



Retriever Reflections

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EDITOR'S MESSAGE

Here we are in the "dog days of summer" hope that you have found at least one safe place to allow your Labrador buddies to take a dip. One that is free of the hazards of toxic algae blooms, pollution, submerged hazards, undertow, treacherous currents, etc. For my guys that means a kiddie wading pool in the back yard. I miss having access to a clean pond or stream but at least the pool is safe and hasn't resulted in a visit to the emergency vet. They love to slosh around in it after they have spent an enjoyable hour leaping into the pear tree for green pears (in previous years they annihilated the apricot tree and the fig tree, both of which were smaller, getting fruit off them).

We should all be cautiously celebrating the temporary stay from constant faxing that the removal of AB 1634 from this year's legislation has brought. Expect more in January when it will make a showing again.

Can't wait to see all the neat ads everyone will put together for the Specialty Catalog and shop at the Fab Raffle - See you in October at the speciality,

Melinda Grosch, Editor

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our fearless Capitan is out at sea. Perhaps he will provide us with an e-mail message the next time he is in port.

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Photo-ads \$15.

Business Cards \$15 per year.

Classified Ads \$1 per line.

The Labrador In Northern California Booklet

Copies of the Club's publication, The Labrador in Northern California, are available from Terri Herigstad for \$5 each. These are handy references and are great for handing out to new Labrador owners.

Litter listing requirements:

Members may submit litter listings for their dogs or bitches. As stated in the GGLRC Breeders Code of Ethics, before a litter will be listed in Retriever Reflections, you must submit health clearance information for both the dog and the bitch: OFA or Wind-Morgan clearances and certification by a board-certified veterinary ophthalmologist that the dog has been examined and found free of hereditary eye disease within the last year. You must indicate whether or not the parents have met the Code of Ethics performance requirement (CD, one championship point, JAM, field title, WC, or GGLRC Retrieving Dog Elementary certificate).

We require a \$10 donation to Golden Gate Labrador Rescue for a litter listing. Each listing may appear twice. Please submit listings in writing to Editor, Melinda Grosch. Make checks payable to GGLRC and send to: Nancy Yamada, Treasurer, 42 Roosevelt Circle, Palo Alto, CA 94306

The litters or sires listed here belong to members in good standing of the Golden Gate Labrador Retriever Club, Inc. (GGLRC), but in no circumstances does GGLRC guarantee the services of said members.

Buyers should review any contracts and/or guarantees with the breeder.

408 Area Code

Eric 408 243 2217 Santa Clara

Don 650 359-0981

831 Area Code

Judy 831-622-0577 Pebble Beach

If you like the work we do in helping to save Labs ...you can help us to help the dogs by sending a tax deductible contribution to: GGLRR 2515 Lexington Way, San Bruno, CA 94066

Lab Rescue is an all volunteer organization GGLRR has been granted nonprofit/tax-exempt status by the IRS under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. All donations made to GGLRR are deductible from your personal tax returns to the extent allowed by law.

BRAGS

Michael and Marion Bashista:

Marstad's Intrepid Wizard, CGC, CDX, AXP, AJP,
Santa Clara Dog Training Club - 05/12/07
Finished his Excellent Jumpers Preferred agility title

Monterey Bay Dog Training Club - 06/16/07
Completed his Excellent Standard Preferred title.
Merlin also finished his Novice Preferred FAST title.

Melinda Grosch:

Braemar Savoy Truffle CDX, JH, TD, RA
Hangtown Kennel Club - 05/27/07
Finished her Rally Excellent title at the age of 13
years.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!!!!

IMPORTANT LEGISLATIVE NEWS

AB 1634 California Healthy Pets Act

AB 1634 "California Healthy Pets Act" has been made into a "two year" bill and will reappear in January 2008. PetPac and Concerned Dog Owners of California (CDOC) will be continuing to monitor Levine's amendments and changes to this bill. Levine was specifically directed to work with the various interest groups. At the AKC Legislative workshop held after the Senate hearing (which I attended) they said that they will attempt to contact and work with Levine as the first step. If the bill comes back with unacceptable and unworkable provisions as it has up to this point then the AKC, PetPac, and CDOC will spearhead opposition and possibly propose our own legislation. STAY TUNED!

This is a link to the AKC's website which includes updated information on the bills progress.

http://www.akc.org/canine_legislation/CA_action_center.cfm

And don't forget there is a lot of information on the State of California's website under Government Links - Legislature.

<http://www.ca.gov/>

Assembly members for your district can be easily accessed from this site.

DONATION PROPOSED

At the July 18th Board Meeting the Sharon Ventura proposed to donate \$500 to PetPac and \$500 to CDOC for their continuing efforts to fight anti-dog legislation. The Board felt that this idea was a good one but that the membership should be given the chance to express their opinions on the matter. The members are invited to send

their comments to any board member or to attend the next Board meet, September 19, 2007 at the Denny's in Pleasanton .

Members are encouraged to make a donation to one or both of these organizations. Please see the forms on page 6 of the newsletter.

A Quote I Love!

"Never underestimate the power of stupid people in large groups."

Unknown

Caught in the Web

<http://dogcars.com/>

This is a site within a site. It is part of the Pet Connection website (<http://www.petconnection.com/>) which is Dr. Marty Becker and Gina Spadafori's site based on their weekly newspaper column. It is great that someone is finally reviewing cars with dogs in mind!

Good video of an amazingly tough and casual dog:

This is a clip from the recent Tour de France which was sent to me by an avid bicyclist whom I work with. He estimated that the bikers were probably going about 30 mph when this happened. Note how the front tire of the bike folds in half.

<http://www.glumbert.com/media/dogcycle>

Only a Labrador would be this blasé about the whole thing!

**Golden Gate Labrador Retriever Club
General Membership Meeting
June 3, 2007, 2007 Livermore, CA
Robert J. Livermore Park**

Opening: The general meeting of the GGLRC Membership was called to order at 1:10 June 3, 2007 Robert J. Livermore Park (Show-n-go).

Present: Allen Garfinkle, Mari Lou Garfinkle, Melinda Grosch, Carol White, Sharon Ventura, Denise Klemme, David Rowinski., Chris Hempel, Martha Shaw, Laura Fletcher, Jennifer Kelly

- A. Approval of Agenda
- B. Approval of Minutes Overview and approval of the January 2007 General Membership meeting.
- C: Report of President Alan wanted to thank everyone for a successful Show-N-Go. Everybody seemed to pull it all together, and all participants

seemed to have a good time. Good grounds and weather. Allan urges the club to come together again and put on a great specialty in October. We have a real opportunity to have a successful event, our first back to back Specialty, which means 4 days of showing and a new location out in the Orchard.

Our goals in membership are to increase our membership and our club participation.

Alan mentioned that Teri Herigstad's absence from the day was due to her recent open heart surgery. It sounds like it was very successful, and Teri is well on her way to speedy recovery. We all wish her well!

D: Report of Secretary AB1634 is certainly the hot topic in legislation. The club has sent a letter to the committee, from our President, emphasizing our vehement opposition to the proposed legislation. The club also encourages all members to keep up the pressure on our representatives, there is a vote expected this coming week and our continued efforts to defeat this bill are still vital.

E. Treasurers Report Nancy not present

F. Committee Reports

Membership Committee: We have several applications awaiting a vote from the membership for approval.

- ▶ Cindy Braley, voted in as a returning member.
- ▶ Tim and Vivian Poole — voted in pending participation in an additional event.
- ▶ Georgia Baba —voted in also pending participation in an event

Field: Nothing on the calendar, just due to the busy season. Madeline and Sharon still trying to get one done this summer.

Labrador Retriever in Northern California: Allen continuing work. Down to the ad solicitations which he will coordinate with Trudy Rose who is doing catalog advertising for the Specialty.

Website Design: Group has met with James, and is working in the right direction. Currently the consensus is to keep the basics and spread out the responsibility of updates and posting to the various committee members and/or web volunteers. Eventually, the site will be maintained and updated by the club and the web volunteers.

Retriever Reflections: We have a new editor!!!! Melinda Grosch has now published three RR's and although we will continue sending in the mail, we

plan on getting it posted on the website ASAP.

G. Old Business
Melinda suggested a map be presented showing the geographical make up of the club at the January meeting. Sharon volunteered and the results were that Pleasanton was actually the "center" of the club.

The other major issue raised at the January meeting was the status of the Specialty. Everything is in line. The premiums are due this month to MBF; Ruth Hertzog is handling trophy donations, Trudy Rose is handling the catalog advertising. We still need member involvement, especially for catalog sales and raffle ticket sales. Members are also encouraged to put an "ad" in the catalog for support and recognition. Alan reiterates you do not have to have a kennel to place the reasonably priced half page "ad." Show off your favorite friends. Jennifer Kelley suggested page spreads featuring labs in their most adorable modes, in the trash, on the counters, drinking at their favorite water fountain (aka toilet), hunting couches....

H. Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 1:32pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Sharon Ventura
Approved by:

**Golden Gate Labrador Retriever Club
Board Meeting Minutes
July 18, 2007**

Opening: The board meeting of the GGLRC was called to order at 7:45pm at Denny's, Pleasanton, CA by Martha Shaw. Allen Garfinkle at sea

Present: Martha Shaw, Shirley Trotter, David Rowinski, Nancy Yamada, Melinda Grosch, and Sharon Ventura

Martha Shaw (VP) opening comments: Allen was unavailable to attend due to a change in his schedule. First and foremost AB1634 has been postponed. GGLRC participated in the campaign against 1634 and we plan on continuing a proactive approach to proposed legislation.

- A. Approval of Agenda
- B. Approval of May 9, 2007 Minutes
- C. Committee Reports

Secretary's Report
AB1634 (mandatory spay/neuter bill) was postponed to next year, but has not gone away. GGLRC took a proactive role by letter writing to the various politicians expressing our "NO on AB1634" position. We have been contacted by two

organizations, PetPac and CDOCA (Concerned Dog Owners of California – New) for contributions to support the efforts of these non profit groups. I recommend a significant donation, \$500 to each of these organizations that are actively pursuing legislative developments in the dog – pet – legislative world. Their contributions to the defeat of AB1634 were significant. Melinda suggested and board approved putting ads into the specialty catalog for both organizations. Martha will do this with some help from Melinda. The organization information will also be presented in the next newsletter and include envelopes to go directly to the organizations for individual contributions.

Treasurers Report

The financials reported by Nancy Yamada for the fiscal year July 1, 2006 – June 30, 2007 are as follows:

Income	\$ 1,908.28
Expenses	\$ 2,552.36
Total	\$ -648.08

Income (Show N Go) : \$588 income/\$298 expense = \$290.00

Insurance \$1,126

Raffle \$ 300.00 [advance]

Awards \$ 198.00

Membership

No new applications or pending votes.

Field

Nothing planned in the near future. Still a critical issue and important to try and get some field training days into the schedule. Melinda also expressed her interest in getting some sort of GGLRC field training up and running. Will continue to work on this.

2007 Specialty

Jan Hepper will be the Judges liaison this year. Nancy and Martha will work up a written guideline to help the liaisons deal with the financial responsibilities. This will also address our guidelines as far as the spouses. At one point info was in the Judges contract, need to reevaluate and distribute to the liaisons so there isn't any misunderstanding concerning what is and isn't comp'd.

Trophy donations: Ruthie is working on. Shirley will help put something together so we can get the information out to the members. Should be done this weekend.

September 1st, 2007 is the ad/catalog deadline. Ads are \$40 for full page/ \$25 for half. Full page ad will receive free catalog and 2 raffle tickets. 1/2 page receives the 2 raffle tickets. The ads go to Trudy Rose.

Since we are now out in the orchard, another tent

from the fairgrounds was proposed and approved. Along with the tents that come with the rings, we will have another tent (10 x 35) at a cost of approximately \$200.00. This will accommodate raffle and trophy's .

Need to hire the ring stewards. Also need raffle ticket sellers. Frank & Joyce Robbins volunteered for catalog sales.

2008 Specialty

We have a list of proposed judges for the 2008 show from our 2008 Judges Committee:

Arwyn Ellis – Dolwen Labradors - Wales

Phillipe Lammens – Misty Dream – Belgium

Sweeps:

Don Clark - Everwood

Karen Helmers – Paradoc

Del Valle: Clare Senfield (Allegheny – USA)

Debra KcKinley (Fantasy)

Martha advised an early approach for the Del Valle supported entry so there would be no conflicts down the road.

The proposed judges were approved by vote.

D. New Business

Annual Awards:

Proposed and approved change in the award time frame for the eligibility requirements to the calendar year. Currently it is the fiscal year. So for this year we will have a time period of July 1, 2006 to December 31st, 2007. Also discussed was the submission dates and the actual awards being given out. Has been the Specialty and the Holiday Party in previous years. Perhaps a return to the Holiday Party, or at the Jan General Meeting since the cutoff is December 31st.

Contributions to PetPac & CDOC:

Being considered and set to vote on at the next board meeting. This notice will also be printed in the Retriever Reflections inviting the general membership to any discussion on these issues.

Next board meeting calendared for September 19th, 2007 at 7:15pm at Denny's in Pleasanton.

E. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 9:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Ventura
GGLRC SecretarySecty

Concerned Dog Owners of California
(CDOC)

I would like to contribute to CDOC.

- \$100
- \$50
- \$20
- \$10

Name: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Dog Club Affiliations: _____

Concerned Dog Owners of California
22647 Ventura Blvd. #108
Woodland Hills CA 91364

PH: 818-519-2141
FAX: 818-332-9690

Website: <http://cdoca.org/>

I would be willing to volunteer:

- at dog shows
- organize letter writing
- work with legislators

- I would like e-mail from CDOC
- I would like to join CDOC

PetPac

I would like to make a contribution to PetPac

- \$10
- \$25
- \$100
- \$250
- \$500
- \$1,000
- Other

Name: _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____

PetPac
PO Box 1019
Sacramento CA 95812

Website: <http://petpac.net/>

GOLDEN GATE LABRADOR RETRIEVER CLUB

32ND & 33RD ANNUAL SPECIALTIES

OCTOBER 19 & 20, 2007

ALAMEDA COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS - PLEASANTON, CA

The Golden Gate Labrador Retriever Club will be offering for the first time back-to-back specialties. Friday will be a bare bones show followed by our traditional specialty on Saturday. In addition, the ring set up will be outside the fairground gates in the orchard next to the Golden Retrievers. Plan your fall show schedule and we look forward to seeing you in ring.

Martha Shaw, Speciality Chair
Email: msidgygir@aol.com

Superintendent: MBF: <http://www.infodog.com/>

Golden Gate Labrador Retriever Club's Website: <http://www.gglrc.org/>

SHOW #1 - BARE BONES SPECIALITY

Friday, October 19, 2007

Judges

Conformation -

Dogs/Breed-Jackie Hodge (Naiken)

Bitches -Andrew Brown (Ramsayville)

Sweeps - Marion Daniel (Mar-Moye)

Obedience - Not offered

Jr. Showmanship - Not offered

SHOW #2 - TRADITIONAL SPECIALITY

Saturday, October 20, 2007

Judges

Conformation -

Dogs/Breed -Andrew Brown (Ramsayville)

Bitches - Jackie Hodge (Naiken)

Sweeps - Alexandre Chanon (Preton)

Obedience - Luane Vidak

Jr. Showmanship - Not offered

Also Plan to attend:

DEL VALLE KENNEL CLUB ON OCTOBER 21ST & 22ND, 2007

Supported Entry Shows

Superintendent - MB-F

October 21 - Conformation - Winnie Limbourne (Wingmaster)

October 22 - Conformation - Cheryl Curtis (Erinhill)

GGLRC NEEDS YOUR HELP TO CONTINUE THE TRADITION

The Best Raffle Ever

Our raffle is an extremely important fundraiser for the club. Proceeds allow the club to continue its public education programs, support Lab rescue, and offer club members a variety of activities.

Raffle will be held at our Specialty,
Saturday, October 20th.

Here's how you can help..

- Labrador Retriever / dog related items are welcomed as well as non-dog items.
- What about those wonderful dog items you've put away in a box?
- Do you like to shop for dog items? The raffle is a great excuse!
- You can donate cash if you prefer and we will shop for special items such as a crate, dog bed, exercise pen, or Labrador art.

As an added bonus, we're available to pick up donated items too!

Please contact:

Janet Bennett
209-369-1875

stowawaylabs@earthlink.net

Thank you to those members who have already
generously donated to this year's raffle.



Golden Gate Labrador Retriever Club 2005/2006 Awards

This year the awards period is January 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007.

Name: _____
 Address: _____ Phone: _____

Do You Have a Plaque Already? Y / N

If "yes" please return one plate (the things which attach to the main plaque) for each dog earning a title for which you are requesting an Award. If you got one of those plaques which was not filled with plates PLEASE call me so I know what type to order. **If you do not either return a plate or let me know that you do not have any blanks your award will not be prepared until you have done so.**

Does Your Plaque Have Black Etched Letters or are they Simply Engraved? Black / Plain Engraving

ONLY AKC TITLES WILL RECEIVE PLAQUES/PLATES.

Please submit title and award information from other organizations (NAHRA, etc.) for publication in the newsletter, Speciality Catalog, and the Labrador Quarterly advertisement.

Please provide the following information for each dog for which an award is requested. Please fill out a separate form for each dog. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY - GGLRC IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR TYPOS IF YOUR INFORMATION IS ILLEGIBLE

Dog's Full Registered Name (including all current titles)	
Titles Earned from January 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007.*	Title: _____ Date: _____
	Title: _____ Date: _____
	Title: _____ Date: _____

***Please attach a copy of the AKC Certificate.**

SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Has your dog completed a title in Conformation Plus two of the following performance events: Obedience, Field, Agility, Tracking, or Rally? If so you will get a Special Achievement Award.

Please fill out the above form listing the dog's full name and titles (i.e., CH LabradorHero CD, JH)

Please mail to Melinda B. Grosch, P.O. Box 4012, Santa Rosa CA 95402-4012. If you have questions please call me at 707-537-7786 or e-mail me at wtrprufdogs4me@netscape.net. Completed forms **MUST BE RECEIVED BY January 2, 2008**. Please make checks payable to GGLRC. Payment must be included with request for award.

Awards will NOT be mailed. They must be picked-up at the Awards Presentation during the Annual Meeting or arrangements must be made. Those awards not picked-up or arranged for by the following award period will be recycled.

This year we will be moving away from the single plaque type award and issuing individual awards for each dog. These will consist of a small plaque with the GGLRC logo and the dog's name and current titles. When new titles are earned a small plate that hangs from the original plaque will be engraved with the title and date. So if you are out of plates for your current plaque or do not have a plaque you will be receiving this new type of award. For those who have multiple dogs and earn multiple titles per year we may consider continuing the single plaque at your request.

Number of Awards Requested _____ X \$5.00 per Award = _____ Total

General Meetings

Holiday Party 2007
Location: To Be Determined

Board Meetings

Wednesday, September 19, 2007
Location: Denny's
Pleasanton
7:15 pm

Wednesday, November 14, 2007
Location: Denny'
Pleasanton
7:15 pm



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