



Retriever Reflections

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Whew, we have made it through another Specialty weekend!

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU, I just can't say it enough. Thanks to all the people who volunteered to take a on a position requiring an all day (or more) commitment to the task; tasks such as Show Chair, Judges' Hospitality, Morning Hospitality, Lunch, Raffle, Wine & Cheese, Catalog Sales, Oktoberfest, etc.

Thank you also to all the people who bought a raffle ticket, entered a dog, ring stewarded, carried tables and chairs, set-up and took down canopies, donated to the trophy fund or raffle, clapped for the winners, or in any way showed up and helped us to Celebrate Labradors.

It really takes ALL of us to pull off this event. I sincerely hope that each and every one of you will take ownership of YOUR CLUB and help out again in the future. In fact I am really hoping that we can all bring a new person (think young and athletic) with us to the event next year, get them involved, help them to figure out dog showing and how to help out, and make our event less work for each one of us and more fun for everyone. It is important to remember that as members of Golden Gate Labrador Retriever Club we are the hosts of this event and therefore it is our turn to do all the work to make it a quality event and fun for all the exhibitors who come from other clubs/places to enter OUR event. Let's all plan on setting the standard for a real celebration of the Labrador for 2015!! And again Thank YOU!!!

Holiday Party!! Don't forget that the GGLRC Holiday Party is Saturday, December 13 at Tim and Vivian's in Novato. This is a potluck - time to show off your favorite dish - and a gift exchange - Labrador theme optional. If you haven't ordered a calendar you could pick one (or two) up at the party and take it home without having to pay shipping. I already got mine and they are beautiful. Having the dates of all the west coast specialties and all club events is a really nice addition this year.

We will be taking nominations from the floor for officers and board members for 2015 at the meeting at the holiday party

so if you want to serve in this capacity then make sure and be at the meeting. If you can't attend or are shy about nominating yourself just let Sharon Ventura, Sara Pierce, or Lauren Rice know and they will present your names at the meeting.

1. So here are your assignments if you choose to accept them:
2. Buy lots of calendars
3. Find a young, athletic friend to learn about dog showing and help with the Specialty
4. Come join in the fun and frivolity at the holiday party - living by famous Labrador words - "eat, drink, and be merry!" Wait maybe that wasn't a Labrador but if they could talk that is what they would say!
5. Run for an officer or board position.

Some exciting activities are on the horizon - a field training day and a Working Certificate are in the planning stages for early in the year in 2015, most likely February for a training day and April for the WC. Look for a flyer in your mail soon.

See you all at the Holiday Party!!

*Melinda Grosch
GGLC President*

GOLDEN GATE LABRADOR RETRIEVER CLUB

44TH & 45TH SPECIALTY SHOWS, FRIDAY & SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17 & 18, 2014

We had a beautiful weekend to show case all our lovely Labradors! A brief summary of our winners appeared in the last newsletter and complete results can be viewed on the MB-F, Inc web site—www.infodog.com. There are also a few catalogs remaining. If you would like a marked catalog they are available for \$10 which includes postage.

This year we added a new event to our specialties in the form of a "Dogs and Bitches After Hours" social on Friday afternoon after the judging. Vivian Poole laid out beer, pretzels and peanuts, and our British breeder judge, Heather Wiles-Fone gave us her thoughts comparing American Labradors to Labradors she has judged in other countries. It was well attended and a lot of fun. Hopefully we can continue this event.

As always, no event happens by itself and there are many people to thank for all their hard work. I am happy to say this year financially we broke even. Our breed entry was significantly larger than last year although our obedience entry was down a little. Hopefully the increase in entry will continue next year.

In particular, thank you to all the Club members who sponsored trophies for the different classes. Our specialty is the last on the West Coast to offer trophies through fourth place in every class. Also, an especial thank you to our Raffle chairs, Eleonore Diehr and Tabby Homorody. This year our Raffle produced far more revenue than usual which was a major contributing factor to our financial success! Thank you everyone for purchasing tickets as well.

I cannot thank all my individual committee chairs enough for doing their usual wonderful jobs. In the interest of not forgetting to name everyone I am not going to list individuals but THANK YOU.

Planning for next year's specialties has already begun. The Board is in the process of approving judges for next year and I am recruiting committee chairs. If you have any thoughts or suggestions to make our specialties even more special, please let me know.

*Terri Herigstad
Golden Gate Labrador Retriever Club Specialty Chairman*



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MBISS BRONZE GCH BELGAIRN'S MIGHTY QUINN OF SUMMIT VIEW RANCH

(By Ch Belgairn Troubleson 'Blue'- Belgairn Chloe Hart)

Best of Breed

High Desert LRC

Judge: Marion Daniel (Mar-Moye)

Owners: Gary Barner & Vivian Poole

TOASTIN'S CARMELTINI JH

(Justes B Annie Oakley x Toastin's Cool Beans JH NAJ)

Breeder/Owner: Mary Beth Lamb

Cheers earned her RN and NA titles in May and her NAJ in October 2014.

TOASTIN'S RAINMAKER JH NA OA OAJ

(Toastin's Roussanne SH OA OAJ NJP x Merganser's Live Strong SH)

Breeder/Owner: Mary Beth Lamb

Dustin earned his AX AXJ NF and RN titles in the summer/fall of 2014.

DIAMOND DOG'S SCREAMIN' MIMI MH

Mimi earned her Beginning Novice Title at the GGLRC Specialty with 2nd Place!

Owner/Handler Sharon Scharff Ventura



Holiday Potluck

December 13, Saturday, 3pm

Tim and Vivian's home, 1526 Indian Valley Road, Novato, CA 94947

Please RSVP to Vivian and let her know what dish you are bringing.

Please bring a gift for the gift exchange .

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JUDGES CRITIQUE, HEATHER WILES-FONE, HEATHERBOURNE LABRADORS, UK**10/17/2014**

Firstly I would like to take this opportunity of thanking the club for inviting me to judge their show . I found the quality of a high standard and thoroughly enjoyed the appointment. A special thank you to my efficient steward, Val Bradshaw and a big thank you to all the charming exhibitors.

Puppy male. 6-9 months

1st Marstad High Life. Black puppy displaying quality and great breed type, pleasing head, exc. reach of neck, strong bone, deep through the chest and body, very clean in outline, nicely developed quarters which enabled him to move with drive, very promising and showed attentively for a youngster. Delighted to award him Best Puppy .

2nd. Shalimar Miami Strut. Back of exc. conformation, nicely moulded head, good angulation front and rear, correct textured coat, well rounded quarters, just needs a little more confidence in the ring, but overall very good type and exc. balance throughout .

9-12 months

1st. Alibis Why So Serious. Stylish puppy with well shaped head, lovely clean neck, short coupled body exc. spring of rib, dense coat, stands four square on well boned legs and feet, moved with purpose.

2nd. Piccadilly Hidden Illusion at Hyspire. Black dog with lovely chiselled head, strong bone, tremendous depth of body, level topline , dense coat , moved soundly , for me today just carrying too much weight but scores in his good breed type .

12-18 month

1st. Cinderhill A Knight to Remember. This dog displays great breed type ,lovely well shaped head , exc. angulation front and rear, super spring of rib, powerful hindquarters, moved true going and coming , presented in good condition and showed with enthusiasm .

2nd. Belcarra Yelling Timber. Black of good construction, excelling in his reach of neck flowing I n to well placed shoulders , kind head, short- coupled body , well balanced, moved positively.

AOH

1st. Rainbo's walking on the Sun CGC. Yellow with well chiselled head, intelligent expression, well boned legs with tight feet, nicely ribbed body ,dense coat of the corr. texture, well put together and showed steadily for his handler . Moved with purpose and precision .

Bred by Exhibitor

1st. Marstad Delby Irish Stout. Very stylish black presented in full bloom, beautifully moulded head well boned legs and neat feet. Great body properties, firm over the loin, level topline with tail coming straight off the back ,covered the ground with ease when moving , portrays quality with exc. breed type .

2nd. Rycroft Dalwater Black Moon. Very smart black of exc. construction, everything in proportion , well shaped head , intelligent expression,showed with verve and moved with style , today not in his best coat ,nevertheless and exc. lab with lots to like about him .

Am. Bred.

1st. Reimurs Good Humour Man JH Well balanced black presented in good firm condition, pleasing in head, kind expression with dark eye, good front and strong legs, deep through the body , exc. coat , showed with verve and moved with purpose .

2nd. Belgold Keep to the Code Captain. Lovely headed dog, clean in outline ,well balanced body ,strong boned legs and feet, exc. body properties , strong topline , liked the way he moved freely round the ring .

Open black

1st Belgold A Shore Thing for Montview. Eye catching black, portraying super balance and great breed type, lovely well chiselled head with alert expression, deep strong body, firm over the loin, looks good from any angle, moved with strength from behind and stretch in front , presented in "tip top" condition and certainly commands attention. Delighted to award him WINNERS DOG .

2nd Arlons Chances R Slim at Caer Creek. This black displays quality with substance , masculine head with honest expression. Stands 4 square on well boned legs and feet , good depth of body ,very positive in movement and showed attentively .

Choc. open

1st Alibi 's Repeat Performance At Quail Run. Strongly constructed with beautifully moulded head ,coat of exc. dark colour ,deep through the brisket with plenty of heart room, strong wide quarters, moved very freely and showed happily .

2nd. Kings way Red Sea Crossing. Upstanding choc. of good conformation, exc.angulation front and rear, great body with well sprung ribs, powerful hindquarters with level topline and good tail set. Move absolutely true both ways .

Open Yellow

1st. Blue Bayo Strong Wind of Kawarimono. Smart yellow, full of quality and displaying clean lines, lovely head dark pigmentation, well ribbed body perhaps needing a little more coat on the day, presents a picture of balance ,moved with style and precision .lots to like

2nd. Misty Mountain Smokestack Lightning. Dark yellow with plenty of substance, well shaped, balanced head with kindest of expressions , deep thro' chest and ribs, strong topline, good coat and sound in movement. Lovely type throughout .

BEST OF BREED

GCH Belgarns Mighty Quinn of Summit View Ranchthis black bitch completely filled my eye and is "out of the top drawer" ...she screams breed type portraying perfect balance ,loved her well balanced head, good bone, neat feet, compact body , moved absolutely true going and coming ,she is completely made In one piece .and was presented in impeccable condition .She gives of her all. My notes say "SUPERB " ...wish she were mine !

BOS

CH. Rancho's IL Commendafore. This dog was presented in gleaming condition, most beautiful head, lovely reach of neck flowing into well placed shoulders, moved with style Top class Labrador with substance and quality combined. Excellent throughout and a very worthy Champion .

Best of winners

Alibi's Hot Toddy at the Rancho's. Beautifully balanced black exuding great breed type, feminine in head , ultra short coupled body ,strong quarters , moved soundly and uses her tail to advantage . Full of quality and style and well presented .

Veteran Dog

Ch Dalwater Dream Weaver. Upstanding yellow of 7 years who never stopped showing, plenty of angulation front and rear , strong bone , great body with level topline, in firm condition and moved freely. Very smart

2nd. GCH Hollyhill Delby's Samuel Adams. 12 year old black of super breed type, most lovely head, deep thro' the body, dense coat with true otter tail, a typical Labrador enjoying his day out and looking good for his years .

10/18/2014

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6-9 months bitch

1st. Sunnydaze Feelin' Groovy with Heartsong. Black of exc. conformation, full of substance and mature for her age , lovely shaped head, clean neck flowing into correct sloping shoulders, coat in super condition, plenty of depth of body with strong well developed quarters, strong positive movement for a youngster, showed with great style.

2nd. Hyspire Seriously Sporty at Shalimar 6 month old baby who has all the essentials of a typical Labrador, sweetest of heads, well boned legs and feet, very compact in body, good coat, moved soundly, giving away a lot in age today but lots to like about her and very promising .

9-12 months

1st . Marstad Cherry Wheat. Elegant black of super construction with everything in the right place, feminine head with kind expression, she excels in her reach of neck and angulation front and rear, plenty of bone, dense coat, powerful well developed quarters, she just floated round the ring when moving , oozes class and was expertly handled to show off her many virtues.

2nd Nani-Loa's Time to Shine at Journeyman. Lovely balanced bitch with kind head, very short coupled, stands four square on strong boned legs with neat feet, exc. coat, very typical of the breed, moved with drive, presented in super condition .

12-18 month

Dalwater Extra Olives. Very smart yellow, full of style and ring presence, feminine in head, scores in her clean reach of neck, exc. shoulder placement , level topline with tail coming straight off the back , moved very positively, happy showgirl with lots of appeal, eye catching and classy .

2nd. One More Swing Bella Mare. Very pleasing in type with gorgeous well moulded head, great angulation front and rear, ample bone, deep through the brisket and body, powerful hindquarters, moved with drive , lots to like about her .

AOH

Greenstone Dalwater Twisted Tea. This black stands out for her exc. construction, full of quality and breed type, lovely head with alert expression, clean in neck and shoulders, great body properties, strong topline which she retained on the move , good tail set, presented in gleaming condition, showed attentively .

2nd. Misty Mountain When the Levee Breaks. Well balanced bitch portraying lovely clean lines, well defined head with intelligent expression,, cobby body, strong bone , correct textured coat, moved with precision and showed with enthusiasm . Good type throughout .

Bred By Exhibitor

Layne's Spicing It up for St. John's. This chocolate was presented in sparkling condition, she is indeed an impressive bitch, teeming with quality and so beautifully put together without any exaggeration .the correct combination of substance and elegance.loved her kind feminine head, clean balanced outline , short coupled body with level topline ,moved with absolute ease round the ring, she is so well made cannot put a foot wrong , showed with such style and ring presence , delighted to award her top honours. WINNERS BITCH

2nd Marstad Blackberry Witbrier. Another top quality bitch with all the essentials to take her to the top, most lovely head, kind expression, beautifully balanced with everything in the right place, portrays great breed type , exc. coat , moved true going and coming , unlucky to meet winner of this class on such form but her day will come .

American Bred

Caerlons Something to Talk About CGC. This black presented a picture of femininity combined with substance, well shaped head, great body properties, tremendously strong quarters enabling her to move effortlessly round the ring. She excels in her true breed type and lovely balanced outline, showed attentively for her handler.

2nd. Ruby Take Your Love to Town. Love her name !! Very smart choc. Excelling in her clean neck and sloping shoulders, well moulded head, deep through the body with level topline, not in her best coat today nevertheless lovely type and moved soundly.

Black Bitch

Alibi's Hot Toddy at the Rancho. This top quality bitch stands out for her great breed type and superb balance, presented in lovely bloom, beautifully made in one piece and in excellent coat and condition, lovely well proportioned head, super angulation front and rear, ultra short coupled body, strong quarters with well let down hocks. Good tail which she uses to advantage. Covered the ground with ease when moving, showed with style and animation, top class throughout, pushed hard for top honours and was delighted to award her RES WINNERS BITCH

2nd. Hunt Club Lucky Lady. Beautifully balanced bitch with everything in the right place, well chiselled head with alert expression, good reach of neck flowing into well placed shoulders, compact in body, strong well rounded bone, very sound in movement, not quite in the coat of winner today but superb in type and exc. conformation throughout, liked her a lot.

Chocolate bitch

Salona Hills Silver Screen Sven. Well put together presented in exc. coat, very pleasing in head, correct front with plenty of forechest, great body properties and well developed quarters, lovely free mover and showed with verve. Nicely balanced and displays good breed type.

Open Yellow

1st. Dunrobin's Holiday Rhapsody. Strongly built yellow of exc. conformation, stands four square on well boned legs and tight feet. Deep thro' the brisket and body, firm over the loin, presented in good coat, liked her well proportioned head and kind expression, moved and showed well. She should just watch her weight but I forgave this as I like her overall qualities.

2nd. Spirithawk's Barefoot Contessa at Temescal. Cream bitch with lovely shaped head, good eye, plenty of angulation front and rear, strong bone with well knuckled feet, level topline, pleasing in outline, nicely rounded quarters, sound in movement, not quite in her best jacket today.

Veteran

Kashlins Blushing Puppylovely type and presented in exc. condition for her age, well defined head with kind expressive eye, great body with correct textured coat, strong topline which she retained on the move. She showed attentively for her handler, happy temperament.

More critiques coming in future newsletters.

LITTER ANNOUNCEMENT

"Ally" has been bred to 'Enzo', Blacks and Chocolates expected. Puppies are due early January 2015
BIS Ch Rancho's IL Commendatore x Shelquin's My Kinda Party CGC WC Both are: Hips Good, Elbows Normal, Cardiac Echo Clear, PRA and EIC Clear/Normal, eyes cleared annually.

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