



Retriever Review

Issue 5, February 2006

February Meeting

February 17, 2006 - 8:00 PM

Elmer's Restaurant at Delta Park

There will NOT be a Board Meeting
this month

~ Club Officers ~

President: Ellen Sparks

Vice President: Bernie Meanie

Secretary: Judy Meyer

Treasurer: Greg Huntzinger

Board Members:

Susan Huntzinger

Heather Jennings

Jeff Jennings

Coleen Powell

Committee Chairs

Marilyn Parker - WC/WCX

Allison Hillius & Donna Yadeskie
- 2006 B-Match

Betty Barkley - 2006 Specialty

Nikki Illias - 2006 Hunt Test

Litter Referrals

Susan & Greg Huntzinger
(503) 655-9405

Membership

Lisa Cruanas
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*** RCLRC WEBSITE ***

The RCLRC website is our opportunity to educate the public and communicate with the Labrador Community and the world, about our wonderful club. Jeff Jennings is the RCLRC webmaster and he has set up a great website, but now he needs our help and input. Our club should be making full use of this important resource, by submitting information to Jeff, on a regular basis. It is very important to keep our website current, interesting and educational! We will be discussing the RCLRC website, in detail, at the next meeting. Please take a chance to view our website at <http://www.rosecitylrc.com> before the next meeting!! It would also be helpful to check out other dog club's websites, to get ideas. Please bring your suggestions and creativity to the next meeting. This is YOUR website and we need YOUR input, to make the RCLRC website all that it can be and should be!

From the Editor~

A postage stamp is now 39 cents!and postage for a "lengthy newsletter" is 65 cents! The cost of printing the Newsletter and envelopes has also continued to increase! ...but our RCLRC dues has not increased and is still a bargain, at only \$20.00 a year. I am requesting EVERYONE, with an email address, to please email or call me with your current email address! Even if you have "dial up", your Newsletter will still (slowly and eventually) come in and you can always print out a copy, for future use. It can't be much slower than my dial up connection, which is 26.4kbps :o) I am still snail-mailing approximately 45 newsletters every month. This adds up to hundreds of dollars annually, which is a terrible waste of our Club Funds. Please inform me of your current email address and alert me, if and when it changes, at galshire@gmail.com or (530) 938-3338. LET'S PUT OUR RCLRC FUNDS TO BETTER USE.....maybe we could even donate this annual savings to Rescue or Research!

~ Julie Galbraith

Proposed new RCLRC members:

Dorcus Popp, John & Terry Marshall, Matthew & Cheryl Lovell

Minutes of January 22, 2006

Meeting called to order at 7:20pm. Those in attendance were Ellen Sparks, Judy Meyer, Wendy Burley, Marilyn & Richard Parker, Bob & Kathy Fagundes, Grethe Hansen, Lynn deBeauclair, Joanne Huntley, Aaron Bradshaw, Craig Peterson, Terrie & John Marshall, Celeste & Terry Smith, Julie Galbraith, Lisa Cruanas, Donna Yadeskie, Debbie & Dan Neal, Cera Reusser, Barb Gilchrest, Betty Barkley, Coleen Powell, Jeff & Mary Kennedy, Christine Crosby, Carol Peterson, Bernie Meany, Connie Burroughs, Irlanne Warren, Jeff, Heather & family Jennings, Nikki Illias, Allison Hillius.

Minutes from the November 2005 meeting approved as published in the January newsletter.

President's Report: None

Treasurer's Report:

1/1/05 – 12/31/05

Total Income \$32,119.00

Total Expenses \$35,088.32

Account Assets \$6,346.45

Secretary's Report:

Have obtained a password and login acct for the online AKC Event Management system. Will discuss access and club use at next meeting.

Committees:

06 Specialty – Betty Barkley has secured specialty site. Application sent to AKC for event: Motioned and approved to add Rally to this years event. Obedience judges are able to judge both events.

Specialty 06 judges:

Conformation - Jeanine Biddle

Sweeps - Lori Bentine

Thursday obedience - CT Fulkerson

Friday obedience and rally - Allan Immerman

Juniors - Lisa Cruanas

06 HRT- Going as planned by Nikki Illias. Nikki mentioned that the Master National Club is trying to split away from AKC. They want to be able to govern their own entries and not be ruled by AKC guidelines. As a club we voted to stay with AKC. Nikki will pass this information to Master National Club.

06 B-Match- Tentatively scheduled for May. Allison Hillius and Donna Yadeskie volunteered to chair the committee. Judges: Janet Rhodes - Breed, Bernie Meany - Obedience, Jeff Kennedy - Sweepstakes

06 WC/WCX- Jeff Jennings has volunteered to handle this years event. Trying to hold event on 22nd April on West side of Sauvie Island.

Sportsmen Show- Need volunteers for 3 hour shifts. Contact Dan Neal. Volunteers to bring well behaved dogs to showcase our labs.

Old Business:

Club donated \$100 to Aaron Bradshaw for his participation in Junior Showmanship, at Westminster.

Jeff Jennings agreed to maintain current RCLRC website. However, he is in need of members to submit information on a regular basis to keep the website current and fresh. We can submit upcoming events, puppy announcements, brags, monthly newsletter, etc. to him. Further discussion on the Website in February.

Judy Chambers suggestion on helping the Rose City Cluster was motioned and approved.

New Business:

Present officers voted and approved to continue through 2006.

Proposed new members: Dorcus Popp, John & Terry Marshall, Matthew & Cheryl Lovell

Valerie Jones of Idaho sent a gift package of handmade Labrador keyrings.

The husband of Jodie Ingall (deceased) donated a 1988 Labrador Retriever collector plate. Idea is to offer it in the silent auction, more discussion later.

Annual awards presented by Bernie Meany.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted: Judy Meyer

***** SEMEN COLLECTION CLINIC *****

Lisa Da Ross, of Hyspire Labrador Retrievers, will be holding a Semen Collection Clinic

Date: March 4 & 5 (Saturday and Sunday)

**Location: Wilsonville Veterinary Clinic
Wilsonville, Oregon**

Price: \$300.00 per dog

Reservations: Call Lisa Da Ross (209) 883-1320

**Semen will be stored with Symbiotics
Space is limited, so please call early, to reserve an appointment**

2005 ANNUAL AWARDS

STERLING'S ISLAND REVIVAL JH WC - Marilyn Parker

Junior Hunter/Working Certificate
Title/Breeder Award

INT CH STERLING'S BUSTER BROWN JH CD WC - Marilyn Parker

Companion Dog
Title/Breeder Award

HYSPIRE GLISTENING GWENDOLYN CD CGC - Julie Galbraith

Companion Dog, CGC
Title Award/ Certificate of Achievement

UCD BLYTHMOOR'S UNDENIABLE CDX TDX OA OAJ NA WC RA - Margie Dykstra

Tracking Dog Excellent & Rally Advanced
Versatility Certificate - Title/Breeder Award

WILLAMETTE'S CHASE'N BLACK SMOKE MH MJ - Cera Reusser

Master Jumper Dock Dogs
Title Award

REUSSERFARM CHASE'N SMOKE RIQUOCHET SJ - Cera Reusser

Senior Jumper Dock Dogs
Title/Breeder Award

REUSSERFARM CHASE'S BIG GUN SJ - Cera Reusser

Senior Jumper Dock Dogs
Breeder Award

WILLAMETTE'S SMOKEY MORRELL MH SJ - Cera Reusser

Senior Jumper Dock Dogs
Title Award

TARAH'S LUCKY LADY RENO CD JH WCX - Doug & Leslie Koellermeier

Versatility Certificate

***** CONGRATULATIONS *****

MISS LACEY MEYER CD JH
Owned and trained by Judy Meyer.

Finished CD title.

ALIBI'S BILLY THE KID CD JH
Owned and trained by Wendy Burley.

Finished JH and CD in less than 2 years.

~~ LITTER LISTINGS ~~

YELLOW AND BLACK LITTER

Hyspire Dressed To Impress x Int. Ch. Lenans
Mirror Image
Born: 12/1/05
Contact: Nancy Moser
(541) 998-1669
moser10@juno.com

YELLOW LITTER

Ch. JanLon's Light My Fire x Sher-Mi McStorms
HeartNHope
8 yellow puppies, 2 pet bitches, 1 pet boy available
Born: 1/14/06
Contact: Colleen Storms
Home: (360) 423-1890
Cell: (360) 560-0234
cstorms@direcway.com

YELLOW AND BLACK LITTER

WestRiver's Chains Required x Hyspire Sashay
Around Town
Born: 1/30/06
Contact: Lisa Cruanas
(360) 573-3008
herclee8@msn.com

~~ OLDER DOGS AVAILABLE ~~

5 YEAR OLD BLACK FEMALE

Has competed in Obedience.
Loves water and retrieving.
Has done some field work .
Spayed.

Contact: Lisa Cruanas
(360) 573-3008
herclee8@msn.com

YELLOW MALE

Available to a pet home.
Crate and leash trained.
Loves water and retrieving.
Optigen A1.

Born: 2/21/04
Contact: Greg and Susan Huntzinger
(503) 655-9405
<http://www.riverlanelabs.com>

8 YEAR OLD BLACK FEMALE

Registered Black Female available.
(Field Lines)
Contact: Mike and Natallee Turner
(503) 668-6463

~~ PUPPY PEN FOR SALE ~~

looks like X-pen except it has a top, bottom and door
32" high, 36" wide, 36" deep

Call Celeste Smith at 360-263-2742 or via email at walablover@tds.net

HUGE THANK YOU TO VALARIE JONES!!

RCLRC member, Valarie Jones of Idaho, made and donated a huge box of GORGEOUS RCLRC Labrador keychains for us! The Black, Yellow and Chocolate Labradors were given out and enjoyed by all, at the Annual Awards Meeting. If you missed the meeting, there are just a few Labrador keychains still available.

Contact Susan Huntzinger.

We really appreciate your thoughtful and generous gift, Valarie!

SILENT AUCTION DONATIONS

Remember to bring any dog/Labrador auction items to the monthly meetings! Lisa Craunas will be happy to receive them :o)

Also, EVERYONE has been gifted with a special talent!! Are you a photographer, artist, cook, gardener, do you quilt, are you crafty, or do you have another special talent, etc., etc.?? At the SJVLRRC Silent Auction last year, we had some interesting items: a "Jeff Heim dog photo shoot", a "Vonnie Russell 1-week-Training-Your-Puppy-for-Show Session" and one member offered a weekend at their beach house, etc.,etc. I know there is a lot of talent in RCLRC too! Think about YOUR talents and how they might benefit YOUR club, at the Silent Auction!

~~ SEMINARS ~~

PAT HASTINGS - THE STRUCTURE IN ACTION

in conjunction with Dr. Bianca Shaw

February 26, 2006

Location: Portland, Oregon

Sponsored by The Mt Hood Doberman Pinscher Club

STRUCTURE IN ACTION is a new one-day workshop. It combines Pat Hastings' Puppy Puzzle Presentation, as well as Hastings' discussion of the value of structurally evaluating adult dogs that are being considered for a breeding program, working trials or performance competition, along with a veterinarian's perspective on how to reduce the risk of structural injuries in working and performance dogs.

Contact: Gail Vektorino

(503) 422-3688

gaily@teleport.com

LABRADOR JUDGES EDUCATION SEMINAR

Tuesday, April 11, 2006 ~ 3 PM

Cost: \$30.00

In conjunction with the LRC of the Potomac Specialty

Speakers will be CAROL HEIDL (TABATHA) and KENDALL HERR (DICKENDALL)

Judges, Judge Applicants, Breeders and Labrador Lovers are all invited!

Download an application from www.lrcp.com or contact Alice Judah 540-439-3416 ~ dogmom@k9dejavu.com
or Terry Nieder 540-374-1919 ~ terry@terans.com

Call early, as space will be limited

~~UPCOMING EVENTS ~~

***** OREGON *****

Linn County Kennel Club, Inc.

February 11-12, 2006

Breed: February 11 - Merlin J Van De Kinder

Breed: February 12 - Mrs. Lowell (Arlene) K. Davis

ENTRIES CLOSED

Held at Linn County Fair & Expo Center , 3700 Knox Butte Rd.
Albany, OR

Obedience and Jr,Showmanship also available
Onofrio Dog Shows, L.L.C.

Chintimini Kennel Club, Inc.

April 1-2, 2006

Held at Linn County Fair & Expo Center
Albany, OR

Entries Close: Wednesday, March 15, 2006

Breed~ April 1 - Mr. Lester R. Mapes

Breed~April 2 - Judy A Harrington

Obedience and Jr,Showmanship also available
Onofrio Dog Shows, L.L.C., Superintendent

*****WASHINGTON *****

Seattle Kennel Club, Inc.

March 11-12, 2006

Held at Qwest Field Event Center, S. Royal Brougham Way and Occidental Ave S
Seattle, WA

Entries Close: Wednesday, February 22, 2006

Breed ~ March 11 - Mrs. Edeltraud Laurin

Breed ~ March 12 Mr. Carl Gene Liepmann

Obedience and Jr,Showmanship also available
BaRay Event Services, Inc., Superintendent

Peninsula Dog Fanciers Club, Inc.

March 25-26, 2006

Held at Kitsap County Fairgrounds , 1200 N W Fairgrounds Rd
Bremerton, WA

Entries Close: Wednesday, March 8, 2006

March 25 Mr. Howard Falberg

March 26 Dr. Daniel W Dowling

Obedience and Jr,Showmanship also available
Onofrio Dog Shows, L.L.C., Superintendent

DIAMOND DOG FOOD RECALL UPDATE

Diamond Pet Food Media Statement on FDA Investigation Findings
02/01/2006

(Although this was an East Coast recall, at least 25 dogs died and numerous dogs were sickened, so we need to be aware of Aflatoxin Poisoning! ~Julie)

***META, Mo. – Jan. 31, 2006 – Diamond Pet Foods cooperated fully with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) during its investigation and supports the findings that were released today. Prior to the product recall, the company had stringent guidelines in place to test incoming shipments of corn for aflatoxin exposure. It was apparent by the FDA report that those guidelines were not followed. The company has taken the necessary actions to prevent these oversights from happening in the future. In addition, Diamond also has strengthened its testing procedures on incoming shipments of corn, and initiated final product testing as an additive step to its procedures. This additional step will provide an extra layer of protection prior to the bagging and shipping of products.

As a result of Diamond's cooperation with the FDA investigation and Diamond's implementation of additional testing, the United States Department of Agriculture has cleared the Gaston, S.C., facility for all product shipments, including export.

***Meta, Mo. (Jan.12, 2006) – Diamond Pet Foods has seen media reports implying that our company knowingly distributed finished products containing toxic levels of aflatoxin. These reports are false and misleading. Prior to the initiation of our current voluntary recall, Diamond Pet Foods had no indication that any finished products manufactured by our Gaston, S.C. facility contained toxic levels of aflatoxin.

What we did know is there was a higher prevalence of aflatoxin in last year's corn crop. This information was communicated by many state Departments of Agriculture because of the weather conditions the corn crop experienced during its growing season. These conditions included severe drought followed by high moisture, which contributed to the growth of this fungus in the crop.

Diamond Pet Foods has stringent testing procedures to test loads of corn as they arrive. Last year, our company was rejecting one to two shipments of corn each week because testing revealed high levels of aflatoxin. However, even with stringent testing protocols, aflatoxin can exist in pockets and be missed.

FOR COMPLETE INFORMATION SEE <http://www.diamondpetrecall.net/>

Symptoms of potential illness in dogs may be difficult to discern, but include:

- Loss of appetite**
- **Yellow whites of the eyes, yellow gums, yellow in the belly or areas where hair is very thin**
- **Severe, persistent vomiting combined with bloody diarrhea**
- **Discolored urine**
- **Fever**

Aflatoxins are naturally occurring toxins that are metabolic byproducts of fungi, *Aspergillus flavus*, and *Aspergillus parasiticus*, which grow on many food crops under favorable conditions.

Aflatoxins can invade the food supply at anytime during production, processing, transport or storage. Conditions that contribute to fungal growth and the production of aflatoxins are: a hot and humid climate, kernel moisture, favorable substrate characteristics, and factors that decrease the host plant's immunity (insect damage, poor fertilization, and drought).

Food and food crops most prone to contamination are corn and corn products, cottonseed, peanuts and peanut products, tree nuts (pistachio nuts, pecans, walnuts, Brazil nuts) and milk.

Aflatoxins are both teratogenic and carcinogenic, the liver is the principal organ affected in most species. Aflatoxin B1 is considered a carcinogen by the International Agency for Research on Cancer. The clinical syndrome of aflatoxicosis is characterized by abdominal pain, vomiting, pulmonary edema, convulsions, coma, liver damage, and death.

Aflatoxin contamination damages human health, animal health, the food supply, and world markets. Researchers are actively looking for methods to control aflatoxin contamination in susceptible crops. Classical plant disease prevention methods and routine technologies for controlling plant pathogens have generally been unsuccessful. Cooperative efforts to establish control strategies began in 1988 with the start of the annual Aflatoxin Elimination Workshop.

Newsletter Guidelines

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