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Presidents Message

Submitted By Jim Lawrence

I want to thank all of you who went to the VCA Nationals in Omaha, NE. What fun and what a great time. The seminar that W. Jean Dodds, DVM put on was very good and passed along a great deal of information about thyroid disease and changing vaccine protocols. I have a few notes but Gail Fleming was also in attendance so hopefully she has more detailed info. If not you can get lots of information from her web site www.hemopet.org. I also spent some time at the Field trial and was very impressed with the overall organization. The place where they held the field trial, Branched Oak State Recreation Area, is one of the best I have ever seen. The state of Nebraska has put a lot of time and money into the dog training area. They welcome dog events with open arms.

On the way home I took an extra two days and spent some time bird hunting. Nebraska has very well marked areas open to walk in hunting. It was great fun and Mickey had a great time working all the birds we found. A very nice state to hunt birds. I was sorry that I didn't have more time as pheasant season did not open until the 27th of October.

We have been very busy with Mickey. He has 14 points now and hopefully we will get him finished in December so we can start work on hunt test and fields trials.

I have also been working on getting the hunt test ready. It is scheduled for the last weekend in February, the 23rd and 24th at the Fuller Ranch, same as last year. At this time I have one judge and I am working on getting the rest. Hope to have more news at the meeting in December.

Special Congratulations to Natalia Johnson on Gabriella J., who was born October 2nd and to Carrie Dack's new arrivals, Emery & Avery born November 6th. There is much more detail at their web page <http://web.mac.com/j.dack>

Jim Lawrence
President

Holiday Party

Who: All PSVC members and Friends
 What: December meeting and Holiday Party
 Where: [Mount Si Golf Course Restaurant](#)
 9010 Boalch AVE SE, Snoqualmie, WA, 98065 Phone: 425-391-4926
 When: Sunday December 16, 2007, 2:30 pm
 Why: to enjoy each other's company and celebrate the past year and new beginnings!

Please join us for a lunch buffet (meat and cheese platter, steak kabobs, fruit, veggys, soft drinks and desert,) at our annual Christmas party and December meeting. Please bring a wrapped gift for our annual gift exchange. Please RSVP by December 7, 2007 to tierah_vizsla@hotmail.com or 206-459-0692. (Cost will be 15.00 adults, 10.00 children) There will be a no-host bar.

Directions to the Golf Course on page 5.



Minutes from the General & Board Meetings

Respectfully Submitted By Jill Brennan

October 6, 2007
17147 Weaver Land SW
Rochester, WA 98579

In attendance: Gail Fleming, Jim Lawrence, and Jill Brennan,
Teleconferenced in: Mike and Sheila Wald
Club members attending board meeting as guests Toni Lawrence, Jim Brennan and Bonnie Kruger

Board Meeting was called to order at 4:00

Reports – deferred to General Membership Meeting

Old Business - deferred to General Membership Meeting

New Business – the board was tasked with selecting a 2008 nominating committee, Toni Lawrence, Jim Brennan and Bruce Dickey agreed to serve on the nominating committee. Jill Brennan moved we accept the three volunteers as presented. Gail Fleming seconded it. All were in favor.

All further reports and business items deferred to General Membership Meeting

In attendance: Gail Fleming, Jim Lawrence, Jill Brennan, Toni Lawrence, Jim Brennan and Bonnie Kruger
Teleconferenced in: Mike and Sheila Wald

Reports:

Minutes - *Jim Lawrence moved that the board minutes be approved as emailed. This was seconded by Gail Fleming.* All in favor -Passed. No quorum present for General membership minutes approval.

Treasurers report - was read and filed for audit.

Old Business:

Show – Jill reported that Carl Anderson had accepted the 2008 regular class specialty judging assignment. Shelly (Sinclair) Woods had not yet committed to juniors or Sweepstakes. A theme has been chosen: Rainy Days and Fridays. Some “umbrella” doggy toys have been ordered for Sweepstakes prizes. Those present were shown samples of pottery from Oak Hill Pottery and asked if they approved purchasing pieces for this year’s specialty, as prizes. Prices were within our budget, so approval was given. Jill asked for clarification on the 2009 specialty judges, as during the August 18, 2007 meeting discussion, it was suggested that if the first place judges accepted the assignments, that the second place judges be hired for 2009. Everyone present seemed to remember that this was what had been directed, but without a quorum no vote could be taken.

Hunt test – The spring hunt test is scheduled for the last weekend in February, the 23rd and 24th at the Fuller Ranch. The committee is currently working on hiring judges.

Website – Jim Lawrence got an internet connection and presented the new PSVC website and all its features. Architect Joe Collier has done an outstanding job with features such as a members area, a membership application that can be downloaded, events page, news, photos, Links and even a chat room!

New Business:

Nominating committee – the 2008 nominating committee members will be:

Toni Lawrence (General member)

Jim Brennan (General member)

Bruce Dickey (Board rep)

The members of the nominating committee were directed to meet before the end of November (via email or telephone) to prepare a slate of officers to be presented at the December meeting.

December Meeting - All members present agreed that Jill would be assigned to find a more northeastern location for the December Holiday party and meeting, to take place on either Saturday or Sunday December 15 or 16. The cost per plate should not be more than \$20.00, if at all possible. All members are to be encouraged to bring a gift for the annual gift exchange game.

Meeting adjourned at 6:15pm.



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Braggs

David Schuurman reports: Dylan's first hunt for Ducks and Pheasants was this years youth hunt. The youth hunt is a few weeks earlier than the general opener, Youths 15 and under must be accompanied by an adult which can only observe and advise, not hunt. This was Zeus' first hunt for real birds also. We hunted for pheasant the next day and although Zeus put up three, they were not bagged. Great weekend. (See the photos on page 4)

Zoe: CH CK's Walking Thru Fire JH NA OAJ NAP AJP was honored at the Evergreen Afghan Hound Club Agility Trial on November 24 in Tumwater. She and 8 other retired agility dogs got to strut their stuff in the arena just before Excellent JWW. At 13-1/2 years, Zoe can still move out nicely and loved all the attention. She thought it was ALL for her. Beautiful ribbons were given for each of the Gold Star Award Dogs - with a picture of each dog in the middle of the Rosette.

BABY GIRLS! Congratulations to Natalia (Johnson) Lafollette and husband Hal (Harlan) on the birth of Gabriella J., on October 2nd! And to Carrie Dack's new arrivals, Emery & Avery born November 6th!

Sept. 5th Gunnar Placed **2nd** in the Qualification Series in the **"2007 National Purina Endurance Classic"** (National Shoot-to-Retrieve Association) NSTR Field Trial. and 14th in the Consolation Series. Gunnar was the only Vizsla in the 104 Dog Trial all week long. he also had the highest Obedience score of 73.5 out of 75 possible. Cathy and I are very proud of Gunnar! Gunnar is owned by Bruce and Cathy Dickey (see photo to right)

The Wald's have added a new Champion to their family. Blaze is now Ch Jaybren's Expose of DezertFyre, by going WD at Olympic Kennel Club show. Blaze is Co-owned by Mike and Sheila Wald, Kristina Torgeson and Jim Brennan.



Holiday and Seasonal Hazards

By American Dog Trainers Network

While holidays such as Christmas, New Year's Day, Easter, and The Fourth of July, can bring us much celebration and joy, they can also offer some potential hazards to our pets. Here is a partial list of things which are potentially dangerous to your pet:

Aluminum Foil

When ingested, aluminum foil can cut a dog's intestines, causing internal bleeding, and in some cases, even death.

Anti-Freeze

If ingested, anti-freeze (ethylene glycol) is often lethal -- even in very small quantities. Because many dogs and cats like its sweet taste, there are an enormous number of animal fatalities each year from animals drinking anti-freeze. Poisoning from anti-freeze is considered a serious medical emergency which must be treated by a qualified veterinarian IMMEDIATELY. Fortunately, the Sierra company now offers a far less toxic form of anti-freeze. They can be reached at (888)88-SIERRA.

Bloat

Bloat (gastric torsion & stomach distension) is a serious life-threatening emergency which must be treated by a qualified veterinarian IMMEDIATELY. Bloat is relatively common among large and deep-chested breeds, such as Basset Hounds, Dobermans, German Shepherds and Great Danes. Many experts believe that a feeding a large meal within 2 hours of exercise or severe stress may trigger this emergency. Eating quickly, changes in diet, and gas-producing foods may also contribute to this serious condition. Symptoms of Bloat include: unsuccessful retching, pacing, panting, drooling, an enlarged stomach/torso, and/or signs of distress.

Bones

Bones from steak, veal, pork, turkey or chicken, as well as ribs, can be hazardous to your dog and are not recommended.

Chocolate

Chocolate contains an element which is toxic to dogs, called Theobromine. Even an ounce or two of chocolate can be lethal to a small dog (10 lbs. or less). Larger quantities of chocolate can poison or even kill a medium or large dog. Dark and unsweetened baking chocolates are especially dangerous. Symptoms of chocolate poisoning include: vomiting, diarrhea, tremors, hyperactivity and seizures. During many holidays such as Christmas, New Year's Day, Easter and Halloween, chocolate is often accessible to curious dogs, and in some cases, people unwittingly poison their dogs by offering them chocolate as a treat.

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Corn Cobs

Many dogs have suffered and, in some cases, died after eating corn-on-the-cob, when the corn cob caused partial or complete intestinal obstruction. Never allow your dog access to corn cobs.

Electrocution

Christmas tree lights and electrical cords can be fatal if chewed on by a dog (or cat). Whenever possible, keep electrical cords out of reach.

New Year's Fireworks

Never unnecessarily expose your pet to firecracker noise, as they can cause companion animals tremendous fear, and in many cases, long-term phobias. Make sure to keep dogs indoors, and keep walks (on a leash) very brief. Try masking loud firecracker noises with "white noise" (from the air conditioner or white noise machine), as well as with music or other familiar sounds (radio or television). Or if possible, take a brief vacation with your pet in a quiet rural area, until the fireworks are over.

Heatstroke and Heat Exhaustion

A dog's normal internal body temperature is between 100.5 degrees F and 102 degrees F. Everyone knows leaving a dog in a parked car in the summer (even with the window a few inches open), can cause heatstroke within minutes. But many people are not aware this also happens in winter. Well intentioned pet owners leave the window up because "its so cold" but the car can very quickly heat up, especially if the cloud cover **unexpectedly** breaks. Heat exhaustion is usually caused by over-exercising a dog during hot weather, but again, can occur due to an unusual amount of excitement or exertion on a mild day, as might occur during bird hunting season. Both heatstroke and heat exhaustion can result in brain damage, heart failure or even death in a short period of time. To cool off an overheated dog, wet the dog's body and paws with cool water, then fan. If the dog experiences heatstroke or heat exhaustion, he should receive veterinary attention as soon as possible.

Hypothermia

When a dog's internal temperature drops below 96 degrees F (by being exposed to cold weather for long periods, or getting both wet and cold), there is a serious risk to the dog's safety. Small and short-haired dogs should wear sweaters when taken for walks during cold winter weather. Any sign that a dog is very cold -- such as shivering -- should signal the owner to bring the dog indoors immediately.

Ice-Melting Chemicals and Salt

Ice-melting chemicals and salt placed across sidewalks and roads can cause severe burning to your dog's footpads. Whenever possible, avoid walking your dog through these substances, and wash off his footpads when you return home. There are also products available such as Musher's Secret which can be applied to your dog's footpads prior to going outside, that may help reduce the pain that is often caused by road salt and chemicals.

Poisonous Plants

Dogs (and cats) can become extremely ill or even die from eating poisonous plants. Keep all unknown types of plants and any plants suspected of being poisonous out of reach of your pet, and/or spray with Bitter Apple (for plants).

Plastic Food Wrap

Plastic food wrap can cause choking or intestinal obstruction. Some dogs will eat the plastic wrapping when there are food remnants left coating its surface.

Tinsel and Other Christmas Tree Ornaments

When ingested by a dog (or cat), tinsel may cause obstruction of the intestines, and the tinsel's sharp edges can even cut the intestines. Symptoms may include: decreased appetite, vomiting, diarrhea, listlessness and weight loss. Treatment usually requires surgery.

Training Collars

Remove your dog's training collars whenever left unsupervised or crated. Never tie your dog by attaching a leash or tether to your dog's training collar. Always use a flat buckle collar when tying your dog, and then only when supervised. Never leave your dog tied unsupervised in front of stores, restaurants or supermarkets, as they can be harassed, poisoned or stolen

Braggs continued

Sept 22/23 - " Leia" Am/Can CH Piroska Toldin's Leading Edge FD CGN completed her FD in 3 runs averaging 85! Then on Nov 17 - she had 1 Q in a CD obedience trial (Leia is bred & owned by Barrie and Hilarie Brinkworth) In addition Brinkworth's Fling , who had averaged over 95 in her FDJ in the summer only made 1 leg, as she kept breaking to chase

"Keeper" Piroska Toldin Keeping It Goin FD CGN (owned by Maxine Moinier, bred and co-owned by by Barrie and Hilarie Brinkworth,finished his FD, avaraging 93. also at the Sept 22/23-field dog test!.

Sept 22/23 Maxine handled 4 Vs bred by by Barrie and Hilarie Brinkworth and owned by them and others. She has a cracked knee cap and torn miniscus but still made 16 runs over the 2 days. The bird field was by far the toughest Barrie had ever seen - half covered in blackberries and thistle 3-8' high. We all hope Maxine's knee heals quickly!

Mickey – Reiloc's Sir McKinsey JH placed second in the 12-18 month class at the US National, and then picked up another 3 point major under breeder Judge Bud McGivern at Whidbey Island. (see photos right)

Reggie finished his AKC championship at the Whidbey Island show, under Dr. Beauchamp. He is now officially CH Jaybren's Grand Slam of Tierah. Reggie also placed second in a large bred-by exhibitor class at the VCA nationals, despite "being Reggie".

Congratulations to CH Panacea's Rawhide(aka:Rowdy) who made the cut at Nationals and will hopefully be starting his career in the obedience ring next year! Rowdy is owned by the Langseth family.

Gail Fleming and Jag (Am/Can CH Poquito's Oro Jag in Pursuit JH NA) hav e been very busy over the past year:

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| BOB: | |
| 6/30 Bell Vernon Kennel Assoc. | Junior Hunter: |
| 7/21 Portland Kennel Club | 6/16 Washington Brittany Club |
| 7/22 Portland Kennel Club | 6/17 GSP Club of Washington |
| 8/11 Nisqually Kennel Club | 6/17 Whidbey Island Brittany Club |
| 9/15 Wenatchee Kennel Club Group 4 | 9/19 American Wirehaired Pointing Griffon Assoc. |
| 9/16 Wenatchee Kennel Club | (title earned) |
| 9/22 Gig Harbor Kennel Club | VCA Nationals - "Made the cut" |
| 9/23 Gig Harbor Kennel Club Group 3 | CKC - July earned Canadian championship title |



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Directions to the Holiday Party

INTERSTATE 90 – EASTBOUND - From Interstate 90 Eastbound. Take exit number 27 (Snoqualmie exit).

- At the end of the off ramp turn left and follow the road approximately one (1) mile.
- At the end of one mile the left lane will become a turn lane. Take this turn, following the signs to the town of Snoqualmie. You are now on Meadowbrook Way.
- Follow Meadowbrook Way approximately 1/2 mile until you will come to a traffic light located at the intersection of Highway 202. Go straight through this intersection, staying on Meadowbrook Way.
- Continue following Meadowbrook Way until you pass Mount Si High School, which will be on your left. (CAUTION: Watch your speed in the school zone!). The first intersection after the high school will be Park Street. This will be a four way stop.

Turn right onto Park Street and follow approximately 3/4 of a mile to the golf course entrance. (CAUTION: You will pass through a second school zone!).

HIGHWAY 202 - EASTBOUND

Follow Highway 202 into and through downtown Snoqualmie until you reach the traffic light at Meadowbrook Way. Turn left onto Meadowbrook Way and follow 1/2 mile to Park Street. Turn right onto Park Street and continue approximately 3/4 of a mile to the golf course entrance.

INTERSTATE 90 - WESTBOUND

From Interstate 90 take exit number 31 and turn right, towards downtown North Bend. You will be on Bendigo Street (this is also known as North Bend Blvd. or HWY 202). From the traffic light in North Bend continue north on Bendigo Street. It will turn west and head out of North Bend towards the town of Snoqualmie. Approximately 1/2 mile out of North Bend turn right onto Boalch Avenue. Follow Boalch approximately 1 mile to the entrance of the golf course.



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January 11, 2008

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Food & Drinks will be available for a donation

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Or enter at entry table Friday afternoon close to the Superintendent's Tables

RAINIER SPORTING DOG ASSOCIATION

Entry Form

Pre-Entries: (Due 1/9/08) \$7 first entry, \$3 each add'l entry (same dog)
Day of Show: \$10 first entry, \$5 each add'l entry (same dog)

BREED: _____ Sex _____ Date of Birth _____

CLASS: _____ Add'l Class: _____ Add'l Class: _____

Owner: _____ Email Address: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Amount Submitted: _____ Check # _____ CASH: _____

I understand that I am responsible for my own actions, my children's actions, and the actions of my dog. I agree that Puyallup Fairgrounds & Rainier Sporting Dog Association are not liable for any injury to me, my family, or animals under my care. I further agree that I am responsible for my dog being current on all vaccinations, it's condition of health, and to be free from parasites.

January 11, 2008
30 minutes after BIS
Puyallup, WA
Western WA State Fair Grounds

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**VIZSLA PUPPIES
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Sire: Perfection (call name "Ace")*

OFA VZ-9771G59M-NOPI

Tommy Boy x Copper Creek Lexi

**Runner up at the Holler Point Derby Classic!*

*Dam: Field CHJ & C's Reba of Greased
Litnin* (call name "Reba")*

OFA VZ-10019G49F-NOPI

BK's Redline Express X BK's Li'l Red Greased
Litnin.

**Full sister to American Field Champion, DB*



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hunting and/or field trial
homes preferred.

Contact: Jacqueline DeRoo,
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Put "Puppy Inquiry" in the subject line.


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