



# Retriever Review

Issue 26, February 2008

## February Meeting

February 15, 2008 - **7:30 PM**  
**Board Meeting at 7:00 !!**

**Elmer's Restaurant at Delta Park**

### ~ Club Officers ~

President: Barbara Gilchrist  
Vice President: Judy Chambers  
Secretary: Coleen Powell  
Treasurer: Greg Huntzinger

### Board Members

Bob Fagundes  
Celeste Smith  
Nikki Illias  
Dan Neal

### Committee Chairs

Bob & Kathy Fagundes -  
2008 B-Match  
Susan Huntzinger- 2008 Specialty  
Nikki Illias - 2008 Hunt Test

### Litter Referrals

Susan & Greg Huntzinger  
(503) 655-9405

### Membership

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(503) 698-7555

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## President's Message:

Hi Everyone! First let me say how nice it was seeing all the Members at the Yearly Pot Luck Dinner / General Meeting. Also a big Thank you to Greg and Susan Huntzinger for hosting the Meeting yet another year, along with Valerie Jones' donated Ham (Thanks Valerie). With this meeting we saw two Board positions voted on along with Committee reports. The Club has lots in store this year and we welcome any volunteers, for the various Events that lay ahead.

I will be asking my Board to come to together 30 minutes earlier (7:00 pm sharp), than the scheduled General Membership meeting which is to be held at Elmer's Restaurant /Delta Park at 7:30 pm Friday - Feb.15th. I look forward to seeing a good turn out from the Membership.... See you there!

Barb Gilchrist



Thank you to Valerie Jones for her generous donation, of a HUGE ham, for our Annual Meeting!! It was delicious, Valerie! Valerie also donated two beautiful custom Labrador Welcome signs, for door prizes! We REALLY missed you, Valerie and we sure do wish that you were there!!!!



Welcome to our new RCLRC member!  
Cindy Walker

Proposed New RCLRC Members:

Randy Johnson

Lili & Bob Lobingier

## **RCLRC Minutes – January 19, 2008**

Meeting called to order at 7:02 PM.

In Attendance: Lisa Cruanas, Dave Illias, Jeff and Mary Kennedy, Debbie and Danny Neal, Tom and Julie Galbraith, Bob and Kathy Fagundes, Judy Chambers, Barb Gilchrist, Allison Hillius, Donna Yadeskie, Joanne Huntley, Marilyn Parker, Susie Morrill, Ania Becker, Nikki Berthold-Illias, Betty Barkley, Suzanne Ventura (guest, Boise, ID), Christine Crosby, Lili Lobinger, Ellen Sparks, Greg and Susan Huntzinger, Connie Burroughs, Coleen Powell

October and November Minutes approved with corrections noted as emailed out in December.

**President's Report:** President Barb called the meeting to order.

### **Secretary's Report:**

October and November Minutes were published with changes approved by the President.

LRC, Inc. Judges Selection Committee regarding the 2010 National Specialty. A motion was made for our club to participate on this committee. The motion passed. Susan Huntzinger volunteered to represent our club in this capacity and her contact information will be passed on to Barbara Holl.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

The Treasurer's report was presented.

President Barb introduced the subject of whether or not the club would like to disclose our Treasurer's Reports in the newsletter. A motion was made to continue to not include complete financial reports in the newsletter. The motion passed.

A motion was made asking the Treasurer to prepare a report, to be emailed out to club members in good standing, with monthly income and expense statements, as well as a summary of each event's income and expenses after each is completed. These reports are via email only. The motion passed.

### **Committee Reports:**

#### **Specialty 2008**

Specialty Chairman, Susan Huntzinger, mailed a letter to our parent club confirming the details of our specialty, as well as the fact that they received our check.

Obedience and Rally - They will run at the same time this year, in separate rings.

Raffle - Some new ideas have been presented and we will try some of them in 2008. Let Susan know if you have any other ideas. Under consideration are:

- a) "Lab Lob" - People purchase stuffed toys, and toss them in a bulls eye circle to win
- b) "Labrador Lottery" - People would buy tickets and whoever holds the winning ticket wins ½ the proceeds of the ticket sales.

#### **WC 2008**

Nikki Illias has April 19th scheduled as a tentative date. Judy Chambers will email Nikki a list of show dates, in order to finalize a date.

Dan Neal would like to continue having our club support the WC, at the Waterfoul Festival. Dan will confirm the event dates, location and whether or not that location has water, then report back to the club.

### **Sportsman's Show - February 6-10, 2008**

Deb Neal has a sign-up sheet for 2 hour slots, if you would like to represent our club, at the Sportsman's Show. It is a great place to socialize your puppies and you get free admission, when you volunteer.

### **Hunt Test 2008**

Deb Neal volunteered to work as Secretary, for the Hunt Test. Entry Express will be used again this year.

### **Dr. Hutchison Seminar - April 26, 2008**

Thank you to Allison Hillius for creating 4 different fliers for this event!

Thank you Julie Galbraith, for contacting 143 clubs, to let them know about the seminar!

The seminar is \$90.00 for RCLRC members, but you must have your payment and form in before the deadline. The first check has been received and it is from a vet's office. Other vets may be interested, so please let your vet know about the seminar.

### **Membership:**

Kathy Fagundes volunteered to be the RCLRC Membership Chairman, since Lisa Craunas is retiring.

A copy of the membership form, for all new members should be sent to the Treasurer, so that their information can be added easily.

### **Nominating Committee:**

Two open board positions were voted on and the new board members are Dan Neal and Nikki Illias. The 2008 officers are as published in the December email.

**Election of New Members** - Cindy Walker was voted in.

### **Old Business:**

RCLRC webmaster, Margie Dykstra, has retired. Allison Hillius has volunteered to take over our web site.

### **New Business :**

President Barb suggested we create some new club sweatshirts in different styles. Nikki Illias and Lili Lobinger have volunteered to research some options.

Bob and Kathy Fagundes volunteered to chair our 2009 Specialty.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50PM.

Submitted by, Coleen Powell

Have you told your veterinarian about the Dr Hutchison Reproduction Seminar?  
Does your veterinary office have a bulletin board, where you could put up a flier?  
Be sure to tell your friends about the seminar too!



## Educational Reproduction Seminar Featuring Dr. Robert Hutchison—Specialist

Hosted by The Rose City Labrador Retriever Club

**April 26th, 2008**

9AM—5PM at the  
Shilo Inn Suites, Portland Airport  
11701 NE Airport Way, Portland, OR

***Come learn about....***

***Breeding***

***Infertility***

***Insemination***

***Ovulation Timing***

***and much more***



### **Registration**

- Pre-registration Discount by April 10/08—\$100 including Lunch
- Registration after April 10/08—\$125 lunch not included

Mail registration to:

Betty Barkley, 14787 NW Joseph Ct., Portland, OR 97229

Email Betty at [barkley61@comcast.net](mailto:barkley61@comcast.net)

Make checks payable to RCLRC.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

~ CONGRATULATIONS ~

~ LITTER LISTINGS ~

**Mining Camp Let Freedom Ring CGC,  
CD, RA**

Mining Camp Let Freedom Ring CGC, CD, RA earned his third leg and title for Rally Excellent B with a 96 on Friday, January 18, 2008 at the Rose City Cluster, Dog Fanciers Assoc. of Oregon. Owned, trained and handled by Lynn de Beauclair

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~ News from Valerie Jones ~

Valerie Jones is pleased to announce that she has two lovely little yellow puppies she is running on, out of her BISS Hyspire Adrenaline Rush X BOSS Ch. Ducktales And On And On

A yellow boy - JonValer And What's The Rush - aka "Watson"....  
and a yellow girl - JonValer And The Rush Is On - aka "Scoot".

They will make their debut (finger's crossed) at our own RCLRC specialties this summer. See you all then!

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**Thank you to Lisa Cruanas, for your years of service, as RCLRC Membership Chairman.**

**We appreciate all of your hard work!**

**The new RCLRC Membership Chairman is Kathy Fagundes.**

**[k.fagundes@verizon.com](mailto:k.fagundes@verizon.com) 503-698-7555**

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**Thank you to Margie Dykstra, for all your hard work, as the RCLRC Webmaster.**

**We appreciate you!**

**The new Webmaster is Allison Hillius**

**[devonshirelabs@comcast.net](mailto:devonshirelabs@comcast.net) 360-330-5554**

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**ALL BLACK LITTER**

Dickendall Daravon Amigo x  
BISS CH Ghoststone's Woodland Gossip  
Whelped: September 15, 2007  
2 males/ 1 female available  
Contact: Lisa Cruanas  
360-609-4958  
[herclee8@msn.com](mailto:herclee8@msn.com)

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**OLDER BLACK MALE**

Ch Lor-als Chuck Waggin x Blackthorn's Charisma  
1 year old - neutered - crate trained - loves water  
Contact: Lisa Cruanas  
360-609-4958  
[herclee8@msn.com](mailto:herclee8@msn.com)

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**OLDER YELLOW FEMALE**

**Blackthorns Justa Country Girl (Reba)**  
**2 years old ~ Born: 12-10-06**  
**Crate trained, house broken, leash trained and some obedience, spayed**  
Contact: Bob and Kathy Fagundes  
503-698-7555  
[k.fagundes@verizon.net](mailto:k.fagundes@verizon.net)

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# “Fox Red Labradors”

By Gregg Tonkin - Little River Labradors  
<http://www.littleriverlabs.com/foxred3.htm>

Normally, when one thinks of a fox red Labrador, they think of a very dark red. This may be true, however it is the shade that makes a fox red and they can appear both medium to dark. In any case, the head and ears should appear red (again medium to dark) and based upon the coat type will determine how dark the body is. Many yellow Labradors have what is called the chinchilla effect, where a hair shaft can be totally one color or only a percentage of the guard hair reflects the color. We have had fox red Labradors where only about 20% of the end of the shaft shows the red color. The head and ears were dark but the body looked medium at best and in fact some questioned if indeed they were fox red. One would only need to look close to see the red in the coat, versus the dark honey brown, of a normal yellow. It is the shade, not the degree of darkness, that determines if the Labrador is a fox red or not. This "chinchilla effect" can vary greatly dog to dog.

Breeders of "true fox reds" will quickly point out that some yellow Labs professed to be "fox-red", are really more dark tan than red and are therefore, not "true fox-reds". The difference in concentration of red color (determined by the "ay" or "as" allele of the A locus) is dependent upon the alleles at the C locus. The "C" allele allows for full expression and intensity of red tones, while the "cch" allele will dilute the red to a clear tan color.

Therefore, the genotype of each color variation is:

**ay\_B\_C\_ee = True Fox-Red**

**as\_B\_C\_ee \* = True Fox-Red with Saddling\*\***

**ay\_B\_cch\_ee = Pseudo Fox-Red**

**as\_B\_cch\_ee = Pseudo Fox-Red with Saddling\*\***

\* the underline denotes that the gene locus may be homozygous or heterozygous with a less dominant allele present at the partner-chromosome gene locus

\*\* Labs with this genotype demonstrate the red coloring localized to certain areas of the body.

The "as" allele produces the "saddling effects" seen in many yellows in which there appears darker yellow pigmentation on the back, ears, legs, etc. compared to areas of light yellow on the shoulders, neck, and underside. The "as" allele also increases intensity of phaeomelanin, but restricts its production to the former mentioned areas on the Lab.

The observation that there appears to be no solid fox-red or solid "pseudo" fox-red Labs may be explained by Little's hypothesis that the combination of an "ay" in a homozygous "e" (yellow) dog is lethal. If Little's hypothesis is correct, then this would mean that all fox-red or "pseudo" fox-red Labs must be: as\_B\_C\_ee or as\_B\_cch\_ee, respectively.

Within a litter of fox reds you will always get a variation of shade from medium to dark. Even on breeding fox red to fox red, a variation of shading will result. On all fox red puppies, as they get older, the color will darken and in fact this color change can be dramatic. When one looks at a new puppy on coat shade, it must be remembered that you are looking at undercoat, not the guard hairs. This undercoat will appear to be the color of a brown paper bag. The key again is the head and ears, not the body. Another key on a fox red puppy is the pigment.



“Little RiverRedheadedStranger”, 'Willie', as a new born – **Note the Peach pigment**  
On a normal yellow, the pigment will be a distinct pink, on a fox red it will be a peach color.



### Yellow puppy

As soon as they are born, they appear fairly dark, within a couple of weeks they lighten up as their undercoat develops. They will stay about the same shade until their guard hairs start to show. It is then the red starts to appear. Again, you can get a better idea of their shade, looking at the head and ears, but only age will reflect the degree of the chinchilla effect on their coat. Even on the head and ears, age will deepen and darken the color.



### Fox Red puppy

These pictures reflect how a puppy lightens up just within a couple of weeks, then the chinchilla effect and how it creates shading in the coat. This puppy was the result of a fox red bred to a normal yellow.

A fox red puppy three days old, note the rich solid color at this stage.



The same puppy fifteen days later. Note how he is beginning to lighten up and the "paper bag" color of this undercoat starting to appear.



Again the same puppy at six months of age. Note the extreme chinchilla effect in his coat, not only causing shading, but making him appear lighter than he really is. As he ages, he will darken, but the chinchilla effect will remain.



Thank you to Gregg Tonkin, for allowing me to share this article!  
Please do not reprint it, without his permission.

Little River Labradors

<http://www.littleriverlabs.com/>

"Little River Red Warrior"

~ Upcoming Seminars ~

“From Conception to Birth”

by Michelle Kutzler PhD, DVM, DACT

March 15 2008 - Albany, Oregon

Sponsoring Club: Chintimini Kennel Club

Contact: Susan Pias - 3406 SW Chintimini Ave., Corvallis, OR 97333 Email: npias@comcast.net

This presentation is focused toward breeders and those interested in canine reproductive health.

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“AKC Tracking Seminar”

Presenter: AKC Field Rep

March 22nd & 23rd, 2008 - Salem, Oregon

Sponsoring Club: Luckiamute Dog Training Club

Contact: Barbara Schwartz - PO Box 219 Seal Rock, OR 97376 Email: vanityfr@teleport.com

Phone: (541) 563-5765

This will be a two day tracking seminar March 22nd & 23rd, 2008. It will cover the AKC Tracking Regulations and the different levels of AKC Tracking. Potential judges are encouraged to attend.

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“Breeding Seminar with Dr. Hutchinson”

April 26 2008 - Portland, Oregon

Sponsoring Club: Rose city Labrador Retriever Club

Contact: Betty Barkley - 14787 NW Joseph Ct.; Portland, OR 97229 Email: barkley61@comcast.net

~~~ **HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY** ~~~

