



# Retriever Reflections

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## EDITOR'S MESSAGE

The Speciality is just around the corner!! Hope to see most of you there. I know all your names from the newsletters but there are some that I don't have human or dog faces to go with. There's a lot going on and a lot coming up in addition to the Speciality - the Working Certificate test, Holiday Party, and a new year with our Annual Meeting in January focusing on awards, elections, and membership renewal. Look for forms and information throughout this newsletter. Also in January a new editor will be taking over - maybe the timeliness of each issue will improve.

Melinda Grosch, Editor

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

"I wish my dog could do that..." I hear this phrase uttered frequently when someone sees a dog sitting quietly in a public place awaiting the return of its owner/guardian. I might be reading too much into it, but it seems to imply there is a dog at home that isn't getting out as much as a well behaved canine might be. I know I am preaching to the choir here, as most all of you are very experienced trainers, so as you know, basic training is the gateway to all the other fun things we do with our dogs (field work, rally, tracking, "Splash Dogs", therapy, conformation, etc.)

You won't find me throwing stones about obedience though, as I fall off the training wagon frequently. This couldn't have been more evident to me than when I had the opportunity to steward the "Utility B" ring at an Obedience Trial recently. I marveled at the ability of the dogs and the patience of the handlers. Particularly fascinating to me was the scent discrimination exercise where the dog had to pick one item (out of nine) that was recently scented by the handler's touch. Not only did the dog have to do this once on leather item but yet again on a metal one. And that is just but one exercise in a routine that included off leash heeling, hand signal recognition, directed jumping, and directed retrieve. One woman who was competing in Utility has in excess of twenty UDX's!!

I feel lucky to have discovered my dog training club ([www.SLDTC.org](http://www.SLDTC.org)) early on in my journey with dogs. A club environment for training usually offers a comfortable venue, regular classes with great instructors, and most importantly, a tremendous support group of committed enthusiasts.

My club, San Lorenzo DTC is a member club of the larger network "Associated Obedience Clubs of Northern California" ([www.aocnc.org](http://www.aocnc.org)) AOCNC serves as a clearing house for local obedience clubs facilitating inter-club communication and hosting an inter-club competition each year. Check their web page for a member club near you!!

But most of all, go out and have some fun with your dog!!

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). 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:

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

Web Page:

<http://www/labrescue.org>

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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 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**

**LINDSEY'S SEASHELL PUPPY**

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

July 11, 2009  
Del Monte Kennel Club  
Best Of Winners  
Judge: Mrs. Stephanie Seabrook Hedgepath

**WINROC VAREKAI**

(Ch. Waifin's Topform Conundrum RN ex Ch. Winroc Online RN, JH),  
Breeder: Marianne Foote co-owned with former GGLRC  
President, Joan Kerr

July 31, 2009  
Puget Sound Labrador Retriever Association  
Specialties  
1st Amateur-Owner-Handler-Bitches

August 1-2, 2009  
Puget Sound Labrador Retriever Association  
Specialties  
1st Amateur-Owner-Handler-Bitches

August 8-9, 2009  
Rainier Hunting Retriever Club  
Junior Pass

**WINROC WILD CARD**

Mrs. A.L. Foote & Lee Foote

July 31, 2009  
Puget Sound Labrador Retriever Association  
Specialties  
3rd 6-9 mos. Puppy Dog Sweeps  
4th 6-9 mos. Puppy Dog Regular Classes

August 1-2, 2009  
Puget Sound Labrador Retriever Association  
Specialties  
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**CH. WINROC ONLINE RN, JH**

Mr. & Mrs. A.L. Foote

July 31, 2009  
Puget Sound Labrador Retriever Association  
Specialties  
2nd Novice B  
2nd All Around Retriever

August 1-2, 2009  
Puget Sound Labrador Retriever Association  
Specialties  
1st Hunting Retriever Bitches  
1st Novice B  
Highest Scoring Ch. of Record  
Highest Scoring w/Hunting title  
Highest Scoring BBE

August 8-9, 2009  
Rainier Hunting Retriever Club  
Senior Pass

August 29-30, 2009  
Puget Sound Labrador Retriever Association Hunting  
Retriever Test  
Senior Pass TITLE!

**WINROC LABRADORS**

August 1-2, 2009  
Puget Sound Labrador Retriever Association Specialties  
Breeders Cup/WINROC 4th

**WINROC QUINTESSENCE TDX, SH, MX, MXJ, XF**

Lee Foote & Mrs. A.L. Foote

August 8-9, 2009  
Rainier Hunting Retriever Club  
Master Pass

**CH DELBY MARSTAD BLACK PEARL**

(CH Hollyhill Delby's Samuel Adams CGC WC x Delby's Over The Moon)  
Breeder: Vicki Blodgett  
Owner: Terri Herigstad

July 26, 2009  
Lompoc Valley Kennel Club  
Winners Bitch, Best of Winners, Best of Breed  
Judge: Elliott Weiss

August 21, 2009  
Lake County Kennel Club of Northern CA  
Winners Bitch-FINISHED!  
Judge: Bernard McGivern

**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**

**CH Belgairn Shadowbrook Dream Time (Jilley)**

OFA Hips: LR-155116G24F-PI  
OFA Elbows: LR-EI28594F24-PI  
OFA Heart: LR-CA2750/48F/C-PI-ECHO  
OFA Cert: LR-48069 (Tested 06. 08. 08)  
Optigen: Normal Clear by Parentage

has been bred to

**BISS CH Blackwing Superfine (Big)**

OFA Hips: LR-160523G24M-PI  
OFA Elbows: LR-EL31270M24-PI  
OFA Cert: LR-43508 (Tested 2009)  
Optigen: Carrier

Puppies were due mid-July. Contact: Ron and Jennifer Kelly  
[belgairn@yahoo.com](mailto:belgairn@yahoo.com) 707 987 8163

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**A QUOTE I LOVE!**

"Love me, Love my Dog" St. Bernard quotes this proverb in Latin, "Quo me amat, amat et canem meam, " French, "Qui aime Pertrand, aime son chien " Spanish, "Quién bien quiérs a beliram, bien quiére a su can. " (If you love anyone, you will like all that belongs to him.). Source: Brewer's Dictionary.

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**CAUGHT IN THE WEB**

Canine flu cases are hitting dogs in the east. Here is what the Center for Disease Control has to say about it. Pass it on.

<http://www.cdc.gov/flu/canine/>

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**MINUTES  
GOLDEN GATE LABRADOR RETRIEVER CLUB  
BOARD MINUTES**

**SEPTEMBER 9, 2009**

**I. CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. at Denney's, Pleasanton by president Allen Garfinkle.

**II. ROLL CALL:** Present were Allen and Marilu Garfinkle, Melinda Grosch, Terri Herigstad, and David Rowinski. Marianne Foote was also at the meeting. Absent were Denise Klemm, Nancy Yamada, and Sharon Scharff Ventura.

Minutes of the July 8th board meeting were approved.

**III. REPORTS**

**SECRETARY:** Only correspondence was a letter from the New Haven Schools Foundation regarding the Mutt Strut on October 10, 2009 at the Masonic Homes in Union City and also an ad from a trophy company.

**TREASURER:** Nancy Yamada was not present but sent in a report.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**SHO AND GO MATCH:** Cal State Hayward has been reserved for the 2010 Sho and Go. The dates for the 2010 Sho and Go and Specialty have been sent to the Mt. Diablo Dog Colander. An ad will follow.

**SPECIALTY:** Proceeding on schedule. Lori Bellows has booked judges. Liability insurance has been ordered. Lunches will be run by Ann Perry and Carol Rydegon.

Judges for 2010 include Jenny Green from England and sweepstakes Shannon Carlton. The Del Valle judges are under consideration. Breed and sweeps judges were passed. Marilyn Little would be a possible obedience judge.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Membership chairman not present.

**FIELD:** WC test October 31, 2009.

**NEWSLETTER:** Melinda will do two more newsletters and then Jennifer Kelly will take over.

**IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**WEBSITE:** Nothing new, but the website is looking good,

**CERF CLINIC:** 26 dogs were tested.

**SUPPORTED ENTRIES:** Woofstock, Richmond, DelValle. Terry will talk to Eleanor. Every show doesn't have to be a major.

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS:**

- ◆ November 11th next board meeting
- ◆ Christmas party: Tentative December 12, Sharon will do it?
- ◆ Annual meeting January 10, 2010
- ◆ Cow Palace January 30 and 31, 2010. Judges: Beth Swiegart and Peter Bane
- ◆ Sho and Go June 6, 2010
- ◆ Specialty Oct 22, 23rd 2010

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Submitted by Connie Holm

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**MEMBERSHIP**

No new applications at this time.

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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

<b>Event</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>
GGLRC Specialty/Obedience & Rally Trial	Oct 16 & 17
Del Valle Dog Club Supported Entries	Oct 18 & 19
Field Training Day/Working Certificate	Oct/Nov TBD
Board Meeting	Nov 11
Holiday Party & General Meeting Sharon Ventura's House???	Tentative Dec. 12

**2010**

<b>Event</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>
Annual meeting - Terri Herigstad's House	Jan. 10
Cow Palace - Information Table Judges: Beth Swiegart and Peter Bane	Jan. 30 & 31
Sho and Go - Cal State East Bay [Hayward]	June 6
Annual Specialty, Pleasanton	Oct 22 & 23

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**OUT & ABOUT ... Sept./October, 2009**  
By Jennifer Kelly

No "Out & About" this newsletter.

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**GOLDEN GATE LABRADOR RETRIEVER CLUB  
2009 AWARDS**

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!

This year the awards period is January 1, 2009 to December 1, 2009. 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 Postmaster@bashista.com. Forms are located towards the end of the newsletter. Completed forms **MUST BE RECEIVED BY December 1, 2009.** Please make checks payable to GGLRC. Payment must be included with request for award.

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**GGLRC SPECIALITY SHOW AND SUPPORTED ENTRIES**

GGLRC Specialty: Friday, October 16 & Saturday, October 16, 2009  
Del Valle Dog Club Supported Entries: Sunday, October 17 & Monday, October 18, 2009

We hope to see many of you there - either participating by showing your dogs or just watching. Maybe you'll even find yourself helping out by stewarding, selling raffle tickets, manning the catalog table, or ??? Anyway it is our biggest event of the year and it is great fun so plan to attend.

**TROPHIES:**

Remember to send Ruth Hertzog a check for your trophy donation!

Checks should be made out to GGLRC and send to:  
Ruth Hertzog  
1870 Pitzer Way  
Los Banos, CA 93635  
PH: 209-826-9440  
hollyhill@dslextreme.com

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**RAFFLE DONATIONS:**

If you have a donation for the raffle don't forget to bring it to the specialty. If you have questions or last minute donations please contact:

Janet Bennett  
209-369-1875  
209-747-9779  
stowawaylabs@earthlink.net

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**FIELD TRAINING DAYS AND WORKING CERTIFICATE TEST**

The Field training day on Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>. at Ornbaun Kennels in Suisun was HOT but we had relatively nice water for the dogs.

We have had some setbacks to the planned Working Certificate as Ornbaun's will be closing on October 17<sup>th</sup> in anticipation of duck season which opens on Sat., October 24<sup>th</sup>. Jones Lake is currently unavailable and no other suitable location has been discovered. At worst it will mean a delay until after duck season (probably until February).

Rules for the LRC, Inc.'s WC Test can be found on their website: [www.thelabradorclub.com](http://www.thelabradorclub.com).

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**LEGISLATION - DOGS AND THEIR OWNERS WIN THE DAY**  
(for now)

SB 250 died in the Assembly and it remains to be seen how it will be handled as a two year bill - stay tuned for January 2010.

Other bills that did not garner as much attention faired as follows:

Governor Schwarzenegger has taken action on numerous bills. So far today, October 12<sup>th</sup>, he has signed 89 bills and vetoed 94 bills.

VETOED ==> AB 241 by Assemblymember Pedro Nava (D-Santa Barbara) - Dogs and cats: breeding for sale.

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 241 without my signature. This measure would make it a crime for any person or entity to own or control more than 50 unsterilized adult dogs or cats for breeding or raising for sale as pets. I support measures designed to prevent animal cruelty and that punish persons engaged in the abuse of animals. However, this measure simply goes too far in an attempt to address the serious problem of puppy mills. An arbitrary cap on the number of animals any entity can possess throughout the state will not end unlawful, inhumane breeding practices. Instead this measure has the potential to criminalize the lawful activities of reputable breeders, pet stores, kennels, and charitable organizations engaged in raising service and assistance dogs. For these reasons, I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely, Arnold Schwarzenegger

VETOED ==> AB 243 by Assemblymember Pedro Nava (D-Santa Barbara) - Animal abuse: penalties.

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 243 without my signature. This bill would require a judge to make an order prohibiting a person convicted of specified animal-related crimes from owning, possessing, or caring for any animals for a minimum period of time. This measure is unnecessary. Judges already have the

discretion to enter an order forbidding persons from caring for animals if itâ€™s warranted. Making this order mandatory could unjustly impact individuals who make a living working with or caring for animals. Consequently, I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely, Arnold Schwarzenegger

VETOED ==> AB 1122 by Assemblymember Ted Lieu (D-Torrance) - Animal abuse: sale of live animals.

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1122 without my signature. I am concerned with the scope and unintended consequences of this bill and that it does not assure the humane and ethical treatment and welfare of animals. This bill has unknown costs associated with the enforcement and implementation of prohibiting the sale of live animals in specified venues and could drive the selling of animals underground or to private sites. For this reason I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely, Arnold Schwarzenegger

10/11/2009 FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE Governor Schwarzenegger Signs Legislation Increasing Punishment for Dogfighting

Governor Schwarzenegger today announced that he has signed legislation increasing punishment for those found guilty of participating in and attending organized dog fights.

SB 318 by Senator Ron Calderon (D-Montebello) provides procedures for the forfeiting of property acquired through the crime of dogfighting and AB 242 by Assemblymember Pedro Nava (D-Santa Barbara) imposes stricter penalties on those found guilty of attending dog fights.

“Organized dogfighting is a horrible and inhumane crime that brings cruel violence to our neighborhoods,” said Governor Schwarzenegger. “These bills will increase the punishment for spectators at dog fights and will allow our law enforcement officials to confiscate the profits of this illegal activity.”

SB 318 provides mandatory forfeiture procedures of property and profits acquired by organizers and participants through organized dogfighting. The bill states that the prosecuting agency in any dogfighting crime must file a petition for forfeiture.

AB 242 increases the penalty for being or intending to be a spectator at a dog fight from a misdemeanor punishable by up to six months in a county jail to imprisonment in a county jail not to exceed one year, or by a fine not to exceed \$5,000, or by both.

In 2006, the Governor signed SB 1349 increasing the penalty for causing any animal to fight with another animal.

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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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**LABRADOR RETREIVER CLUB, INC.**

The national specialty show and events will be held in California next year! It will be in southern California - not here in the north - but it will be closer to us than it will be for three more years (when it will return to the west coast again).

Start planning to attend now! See the attached flyer.

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**A GREAT IDEA THAT COULD SAVE A PET’S LIFE**

By Gina Spadafori

Jason Marrihew of the American Animal Hospital Association on how he keeps his pet’s information accessible:

“It was a pain to find the proper paper work that had Slinky’s microchip information.

Once I found it, I created a contact for him in my cell phone. It has Slinky’s picture, microchip number, vet’s phone number, 24 hour care and the number to the ASPCA Poison Control.”

That is such a great idea I can’t stand it. Now ... if I can just find that microchip information here on my desk, I’m going to do exactly the same thing for my crew. Assuming I can find my cell phone, that is ...

**General Meetings**

General Meeting - To Be Determined  
Location: To Be Determined  
Date/Time: To Be Determined

**Board Meetings**

Board Meeting - November 11, 2009  
Location: Denny's Pleasanton  
Time: 7:15 p.m.



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