



Retriever Reflections

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EDITOR'S MESSAGE

This Newsletter is spectacularly LATE!!! In fact it is so late that it is two newsletters in one: July August and September/October. The Speciality is only a couple of weeks away. There are significant changes this year due to the added all breed shows that come before Del Valle. We will be having a specialty within the Skyline All Breed show on Friday and our stand alone speciality on Saturday. If you haven't volunteered in the past but are planning to do so this year contact a Board member or the Chair of the portion of the show where you want to volunteer. Hope to see you there.

Melinda Grosch, Editor

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I have often been bewildered by Labrador grooming. For many years I thought a good swim was all that was needed to clean up a Labrador. If a swim wasn't possible, then a good hosing should suffice.

Then I started showing in conformation. I still thought a hosing was good enough or perhaps a quick bath was all I needed to do prior to a show (and the dog needed even less). Boy was I naive. Soon shampooing became standard practice prior to a show. And the choices in shampoo were abundant. Everybody had an opinion on what to use. Then one morning at a show, I saw a prominent breeder washing a dog with dishwashing soap! It was a revelation. The simplicity of it was inspiring.

Of course there is the brushing, striping the coat, and shedding. I learned about twizzels and trimming in general. Trim a Labrador? I never heard of such a thing. We are not showing poodles after all! I thought these dogs were wash and wear (or wash and show). Alas, if you do trim the right choice of scissors is very important. Luckily someone took me under their wing to teach me about that as well.

Looking around, I saw winning handlers using blowers to fluff coat. Yikes, another expense? This led to learning about mousse, coat conditioners, coat humidifiers, and food additives that claim to grow coat. My head was spinning.

I thought I needed to employ every gimmick to give me a competitive edge. I was indoctrinated to chinks, coat color, felt pens (to cover an odd white hair or two - usually only works on a black dog), nail grinders, grooming tables, and waterless coat cleaners. In the end what I have learned is that all of that stuff is mostly unnecessary and that a good dog, properly trained, needed only a good swim prior to showing to bring home the purple ribbon. [Disclaimer: I still do much of the above, as my dogs are neither that good or well trained!!!]

Speaking of purple ribbons, our annual Specialty show is upon us and there is still time to enter. If you don't have dogs showing in conformation or obedience, then come out to see the latest talent, enter the raffle and stay for the post show "wine and food" reception. I hope to see you there!

Allen Garfinkle, President

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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). Each listing may appear twice. Please submit listings in writing to Editor, Melinda Grosch. Make checks payable to GGLRC and send to:

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.



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Placing Labs in loving homes since 1986

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Sometimes our volunteer Reps get sick or busy with their paying jobs, so if you don't get a return call within 48 hours, please notify our Webmaster, and we'll make sure someone from GGLRR contacts you.

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, 268 Bush Street #4322, San Francisco, CA 94104

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

LINDSEY'S SEASHELL PUPPY (Paris)

(CH Gaetacreek Joyful Jasper x Drycreek's Shotgun Shelly)
Breeder: Tara Aschwanden & Laura Fletcher
Owner: Heather Sanchez & Bonnie Sanchez

Hangtown Kennel Club of Placerville, CA

05/29/2010

1st Open Yellow Dogs

Judge: Mrs. Nancy Liebes

05/30/2010

1st Open Yellow Dogs, Winners Dog, Best of Winners,
Best of Breed for 2 points.

Judge: Mrs. Betty Stites

Kennel Club of the California Sierra

05/31/2010

2nd Open Yellow Dogs, Reserve Winners Dog

Judge: Mrs. Patricia Gellerman

Butte County Kennel Club

06/19/2010

1st Open Yellow Dogs, Winners Dog, Best of Winners

Judge: Mr. William Bergum

THORNWOOD'S DRESSED TO THRILL (Dandy)

(CH Thornwood's Resolution x CH Thornwood's Singalar Sensation)
Breeder/Owner/Handler: Cheri Conway

Bell Vernon Kennel Club

7-3-2010

1st 9-12 Month Puppy, Reserve Winners Dog

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1st 9-12 Month Puppy, Reserve Winners Dog

.. his first two shows!

MARSTAD PRIMETIME

(Ch Windfall Pipe Major x CH Delby Marstad Black Pearl)
Breeder/Owner/Handler: Terri Herigstad

Richmond Dog Fanciers

8-7-2010

1st Bred-By-Exhibitor, Winners Dog

Judge: Dr Clyde Shaw

8-8-2010

1st Bred-By-Exhibitor, Winners Dog, Best of Winners

Judge: Robert Shreve

Redwood Empire Kennel Club

9-11-2010

1st Bred-By-Exhibitor, Winners Dog, Best of Winners,
Best of Breed

Judge: Jerry Watson

9-12-2010

1st Bred-By-Exhibitor, Reserve Winners Dog

Judge: Max Magder

Sir Francis Drake Kennel Club

9-18-2010

1st Bred-By-Exhibitor, Reserve Winners Dog

Judge: Dr. Robert Indeglia

9-19-2010

1st Bred-By-Exhibitor, Winners Dog, Best of Winners,
Best of Breed

Judge: William Cunningham

MARSTAD JOHNNY JUMP UP

(CH Summerwood Jacy O'Spirithawk x Galileo Marstad Bleu Moon)
Breeder/Owner/Handler: Terri Herigstad

Redwood Empire Kennel Club

9-11-2010

1st 12-18 Month Bitch, Reserve Winners Bitch

Judge: Jerry Watson

9-12-2010

1st 12-18 Month Bitch, Winners Bitch, Best of
Winners, Best of Breed

Judge: Max Magder

CINDERHILL WATERPROOF LYDIA (Lydia)

(CH Visions I'm Able x CH Cinderhil Saddlehil Lastword)
Breeder/Owner: Cindy Braley & Melinda Grosch
Handler: Melinda Grosch

Mensona Kennel Club

8-28-2010

1st Bred-By-Exhibitor

Judge: Ms. Denny Mounce

8-29-2010

1st Bred-By-Exhibitor, Reserve Winners Bitch

Judge: Mr. Terry Stacy

BOSS CH BELGAIRN SHADOWBROOK RIVER OF DREAMS (Jilley)

Owners: Jennifer & Ron Kelly

Sierra Vista Labrador Retriever Club

9-2-2010

Best Opposite Sex in Show,

Judge: Mr. Guellermo Carrillo

Jilley retired the "Best of Opposite Sex CH Winelight's Bit of
Arrogance, CD, WC Memorial Challenge Trophy" for Belgairn.

Jilley won it in both 2010 and 2008, and our BISS CH

Weatherpox El Nino (Storm) won it in 2002.

BELGAIRN TROUBLESON (Blue)

Breeder/Owner/Handlers: Jennifer & Ron Kelly

Sierra Vista Labrador Retriever Club

9-2-2010

Reserve Winner's Dog, Best Bred By Exhibitor

Judge: Mr. Guellermo Carrillo

BELGAIRN HART RANCH NARUTO (Naruto)

Breeder/Owner/Handlers: Jennifer & Ron Kelly

Sierra Vista Labrador Retriever Club

9-2-2010
1st Place Open Yellow
Judge: Mr. Guellermo Carrillo

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

When you provide information for brags please include the Dog's Full Registered Name, Sire & Dam, Call Name, Breeder: Owner, Event, Date, Award, and Judge's Name.

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LITTER LISTINGS

Sire: Epoch's Captain Kidd
Dam: BOSS CH Belgairn Shadowbrook's Over The Edge
Whelp Date: June 20
Numbers: Six black and three chocolate
Clearances: OFA Hip, elbow, eye, heart (sire prelim)
Breeders: Ron and Jennifer Kelly
Phone: 707 987 8163
Email: belgairn@yahoo.com Web site: www.belgairn.com

Black and Yellow litter, due July 20th
Sire: BISS CH Danbridge Henry J
OFA LR-179444G24M-VPI, OFA-EL42065M24-VPI, CERF LR-54968, Optigen Normal, Heart normal
Dam: CH Thornwood's Singular Sensation
OFA LR-166269G24F-PI, OFA-EL34315F24-PI, CERF LR-42622-10
Breeder: Cheri Conway (541)723-2467
forlabs@centurytel.net

All Chocolate litter, due August 10th
Sire: CH Thornwood's Resolution
OFA-LR-154123G24M-PI, OFA-EL28055M24-PI, CERF LR-41956-10 Optigen Normal, Heart normal
Dam: Thornwood's Friendly Persuasion (CH Thornwood's The Achiever daughter)
OFA LR-185933G24F-VPI, OFA-EL46284F24-VPI, CERF LR-51812-10
Breeder: Cheri Conway (541)723-2467
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Black and yellow litter
Sire: BISS CH Danbridge Henry J
(should be in the top 10 now)
OFA hip: LR-179444G24M-VPI, elbow: LR-EL42065M24-VPI, CERF: LR-54968
Dam: Thornwood's No Equal (pointed Clark daughter)
OFA hips: LR-161962G24F-PI, elbows: LR-EL31995F24-PI, CERF: LR-45714
Breeder: Cheri Conway (541)723-2467
forlabs@centurytel.net

Older puppies :
Chocolate Male Available, D.O.B. 10/31/09
CH Thornwood's The Achiever son.... nice boy, great temperament. OFA hip prelim good, OFA elbows normal, CERF LR-56820/2010-7
Contact: Cheri Conway (541)723-2467
forlabs@centurytel.net

Yellow Male Available, D.O.B. 4/8/09
CH Gingerbred Celestial Thunder x CH Lenches Teddy Bear daughter.... nice boy, great temperament. OFA hip prelim. good, OFA elbows normal, CERF LR-56819/2010-14
Contact: Cheri Conway (541)723-2467
forlabs@centurytel.net

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A QUOTE I LOVE!

"One day you come home and realize that everyone else on your block came home to husband, wife, kids or roommate but you came home to dogs. Then you think - I'm living with Animals!!"
Paraphrase of Jean Donaldson, from a lecture.

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CAUGHT IN THE WEB

Our Specialty Show Superintenden, MB-F, Inc.:
www:/info-dog.com

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**MINUTES
GOLDEN GATE LABRADOR RETRIEVER CLUB**

BOARD MEETING JULY 8, 2010

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by president Allen Garfinkle at 8:15 p.m. at Juan's Place in Berkeley.

ROLL CALL: Present were Allen Garfinkle, Terri Herigstad, Georgia Baba, Marianne Foote, Melinda Grosch, David Rowinski, and Connie Holm. Absent were Nancy Yamada, Jennifer Kelly, and Tabby Walker.

REPORT OF PRESIDENT: Allen thanked all the people that helped on June 6th. However, we did need more help. The entire membership had been contacted.

REPORT OF SECRETARY: Correspondence was discussed. The LRC has asked for donations to the national specialty this fall for the raffle. It was moved, seconded, and passed to donate \$50.00.

REPORT OF TREASURER: Nancy submitted written reports. The sho and go income was \$2,508.00 with expenses of \$695.00.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES:
Sho and Go/sanctioned Match: Connie reported we made a very good profit at the Sho and Go, but we had a serious problem with a lack of ring stewards. Three dog clubs were contacted and our membership was asked to help. Exhibitors did pitch in to help keep things moving.

Specialty: Terri reported that the premium list for the specialty is now ready. A heart clinic will be held at the specialty. Jan Hepper's house has burned.

Membership: A new roster has been mailed.

Field: Jones Lake is the only site available at this time.

Newsletter: The May June issue is out with the new roster. The staff has changed at the rescue service. It was decided to drop the \$10 donation to the rescue service for each litter listing. Both Carol White and Elaine Nusser might possibly be interested in doing the newsletter.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Supported Entries: We were not listed at the Richmond show.

NEW BUSINESS:

Eye Clinic: On Wednesday August 11th an eye clinic will be held at Terri's. Twenty dogs are needed.

Nominating Committee: It is now time for the nominating committee to organize.

ADJOURNMENT:

The next meeting will be held on September 9th in Pleasanton. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m. Submitted by: Connie Holm

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MEMBERSHIP

No new membership applications at this time.

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**SPECIALITY SHOW
OCTOBER 21 - 25, 2010**

- Show Chair - Terri Herigstad
- Obedience & Rally Chairs - Michael & Marion Bashista
- Trophies - Jenni Lin
- Trophy Donations - Ruth Hertzog & Jennifer Kelly
- Raffle - Janet Bennett
- Catalog Advertising - Jennifer Kelly
- Catalog Sales - Vivian Poole
- Concessions - Janet Bennett
- Grounds - Terri Herigstad, Allen Garfinkle & Paul Marcotte
- Exhibitors' Hospitality - Chris Hempel
- Judges' Liaison - Lorrie Bellows
- Judges' Hospitality - Jan Hepper & Georgia Baba
- Judges' Lunch - Ann Perry
- Wine & Cheese - Allen & Marilou Garfinkle

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HEART CLINIC

Golden Gate Labrador Retriever Club is sponsoring a heart clinic Friday (all day) and Saturday morning, Oct 22 & 23rd at the Pleasanton shows.

Examinations by Richard D. Kienle, DVM
Board Certified Cardiologist

Auscultation: \$45.00
Echocardiograph Doppler Testing: \$185.00

For information and scheduling please contact:

Georgia Baba
(650) 996-6500 or email georgia.baba@sbcglobal.net

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FIELD TRAINING DAYS

Fall is here and so is duck season Ormbaun's will be closed until the end of duck season. Too many things going on this month to contemplate a field training day anyway.

Hopefully, another training day will be set-up soon!

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WEBSITES DEVOTED TO ANIMAL LEGISLATION

Keep checking them. Sign-up with all of them to receive updates.

PetPAC
<http://petpac.net/>

National Animal Interest Alliance (NAIA)
<http://www.naiatrust.org/index.htm>

Concerned Dog Owners of California (CDOCA)
<http://www.cdoca.org/>

Save Our Dogs
<http://saveourdogs.net/>

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THE LABRADOR RETRIEVER IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

This booklet covers a variety of topics such as inherited diseases that Labradors are prone to, titles your dogs can earn from AKC, a brief overview of the Labrador in a "frequently asked questions" format, etc. Each club member gets one free (they must be picked-up at a meeting or event - contact Terri Herigstad or Allen Garfinkle). These make great little booklets to put into your puppy packets or to distribute to that prospective Labrador owner you have been talking with. Extra copies are available for \$5, again, contact Allen Garfinkle or Terri Herigstad.

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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS
2010**

Event	Date(s)
LRC National Speciality - So CA	October 9 - 15
Master National Hunt Test	October 10
Annual Specialty, Pleasanton	October 21 - 25
Holiday Party	December 11

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GEAR GAL
"People Gear"

My dogs dress well - each of my dogs have about twenty leashes and collars assigned to them (their collar color or patten). However, I keep a lot of gear for myself that I probably wouldn't own if I didn't have dogs. Of course I am fond of saying that if I didn't own Labradors I would probably live in a small apartment or condo and drive a moped. Most of my life and belongings are shaped by the fact that I own dogs, and specifically by the fact that those dogs are big, active, outdoors type dogs.

Jackets - I know that in some areas of California and the rest of the world you don't want to think about jackets right now but here in Santa Rosa we don't leave home without one or two. I have an entire range from t-shirt weight to a heavy jean jacket with quilted lining. I don't have the down jacket anymore as I find that I can get good warmth and less bulk from wearing a number of layers. For all outdoor dog events I always have one fleece, one rain jacket, and one other coat. The fleece provides warmth with little weight or bulk, the rain jacket provides a windbreak and keeps me dry, the other coat is season and activity dependent. If I know I am going to be outside for hours and it is wet I will bring more than one rain jacket. That way I can dry out one while wearing the other.

Vests, Scarves, Gloves - Vests - I have a couple of vests that are specific to activities, including the one with all the pockets for tracking and field work. The rest are mostly to make up the difference in warmth when I need a little more than whatever jacket I'm wearing is providing.

Scarves - One is always in the car - nothing is worse than having the cold seep down your back because you have a gap at your neck.

Gloves - One pair leather work gloves and a couple of pairs of fingerless rag wool gloves.

Pants - Jeans are required for almost everyday in my world. Good sturdy 100% cotton denim. Rain pants are my second favorite. They keep me dry in the rain or when doing field work and they are great in windy weather as wind breakers.

Hats - Mostly for the sun. I have a whole bunch of them and particularly like ones with 4" or wider brims and chin straps (with that much brim even the smallest breeze can send them flying). I have a couple of brimmed rain hats - one of Gortex and one of waxed cotton. One brimmed fleece hat and a few knit beanies. I find I spend a lot of time outdoors with the dogs and both tracking and field work require that I be out in lots of inclement weather. Because I hate [hate, hate, hate] wearing sun screen and because it really only works for a very limited time I have to wear a hat. Hats also make it impossible for anyone to recognize me apparently, since I have had numerous incidents where someone has asked, "Where's Melinda?" when I am standing right next to them in a hat.

Shoes - No heels for me - too tall anyway - but not suited to life with Labs. I love my Muck Boots, I have a pair of their "dog walkers" that I leave at the back door and put on before I go

out in the yard. They are waterproof and have a "poop release" sole that is easy to clean-up when I step in something I should have been scooping. I'm up early - it is always dark so I scoop with a flashlight as I follow the dogs around but sometimes s* *t happens. I also have a pair of knee boots by Muck Boots with the neoprene tops in a camo pattern that I really like. The neoprene breaths a bit but the neat feature is being able to roll the top down when I don't need that much protection. I use these for tracking and field work and they are comfortable for a lot of walking and standing. Otherwise I love my Keens for almost all other activities - walking, training, swimming, showing, etc. I have a couple pairs of river sandals, a pair of athletic shoes, a pair of black Mary Janes for conformation showing, and a pair of black lace-up shoes for obedience.

Socks - SmartWool - enough said.

Sun Clothing - Yes, I am often too warm in some of the long sleeved shirts that I am wearing, again, I am a melanoma survivor and I find sunscreens just aren't enough so I try to stay covered up. My favorite sun protective clothing comes from Solumbra as it has lots of ventilation making it a tad bit less hot. The sun "jacket" and gloves are two of my favorites.

If you are going to have fun doing something you need to be comfortable. Spending a lot of time outside means that I need to have clothing for all types of conditions. It is well worth the money and time to find clothes that work for you and make sure that they are with you when you are out and about.

I have always liked being outside and that is one of the many attractions of Labradors, they enjoy it too. If nothing else try a hat - being incognito is a lot of fun!

Melinda - Gear Gal - Grosch

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General Meetings

General Meeting - To be Announced

Location:

Time:

Board Meetings

Board Meeting - November 11, 2010

Location: **Denny's Pleasanton**

Time: 7:30 p.m.

BOARD MEETINGS ARE NOW ON THURSDAYS!!!

NOTE CHANGED LOCATION OF BOARD MEETING!!!



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