this financially.

Annual meeting - The Huntzingers again offered their house for the annual meeting.

Adjourned

Submitted by Judy Chambers in the Secretary's absence.

Brag & Litter Announcements

CH Breton Gate Phoenix JH x Rockinoak Reganbogan. 3BM 3BF 1CF whelped November 9th. These should be wonderful calm pups with dynamic personalities.

Please call Susie Morrill 541-686-1240

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Hyspire Texas Hold 'Em x Riverlane's Sparrow of Laurglen

7 Black bitches ~ 3 Black males

Whelped September 19, 2009

Contact: Julie Galbraith

503-689-4433

[galshire@gmail.com](mailto:galshire@gmail.com)

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New Litter @ JonValer! 2 yellow boys & 1 yellow girl—Mom is BOSS Am/Can Ch. Ducktales And On And On X Dad is MBPISS, Multi Jam, Multi Best Vet Ch. Winterwynd's Rough Waters. Whelped 11/19/2009

And another litter expected 12/27/2009...

Sire—Ch. Buttonwood Stone Cliff True Grit X

Dam—Ch. Locust Grove's Faith Is Believing.

Blacks & yellow expected and we are hoping for more than 3 too!!!!

Valerie Jones—208-678-1624 or
jonvaler@sd151.k12.id.us

More Brags & Litters!!!

Due October 16, 2009

Blacks and Yellows

Sire: BISS Ch HySpire Darktown Bandit CD JH

Dam: Ghoststone Timeless Moment

Contact: Jeff Jennings

Whispering Hills Kennels

503-873-8243

Email: info@wh-kennels.com

Web: www.wh-kennels.com

Born 10-2-09

CHOCOLATE litter

Sire: Champion Thornwood's The Achiever

OFA hips LR-107026G24M-T OFA elbows LR-

EL11008M24-T CERF LR-22860 yearly

Dam: Thornwood's Anticipation (Ch Thornwood's Resolution daughter)

OFA hips LR-171497G24F-PI, OFA elbows LR-EL37254F24-PI, CERF LR-45719 yearly

Contact: Cheri Conway

(541)723-2467

Email: forlabs@centurytel.net

Born 9-30-09

Blacks and Yellows

Sire: Thornwood's Above and Beyond (pointed son, Ch Lenches Teddy Bear)

OFA hips LR-170289G24M-PI, OFA elbows LR-EL36560M24-PI, CERF yearly LR-45716, Optigen A

Dam: Thornwood's Eclipse (Clark daughter)

OFA hips LR-161963E24F-PI, OFA elbows LR-EL31996F24-PI, CERF LR-42628 yearly

Contact: Cheri Conway

(541)723-2467

Email: forlabs@centurytel.net

Born Sept 19:

3 Black Males / 7 Black Females

Sire: HySpire Texas Hold 'Em X Riverlane's Sparrow of Laurglen

OFA Prelims Hips Good / Elbows Prelims Normal, Cardiac Cleared by Echo Cardiogram, CERF Normal

Dam: OFA Hips Excellent, OFA Elbows Nor-

mal, Optigen Clear, CERF Normal

Contact Julie Galbraith

Galshire Labrador Retrievers

503-689-4433

Email: galshire@gmail.com

Born May 31, 2009

1 black female, 1 black male

Sire: BISS Am Ch Beechcroft's Study In Black

Dam: Devonshires Tickateebo

Both parents have hips of a good, elbows normal, eyes clear, heart clear.

Contact Debbie Mueller at 503-829-8009

E-mail: xandau@molalla.net

Born October 24th 2009

4 black females, 2 black males

Sire: Bailey Lane's You Can Call Me Toby

(champion pointed out of Ch Ghoststone's Louie Downtown)

OFA excellent and normal elbows)

Dam: Blythmoor's Star Power

(OFA good/normal).

Contact Tanja Rutherford at 541-998-5296

E-mail: jtrus2@msn.com

Website: www.baileylanelabradors.zoomshare.com

Available:

A very sweet chocolate female, 6 months old. Born 10/14/08. She is crate trained, knows basic obedience and always does what is asked of her. She loves kids and other animals and loves to play. She is more than willing to be your best friend and constant companion.

Sire: BISS CH Cressmoor's Iron Oxen

Dam: Eola Hills Delta's Dusty Dawn WC

Breeder/Contact: Jeff Kennedy cell: 503-871-0052.

Also available:

5 year old black female, house, crate and leash trained. Wonderful temperament.

Contact: Debbie Mueller at 503-710-7512

Email: xandau@molalla.net



2009 Annual Awards

We will be giving out the Annual Awards at our meeting in January, 2010. If your dog has earned an AKC title in the field, obedience or conformation ring during the period of November 2008 through November 2009 and you are an R.C.L.R.C. member of good standing, you are eligible for this award.

If you have bred the dog, you will receive a "Breeder Award". The owner of the dog shall receive an individual award.

Your dog must have finished an American or Canadian Championship, obedience title, hunting title or working certificate to qualify. Dockdog, Flyball and UKC titles are also included!

Dogs that have finished their championship and earned a title in two different performance disciplines are eligible for the "All Around" Labrador award.

Dogs are also eligible for the "Versatility" Award or "Certificate of Achievement" Award.

"Versatility" Award a dog must earn a working title in two different areas from the following:

- A) Obedience – OTCH, UDX, UD, CDX, or CD
- B) Hunting – FC, AFC, MH, SH or JH
- C) Tracking – VST, TDX or TD
- D) Agility – MAX, MAD, OAD OR NAD
- E) Rally – RN, RA, RE, RAE
- F) Dock Dogs NJ, JJ, SJ, MJ, EJ

And in addition one certificate from the following: CGC, TDI, Delta Society, WC, WCX or TT.

Certificate of Achievement Award a dog must finish any one working title and one certificate from the above listings.

DOG'S FULL NAME: _____

OWNER(S) NAME: _____

ADDRESS _____

E-MAIL _____ PHONE _____

BREEDER _____

Award or Certificate applied for

Date title or certificate was received

Please send all nominations to:

Cynthia Freeman
7704 Creekside LN SW
Rochester, WA 98579
Email: ORLabs@yahoo.com

*****NOTE—ALL ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY DECEMBER 1, 2009
YOU MUST SEND A COPY OF YOUR PROOF OF ACHIEVEMENT**

NEW CHAMPION in the house!!!!

Am/Can CH Mulbury's Logan went Winner's Dog at GGLRC on 10/17 under judge Arwyn Ellis of Dolwen for a 4pt major to finish his Championship. Bred & Owned by Shirley Trotter. Co-Owner: Janet Bennett, Co-Breeder: Trudy Rose.

CONGRATS SHIRLEY!

~~~~~ Palliative and Hospice Care Come of Age

By Alice Villalobos, DVM

Palliative care and pet hospice are emerging as viable professional options that every practitioner can and should offer the owners of terminally ill pets.

Veterinary practices will encounter more issues with terminal diseases, especially cancer, because pets are living longer as family members in very caring homes. High-tech facilities can maintain seriously injured or ill animals for long periods.

Modern technology forces pet owners into the dilemma of pulling the plug or enduring costly and potentially futile life support. Instead of offering only this either/or model, veterinarians should give clients the option to take terminal pets home on palliative care to die in the comfort and support of the hospice setting, or as I refer to it, Pawspice.

Minimalist Medicine

Patriarchal veterinarians relate to their clients authoritatively. They generally tell pet owners what to think and what to do rather than help them decide. They direct, persuade or control clients to elect either aggressive care or euthanasia.

This dictatorial approach sends the message, "I am practicing 'My way or the highway' medicine." Many pet owners flee this style of practice, which patriarchal veterinarians might claim is down to earth and practical.

On the other hand, some practices are so busy that staff members are indifferent, overwhelmed, rushed or biased against treating terminally ill pets. These practices may offer only narrow op-

tions, such as a costly referral far from home or a "wait and do nothing" without much follow-up. If clients do not see a specialist, they may be told what to do with suggestions such as "You should let nature take its course" or "You need to put him out of his misery."

Progressive doctors term this approach "minimalist medicine." Minimalist doctors might be surprised or offended when their client consults the Internet, a veterinarian down the street or a specialist for a second opinion. Many owners investigate alternative and complementary medicine for more appealing options.

When pet owners discover palliative and Pawspice services, they are relieved because many want to care for their terminal pets comfortably at home. They want to pay for pain relief and sophisticated, supportive, compassionate medical care.

Educate and Validate

We must educate our clients that natural death may be difficult and unkind for the animal and that many pets need assistance that should not be denied. Many clients want to have home euthanasia for their pets while the majority feels comfortable bringing their pets to the familiar veterinary clinic for that final visit.

Unfortunately, one in three owners who euthanizes her beloved pet has lasting anguish over the decision. Asked about that anguish, clients often say they euthanized their pet too soon or too late! Why is this so? Is it a failure of communication? Is it part of the minimalist approach mentioned above?

The most important role for the attending doctor and staff at this touchy time is to validate the human-animal bond and validate the client's decision. Be sure to say something like, "We know how much you love Bullet and we respect the bond that you share. We know this decision is very difficult for you. But you are Bullet's protector and by giving him the gift of a 'well death' (the definition of euthanasia) you are helping him pass over the rainbow bridge where there is no illness and no suffering. It's kind and it's right thing to do."

When to Move Forward

Palliative and Pawspice care are emerging as the most viable options to help owners proudly avoid the heartache of overtreatment and overspending for

terminal pets. If reluctance, disagreement or high costs create distress in the decision-making process, the attending doctor must reach out with options such as third-party payment, palliative care and Pawspice.

A smooth transition to palliative and Pawspice care can be initiated once the doctor, specialty team, staff and family gain consensus with their decision to discontinue definitive care. When quality of life, palliative care and pet hospice are presented as viable options— with a positive professional attitude—clients will be grateful.

There is no perfect choice, but the course taken should feel reasonably acceptable. The family may benefit from knowing they may feel a sense of relief once they have made their decision and that relief is a natural part of grief.

Alice Villalobos, DVM, is a member of the American Assn. of Human-Animal Bond Veterinarians and is on the editorial review board of the Society for Veterinary Medical Ethics.

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## Just when you thought you had heard everything about the SWINE FLU!!!!!!

### **Oregon Cat with H1N1 Dies**

Posted: Thursday, Nov. 19, 2009, 5:46 p.m., EST

The Oregon State Public Health Veterinarian confirmed Nov. 18 that a cat in Oregon has died from presumed 2009 H1N1 influenza virus infection. It's believed that this is the first feline H1N1 fatality and the third case of a cat with the virus, according to the Oregon Veterinary Medical Association. The other two cats from Iowa and Utah have recovered.

The deceased 10-year-old male cat lived with three other cats that also became ill with different degrees of sneezing and coughing. None of them had an elevated temperature. Nasal swab samples were collected and yielded no other positive results for H1N1, according to the OVMA

In these cases, it is believed that the cats

caught the virus from humans in their households who were sick with influenza-like symptoms.

However, Emilio DeBess, DVM, Oregon State Public Health Veterinarian, cautions veterinarians and pet owners that it may be possible for cats to transmit the virus to humans. Coughing and sneezing can spread the virus which can remain infectious for about a week outside the body, he said. The OVMA encourages people to thoroughly wash their hands when handling sick pets or when they are sick.

Still, the OVMA said that cat owners should not panic as the number of confirmed cases of H1N1 infection in cats is quite small compared to the U.S. cat population.

Cat owners should watch their pet for symptoms and seek veterinary care if the cat shows signs of respiratory illness. Symptoms include coughing, sneezing, lethargy or conjunctivitis.

The 2009 H1N1 influenza virus has also been detected in ferrets, pigs, birds and humans.

The American Veterinary Medical Association urges pet owners to monitor their pets' health very closely, no matter what type of animal, and visit a veterinarian if there are any signs of illness.

The AVMA is tracking all instances of H1N1 in animals and posting updates on its [website](#).

The OVMA is also posting [updated information on H1N1](#) as it becomes available.

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More Brags !!!!!

Blu Top Ma Chere Amie went WB and BOS at the Whidbey Island Kennel Club, November 14th for 2 pts. She is owned by Jill Mahoney, MJ Sarbaugh, and Jennifer Hajny.

Also: Wyntercreek Party of One won Best Bred by in breed and Bred by Sporting Group 2 at the Whidbey Kennel Club, November 14th. He is bred and owned by MJ Sarbaugh.

CONGRATS LADIES - WTG!!!!