



Retriever Reflections

Golden Gate Labrador Retriever Club, Inc.

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EDITOR'S MESSAGE

I am writing this post Thanksgiving so we can officially say that we are in the midst of the holiday season. Once again this year GGLRC will have a Holiday Party with the infamous "gift stealing" game. We will gather to celebrate the holidays, our dogs, and the many friendships that we have made because of our lovely Labradors. Also the achievement Awards are due so don't forget to fill out the form and mail it in to Michael Bashista to record all the titles your dogs have earned this year. It is time to start thinking about the rapidly approaching new year and the fact that membership dues are due (see form in this newsletter) and elections of the Board and Officers will be taking place at our annual meeting (January 9, 2011). See you at the Holiday Party!!

Melinda Grosch, Editor

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

President's Message: Happy Holidays Lab Lovers! It's getting to be that time of year that I believe our dogs love the most. They love to play in the puddles, roll in the mud, and in general get as close to nature as possible (picking up every scent along the way). Our dogs like the cooler weather and we don't see quite as much of their tongues.

It is also this time of year where some of you will subject your dogs to the indignity of at least one occasion of placing a Santa Hat or cloth reindeer antlers on your dogs (you know who you are). You may even have hung a stocking on the mantle for each of your dogs, not to mention a gift under the tree.

What's that you say? These are sporting dogs, not some cock-a-poo or Bichon Frise! Ha! I scoff and beseech you to deny you have had a full size Labrador in your lap....more than once!

I guess my point is most of our dogs lead charmed lives and winter is some of the most charmed. There is something about the bright smells that come from the earth after a fresh rain fall that seems to invigorate my dogs - almost like all the smells had mingled together during the dry period and the rain rinsed them away, making the smells discrete once again - with a power and enthusiasm not seen in summer. I get a vicarious sense of youth from their frolicking.

You appreciate our breed, even if some of you have strayed from the righteous Labrador path by keeping other breeds, or you most likely wouldn't be reading this. It is a noble breed that gives back so much in kind temperament and genuine affection. All this is a long way around to say your appreciation of Labradors and what makes them special is what makes a breed club so important. In our small way, as a club, we are the guardians of the breed. Together as a part of a larger community we are stewards of the breed for future generations.

With all the specialized dog clubs around (gun dog clubs, conformation clubs, obedience clubs, Agility clubs, Tracking clubs) I have been giving some thought to the relevance of breed clubs, and my conclusion is that breed clubs are important even if you spend most of your time with your dog engaged in some other activity with a more closely focused club. I for example spend

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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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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

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more time at my obedience club than I do with GGLRC, but I support both. I may be preaching to the choir on this subject but I would like to see each of us go out into the community and pass this message on to Labrador lovers out there who may not yet see the value and relevance of joining a breed club. Invite them to join GGLRC in addition to whatever else they do with their dogs. Let's build this club so we can better represent the Labrador community and be the best guardians of our breed that we can.

I hope to see all of you at the Holiday Party on December 11th. We will have a General meeting as well as a party, making it that much more important that you attend. Happy Holidays and Happy New Year!

Allen Garfinkle, President
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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

Reno Kennel Club
08-21-2010
1st Open Yellow Dog, Winners Dog, Best of Winners
Judge: Mr. Norman B. Kenney
Paris's first Major - 5 points!

08-22-2010
2nd Open Yellow, Reserve Winners Dog
Judge: Mrs. Claire K. Steidel

Sierra Vista Labrador Retriever Club
09-03-2010
4th Open Yellow Dogs
Judge: Dr. Guillermo Carrillo

Gold Country Kennel Club
09-04-2010
1st Open Yellow
Judge: Mrs. Clay Coady

09-05-2010
1st Open Yellow Dog
Judge: Mr. Ronald H. Menaker

MARSTAD PRIMETIME
(CH Windfall's Pipe Major x CH Delby Marstad Black Pearl)
Breeder/Owner/Handler: Terri Herigstad

Skyline DF of San Mateo Co/ GGLRC supported entry
10/21/10
2nd Bred-By-Exhibitor Dogs
Judge: Janet Narushka

Skyline DF of San Mateo Co/GGLRC Specialty
10/22/10
2nd Bred-By-Exhibitor Dogs
Judge: Linda Bednarski

GGLRC Specialty
10/23/10
1st Bred-By-Exhibitor Dogs
Judge: Chris Mills

Del Valle DC of Livermore/GGLRC supported entry
10/24/10
1st Bred-By-Exhibitor Dogs
Judge Sally Sasser

Del Valle DC of Livermore/ GGLRC supported entry
10/25/10
1st Bred-By-Exhibitor Dogs
Judge: Suzanne Hemminger

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

Napa Valley Dog Training Club
11-06-2010 A.m. Trial
1st Leg Rally Novice and 3rd place
Judge: Mrs. Carolyn S. Wray

11-06-2010
2nd Leg Rally Novice
Judge: Mrs. Beatrice Moore

Vallejo Dog Training Club
11-7-2010
3rd Leg Rally Novice for her RN
Judge: Mrs. Lora Cox

11-07-2010 P.M. Trial
Insurance leg and 3rd place Rally Novice
Judge: Mrs. Carolyn S. Wray

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

Blacks and Yellows due mid January 2011
Sire: CH Gaetacreek Joyful Jasper WC
OFA Hips: LR-167640F; OFA Elbows: Normal; Eyes cleared annually; OFA Heart: LR-CA2296/19M/C-PL-ECHO; TVD cleared (color doppler); Optigen A; Clear/Normal for EIC (Exercise Induced Collapse)
Dam: Tormentil Hollyhill Nuff' bout U CGC, WC (pointed)
OFA Hips: Excellent LR-183194E27F-VPI; OFA Elbows: LR-EL4446F27-VPI Norma; Heart: Normal - Cardiologist - Echo LR-CA3899/27F/C-VPI-Echo; ACVO; EIC - Clear; Full Dentition

Breeder: Owner/Breeder - Ruth Hertzog
Contact: 209 826-9440
email: hollyhill@dslextre.me

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
forlabs@centurytel.net

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
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A QUOTE I LOVE!

"For a young Labrador life is a contact sport. Prone to sins of enthusiasm such as jumping up, pulling on-lead, mouthing, stealing objects, and behaving shamelessly around food."
Brian Kilcommons and Sarah Wilson in "Paws to Consider' Choosing the Right Dog for You and Your Family"

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CAUGHT IN THE WEB

A fun e-card site. Many feature dogs one of which is a yellow

Lab. The primary character is a Labrador mix but it looks just like a chocolate Labrador. There are also a Parson Russell, an Irish Wolfhound, a kitten, and other animals. Beautiful artwork and lots of original music. There is an annual fee to use the site.

<http://www.jacquelawson.com/default.asp>

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**MINUTES
GOLDEN GATE LABRADOR RETRIEVER CLUB**

BOARD MEETING NOVEMBER 4, 2010

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:43 pm

MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 16TH MEETING: Minutes were approved as written.

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

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: The entry for the Diablo Valley Dog Show Calendar has been finalized. As for the nominating committee Connie Muellerleile is on the committee for sure. Carol White and Janet Bennett are prospective members. Our new webmaster is working on our website.

REPORT OF SECRETARY: One piece of correspondence advertising a website for posting dog events was received.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:
Matches: Judges are needed for the 2011 matches.

Specialty: The specialty did very well; we were up fifty dogs this year. It was moved, seconded and passed that all trophies would be made perpetual. It was also decided to have sweepstakes both days next year and also junior showmanship.
Judges Committee: The judges committee for 2011 will consist of Jennifer Kelly, Ruth Hertzog, and Terry Herigstad. It works best to have an English judge and an American Lab breeder. Judges will be asked to provide written critiques of the top two dogs in each class.

Membership: No report.

Field: No report.

Newsletter: Carol White had agreed to possibly take over Retriever Reflections, however, she may be moving to southern California.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:
Holiday Celebration: The Christmas party will be held on December 11th, possibly at San Lorenzo Dog Training Club.

Annual Meeting: The annual meeting will be January 9, 2011 at 11 a.m. at Terri Herigstad's house in Livermore.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.
Submitted by: Connie Holm, Secretary

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MEMBERSHIP

No new membership applications at this time.

Change of e-mail address:

Please make note of my new gmail address,
shelquin@gmail.com

and add it to your contacts. I will not be checking the
Shelquin@astound.net address much, if at all.

Thank you,
~Shelley

Shelley Ellison
Shelquin Labradors
www.shelquinlabradors.com

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**HARVEST MOON CLASSIC &
GGLRC SPECIALITY SHOW
OCTOBER 21 - 25, 2010**

Skyline Dog Fanciers of San Mateo County
(Golden Gate LRC Supported Entry)
Thursday, October 21, 2010

Winners Dog & Best of Winners
Mtn Star Bodacious One
(CH Ghoststone's Louie Downtown CD x MountainStar Ice Storm CD JH)
Breeder: Barbara Hazen & Shawn Hazen
Owner: Barbara & Harvey Haen

Winners Bitch
Garnet Fire By Prada CD RN
(CH Janlon's Light My Fire x Stonybeck Crimson Corundum CD RA)
Breeder: Christine & Scott Kovacevich & Patricia Collom
Owner: Kim Sweetnam

Best Of Breed
CH Janlon's Invincible
(CH Janlon's Light My Fire x Kisatchie Janlons Dream Catcher)
Breeder/Owner: Debbie Morton & J Grannemann

Best Of Opposite Sex
CH Ghoststone The Devel Wears Prada
(CH Ghoststone Hypspire Dressed To Impress x CH Ghoststone's Hollywood
Blond)
Breeder: Judy Schenk Chambers & Scott Chambers
Owner: Anthony Leitano & Lorraine Yu

Select Dog
CH Gingerbred Celestial Thunder JH
(CH Sunset Lubberline Spinnaker x CH Gingerbred Pasta Luna)
Breeder: Christine Tye & Ed Conn
Owner: Anthony Leitano

Select Bitch
CH Arlon's Noxzema Jackson
(CH Hypspire Shahli Hotter Than Blazes x Beechcroft's Made In The Shade)
Breeder/Owner: Georgia Baba

Judges Award of Merit
CH Belquest All About The Benjamins
(Dickendall's Davron Anslo x CH Waterberry Fortune Cookie)
Breeder: Rusty Howard & Jennifer Miller & Vicky Creamer
Owner: Chaiyot Paporn

Judges Award of Merit
CH Gingerbred Coloma Sutters Mill
(Gingerbred Wyndrush Black N Decker x Gingerbred Goldrush)
Breeder: Christine Tye
Owner: Trudi O'Connell

Skyline Dog Fanciers of San Mateo County
(Golden Gate LRC Specialty)
Friday, October 22, 2010

Winners Dog & Best of Winners
Photo So U Think U Can Dance Hypspire
(CH Figero Dafoz Herbu Zadora x Photo Witchcraft)
Breeder: Patricia & Richard Guerreiro Montenegro
Owner: J Heim & J & V Russell & L DaRoss

Winners Bitch & Judges Award of Merit
ClearCreek BonaVenture Topsy Turvy
(CH Tullamore's Toblerone x ClearCreek BonaVenture Aspen's Run)
Breeder/Owner: Elizabeth Martin & Tom & Gail Shearer

Best Of Breed
CH Hypspire Shahli Hotter Than Blazes
(CH Sureshot Hypspire Impressive x CH Hypspire Pipin' Hot)
Breeder: J Heim & V Russell & L DaRoss & M Durham
Owner: J Heim & V & J Russell & L DaRoss

Best Of Opposite Sex
CH Talimar's Stellar Performance
(CH Dickendall Davaron Gable x Talimar's Quilting At Sabre)
Breeder: Trudy Rose
Owner: Judie Lynch & Trudy Rose

Select Dog & Judges Award of Merit
CH Gingerbred Celestial Thunder JH

Select Bitch
CH Ghoststone The Devil Wears Prada

Judges Award of Merit
CH Sure Shot Hypspire Impressive
(CH Windfall's Pipe Major x CH Janrod Tammy Whynot)
Breeder: J Heim & V Russell & L DaRoss & D Leveque
Owner: J Heim & V & J Russell & L DaRoss

**Golden Gate LRC Specialty
Saturday, October 23, 2010**

Winners Dog & Best of Winners & Best of Breed
Dalwater Dream Weaver
(CH Sure Shot Hypspire Impressive x Dalwater's Bella Sera)
Breeder: Robin McBain & Lisa Allen

Owner: Lisa Allen & Dianne Mullikin

Breeder/Owner: Elaine DalBon

Winners Bitch

Janlon's Tea Party At Picklecreek

(CH Dickendall DAvaron Gable x Janlon's Hearts Afire)

Breeder/Owner: M Rianda & D Morton & J Gannemann

Judges Award of Merit

CH Windrose Legacy Of Blockbuster

(CH Winnie's Block Buster MH x Windrose Edna Anne)

Breeder/Owner: Patricia Collom

Best of Opposite Sex

CH Ghoststone The Devil Wear Prada

Del Valle Dog Club Of Livermore

(Golden Gate LRC Supported Entry)

Monday, October 25, 2010

Select Dog

Topwater's In Hot Pursuit JH RE

(Mainland Catch Me A Sailor JH x CH Topwater Cinderhill Grace JH)

Breeder: Jeanne Collier x Cindy Braley

Owner: Teresa Russell

Winners Dog

Arlon's Settle Down Now

(CH Hyspiresureshot Juz Bcuz I'm Hot x Chablais Sweet Martha Lorraine)

Breeder: Georgia Baba & J L Blais & M Charest

Owner: Georgia Baba

Select Bitch

CH Decoys Calif Dreamin

(CH Decoy's Daydream Believer x Decoys Crystal)

Breeder: Judy Davis

Owner: Katy Bazurto & Judy Davis

Winners Bitch & Best of Winners

Mainland's Mulligan Bridget At Chibry

(CH Hyspire Adrenaline Rush x Mainlands Saratoga Passage)

Breeder: Sheila Frey

Owner: Jill & Christopher Mahoney

Best Puppy

Bazurtos Lets Get The Party Started

(Bazurtos Shadow x Decoys I Am Here For The Party)

Beeder/Owner: Katy Bazurtos

Best of Breed & Select Dog

CH Gingerbred Celestial Thunder JH

Best Bred By Exhibitor

Janlon's Tea Party At Picklecreek

Best of Opposite Sex

CH Arlon's Noxzema Jackson

High Scoring Dog & High Combined Score

OTCH Red River's Theres' Always Hope UDX2 OM2 TD JH RN

(FC Cosmo's Concerto Charlie x Taters Maters N Yellow Puddn)

Breeder: F N VanBergen

Owner: Ann Begun

Select Bitch

CH Fiesta's Cup Of Tea

Del Valle Dog Club of Livermore

(Golden Gate LRC Supported Entry)

Sunday, October 24, 2010

Judges Award of Merit

CH Janlon's Light My Fire

(CH Langshott Gale Force From Kimvalley x Janlon's Til Morning Comes)

Breeder: J Grannemann & D & F Morton

Owner: Carrie & Janis Grannemann

Winners Dog

Caerleons Mad Hatter

(CH Gaetacreek Joyful Jasper x Caerleone Evenstar)

Breeder/Owner: Janet Peters & Ron Saul

Judge Award of Merit

CH Gingerbred Coloma Sutters Mill

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**GOLDEN GATE LABRADOR RETRIEVER CLUB
2010 AWARDS**

Winners Bitch & Best of Winners

Janlon's Tea Party At Picklecreek

We know you've been out there working hard with your dogs and many of you have earned titles in either conformation or a performance event - or BOTH! Don't wait until the busy holiday season to start filling out your awards information start now!

Best of Breed

CH Janlon's Invincible

This year the awards period is January 1, 2010 to December 1, 2010. Send your information to awards chair, Michael Bashista, 115 Cleveland Ave., Santa Cruz CA 95060-3505. If you have questions please call 831-426-7316 or e-mail michael@bashista.com. Forms are located towards the end of the newsletter. Completed forms MUST BE RECEIVED BY December 1, 2010. Please make checks payable to GGLRC. Payment must be included with request for award.

Best of Opposite Sex

CH Ghoststone The Devil Wears Prada

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Select Dog & Judges Award of Merit

GCH Nipntuck Stocking Stuffer

(CH Hyspire Shahli Hotter Than Blazes x CH Blackwaters Nipntuck Cheerleader)

Breeder/Owner: Rebecca Jack

Select Bitch

CH Fiesta's Cup Of Tea

(CH Summerwood Jacy O'Spirithawk x Fiesta's Shades Of The Past)

FIELD TRAINING DAYS

Too many things going on this month to contemplate a field training day!

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)
Holiday Party	December 11

2011

Annual Meeting	January 9
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GOLDEN GATE KENNEL CLUB BENCHED SHOW

The Golden Gate Kennel Club is holding its 107th & 108th benched shows on Saturday & Sunday, January 29 & 30, 2010 at the Cow Palace in Daly City. Our Club has been given the opportunity to host a breed information table both days.

The table needs to be manned from 10 AM to 5 PM both

days. We provide advice and written information, which the Club provides. This is a wonderful place for us to counteract the negative publicity given dog owners and breeders. The show attracts huge numbers of spectators and has many rare breeds on exhibit as well as being a great place to shop of all things doggie.

If you could spare a bit of your time to help it would be greatly appreciated. You don't need to commit your entire day, an hour or two would be a big help. Please contact Terri Herigstad [marstad@aol.com or 925-449-1684].

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2011 DUES ARE DUE

\$35.00 Single \$40.00 Family. Please update your information. Print or type:

Name(s)

Address

City/State/Zip

Phone

E-mail Address

Please mail along with your check (made out to GGLRC) to: Sharon Scharff-Ventura, 942 Rancho Arroyo Parkway, Fremont, CA 94536. Any questions or changes call Sharon @ 510-794-5027 or Email: dukfinder@aol.com

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ANNUAL MEETING

Date: Sunday, January 9, 2011
Time: 11:00 am
Location: Terri Herigstad's house, 9995 Tesla Road, Livermore, CA

Awards will be presented, a new slate of officers and board members will be elected, and plans for the upcoming year will be discussed. Also we get to visit and renew old acquaintances. Bring lunch and a drink. If you want bring something to share.

Directions to Terri's:

From Interstate 580 traveling either east or west in Livermore take the Vasco Road Exit (Exit 55 toward Brentwood). Take Vasco Road SOUTH toward Lawrence Livermore Lab/Sandia Lab. Stay on Vasco Road for approximately 3 miles to Tesla Road. Turn LEFT onto Tesla Road (EAST). Stay on Tesla until you reach 9995 Tesla on your right.

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GEAR GAL
"People Gear"

No Gear Gal this month. Go shop at your favorite local dog supply and support the economy!

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STATE SCHOOLS CHIEF JACK O'CONNELL NAMES FIVE EDUCATORS AS 2011 CALIFORNIA TEACHERS OF THE YEAR

SACRAMENTO — State Superintendent of Public Instruction Jack O'Connell* today named five remarkable teachers as the 2011 California Teachers of the Year.

"Our California Teachers of the Year are amazing instructional leaders who have a great passion for helping students reach their full potential," O'Connell said. "They each have unique ways of teaching and thinking that inspire their students to love learning. The Teachers of the Year inspire me, and I hope they inspire veteran teachers and encourage future teachers to follow their footsteps into the classroom."

The 2011 California Teachers of the year are:

- * Shannan Brown Teaches fifth grade at Thomas Edison Elementary School, San Juan Unified School District, in Sacramento (Sacramento County).
- * Darin Curtis Teaches eighth grade physical education at Tierra del Sol Middle School, Lakeside Union School District, in Lakeside (San Diego County).
- * Beverly Gonzalez Teaches fourth grade mathematics and writing at Santa Fe School, Baldwin Park Unified School District, in Baldwin Park (Los Angeles County).
- ★ **Jennifer Kelly** Teaches eighth grade physical science at Middletown Middle School, Middletown Unified School District, in Middletown (Lake County).
- * Kadhira Rajagopal Teaches ninth through eleventh grade mathematics at Grant Union High School, Twin Rivers Unified School District, in Sacramento (Sacramento County).

Detailed biographies are attached.

One teacher is selected to serve as the state's representative to the National Teacher of the Year Program. O'Connell chose Curtis to represent California in the national competition. The National Teacher of the Year winner will be selected next spring by the Council of Chief State School Officers. Candidates will be honored at a White House ceremony.

"Curtis' application addresses how important it is for districts to include physical fitness and health programs in their curriculum," added O'Connell. "He understands how critical it is to instill healthy habits in children at a young age, especially at a time when one in four children do not engage in physical activity. I agree with Curtis' statement in his application that, 'There is nothing more important than the health of our children.'"

The California Teachers of the Year Program began in 1972 to acknowledge the growing complexity of challenges faced by the profession and the need to promote collaboration among teachers to address challenges. The program is also designed to encourage new teachers to enter the field.

The competition is open to educators who teach prekindergarten through grade twelve. County offices of education nominate winners through their regional Teachers of the Year competitions. A state selection committee reviews candidates' applications and conducts site visits to evaluate the teachers' rapport with students, classroom environment, presentation skills, and teaching methods, among other criteria. The teachers are interviewed at the California Department of Education in Sacramento. The State Superintendent selects the five awardees.

The 2011 California Teachers of the Year will be honored at a special recognition event to be held in the spring.

California Teachers of the Year - Recognizes exemplary teachers who best represent all of California's teachers and symbolize the profession's contributions to quality education.

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For information on the California Teacher of the Year program, please visit <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/sr/ct/index.asp>.

Editor's Note: I only included the detailed biography for Jennifer.

Jennifer Kelly
Grade 8, Physical Science
Middletown Middle School
Middletown Unified School District

"As the world around us becomes more complex, the value of teaching grows even more in importance."

—Jennifer Kelly

Kelly has taught for 20 years in her current rural district as well as in more urban settings in San Mateo and Sonoma Counties.

"In spite of economic hardships, we live in a very exciting era in education," added Kelly. "With the realization before us of the crucial nature of closing the achievement gap, for the well being of not only our conscience, but for our state's and nation's future, we are at a time that a teacher can make a real difference. Are you ready to play a significant role in equal education for all? As a teacher, the students will inspire you to inspire them!"

Kelly earned a B.S. in zoology in 1986 from the University of California, Davis. She has also studied at San Francisco State University.

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2010 Specialty Report

Whew—our specialty weekend is over and most everything is dried, cleaned and put away. Once again I think our Club hosted a quality event. This was a big year of firsts. Last year I was informed after our specialty that the Del Valle Dog Club of Livermore was inviting Skyline Dog Fanciers of San Mateo County to join them in their show weekend for 2010. This meant that we needed to relinquish our Friday date but gave us the opportunity to host two specialties, a “Bare Bones” specialty in conjunction with Skyline DF on Friday and our independent specialty on Saturday.

The fly in the ointment was that our parent club, the Labrador Retriever Club, was hosting their National Specialty in the western time zone in 2010 and the date fell the week before our specialty date. Logic says that this would impact our entry.

I am happy to say that last year our entry for one specialty over two days was 168 dogs. This year for our one specialty on Saturday the entry was 234! The entry in Labradors was 75 on Thursday, 108 on Friday not including a Sweepstakes (our specialty in conjunction with Skyline), 89 on Sunday and 62 on Monday. We had majors in both sexes all 5 days.

We were lucky this year in that our entry justified the supporting clubs being able to afford to keep our rings in the same place out in The Orchard 4 out of the 5 days. Hopefully, next year our entry will allow them to be able to afford to keep us out there all 5 days.

We offered trophies for only the major awards and first place for our “Bare Bones” specialty on Friday but the full complement of trophies for our Saturday independent specialty. Most of these trophies were sponsored by many generous people both within the Club and outside our Club. Trophies are one of our biggest expenses, along with judges, and a big thanks go to Ruth Hertzog and Jennifer Kelly for

getting this expense covered.

We also had a whopping 20 advertisements in our catalog this year! Thank you Jennifer Kelly. The ads help offset the cost of the catalogs to our Club. On the down side, we didn't sell as many catalogs this year as last, I think due to the fact exhibitors purchased catalogs for the shows the first two days rather than wait for our catalog.

Once again, Janet Bennett hosted a fabulous raffle to help offset the general specialty expenses. We displayed the raffle items over the two days of our two specialties and held the drawing after the Best of Breed judging at the end of the day on Saturday during the Wine and Cheese Reception. Janet has chaired this raffle for many years and is always looking for people to help out—gathering items, displaying them at the show, selling tickets and holding the actual drawing. You don't have to be a show person to help. It's a great way to contribute to the Club with minimal effort (how bad can it be to chat with people, sell tickets and sip wine?)

This year Marilou and Allen Garfinkle once again hosted the Wine and Cheese Reception after the judging on Saturday. Unfortunately it had started to drizzle by then so people weren't as inclined to hang around and socialize but hopefully next year the weather will cooperate better.

Our Obedience and Rally trials on Saturday were once again managed by Marion and Michael Bashista. Our entry was similar to last year—in Obedience 13 in 2010 as opposed to 17 in 2009, and in Rally 12 in 2010 as opposed to 6 in 2009. Hopefully people will continue their support of this important aspect of our dogs.

There are a million other miscellaneous jobs that go with putting on a quality event and I would like to thank everyone for contributing even though I am not able to mention your name specifically in this report. I appreciate everything everyone does.

Some thoughts for next year... We are going to try to offer a Puppy and Veteran Sweepstakes at the Bare Bones specialty on Friday; we would like to offer Junior Showmanship classes again on Saturday; if our finances allow I would like to purchase at least 3 more Costco canopies so all our committees can be protected from the weather; I would like to check with the AKC about offering a catalog that combines our two days of shows; and, as always, I'd like to add a couple new committee chairs to make the running of the shows on the day of the shows go more smoothly—a day of show Trophy Chair to make sure all trophies get from the trophy table to the ring and perpetual trophies are in photos but don't leave the grounds, a Ringside Judges Hospitality Chair to make sure judges have refreshments in the rings during judging, and a Grounds Chair to coordinate set up of our equipment on Thursday afternoon and take down on Saturday afternoon.

My most pressing need is for people to participate on the Judges Hospitality Committee. This year a friend of mine who is not even a Club member came forward to help not only with the travel arrangements but in picking judges up from the airport, hosting them for dinner and entertainment, shuttling them back and forth to the hotel, and getting them back to the airport. Other Club members graciously helped out with some airport runs but the majority of the work was accomplished by this non-member. Anyone who is not exhibiting in the breed ring is eligible to socialize with our judges. I have done this in the past and did some entertaining after the judging this year. It can be a lot of fun getting to know new people from different areas of our country and other countries, conversations usually are not about the dogs or the show, and I've created new relationships that have continued many years later. If you have the time and resources to help I'd REALLY appreciate it.

Overall, I feel our specialty shows were a success, mainly due to the hard work of all the people involved and I hope to see new faces involved next year. Thank you to everyone who contributed either with your financial contributions—trophies and ads, or time and talent in putting on the event. Please consider contributing to our Breed and the Club by helping out next year. If you have any thoughts or suggestions on making our specialties even more special, please feel free to contact me.

Terri Herigstad
GGLRC Show Chair
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HOLIDAY PARTY

We have a new location for our Holiday Party this year, San Lorenzo Dog Training Club. The date is December 11, 2010 at 3 p.m. The Club will provide a main dish, everything else is pot-luck. A doggie gift exchange is also planned with the gift stealing game to test our competitiveness and/or general holiday good will.

Tabby Walker is the Chair she can be contacted at tabbithawalker@gmail.com.

San Lorenzo Dog Training Club
534 C Lewelling Blvd.
San Leandro, CA 94579-1846

From the North

1. Take 880 South to the Lewelling Blvd. exit.
2. At the end of the off-ramp, turn Right onto Lewelling Blvd.
3. Continue with the "From All Locations" directions below.

From the South

1. Take 880 North to the Hesperian Blvd. exit.
2. At the end of the off-ramp, turn Right onto Hesperian Blvd.
3. At the light, turn Left onto Lewelling Blvd.
4. After going under the freeway, go through the light and continue with the "From All Locations" directions below.

From the East

1. Take 238 North to the Hesperian Blvd. exit.
2. At the end of the off-ramp, turn Right onto Springlake Dr.
3. At the light, turn Right onto Hesperian Blvd.
4. Continue through two lights, then at the third light turn Right onto Lewelling Blvd.
5. After going under the freeway, go through the light and continue with the "From All Locations" directions below.

From the West

1. Take 92 East to 880 North.
2. Continue with the "From the South" directions above.

From All Locations

1. Almost immediately, turn Left just after the large, red Auto Supply sign.
2. After turning into the Auto Supply parking lot, continue straight back behind the Auto Supply Store. The training facility is on the left, across from the parking spaces before the chain-link fenced-in area.

**LET'S PARTY LIKE
LABRADORS!!!**

General Meetings

Annual Meeting - January 9, 2011

Location: **Terri Herigstad's, Livermore**

Time: 11:00 a.m.

Board Meetings

Board Meeting - January 9, 2011

Location: **Terri Herigstad's, Livermore**

Time: Directly after the Annual Meeting

NOTE HOLIDAY PARTY - DECEMBER 11, 2010!!!
SEE INSIDE FOR DETAILS.



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