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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Well, the old Santa Anas did it again! Hope none of you were affected by the latest wildfires.

We had a really GREAT B-OB Match this year. It has been a while since we've seen so many. Thanks to those who came and supported the entry, and thanks also to those who worked to make it happen.

And now the holidays are upon us, and it is with regret that I have to tell you that due to the poor turn outs the past few years, the LRCSC Officers and Board have decided the club not hold a Holiday Party this year.

Hope everyone has a chance to attend the AKC/EUKANUBA INVITATIONAL NATIONAL DOG SHOW in Long Beach. Good luck to those that have earned the right to show, and be sure to check out the "Meet the Breed" Lab booth.

Happy Holidays to all! See you next year when we will begin the countdown to the 2009 Specialties.

MARTY

EDITORS NOTE

This Newsletter covers October / November / December.

After the flurry of activity in October, there was not much to cover.

Hope the fire season is over for this year, and all our members are safe. Just pray that the rain we so badly need comes in gentle, short storms without the fear of mudslides! Mother Nature can be a scary force, but everyone should be prepared to evacuate family and pets on the spur of the moment. Do you have a plan?

Hope you and yours have a wonderful Holiday Season.

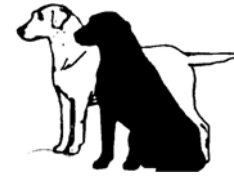
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www.LRCSOCAL.ORG

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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

Contact Ron Morelos at can8tive@aol.com with any questions.

From the Membership Chair... Celeste Young
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WELCOME TO THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS:

Kathy Kail – Santa Ana
Julie Howarth – Ontario
Cindy Gray – Mission Viejo
Helen Drohan & Michael Friedman – Thousand Oaks
Sandy & Mike Forkert – Orange
Haydee Alayza – Palos Verdes Est.
Ronald & Perri Kolodziej – Culver City
Michael Rouse – Murrieta
Richard & Diana Ignatius – Norco
Steve Crawford - Fullerton

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

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



THE WINNER'S CIRCLE

The Winner's Circle Entries are **any 1st 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 TITLE!!!

Bergrabben's Robinson Crusoe JR CD WC CGC

(Ch. Tjotte's Broken Arrow x Nuch, Nvch, Svch
Bergrabben's Drizella) Breeder Gunvor & Sigurd Sorensen
Owner/Handler Celeste Young
8/30 JR 1st leg IVRC Hunt Test Prado
8/31 JR 2nd leg IVRC Hunt Test Prado
10/25 JR 3rd leg LRCSC Hunt Test Prado
10/26 JR 4th leg LRCSC Hunt Test Prado

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

(Chip's Aim'n to Please Jake x Goldriver Gmblr Muddy Streak)
Owner/Handler Jen Cordero
10/18 U-CD Leg 2, Timberline Dog Club, CO

Canyon's I'm The Man

(Ch. Epoch's Bacardi Joe Banner x Wynmar's Just
Like Heaven RN, CGC) Breeder/Owner/Handler Jen Cordero
11/22 UKC Best Male/BOB Show 1, High Plains KC, CO
UKC Reserve Male Show 2, High Plains KC, CO

Canyon's Juniper Jubalee

(Ch. Epoch's Bacardi Joe Banner x Wynmar's Just
Like Heaven RN, CGC) Breeder/Handler Jen Cordero Owner
Jen Cordero/R Ringor
11/8 1st 6-9, Southern Colorado KC, CO
11/22 UKC Best Female Show 1, High Plains KC, CO
UKC Reserve Female Show 2, High Plains KC, CO

Deltadawn Journeyman River Kid WC

(Wilcare Leisure Suit Larry x CH Venture-Deltadawn
Hoot-N-Holler) Breeder Sue Vose & Terri Boyle Owner
Debra Quast & Sue Vose
11/8 3rd Open Chocolate HDLRC Specialty Judge
Roger Orton
11/9 3rd Open Chocolate HDLRC Specialty Judge
Michael Woods

Ch. Forestwood Gone Hollywood At Montview, WC

(CH Shadowbrook's Just Ducky X CH Forestwood's Purple
Rain) Breeder Leslie Plank Owner/Handler Julie Musella
10/25 JH 1st leg LRCSC Hunt Test Prado
11/8 JAM HDLRC Specialty Judge Roger Orton
11/9 BOB HDLRC Specialty Judge Michael Woods
2nd Place, Rally Novice 1st Leg (93), Judge Robert
Margolis

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
9/28 1st Place Excellent B Standard 100 Hollywood
Dog Obedience Club Judge Melodie Sudick

10/17 1st Place Excellent B Excellent B Standard 100, Samo-
yed Club of America Judge Blair Kelly
10/17 2nd Place Excellent B JWW 100, Samoyed Club of
America Judge Blair Kelly
10/18 2nd Place Excellent B JWW 100, Samoyed Club of
America Judge Blair Kelly
10/19 1st Place Excellent B Standard 100, Samoyed Club
of America Judge Blair Kelly
10/31 1st Place Excellent B Standard 100, SVKC Judge Scott
Stock
11/1 2nd Place Excellent B JWW 100, SGVKC Judge
Lavonda Herring
11/2 1st Place Excellent B JWW 100, SGVKC

Hunterleigh's Stonewall Gabby

(BISS CH Borador's By George ex BISS Hunterleigh's
Gracie) Breeder Jane & Norbert Weaver, Owner Ron Morelos
10/5 1st Open Yellow, WB, BOW, BOB Santa Maria
KC Judge Donna Buxton
12/1 1st Open Yellow WB, BOS Imperial Valley KC
Judge Kenneth Buxton
12/5 1st Open Yellow WB, BOW, BOS Shoreline DFA
Judge Hans Brunotte
12/7 1st Open Yellow RWB Malibu KC Judge Bart Miller
12/8 1st Open Yellow WB, BOW, BOS Malibu KC
Judge Adrenea Brunotte



THE WINNER'S CIRCLE...CONTINUED

Hyspire Sandamar Coleriver Bonne Amie

(CH Buttonwood Stone Cliff True Grit x Ch. Hyspire It Had To Be You) Breeder V Russell, L DaRoss, Sandy Ramsey Owner Denise Coler & Tania Clark

- 11/8 3rd 9-12 Sweeps HDLRC Judge Dian Welle
1st 9-12 & BOS Puppy Regular HDLRC Judge Michael Woods and Roger Orton
- 11/9 4th 9-12 Sweeps HDLRC Judge Marlynnne Durham
3rd 9-12 Regular HDLRC Judge Roger Orton

Kintra's Boomerang

(Ch. Decoys's Believe It or Not x Kintra's Brigadoon)
Owner Alexandra Flanigan

- 11/8 3rd Open Yellow Dog HDLRC Specialty Judge Roger Orton
- 11/9 2nd Open Yellow Dog HDLRC Specialty Judge Michael Woods

Kintra's Brigadoon

(BISS Ch. Sounders Hear Me Roar x Ch. Kintra's Highland Dancer) Owner Alexandra Flanigan

- 11/8 3rd Open Black HDLRC Judge Michael Woods

NEW TITLE!!!**Oakridge's Royal Hocknew CDX SH WCX**

(Oakridge's Cashmere x Decoy Piano Man)
Breeder Claudia Schmidt Owner Linda Brooks

10/25 Last Leg SR LRCSC Prado

NEW TITLE!!!**One Ash High Hopes On Tap RE JH AX OAJ NJP NF NFP**

(High Times Run N The Roost UD MH OS x One Ash Snow Goose OD) Owner/Handler Cindy Gray

- 8/30 IVRC Hunt Test Prado
- 8/31 IVRC Hunt Test Prado
- 10/25 LRCSC Hunt Test Prado
- 10/26 LRCSC Hunt Test Prado





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 November 14 Litter of 10- 8 YM & 2 YF

Sire: Kintra's Boomerang

OFA Prelim Hips & Elbows, Optigen Normal-A

Cerf Annually

Dam: Bitacula's Cocobolo Dewi Intan

OFA Hips Excellent, Elbows Normal, Optigen Normal-A, Cerf Annually

Contact: Alexandra Flanigan at 951 789-0890 or www.Kintralabradors.com

Puppy For Sale Chocolate Female - DOB 6/18/08

Sire: Baja Weikenlin Moonking

OFA LR-27757M24-PI, Elbows LR-153403G24M-PI, Cerf.

Dam: Venture's It's Now or Never

OFA Hips LR-143509E24F-PI, Elbows LR-23297F24-PI

Cerf LR-39751-07

Contact: Terri Boyle 760 379-4926 or harerzr@earthlink.net



WANTED

Labrador Photos

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

Email them to:

jen@canyonlabradors.com

ARE YOU READY IN AN EMERGENCY?

The following is a list of a well stocked first aid kit for dogs.

- Roll Cotton
- Some cotton balls
- Gauze pads
- Gauze tape
- Hydrogen peroxide (check the expiration date)
- Hydrocortisone ointment
- Antihistamine tablets
- Scissors
- Eyewash
- Silver Nitrate
- Tweezers
- Oral Syringes
- Pedialyte or other balanced electrolyte fluid
- Baby Food – Meat Flavors work best
- Large Towel
- Exam Gloves
- 1 inch white tape (in addition to gauze tape)
- Rolls of elastic wrap
- Emergency ice pack
- Thermometer (oral or rectal can be used rectally)

A well stocked first aid kit should be in your home, but definitely if you travel with your dogs.

**RESEARCHERS IDENTIFY GENE LINKED TO EXERCISE-INDUCED COLLAPSE IN LABS**

Researchers at the University of Minnesota College of Veterinary Medicine and the University of Saskatchewan's Western College of Veterinary Medicine say they have identified a gene in Labrador retrievers that is highly associated with the syndrome called exercise-induced collapse (EIC).

Labradors affected with EIC—about 3 percent to 5 percent of Labs are said to have this condition—may start to lose control of their hind limbs after intense hunting or retrieving exercises. In most cases, their legs get wobbly and the limbs give out. In rare cases, they may die, according to researchers.

“This is groundbreaking because this is the first naturally occurring mutation of this gene identified in any mammal,” said James Mickelson, Ph.D., professor of veterinary sciences at the University of Minnesota and co-principal investigator on the study. “Its discovery could offer insight into normal as well as abnormal neurobiology in both animals and humans.”

The finding will also help dog breeders gradually reduce the number of Labradors with the trait in future generations. Researchers have determined that up to 30 percent of Labradors are carriers of the mutation, and they have developed a genetic test to indicate whether dogs have the normal or mutated forms of the gene.

Owners can have their dog tested through their veterinarian by submitting a blood sample to the University of Minnesota Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory.

This is a caution that while these announcements are interesting, sometimes the claims get ahead of the actual effectiveness of the test. (Remember Optigen?) Be aware also that producing the test is a money venture, and can affect the speed these tests are produced. As we look for the perfect animal, we seem to narrow our genetic pool that is considered “risk free”. Just limiting your gene pool can create even more problems.

Just a thought . Editor

AKC RETRIEVER HUNT TEST SEMINAR TO BE HELD

SATURDAY JANUARY 24, 2009

FEE: \$50.00

Time 8:00 am to 5:00pm lunch included

To be held at Prado Olympic Shooting Park 17501 Pomoma Rincon Road Chino CA
909 597-4794 or shootprado.com for map etc.

Contact Jennifer Evans at 951 809-9100 or labland@verizon.net



WC Results

The Fall 2008 Working Certificate was held on Sunday, October 26, in conjunction with the hunt test. Long time members and friends, Ann Simeon and Carol Kachelmeyer judged and made everyone feel relaxed. There were even a few light moments of comedy on the line and in the field.

The WC and WCX are offered twice a year with the hunt tests and helps to introduce Lab owners and dogs to the hunting and field work that the Lab was bred to do. For those of you that have not yet participated in this activity, please join us this spring when the club resumes its "field practice days".

The dogs that qualified in the WC are:

"MONTY"

CH Forestwood Gone Hollywood at Montview
(CH Shadowbrook's Just Ducky X CH Forestwood's Purple Rain)

Breeder: Leslie Plank

Owner/Handler: Julie Musella

"GEORGIA"

Lands End On My Mind
(CH Nipntucks Hyspire Unforgettable X CH Lands End Whatever
She Wants CDX MH)

Breeder/Owner/Handler: Lauren Bullock

"JOEY"

Deltadawn Journeyman Riverkid
(Wilcare Leisure Suit Larry X CH Venture Deltadawn Hoot-n-
Holler)

Breeder: Terri Boyle & Sue Vose

Owner/Handler: Debra Quast



LRCSC Fall 2008 Hunt Test

Hello all, and for those of you that did not join in the fun, you missed a great weekend. Well, I am sure there are a few Master handlers that may feel differently about the fun.

We had our annual fall test on October 25-26, 2008 with a huge raffle and fresh homemade carne asada tacos. The new owners of Prado, Rubin and Elena are really trying to improve the grounds and contribute to the events. Elena and her daughter cooked on the grill, and even ran out of meat. The line was so long for the tacos, that we tried to wait for everyone to get fed before we drew the raffle. But the darkness won out, and we drew the raffle by head-lights!

Judges came from Washington, South Carolina and locally. It was a very good turnout and listed below are the club members that qualified in their respective stakes. To see a list of all qualifiers, go to www.entryexpress.net. I hope to see new faces and familiar ones at the Spring test on April 4-5, 2009.

Lauren Bullock HT Secretary

Master

Augustus Class V at Sealion MH Owner/Handler Wendy Pennington

Senior Saturday

Sidekick's Click Your Heels JH RN Owner/Breeder/Handler Susie Terpstra
Lands End Gets What She Wants JH Owner/Breeder/Handler Lauren Bullock
Oakridge's Royal Hockney CDX JH Owner/Handler Linda Brooks

Junior Saturday

Bergrabben's Robinson Crusoe Owner/Handler Celeste Yound
CH Forestwood Gone Hollywood at Montview Owner/Handler Julie Musella
Raney's Coming Up River Owner/Breeder/Handler Steve and Carrie Raney
Raney's Boat Load of Cash Owner/Breeder/Handler Steve and Carrie Raney
Augustus Captain Nemo at Sealion Wendy Pennington

Junior Sunday

Bergrabben's Robinson Crusoe Celeste Young
Raney's Coming Up River Steve and Carrie Raney
Raney's Boat Load of Cash Steve and Carrie Raney
Augustus Captain Nemo at Sealion Wendy Pennington



LAB LESSONS

Give a young retriever time to grow into hunting

By Kelly Bostian (reprinted from the Tulsa World)

Longtime hunter Richard Colton didn't fire a single shot on opening morning of waterfowl season this year. And he had a fantastic time. As the morning's hunt wrapped up, he looked at his 2-year-old black Labrador, Bailey, and said, "That was just right. She got just what she needed."

It was Bailey's first duck hunt, so for Colton, the day was all about the dog.

Four of us were on the hunt. Colton had his shotgun with him, but as I lay in a blind on the shore of a pond with hunters Roger Schelling and Clint Hall of Wagoner, Colton was about 30 feet behind us with Bailey, hidden at the base of a tree but with a clear view of the hunting scene.

"It was a good morning, and it clicked on her that when the calls started going off, she needed to start watching for birds," Colton said. She also tracked and retrieved her first wild crippled duck, a gadwall.

Colton walked with her across the pond to be right there all the time. "I saw the duck in the grass but I wanted her to be hunting for it," he said. "It was good experience, with the flapping wings and everything – and it was a good thing it was a small duck."

Colton is former president of the Three Rivers Hunting Retriever Club and describes himself as a self-taught dog handler. He has trained several of his own dogs over the past 30 years, helped others with their dogs and has been a serious student of the subject the past dozen years or so. He has been around enough to know that opening day and first hunts for young dogs are critical moments, sometimes underappreciated by hunters new to handling a dog.

Even though Bailey is a little older than other first-timers and has had a great deal of training and practice with live birds in training scenarios, Colton said the introduction to actual hunting situations will take time and a deliberate effort.

"She's seen a lot of marks, but she's never had three shotguns going off at once," he said. "You have to work a young dog into it."

On their next hunt, Colton plans to move a little closer to the guns. The next time he will move in with them and have the dog by his side. "I'll just be noting how she is reacting as we go along," he said.

A mistake some hunters make is expecting too much from a dog on its first hunt. A serious error some make is getting angry when the dog doesn't perform as they think it should. Shouting when a dog already is confused only serves to make things worse. "They're better off pulling the dog back and just starting over," he said. "It has to be fun for the dog. I probably go overboard. I'm sure I look like an idiot out there sometimes, 'Ohhh, what a good dog, good dog! What a dog! Good dog!'"

Basic obedience and retrieving is only a basic start for a dog, he said. New types of locations and situations make everything new again. It's up to a handler to keep an eye on the dog, watch its progress and when necessary, take a step back, help the dog learn what is expected and build up its confidence. "It's like building a jigsaw puzzle," he said. "The more pieces you put together, the easier it gets. You let them see this part, then this part, then this part, and all of a sudden it comes together and it's whole."

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DECEMBER

13-14 EUKANUBA NATIONAL DOG SHOW – LONG BEACH CONVENTION CENTER
MEET THE BREEDS BOOTH

JANUARY

3-4 KC OF PALM SPRINGS – INDIO
10 LRCSC BOARD MEETING – DENNYS IN BREA 6:00PM
 16 SIMI VALLEY KC – VENTURA
 17 SAN FERNANDO KC – VENTURA
 18 VENTURA DOG FANCIERS – VENTURA
 24 HUNT TEST JUDGES SEMINAR – PRADO SHOOTING PARK CHINO
 24-25 ORANGE EMPIRE KC – SAN BERNADINO

FEBRUARY

14-15 SAN DIEGO LAB CLUB SPECIALTY – DEL MAR HORSE PARK

And no two dogs are the same. Cindy Leonard, a professional trainer who owns Grand River Labrador Retrievers, said she has heard many tales from new handlers since waterfowl season opened on Nov. 1. She told a story of 1-year-old litter mates, a male and female, with similar training backgrounds.

The female had a tough day. The pup had been worked with live pigeons, ducks, was trained to fetch on command and had her obedience down. “But all they shot on opening day was two geese, no ducks. She had never seen a goose. She wouldn’t pick them up.” She said.

The dog’s owner did the right thing by bringing the birds to shore for the dog. “He played with the dog and eventually she would go out and bring it back by a wing or neck,” she said.

The dogs litter mate was with a different party and retrieved five ducks and two geese opening morning. “I think the difference is he got the ducks before the geese fell,” she said. “It got his confidence up.”

The main things are to make sure the dog has a good time and concentrate on helping the dog, rather than shooting ducks. “I tell everyone, when you go the first several times, it’s all about your dog,” she said. “Your dog will be with you in the field for eight to 10 years, so don’t get in a hurry. Concentrate on the dog and let someone else worry about the birds.”

IS YOUR RETRIEVER READY?

Retriever handlers refer to a dog that is ready to experience its first waterfowl hunt as a “started” dog. Is your dog started?

- **Is solid on obedience basics off-lead (sit, stay, heel, come)
- **Has been force-fetched or at least fetches reliably
- **Has been introduced to gunfire (as large as 12 gauge shotguns nearby)
- **Has been introduced to fetching a variety of birds, including live birds
- **Fetches and holds a bird without damaging it
- **Marks a single bird as it falls and retrieves it without delay on land or on water