



LABRADOR RETRIEVER CLUB OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

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## PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Hi one and all,

Just a reminder that the club needs your help to put on the upcoming Specialties. Set up and take down committee really needs some strong backs & willing hands. Don't forget the Continental Breakfast needs your donation both days. We are excited by our entries, and look forward to a wonderful, fun packed weekend. Even if you are not entered come out and watch!

My third term as President is at an end, and I want to thank the outgoing officers and board for their hard work, dedication, and support during the last three years.

We welcome the returning board members and the new slate of officers. (See the listing in this newsletter). They will need the help and input of all the club members. Remember, there are many committees you can sign on to participate in. Your club is only as good as you make it!

MARTY

## EDITORS NOTE

This is my last newsletter as editor, and I want to thank everyone for your patience and support as I tried to learn this new-to-me talent. I could not have done it without the help of Jennifer Cordero in Colorado. She actually formatted everything for me, as I don't have those skills. The club owes her a debt of gratitude for all her hard work.

Celeste Young is taking over as Editor and I know she will do a great job, and will bring her own creative talent to this job, as she has to everything she has done for the club.

Many Thanks,  
Margaret

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Please direct any website-related items to our webmaster, Ron Morelos, at [Can8tive@aol.com](mailto:Can8tive@aol.com)

Have you joined the LRCSC's email list at [yahoogroups.com](http://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:

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Contact Ron Morelos at [can8tive@aol.com](mailto:can8tive@aol.com) with any questions.

**From the Membership Chair... Celeste Young**  
[finnmarksviddalabs@hotmail.com](mailto:finnmarksviddalabs@hotmail.com)

**WELCOME TO THE FOLLOWING NEW ASSOCIATE MEMBERS:**

**Jennifer Evans – La Verne**  
**Jeffrey & Tomoko Bentley - Hermosa Beach**  
**George & Judith McLachlan - West Covina**  
**Allison Buchanan - Castaic**

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

**No Applicants**

*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](http://www.fetchingcompanions.org)  
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[sclrr@sclrr.org](mailto:sclrr@sclrr.org)  
P.O. Box 4188  
Irvine, CA 92616-4188  
1-888-55-4-A LAB



## 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

### NEW TITLES!!! (2)

#### **MASTER CHAMPION Hidden Springs Blue Goose**

(CH. Waterbound Lockeon Laddy MH x Hidden Spring Very Kerry Bonnie MH) Owners/Breeders Paul & Edna Schenck. Trained by Edna Schenck  
Goose is #45 Master Champion in Lab History  
Show wins include 7WD, 5 BOW, 3 Majors, 5 BOS, 2 BOB  
Championship completed July 2008  
Master Title in 6 passes, 5 in a row to qualify for the Master National Feb. 09.

### NEW TITLES!!!

#### **Hidden Springs Ragin Rio JH & Hidden Springs Paris Glitter JH**

(Buckstones Dickendalls Deck The Halls SH x Hidden Spring Verry Kerry Bonnie MH) Owners/breeders Paul & Edna Schenck trained by Edna Schenck  
Passed 4 tests in a row to title at 9 mos. at Albuquerque Retriever Club.

#### **Hirsch's Gone With The Wind MX MXJ OF RN**

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

2/1 Exc. B JWW 100 Portugese Water Dog Club, City Of Industry Judge Larry Brockett

2/6 Exc B STD 100 Gamblers Agility Club of Las Vegas 1st Place Judge David Nauer

2/6 Exc B JWW 100 Gamblers Agility Club of Las Vegas 2nd Place Judge David Nauer DQ 12

2/7 Exc B STD 100, Gamblers Agility Club of Las Vegas 2nd Place Judge David Nauer

2/7 Exc B JWW 100 Gamblers Agility Club of Las Vegas 1st Place Judge David Nauer DQ 13

2/7 Novice A Obedience 194 2nd place Vegas Valley Dog Obedience Club Judge Nancy Pollock (2nd leg)

2/15 Exc B JWW 100 Contact Point Agility of Greater Los Angeles 1st Place Judge Janet Budzynski

2/15 Exc B STD 100 1st Place Contact Point Agility Club Of Greater LA Judge Janet Budzynski

3/7 Exc B STD 100 2nd Place HIDAC Judge Candy Gaiser

3/8 Exc B STD 100 1st Place HIDAC Judge Candy Gaiser

3/8 Exc B JWW 100 2nd Place HIDAC Judge Candy Gaiser DQQ 13

3/14 Exc B STD 100 3rd Place Golden Ret. Club of LA Judge Carol Smorch

3/21 Exc. B JWW 100 3rd Place Hollywood Dog Obed. Club

4/4 Exc B JWW 100 2nd Place TVSSC Ventura Judge Kera Holm

4/11 Exc B JWW 100 3rd Place Dog Agility Club of Ventura Judge Mark Upshaw

4/12 Exc B JWW 100 2nd Place Dog Agility Club of Ventura Judge Mark Upshaw

#### **Hyspire Sandamar Coleriver Bonne Amie**

(Ch. Buttonwood Stone Cliff True Grit x Ch. Hyspire It Had To Be You) Breeder Vonnie Russell, Lisa Da Ross, Sandy Ramsey. Owner Densie Coler & Tania Clark. Handler Denise Coler.

2/14 3rd Place Sweeps San Diego Lab Club Specialty Judge Cathie Turner  
3rd Place 12-18 mos. Bitches SDLRC Judge Janet Farmilette

2/15 2nd Place Sweeps SDLRC Judge Wendy Knox  
2nd Place 12-18 mos Bitches SDLRC Judge Jean-Louie Blais

**LRCSC NEEDS YOUR HELP IN THE  
FOLLOWING AREA**

**SPECIALTY SET UP AND TAKE**

**DOWN HELP!!!**

**THE SHOW COMMITTEE REALLY NEEDS SOME MEN WHO CAN BE THERE ON THURSDAY AT 2:00 PM TO HELP SET UP CANOPIES AND RINGS. BOB INGERSOLL IS UNABLE TO BE THERE THIS YEAR. WE WILL BE PAYING SOMEONE TO TOW THE TRAILER, BUT WE WILL NEED GUYS TO HELP WITH UNLOADING AND SET UP.**

**IF YOU ARE ABLE TO HELP PLEASE CALL MARGARET STANARD—714-832-8549.**



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CEDAVIS@MAC.COM

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**AT SIERRA MADRE DOG PARK  
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**\$65.00 PER DOG**

**SAN GABRIEL VALLEY QUAIL UNLIMITED CLUB  
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206-9070 EX 6715**



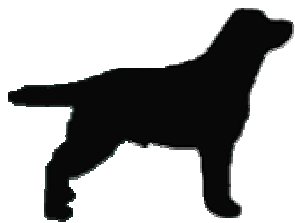
**NEW RETRIEVER REVIEW  
EDITOR—CELESTE YOUNG**

Please send all litter info, brags, articles etc. to Celeste at [finnmarksviddalabs@hotmail.com](mailto:finnmarksviddalabs@hotmail.com).

The deadline is the 20th of the month. Please also send only AKC event brags, and use the format that is in the Review for both litters, and wins.

Thank you, Celeste for taking over this job.





## 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](http://www.vmdb.org/inquiry.html)

### Orthopedic Foundation of America (OFA)

573-442-0428      [www.offa.org](http://www.offa.org)

### Optigen

607-257-0301      [www.optigen.com](http://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.

Due: 3/28 Black/Yellow Litter

**Sire:** Can. CH. Mulbury Logan

OFA Hips Exclnt LR171162E27M-PI

OFA Elbow Normal LR-EL37076M27-PI

Cardiac TVD Clear LRCA2678/25M/C=PI-Echo

Cerf LR=50827/2008—32

**Dam:** Kintra's Brigadoon

OFA Hips Good LR-142969G39F-PI

OFA Elbows Normal LR-EL23089F27-PI

Cerf LR-4058/2008-76

Contact: Alexandra Flanigan, Kintra Labradors

951-789-0890 or [www.kintralabradors.com](http://www.kintralabradors.com)

Born 4/16 1 Yellow Female

**Sire:** CH. Windfall's New England Patriot

OFA Hips Good LR-138047G24M-PI, OFA Elbows Normal LR-EL21086M24-PI, OFA Heart: LR-CA1553/40M/C-PI, Optigen Normal, CERF LR-42018

**Dam:** CH. Hunterleigh's Stonewall Gabby

OFA Hips Excellent LR-177880E24F-VPI, OFA Elbows Normal LR-EL41095F24-VPI, OFA Heart LR-CA3152/21F/C-VPI-ECHO, Optigen Normal, CERF LR-49748

Contact Ron Morelos [ron.morelos@gmail.com](mailto:ron.morelos@gmail.com)



## WANTED

### Labrador Photos

Share your win photos, fun photos, puppy photos with all the members!

Email them to:

[finnmarksviddalabs@hotmail.com](mailto:finnmarksviddalabs@hotmail.com)

## **2009 SPECIALTY RAFFLE WANTED!! Raffle Donations!!**

Let's make our 2009 Specialty Raffle the best ever!  
The more money we make, the more good our Club can do.  
We need items to make our baskets exceptional.

So, members, get out there and be creative!  
Ask for donations from your vet, your local pet supply house,  
your boss, your friends, your relatives.  
Doggie or non-doggie items will be appreciated.  
Monetary donations will be combined for a large item.  
Donors will be recognized in the Specialty Catalog.

Empty baskets lying around your place?  
Donate them to the LRCSC Raffle!

Thank you for your support!  
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# AKC Breeder



Winter 2008

## The Importance of Puppy Socialization

By Arliss Paddock

From the very start, a puppy learns important lessons through his experience of the world around him. Even in the first few weeks as he snuggles with his dam, wrestles with his littermates, and is handled by his breeder each day, the personality traits and social skills that he will have all his life are beginning to form.

As the weeks go by, exposure to a variety of experiences is crucial to his becoming a well-rounded adult. Studies have shown that a puppy's experiences in the first three months of life strongly influence what kind of companion he will grow to be and how he will react to the world. Will he shy away from children? Will he be afraid of people in hats? Will he be aggressive toward other dogs? Or will he be easygoing and adaptable in a variety of situations?

Perhaps surprisingly, failure to properly expose a young puppy to certain situations or types of people during this brief early period can result in his being forever fearful of them as an adult. Early socialization—or the lack of it—is a vital determinant of a dog's lifelong behaviors. Without proper socialization, it is unlikely that a pup will become the adult dog he could have been, whether as a competitor in canine events or as a happy, well-adjusted pet.

### Windows of Opportunity

But what exactly is “proper socialization”? Socialization is the process of exposing a puppy from early on to as wide a variety of environments, situations, animals, and types of people as can be done safely and without causing trauma to the pup.

Canine-behavior researchers have found that there are several crucial “socialization windows” in the first year—limited periods during which the pup is receptive to the lifelong benefits of exposure to new things. Of these periods, the earliest—the first 12 weeks of life—is the most critical. According to the American Veterinary Society of Animal Behavior (AVSAB), sociability outweighs fear during this period, making it “the primary window of opportunity for puppies to adapt to new people, animals, and experiences.” This period is when the pup first learns to accept and enjoy the company of people, to behave appropriately around other dogs, and to experience the differing aspects of the world around him without fear.



Soon after 12 weeks, most pups will enter a fear-prone period in their development. After this point, if the pup has not been well socialized it may be at best permanently difficult for him to adapt to certain unfamiliar experiences.

“Basically, an adult dog's temperament and behavior habits, both good and bad, are shaped during puppyhood—very early puppyhood,” says veterinarian and leading animal behaviorist Dr. Ian Dunbar, author of *Before & After Getting Your Puppy*. Further, Dunbar notes that behavior issues are the number-one cause of relinquishment to shelters.

Thus it is essential that as a breeder you understand the importance of socialization. Although its benefits continue throughout (and beyond) the first 18 months of the dog's life, remember that the most critical socialization period ends at 12 weeks, so the bulk if not all of this most-vital groundwork is up to you.

### Strategies

What can a breeder do to properly socialize each pup? The starting point is for the litter to be raised within a home environment with frequent human contact, rather than secluded in the yard or a kennel. This is the first step in ensuring that the pups will be prepared for life in a household, with all the sounds, smells, and hustle-and-bustle that this entails.

Some breeders will move a litter from room to room on progressive weeks, to change the scene and familiarize the pups with such varied sounds as those of the dishwasher, television, and washer-dryer. Others like to situate the puppy pen near the home's center of activity, so the pups are exposed to comings and goings and hear a variety of human voices.

The litter should be accustomed to human touch from the start. Most breeders pick up each puppy at least daily, usually to weigh or otherwise inspect them and assess their condition. Puppies can be gently held in different positions and get used to having different parts of their body handled.

"My puppies are handled every day from birth," says longtime English Cocker Spaniel breeder Betty Ganung. "I start trimming their nails at 2 weeks, and by 5 weeks they are introduced to clippers and have toys to play with and some individual playtime." As puppies mobilize themselves and begin exploring, it's important that they experience a wide variety of textures, stimuli, and challenges. Experienced breeders recommend providing a variety of surfaces for the pups to walk on, such as carpeting, slippery floors, and bumpy terrain. Have the pups learn about stairs. Set up "obstacle courses" for them to figure out and climb up and down or through, and include unstable elements that (safely) tip or wobble underfoot. Provide toys in a range of sizes, shapes, and materials.

Take the pups on frequent short trips in the car. Bring them into large buildings if possible, and, once they are vaccinated, to a variety of parks and outdoor situations where they can safely meet other dogs and encounter other animals.

#### **"100 People by 12 Weeks"**

Most important of all is to expose the pups to as wide a variety of people as possible—people of differing ages, sizes, skin color, and dress. Many dogs can be particularly apprehensive of men and very small children if they were not exposed to them during the early socialization period. "I invite neighborhood kids over to play with all my pups," says Ganung. "I let them pick them up, always while I'm there to supervise."

Dunbar recommends that a puppy meet at least 100 different people by age 12 weeks. "Not only is this easier to do than it might sound," he explains, "it's also lots of fun." Breeders can arrange to have small groups of friends and family visit the pups, and take pups to public areas such as pet-supply stores and school grounds.

#### **A Standard of Care**

Because of the evidence that early socialization can prevent serious canine behavior problems such as fear, avoidance, and aggression, in 2008 the AVSAB issued the position statement that it should be the standard of care for puppies to be socialized in the first 12 weeks.

An excellent means of early socialization is for puppies to attend puppy-kindergarten classes. Although many vets have held that puppies should not be exposed to strange dogs before 12 to 16 weeks because of disease risk, the AVSAB supports participation in puppy kindergarten classes before the full series of puppy vaccines has been completed as long as all puppies in the class are vet-checked to be healthy and parasite-free upon entering the class and are kept current on vaccinations.

An AVSAB position statement says, "Veterinarians specializing in behavior recommend that owners take advantage of every safe opportunity to expose young puppies to the great variety of stimuli that they will experience in their lives. Enrolling in puppy classes prior to 3 months of age can be an excellent means of improving training, strengthening the human-animal bond, and socializing puppies in an environment where risk of illness can be minimized."

By taking steps to see that the pups you breed are properly socialized during those critical first 12 weeks, you are helping to ensure that they will grow to be happy, well-rounded companions for life.

*Arliss Paddock breeds and shows English Cocker Spaniels and is former managing editor of the AKC Gazette. Labrador Retriever photo by by Mary Bloom*



## **A CASE OF SELLER BEWARE!**

### **From the Philadelphia News**

### **“Never, Never, Never Again”**

Linda Brown's been investigated, scorned, and had her life threatened.

“I thought when Joe Biden bought a puppy from me, what an honor,” Brown told the Daily Local News. “Out of millions of breeders in the country, in the world, he picked me.”

That was in December.

When the story got out, Brown faced backlash from pet lovers who thought the Bidens should have opted for a shelter over a breeder to find their new puppy.

PETA seized the moment as an opportunity to blame the killing of shelter animals on people who buy from breeders. The organization's TV commercial, “Buy One, Get One Killed” ran in Delaware after the Biden puppy story made headlines.

Dog wardens from the state showed up at Brown's Wolf Den Kennel, repeatedly, for inspections.

“I was cited for a piece of kibble on the floor and five strands of dog hair. They took a picture of that, they walked around, snapped pictures and don't tell you why,” Brown told the newspaper.

She was found “not guilty” for each citation, but hiring a lawyer for the court hearings has cost her \$4,000 so far in legal fees.

Brown says she and Biden both received death threats from animal activists.

“Never, Never, Never again,” Brown said about selling a dog to anyone with a high profile.

Her advice to breeders who've called about the Obama's puppy search: Don't do it!



**On April 5th, 2009, the LRCSC hosted a Working Certificate/Working Certificate Excellent test.**

Judges were Mikki Shannon and Pam Murphy. Gunners were Eric Soneson and Kurt Kemper. Throwers included Wayne Martin, Dirk Layer, and Mike Williams.

There were 22 entries including 18 WCs and 4 WCXs. The land marks were a shot pigeon for the single land mark, and a shot pigeon and thrown duck for the double land marks. Water marks were a thrown duck and a shot duck, performed as back-to-back singles for the WC and as a double for the WCX.

*There were 8 WC passes and 3 WCX passes awarded.*

**WC ribbons/certificates were awarded to:**

Talimar's Layer's Guinness Extra Stout ("Guinness"); Labrador Retriever; owned by Dirk & Marla Layer; handled by Marla Layer

Chablais Shiloh Victory ("Shiloh"); Labrador Retriever; owner/handled by Barbie Roelle

Bandy Big Sky CD RA ("Bandy"); Labrador Retriever; owner/handled by Keith Williams

Rockin' After Midnight ("Rock"); Labrador Retriever; owned by Michael & Debra Williams, handled by Mike Williams

Ch Kurly Kreek Alberta Clipper RN ("Albert"); Curly-Coated Retriever; owned by Ins Andre, handled by Kathy Kail

Magic Trick's Fire On Water ("Mickey"); Labrador Retriever; owned by Grijs & Torri Hanselaar; handled by Torri Hanselaar

Skywater's Tessa at Rockcreek ("Tessa"); Labrador Retriever; owner/handled by Heather Luis

Heartsongs Front Page News at Peachtree ("Paige"); Labrador Retriever; owner/handled by Carole Tuck

**WCX ribbons/certificates were awarded to:**

Greenwoods Amber Wave CD RA OA NAJ OF ("Amber"); Labrador Retriever; owner/handled by Kelly Greenwood

Lucy Lou SH, WCX ("Lucy"); Labrador Retriever; owner/handled by Donna Green

Misty Mountain Merry Mischief ("Misty"); Labrador Retriever; owned by Bennett & Therese Ellington; handled by Biff Ellington

Congratulations to all who qualified!

Denise Coler

WC Chairperson

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## MAY

5/2 -5/3	RIO HONDO KC – CAL POLY POMONA
<b>5/9</b>	<b>LRCSC BOARD MEETING – DENNYS BREA 6:00PM</b>
5/15 -5/17	MT. PALOMAR KC
5/22 – 5/25	MISSION CIRCUIT – POMONA FAIR GROUNDS
5/30 – 5/31	KC OF PASADENA – BROOKSIDE PARK

## JUNE

<b>6/13</b>	<b>LRCSC BOARD MEETING – DENNYS BREA 6:00PM</b>
6/13 -6/14	BAHIA SUR

## CHALLENGE TROPHY IN MEMORY OF DIANE SIEBERT

A lovely Challenge Trophy in honor of Diane Siebert has been selected. It will be awarded to the winner of the Bred By Exhibitor Bitch class and the LRCSC Classic Specialty on Saturday. The statue on a wooden engraved base is a Dannyquest piece and is titled "Let's Play".

For those who wish to contribute to the cost of this trophy, Bev Kulp is taking donations. Her address is 1421 Sierra Alta Dr. Tustin CA 92780. Please make your checks out to Bev Kulp. Any excess donations will go to one of Diane's favorite charities, Guide Dogs of America.

The Bred By Classes are the showcase for the breeder who is on the end of the lead! It was an important class for Diane and one she always showed in.

## ADVERTISEMENTS

## NEED A TRAINER?

Highly experienced trainer in a variety of dog sports available for both private lessons and board and train. Currently, I have finished 60 obedience titles (including two OTChs), 50 field titles (including a GMHR) and 11 agility titles on three different breeds. I also offer in home boarding.

<b>Obedience</b>	Basic manners to OTCh
<b>Field</b>	WC, WCX, JH, force fetch, introduction to blind work
<b>Agility</b>	NA, NAJ, OA, OAJ
<b>Prices</b>	Private lessons - \$50/ hour Board and train - \$500/ month Straight board - \$10/day Handling – free for a current client dog, \$25/ trial otherwise

I also offer car transport throughout the western states.

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