



# RETRIEVER REVIEW

Issue 7—April 2009

## **April Meeting**

April 17th, 2009—7:30 p.m.

Elmer's Restaurant

Delta Park

No Board Meeting

## **~ Club Officers ~**

President: Barb Gilchrist

Vice President: Judy Chambers

Secretary: Deb Neal

Treasurer: Greg Huntzinger

## **Board Members**

Ellen Sparks

Cindy Freeman

Nikki Berthold-Illias

Dan Neal

## **Committee Chairs**

Susan Huntzinger—2009 Specialty

Nikki Berthold-Illias

2009 Hunt Test

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## **April Showers.....**

## **True Labrador Weather!!**



## **President's Message:**

Hi Fellow Lab Lovers...

We are being assaulted in both Washington and Oregon with new Anti-Breeder Dog Laws. These attempts are being brought on by those powers who would take away your rights to most any part of what we do with our Labradors...make no mistake about it! They want to STOP all breeders! The proposed new Laws are veiled in looking like they are going after only the "Puppy Mills" but do not be tricked...the Law is directed at all Purebred Dog Breeders! Do not sit idly by and do nothing. Since this Labrador Breed Club is Oregon based....this March 30th there will be a show of force at the State Capital in Salem. PLEASE ATTEND I URGE YOU! Contact Judy Chambers for specific times and GO....

Let your Voice be heard!

Your President ~ Barb Gilchrist



# March Meeting Minutes

RCLRC Minutes, March 20, 2009

Meeting called to order by Barbara Gilchrist at 7:40pm.

In Attendance: Debbie Neal, Danny Neal, Ellen Sparks, Julie Galbraith, Judy Chambers, Barb Gilchrist, Bob Gilchrist, Jeff Kennedy, Joanne Huntley, Marilyn Parker, Richard Parker, Lisa Cruanas, Greg Huntzinger, Susan Huntzinger and Nikki Berthold-Illias .

Motion made and passed to approve February Minutes with the following corrections. The Club has a permit to hold the B-Match at Frenchman's Bar Park not reserved. Also, the following Judges for the 2010 Specialty have accepted:

Secretary's Report: The Columbia River Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club is holding a Canine Health Day on April 19, 2009 at Aloha Dog and Cat Hospital. Contact Wendy Stang at [wendy@bctonline.com](mailto:wendy@bctonline.com) or (503) 632-4434.

Greg Huntzinger reported that this year the Club paid \$757 in Federal and \$179 in State taxes. Greg suggested that we apply for nonprofit status. There is a seminar that shows how to apply for it. Another possibility is to pay someone to obtain the nonprofit status for us or have a knowledgeable club member apply for the Club. A benefit of non profit is that certain insurances are available to only nonprofits.

President's Report: None.

Committee Reports:

B-Match: Julie Galbraith reported that the B-Match flyer did not make it into the newsletter. Discussion on entry fees followed. Ellen Sparks moved to keep the same entry fees. Motion seconded and passed. Julie needs volunteers for ring stewards and someone to take entries on the day of the match. Lisa Cruanas volunteered to be the permanent contact for obtaining the permit for Frenchman's Bar Park. Julie asked Dan Neal to bring the barbecue grill and do the cooking. Dan accepted.

Working Certificate: Dan Neal reported no changes. Greg Huntzinger asked for details on locati on once it is secured for insurance reasons.

Specialty: Susan Huntzinger reported for Kathy Fagundes that there are no changes. Julie Galbraith reported that she will be doing a Silent Auction. Julie asked that members bring baskets to donate.

HRT: Nikki Berthold-Illias reported no new information to report. She has found a new bird supplier that is local.

Membership: Susan Huntzinger reported for Kathy Fagundes. Proposed members, Debbie and John Mueller's' membership application was sent back to the membership committee. New proposed members are Chris and Kim Dotson and Ken Jorgenson.

Old Business: Judy Chambers reported on House Bill 2470. After two work groups looks like the bill is going forward with no changes. On March 30<sup>th</sup> a lobbying day will be held, people are asked to go to Salem to talk with the Representatives. Susan Huntzinger moved to donate \$500 to the National American Animal Alliance. Motion seconded and passed. Nikki Berthold-Illias reported that the AKC has tabled a motion to apply a \$25 dog tax per year on every dog shown.

New Business: Judy Chambers mentioned that on occasion people use the Club's website and/or newsletter to sell litters. Discussion followed about having a Club disclaimer on top of the webpage and posting what to look for in a puppy, possibly links on how to find information about OFA, etc.

Meeting Adjourned.

Submitted by Debbie Neal

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## Brag & Litter Announcements

**All chocolate litter** due 4-4-09

**SIRE: Champion Thornwood's Resolution**

OFA LR-154123G24M-PI, LR-EL28055M24-PI CA Cleared, CERF LR41956, Optigen A1

**DAM: Thornwood's Puppy Love** (Champion Thornwood's The Achiever daughter)

OFA LR-163557F24F-PI, LR-EL32824F24-PI, CERF LR-42629 Contact: Cheri Conway (541)723-2467 [forlabs@centurytel.net](mailto:forlabs@centurytel.net)

**Black and yellow litter** due 4-9-09

**SIRE: Champion Ghoststone's Louie Downtown**

OFA LR99038G24M-T, LR-EL8973-T, LR-CA114/12M/C-T CERF LR-20804/2007-118, Optigen A1

**DAM: Champion Thornwood's Singular Sensation** (Champion Dickendall Davaron Gable daughter)

OFA LR-166269G24F-PI, LR-EL-34315F24-PI, CERF LR-42622 Contact: Cheri Conway (541)723-2467 [forlabs@centurytel.net](mailto:forlabs@centurytel.net)

## Braggs/Litters con't.....

**Breton Gate Phoenix**—(Ghoststone's Downtown Louie x Breton Gate Corky) went **WD** and **BOW** in Portland in January under Carl Leipmann to finish his AKC CH title. "**Zip**" was bred by Betty Barkley and owned by Susie Morrill.

**New Champion** - Valerie Jones and Sheila Fruge' finished their black bitch **Ch. Locust Grove's Faith Is Believing** finished with a 3 pt. major at San Mateo KC. Ellen Cottingham handling. Faith is Ch. Ghoststone Hyspire Dressed to Impress X Skyfire's Unnamed Melody.

**New Litter**— all yellow! 3 dogs and 7 bitches! (Wowza—you hit the jackpot girl!) Sire— Thornwood's Right Back Attcha X Metate's Hangtown Candy Cain Whelped 1/14/2009—ready to go 3/13ish/2009. **Lorna Brandt 503-738-7317**

**Older Black Female**— Betty Barkley has an 5 year old black bitch available. Must be spayed. House dog—loves people! Call **Betty at 503-645-4187**.

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### **Fleas & Ticks — What's New?**

By Jessica Tremayne

Theories abound as to why clients report more flea and tick infestations despite the availability of the best preventive products the profession has ever seen.

Weather patterns, heightened owner awareness and neighborhood wildlife are the most likely reasons clients are slinging questions at veterinarians about ongoing flea and tick infestations and product efficacy, experts say.

Although a recent study fingers global warming as the reason ticks are causing more trouble for humans than in past years, the evident issue is clients' expectations of flea and tick products. Veterinarians might not want to get tangled in the global warming debate, but it's still necessary for them to educate clients on realistic expectations of the products they recommend.

"An overall sense of complacency has seeped into the profession and we've gotten away from educating clients," says Michael Dryden, DVM, Ph.D., professor of veterinary parasitology at Kansas State University.

"We treat fleas and they go away, but these products don't last forever. Treatment must be continued to get rid of the entire infestation. Fleas can lay 40 to 50 eggs a day, and they drop in the carpet and spread anywhere the pet goes. If owners could understand the miniature world of larva, pupa and adults inside their homes, they might step up to

the plate and be more compliant with their treatment." Though flea-killing chemicals may vary from the active agents used to kill ticks, most products advertising that they eliminate fleas will stymie a tick infestation. This makes life simpler for the client and condenses veterinarians' education session for clients.

Explaining to clients the effect of year-to-year weather changes on parasite populations—and the logic in consistently applying a monthly preventive—is part of the plan in helping clients make the right choices in flea and tick control.

"Weather patterns make all the difference," says Michael Murray, DVM, Dipl. ACVIM, technical marketing director for U.S. parasiticides at Merial Ltd. of Duluth, Ga.

### **Fleas in the Environment**

"Owners who have pets with a flea or tick problem want to blame someone for the infestation. They have been using a product to handle the problem, but they sometimes find fleas are still around and they conclude the product isn't working. Clients tend to have a perception that 'poof!'—fleas miraculously go away, not realizing new fleas are emerging from the environment.

"There are many good products that take care of the problem, but the fleas didn't hear about that and they re-emerge from non-host sites."

Since veterinarians typically encounter the client and patient once an animal has fleas, being prepared to educate clients about why they see a flea or tick after treatment with a veterinary-recommended agent is a starting point, some practitioners say. Clients may not understand the life cycle of the parasites and expect a monthly topical to be the cure-all.

"Manufacturers continue to study products for effectiveness, and findings show that they are as effective today as they were when they were placed on the market more than a decade ago," says Joe Hostetler, DVM, manager of veterinary technical services for Bayer Animal Health of Shawnee, Kan. "There is no product that will instantly kill every flea."

### **The Life Cycle**

Environmental experts say warm seasons are lasting longer, giving Northern states a greater problem with fleas. It used to be that many states were too cold for fleas or, at least, they disappeared in the wintertime. But veterinarians now should be recommending year-round flea and tick control in all regions, experts say, to keep the parasitic infestations in check.

More than 90 percent of fleas live and die in the environment of a pet or other animal, rather than on the pet itself.

"There's a lack of client awareness as to fleas' and ticks' ability to live off the pet," says Christine Rees, DVM, Dipl. ACVD, of San Antonio Veterinary Referral Specialists.

"They also underestimate the zoonotic disease potential of letting these infestations go untreated. Since the products veterinarians would recommend are safe according to the Food and Drug Administration or the Environmental Protection Agency, that might be another point to make right off the bat."

### **Core Part of Care**

The economic downturn has many people redirecting their spending. Although veterinarians haven't reported a significant overall decrease in revenue for 2008, the issue may persist throughout 2009 as to how to persuade clients to invest in products they may not see an immediate need for. "As a profession, we don't always think of flea and tick con-



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Black Puppies Due April 14th.  
EIC/CNM clear by parentage.  
\$950

Bank Robber II MH/QAA  
(FC AFC Creek Robber son)

Whitewater's déjà vu JH  
(FC AFC "Soupy" daughter)

Black/yellow puppies due April 3rd.  
EIC/CNM clear by parentage.  
\$750

Way-Da-Go Call of the Wild QAA  
(Am/Open Wins)

Kingston's Wind River Rush JH  
(FC AFC "Dean" daughter)

Chocolate pups whelped Feb 11th.  
EIC clear by parentage.  
\$900



### Breakfast at the Specialty

Summer will be here before we know it and it's time to start thinking about bringing your favorite breakfast goodies to the RCLRC Complimentary Breakfast at the Specialty Show July 9-11. Your contribution of a brunch food such as fruit, pastry, or juice will be greatly appreciated. We will bring a hot dish; the club will provide muffins, bagels, and hot beverages. Let's put together a wonderful complimentary breakfast to get our exhibitors and volunteers days off to a great start! If you have questions feel free to call Lili Lobingier at (503) 925-9212 or Cathy Hakola at (360) 736-7449

Thanks for your help!

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#### \*\*\* IMPORTANT OREGON LOBBY DAY UPDATE \*\*\*

Our **National Animal Interest Lobby Day** has been **rescheduled** to coincide with the next hearing on HB 2470, the HSUS supported bill to impose unreasonable and ineffective new regulations on dog ownership and breeding. **We are now asking all Oregon NAIA members to join us in Salem on Monday, March 30th for a day of lobbying and testifying on the most critical issues for animal owners.**

[HB 2470](#) is anticipated to receive its second hearing and a possible vote at 3:00 pm that day in the House Consumer Protection Committee. We strongly feel that we can make the greatest impact by combining our lobbying efforts with especially high turnout at the hearing.

NAIA recently participated in two work group meetings called by the Consumer Protection Committee in an attempt to address our many concerns and get the parties supporting and opposing to agree on a rewrite of the bill. Unfortunately, no consensus was reached, and HB 2470 is still likely to contain an arbitrary number cap on intact dogs, unworkable engineering and care standards, and misguided lemon law provisions. We have made it clear that our goal is to identify a realistic, enforceable way to help eliminate substandard kennels that won't unfairly target and punish responsible breeders. Our message on March 30th will be that responsible animal owners want to support legislation that punishes unethical breeders, and NAIA has an alternative solution that we can all stand behind.

**NAIA Oregon Lobby Day**  
**Monday, March 30, 2009**  
**9:30 a.m.**  
**Oregon State Capitol**  
**Conference Room 350**

We will kick off our Lobby Day by assembling in the morning over coffee and refreshments to discuss [why we oppose HB 2470](#) and other pending legislation in Salem and learn more about the proactive solutions NAIA members can promote. Armed with talking points and helpful tips on lobbying you can head out to meet face-to-face with your State Senators and Representatives. We will meet up again at 3:00 for the hearing on HB 2470 in Hearing Room E.

Please plan to attend this important day. In the meantime, you can get started by calling your legislators to reserve a few minutes on their calendars on March 30th. They usually try very hard to accommodate constituents when they are in the building. [Click here to find your legislators by entering your home address.](#)

Feel free to contact NAIA with questions at either 503-227-8450 or 503-761-8962. We look forward to seeing you there!

**P.S.** If you were planning on going to Salem on March 23rd, the previous lobby day date, and that is the only day you can make it to Salem, please contact Kristine Phillips at [executivedirector@naiaonline.org](mailto:executivedirector@naiaonline.org) for assistance and she will make certain you have all of the resources you need, and arrange to meet you in the Capitol building.

(Submitted by Judy Chambers)

Thanks Judy!





We would like to let your members in the Portland Metro area know about a new service being offered that might be of interest to those who love to train or just swim their Labrador Retrievers, but may not be able to find a place readily available to them. *Unsinkable Dogs* is a warm water swim pool located just off 1-5 just north of Vancouver, Washington.

*Unsinkable Dogs* offers a 14.5 feet by 7.5 feet jetted pool. The pool sits about 2 feet into the ground, with a ramp leading to the deck with a level entry 2 feet above the ground. The steps into the pool allow for gradual entry of dogs into the water. The pool has several "beaches" at different depths to allow dogs of most sizes to rest between conditioning swims. *Unsinkable Dogs'* pool jets can be adjusted to an appropriate level for each dog's swimming needs.

*Unsinkable Dogs* is more than just a pool. The people of *Unsinkable Dogs* bring a wide variety of backgrounds and skills together to offer dog owners a unique experience. *Unsinkable Dogs* offers:

- Water Reiki
- Water TTouch
- Assisted Injury Recovery Swimming
- Assisted Swimming

Self-Swim (after demonstrated safe pool and operational skills)

To learn more about *Unsinkable Dogs*, the pool and our dedicated staff, please visit our web site at [www.unsinkabledogs.com](http://www.unsinkabledogs.com).

We would also like to offer your members **one free assisted swim** if they mention that they are with the Rose City Labrador Retriever Club.

If you have any questions or if I can provide any additional information, including mailing copies of our brochure to your members, please feel free to contact me. I'm a Retriever (Golden) owner as well.

**Kelly O'Neill**

**UNSinkable DOGS**

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Columbia River Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club

## **CANINE HEALTH DAY**

Hosted by: Aloha Dog and Cat Hospital  
17355 SW Tualatin Valley Highway  
Aloha, Oregon

**Date: Sunday April, 19<sup>th</sup>, 2009 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.**

**Hip X-rays - \$154.00**  
**Elbow X-rays - \$74.50 if done w/hips**  
**Heart Exams - \$32.00**  
**Eye Exams - \$25.00**  
**AKC DNA Testing**  
**Thyroid Testing**  
**Patellar Testing**  
**Vaccinations**  
**Microchips**

Appointments for hip and elbow x-rays should be made with “Becky” at Aloha Dog and Cat Hospital by phone or e-mail at [info@alohadogandcat.com](mailto:info@alohadogandcat.com).

X-rays are done digitally and without sedation. A 10% discount will be given on Canine Health Day only. A copy of the dog’s original registration paperwork must be submitted by fax or e-mail prior to Sunday, 4/19/2009.

VISA, MasterCard, Discover, personal check and cash will be accepted.

Dr. Gary Wood will perform the heart exams.  
Dr Paul Scherlie will perform the eye exams.

Appointments Please – Walk-ins will be worked in around the appointments. For heart and Eye Exams appointments, please e-mail “Wendy Stang” at [wendy@bctonline.com](mailto:wendy@bctonline.com) or call (503) 632-4434

For additional information contact Wendy Stang at the above numbers or Carol Williams at [wcarol1037@qwest.net](mailto:wcarol1037@qwest.net) or (360) 891-6904

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**Rose City Labrador Retriever Club of Oregon  
Annual Specialty Shows**

**This will be our 2<sup>nd</sup> year with two back –back Specialty Shows.**

**Thursday July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2009**

**and**

**Friday-Saturday July 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>, 2009.**

The shows will be held at Champoeg State Park with Sweepstakes and Conformation on Thursday, July 16<sup>th</sup>. Sweepstakes, Conformation, Obedience and Rally on Fri & Sat July 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>. Junior Showmanship will be on Friday July 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Watch for premiums as they will be out and closing dates are all on June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2009.**

**(Contact Garvin Shows for further information)**

**Reservation are open at the park, they have campsites, hook-ups and Yurts available.**