

#### Labrador Retriever Club of Southern California

# RETRIEVER REVIEW

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#### PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Happy Summer to all. Are you all melting away in this heat? You that live near the coast are So Very Lucky. At least we in the Inland area have been getting a cooling breeze at night.

Remember the FUN DAY is August 3. That's a Sunday. It is at our favorite place, Canyon RV (Featherly Park) at Gypsum Canyon and the 91 Freeway. Bring a potluck dish to share. LRCSC will provide hamburgers and hotdogs with the fixings.

Don't forget lots of water for you and the labs, and some extra shade if you have it. As you know the park can be hot this time of year.

See you all there.

**MARTY** 

#### **EDITORS NOTE**

I am so sorry there was no June Newsletter due to the editor being under the weather. So this is a June/July combination Newsletter.

I hope to see everyone at the Fun Day on August 3. This is a great chance to expose your dogs to the activities that you may not have tried yet, but would like to, but also to relax, chat dog stuff, and have a great time. The food is not bad either!

For our many new members, come on out and let us welcome you to the club and what it can offer you.

The article on arthritis is reprinted from the Denver Club Newsletter.

Margaret

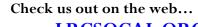
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#### Have you joined the LRCSC's email list at yahoogroups.com?

Share upcoming events and news with fellow LRCSC members via our own email list. This list is intended for the use of the members of the Labrador Retriever Club of Southern California. Please Use this list to keep current members up to date on pertinent Dog News and Information.

It's Easy to Subscribe! Send an email to:

#### LRCSC-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

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#### From the Membership Chair...Celeste Young finnmarksviddalabs@hotmail.com

WELCOME TO THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS:

#### Larry Graham – Los Alamitos Sharon Cole - Redlands

The following people have applied for membership in the LRCSC and have had their application read to the board:

#### No New Readings for June

If you have any objection to the above-mentioned person joining the club, please voice your concern at the next Board Meeting.

#### **Lab Rescue Organizations:**

Fetching Companions Inc. www.fetchingcompanions.org FCRR Message line 888 412-3382

www.sclrr.org sclrr@sclrr.org P.O. Box 4188 Irvine, CA 92616-4188 1-888-55-4-A LAB Page 3 Retriever Review



#### THE WINNER'S CIRCLE

The Winner's Circle Entries are any 1<sup>st</sup> place, a qualifying score or leg, a placement at a specialty or LRCSC supported entry, or a new title in the last three months. Non AKC titles will only be listed in regular format, but no individual wins for non AKC events will be listed. So please only submit title, date, and location where title was completed. Match wins are not eligible for publication in the retriever review, but may be listed if space is available. Entries are listed in alphabetical order by the dog's registered name.

#### **NEW TITLE!!**

#### Blacklamb's Lady Cabernet CD, RE, WC, CGC

(Chips Aim'n to Please Jake x Goldriver GMBLR Muddy Streak) Owner Jen Cordero

5/31 RE Leg 3 TITLE Flatirons KC, CO
6/7 RAE Leg 1 Colorado Springs KC, CO
6/8 RAE Leg 2 Colorado Springs KC, CO

#### **Delby Marstad Black Pearl**

(Ch Hollyhill Delby's Samuel Adams x Delby's Over the Moon) Breeder Vickie Blodgett Owner Terri Herigstad 4/27 1<sup>st</sup> Open Blk, WB, BOW, BOS 1 pt Gavilan KC Judge Pluis Davern

#### **NEW TITLE!!!**

#### **CH** Forest wood Gone Hollywood At Montview

(Ch Shadowbrook's Just Ducky x Ch Forestwood's Purple Rain) Breeder Leslie Plank Owner/Handler Julie Musella 4/25 1<sup>st</sup> Open Yw, WD, BOW LRCSC Spec. Judge Betty Graham

#### **NEW TITLE!!!**

#### Hirsch's Gone With The Wind MX MXI OF RN

(FC AFC Yellowstone's TNT Explosion JH x Watermark Cheyenne JH) Owner/Handler Elisa Hirsch

- 5/25 2<sup>nd</sup> Pl Excellent B JWW So Calif Portuguese Water Dog Club, Judge Mark Upshaw
- 5/26 3<sup>rd</sup> Pl Excellent B Standard So Calif Portuguese Water Dog Club ,Judge Mark Upshaw
- 6/1 2<sup>nd</sup> Pl Excellent B JWW KC of Pasadena ,Judge Debby Funk, (Master Agility Jumpers Title!)
- 6/1 3<sup>rd</sup> Pl Excellent B Standard KC of Pasadena, Judge Rhonda Crane
- 7/5 2<sup>nd</sup> Pl Excellent B JWW 100, Samoyed Club of LA Judge Scott Stock
- 7/5 2<sup>nd</sup> Pl Excellent B Standard 100, Samoyed Club of LA, Judge Kele McGlohon

#### NEW TITLE!!!

#### **CH.** Hollyhill Delby's Samuel Adams

(Ch Delby's Anchor Steam JH x Ch Hollyhill's Wheel of Forturne JH) Breeder Ruth Hertzog Owner Terri Herigstad

- 4/13 1<sup>st</sup> Open Blk, WD, BOW 2ps Sacramento KC Judge Beth Sweigart
- 427 1<sup>st</sup> Open Blk, WD 1pt Gavilan KC Judge Pluis Davern
- 5/18 1<sup>st</sup> Open Blk WD, BOW, BOB 1 pt Coyote Hills KC Judge Judy Webb. Finished!





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#### PUPULATION INCREASE

Only verifiable screening information will be listed and only certification numbers are provided. The following organizations will certify the certifications that they have issued. You must know either certification number of the dog or its AKC number. If no certification numbers are listed, it does not necessarily mean that the dog has not been screened. Prospective buyers should inquire for further information from the breeder of the litter.

#### Canine Eye Registration (CERF)

317-494-8179

www.vmdb.org/inquiry.html

#### Orthopedic Foundation of America (OFA)

573-442-0428

www.offa.org

#### Optigen

607-257-0301

www.optigen.com

NOTE: These litter listings are provided as a service and information exchange for full members of the LRCSC. The listing will run in two consecutive issues only. One extra month costs \$5.00, payable to LRCSC before the ad will run. No effort is made to verify the information provided, nor does the LRCSC as an organization enforce these litters. It is the responsibility of the consumer to certify information, ask questions, and evaluate guarantees and contracts as should be done before making any significant purchase.

Born June 17 All Choc. Litter 2 CD, 6 CB

Sire: Baja Weikenlin Moonking

OFA LR-153403G24M-PI, LR-EL27757M24-PI,

Cerf LR-39903/2007-48

Dam: Venture's It's Now Or Never

OFA LR-143509E24F-PI, LR-EL23297F24-PI,

Cerf LR-39752/2007-49

Contact Terri Boyle 760 379-4926 or

harerzr@earthlink.net or Sue Vose 760 379-5135

### THE INANE AND INSANE

In Columbus, Georgia it is against the law for dogs to howl after 9pm

Berea, Kentucky law requires dogs on the streets after dark to display a red taillight.

Florida law does not allow dogs to ride in a school bus.

A law in Zion, Illinois prohibits owners from teaching their dogs to smoke cigars.

In Fox Point, Wisconsin dogs cannot travel in groups larger than two.

The Belvedere California City Council passed a law that read, "No dog shall be in a public place without its master on a leash.

Born Mid June All Blk Litter 6BB, 2BB

Sire: Rocheby Royal Navy

OFA LR72513F24M-T, LR-EL-3578M24-T,

LR-CA8/31M/C-T, Cerf LR14200 Dam: Briaryfield Paddington Bear

OFA LR156817G31F-PI, CERF LR41072/2007-50

Contact Jane Babbitt at jane@norfieldlabradors.com

Due 7/17 Y and B Litter

Sire: Ch. Hyspire Adrenaline Rush

OFA Prelims Hips Good/Elbows Normal

**Dam:** Gingerbred Cookie Jar Cash CGC, WC,

CD, JH

CHIC #21526 CERF- Annually Optigen A
Heart LR-CA1464/22F/C-PI Echo Normal
OFA LR150842G25F-PI, OFA LR-EL26512F25-PI
Contact Greg & Denise Coler 951 789-0446
Or coleriverlabs@roadrunner.com



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(reprinted from the CHAOS Newsletter)

#### "IF"

If you can start the day without caffeine or pep pills,

If you can be cheerful, ignoring aches and pains,

If you can resist complaining and boring people with your troubles,

If you can eat the same food everyday and be grateful for it,

If you can understand when loved ones are too busy to give you time,

If you can overlook when people blame you when things go wrong,

If you can take criticism and blame without resentment,

If you can face the world without lies and deceit,

If you can conquer tension without medical help,

If you can relax without liquor,

If you can sleep without the aid of drugs,

If you can do all these things,

THEN YOU ARE PROBABLY THE FAMILY DOG!



-Author Unknown-

# SOMETHING TO REMEMBER ABOUT BREEDERS —AUTHOR UNKNOWN

## HOW MANY LITTERS DOES A BREEDER HAVE TO HAVE BEFORE BEING CONSIDERED AN EXPERIENCED BREEDER?

They should have bred at least one good litter that they can brag on. This will gain them credibility.

They should have had at least one litter that looked great on paper but turned out to be a disaster. This will teach them humility.

They should have held (God Forbid!) at least one deformed puppy and wept as it slipped into the calm, silent quiet of death. This will provide the heart to be very careful to do everything possible not to see it again.

They should have studied the lines and traits and the greats and the problems each has produced and read all the books they can get their hands on. This will give them knowledge.

Last of all, they should have consulted the greats in the breed and never, never consider themselves to be experienced breeders. They are then, possibly, experienced breeders.

Editors note: Food for thought!

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# ANNUAL FUN DAY

JOIN THE LABRADOR RETRIEVER CLUB OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FOR THEIR ANNUAL FUN DAY ON...

AUGUST 3, 2008 AT FEATHERLY PARK, ANAHEIM, CA STARTING AT 9:00AM

AGILITY • CONFORMATION • OBEDIENCE • FIELD WORK CGC TEST • GAMES & MORE

#### POTLUCK LUNCH

THE CLUB WILL PROVIDE HAMBURGERS, HOT DOGS
AND DRINKS.
PLEASE BRING AN ITEM TO SHARE!







# INFORMATION

#### **Treating Arthritis**

Reprinted from the Iroquois LRC newsletter

by Susan Wynn, DVM

#### The High Points

- Drugs such as Rimadyl or Etogesic should not be used alone in treating dogs with arthritis
- · Arthritic dogs should not be overweight
- Nutritional supplements have different functions from drugs, and should be given to all arthritic dogs
- Acupuncture is excellent for pain relief and should be considered before drugs

#### Background

Anyone who has lived with an older, stiff, disabled dog has experienced the heartbreak of arthritis. This slowly progressive disease starts with almost undetectable discomfort, and may progress to the point that the animal refuses to stand, walk outside for constitutionals, or even eat.

Although causes may range from rheumatoid arthritis (a disorder of the immune system more common in humans than animals), Lyme disease, and primary cartilage degeneration in young dogs, by far the most common type is degenerative osteoarthritis. As our animals age, the bony joints work less smoothly and bony spurs may develop in the body's attempt to stabilize these creaky joints. Joint instability and bony proliferation cause pain when the animal moves.

Your pet may not be able to tell you if s/he is in pain due to arthritis, because dogs and cats don't moan and complain about their aching joints! You may see only slowness when they try to get up and down, climb stairs or furniture, or get into the car. You may also see marked stiffness after unusual exercise, or even grumpiness that was never evident before.

There is no cure for osteoarthritis. The animal is usually sentenced to a lifetime of anti-inflammatory agents which may include carprofen (Rimadyl), etodolac (Etogesic), aspirin, or cortisone like drugs (prednisone, Depomedrol, Vetalog, etc). Unfortunately, these drugs may have serious side effects. The good news is that natural therapies such as herbs, nutraceuticals, and acupuncture may slow the disease and allow you to use fewer drugs.

#### **Diets for Osteoarithritis**

The first and most important treatment for osteoarthritis is to improve the diet, preferably to homemade, although high quality commercial diets may also help. Practitioners are researching a concept called "Leaky Gut," which describes a sequence of events common in dogs who have received drugs for arthritis. In general, anti-inflammatories can cause irritation of the GI tract, which in turn disturbs both the tract's ability to keep food and substances from the gut from getting into the circulation AND the gut's ability to absorb specific nutrients via specific transport mechanisms. The result is a dog who is developing inflammation and allergies to food particles which shouldn't have gotten into the circulation, as well as a dog who is possibly undernourished since the "right" molecules are not being absorbed.

Our most important first step, then is to recommend high quality diets—sometimes homemade and sometimes hypoallergenic.

Next, nutritional supplements like glucosamine and chondroitin can really help many dogs. Unfortunately, the supplement industry is not well regulated by the government, and some products are fraudulently labeled. We recommend Cosequin, Promotion, Osteo-BiFlex, GNC brand and Walmart brands, as independent analyses have proven that they contain what their labels claim.

Many wonder if herbs work for arthritis. Some do, including Devils claw, boswellia, and Chinese herbs. These herbs work best in combination, however, so it is best to consult with someone who can mix these according to your pet's needs, or has a Chinese herbal pharmacy. Many animals with arthritis or other musculoskeletal diseases compensate for chronic pain by "contorting" their spines. These animals benefit from a consultation with a chiropractor. Most dogs with chronic pain have muscle spasms and trigger points which may be relieved by thoughtful, gentle massage. For animals with moderate to severe pain, acupuncture is well worth a try, since it can be very effective in the treatment of arthritic pain.

Arthritis is manageable using a variety of natural and conventional treatments. It is especially important to slow progression of the disease by starting a good diet and glucosamine supplementation early.

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#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JULY	19-20 19 26/27	CONEJO KC - OXNARD  LRCSC BOARD MEETING 6:00 PM DENNYS IN BREA  LOMPOC KC
AUGUST		
	2/3	MT. PALOMAR KC
	3	LRCSC FUN DAY- 9:00am – FEATHERLY PARK – CONTACT MARTY RICE
	9/10	SOUTH BAY KC - TORRANCE
	22	SIMI VALLEY KC
	23/24	SANTA BARBARA KC

#### **SEPTEMBER**

13 LRCSC BOARD MEETING 6:00 PM DENNY'S BREA

20/21 SANTA ANA KC - CYPRESS

27/28 BURBANK KC



#### **COMING TO A TOWN NEAR YOU!!**

The mandatory spay and neuter laws are gaining momentum, although polls are showing that the American people do not support them, and more and more cities are working on laws to require the early mandatory sterilization of your animals. Last month the Orange County Grand Jury recommended <u>all cities in the county</u> enact these types of ordinances. Stay vigilant and know what your city council is proposing.

A very watered down version of AB1634 has passed the House committee but the wording has serious flaws and has been returned for rewrite. For more info on the current state of animal laws in California go to PETPAC web site or the CONCERNED DOG OWNERS OF CALIFORIA web site. They can use your donations for the continuing fight.



## The success of the clubs' events relies on the membership donating their time!

Also remember, if you want to upgrade your Associate Membership to a Full Membership, you must be active at the club's events through volunteering.

Please contact any board member to find out how you can become more involved in the LRCSC activities.

**NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY!**