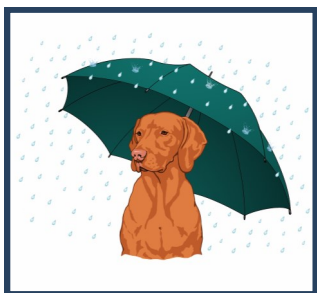




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President's Message

This year's hunt test was a big success! It was held on June 8 and 9 at Carlson's Canine Country Club in Fall City, Washington. Thank you to everyone who contributed! Barb Rowdon did an exceptional job as hunt test secretary. Tom Shay and Gale Shay did everything from making chili and pulled pork for lunch, to picking up birds from Oregon, to towing the trailer to the trial site, to organizing volunteers, and the list goes on. Katrina Sullivan lent us her ATV for the weekend, made the Costco and grocery runs, provided hospitality, and put out signs to make sure people could find us. There was an abundance of delicious food! Hunt test committee member Gail Fleming came to lend a hand wherever she could, even though she did not run a dog. Eddie Rossnagle planted birds, spending the weekend in the heat next to the bird field. Dee Smiley acted as line marshal, timing the braces with pinpoint accuracy and making sure the next brace was ready to go. Kris and John Colt made and donated sale proceeds from four wooden "Steady Eddy" training dogs. The hunt test committee also received a lot of help on an ad hoc basis from club members and entrants who pitched in to help as needed. Thank you to everyone for your contributions!

Our next event is the Puget Sound Vizsla Club Summer Specialty Show on Friday, August 16, 2019, at the Enumclaw Expo Center. BaRay events is the superintendent. <https://www.barayevents.com/> The closing date is July 31, 2019, noon, Pacific Time. This is always a fun show! If you plan to come to the show, please consider volunteering, even if you only have a few minutes to spare.

Dani McCafferty is the show chair again this year. joedani@comcast.net Sheila Wald is in charge of trophy donations. smwald@gpkennels.com

Making a trophy donation is another way to help with the show. We want as many entries as possible, so please tell your Vizsla show friends about the show, even if you can't make it.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- Jun. 29th** Trail's End Vizsla Club of Oregon Specialties— www.barayevents.com- closed
- Jul. 19-21st** Sporting Dog Club of BC Specialties, Surrey, BC— www.dogshow.ca - closes July 3, 2019
- Aug. 14-15th** Rainer Sporting Dog Specialties, Enumclaw, WA— www.barayevents.com - closes July 31, 2019
- Aug. 16th** Puget Sound Vizsla Club Specialty, Enumclaw, WA— www.barayevents.com - closes July 31, 2019
- Aug. 17th** Puget Sound Vizsla Club Meeting, Enumclaw, WA at 6:00 pm

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We have an unusual circumstance this year in that our Treasurer, Kristy Emery, cannot be a signatory on our bank account. This is because Chase does not have branches in Canada and bank rules state signatories must have a residence in the States. Dee Smiley is acting as bookkeeper (not a signatory on the account), keeping Kristy informed of all transactions, and I sign checks. So if you are requesting a reimbursement, please scan documents and send to me (or Dee) and to Kristy. Or mail the documentation to me. Let me know if you have any questions.

Our next meeting will be on Saturday, August 17, 2019 at the Vizsla Encampment, Enumclaw Fairgrounds, at 6:00 pm. The club decided to schedule the meeting later in the day to avoid interfering with the events club members enter that day.

Be safe this summer and we'll see you in August!

Sincerely,

Tonya Gisselberg



Bow Wow Luau

PSVC invites all friends of Vizslas to join us for a celebration BBQ/ Potluck Friday, August 16th, approximately 5:00pm. Please bring something to share plus \$5 per person. Can't bring a dish to share, join us anyway and bring \$10.

In addition, **PLEASE SUPPORT** our Annual Fundraiser Auction that will be happening at the same time as the Bow Wow Luau. Contact Janine Marty Janinemarty1009@hotmail.com to coordinate your donation to our club's fundraiser. Your donation is greatly needed and appreciated.

**OTHER EVENTS GOING ON OVER THE ENUMCLAW WEEKEND**

- Agility
- Barn Hunt
- Fast CAT
- Disc Dogs
- Dock Diving
- Take The Lead
 - Try Its!
- Movie Night
- Health Clinics



Puget Sound Vizsla Club Membership Notifications



Jessica Niggeman & Kronda Adair—**Portland, OR**
-Voted in June 5, 2019



Application read at the June 2019 meeting:

→ Caroline & Russ Wood—**Lacey, WA**

Not current owner of a Vizsla but hopes to own one in the next year. Interested in Agility, Obedience, and a Family Companion. Sponsors: Jill Brennan & Brenda Donar



AKC Launches New Certified Export Pedigree

American Kennel Club has recently introduced the new [AKC Certified Export Pedigree](#), which contains all the information required to obtain registration with foreign kennel clubs. Effective May 31, 2019, the AKC requests that kennel clubs solely require an AKC Certified Export Pedigree for all U.S. born dogs seeking registration.

The AKC Certified Export Pedigree merges the information currently found on the AKC 3-Generation Certified Pedigree and the AKC Registration Certificate. The AKC believes that the use of this new document, which includes all the information your registry should require and can only be purchased by a dog's official owner(s), will simplify the registration process, as well as better protect breeders and dog owners.

More information about the change can be found on the AKC's website [here](#).

PSVC Hunt Test 2019 Recap



The Club's 2019 Hunt Test is in the books. We held our hunt test this year at Carlson's Canine Country Club in Fall City, and had a great time! We had a good dog count both days, 40 Saturday and 44 Sunday. We were fortunate to have decent weather (no rain), and some wind in the afternoon. We used 5 judges to cover the two day event and had two seasoned gunners that I might have to take lessons from! The judges helped keep the test

rolling and we finished on schedule both days.

The best news is the awesome crew that came together to make the event happen. We had some new comers and old hands alike that were able to pull off a very smooth running test. I think we may have one of the best Test Secretary's we could possibly find. Barb Rowdon, in her second year, did an amazing job handling entries, AKC application, and organizing a great event for us. Dee Smiley stepped in as our main Line Marshall and did an outstanding



job keeping braces at the ready each time the judges returned to the start line. That made the judges happy and they commented on it numerous times. Katrina Sullivan helped out in numerous ways from planning, picking up food and supplies and generally helping to organize the set up. Gail Flemming, Katrina, Gale Shay, Blanca Alas did an amazing job with hospitality and put out two great lunches for participants.

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Eddie Rossnagle, Kris Colt, Stephen Hill and I had the honors of bird planting. Wet conditions and tall grass made for some tough finds for dogs and even tougher for some of the handlers, but birds were found! Last but not least I have to thank Gale Shay for keeping me on track to get things done over the past year, without her help I would have struggled! Thanks to all who lent a hand setting up, taking down and run-

ning errands before during and after the test.

The test was well attended by PSVC members as well as professional and amateur trainers, and some folks from BC. It was a lot of fun and gives people a chance to talk with others about their dogs and their passion for hunt training and testing. If you haven't been to a hunt test, you should come out and spend a day with us next year. You will find it to be interesting, fun and educational! Watching the dogs work in the field



is amazing.

Our goal looking forward is to increase our brace count and continue offering a quality testexperience and a venue that people enjoy attending.



Tom Shay

- Hunt Test Chair 2019

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Congrats PSVC
on a very
successful
event!



Heartfelt 
THANKS
TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!

Dog Self-Control Requires Energy Resources

In dogs, the energy spent in exercising self-control needs to be replenished.

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VCA Nationals 2019

For both humans and dogs, self-control, or what we commonly refer to as willpower, is an important ability. Without it we would give in to any momentary urges and be unable to direct our minds to important tasks. However research has shown that self-control in both dogs and people is a limited resource. Basically the findings are that every time you, or a dog, exercises mental restraint you spend some of your resources, which then makes it more difficult to perform mental tasks or engage in more restraint or self-control (click here for more about that). An example of this, which is familiar to anyone who has tried to go on a diet, is that in the beginning it is relatively easy to avoid eating tempting foods, but each time you are presented with a new temptation your ability to restrain yourself becomes more and more difficult. Each act of willpower leaves fewer resources for the next act of self-control.

I was forced to think about this issue when I was confronted with a failure in canine self-control. Because several dog obedience competitions would be occurring over the next month and a half, I decided to put some extra training time into my young Nova Scotia duck tolling retriever, Ranger. So instead of training him at our dog club for his usual one-hour session, I decided to take him to two back-to-back hour-long classes. Each of the classes included some exercises that required self-control, such as "sit-stay" and "down-stay." Ranger made it through the first hour quite well and was doing OK during the second, although he seemed a bit more fidgety on the stay exercises later in the hour. We then moved on to practicing the recall exercise. I left him in a sit-stay and began to walk to the end of the room, some 40 feet away. Just as I turned to face him again, he glanced at me and then broke from his position, hurtling around the room at high speed, seemingly out-of-control. He was finally apprehended by one of the instructors before he got himself in trouble, but it was clear to me that the two hours of training had exhausted his self-control.

Watching my young dog break from his sitting position and careen around the training hall reminded me of the research reporting that self-control requires energy resources, which can be depleted. That set of research studies had been conducted by Holly Miller and a team of other scientists from the University of Kentucky in Lexington. Since they had established that exercising self-control drains resources, which then interferes with further self-control or other mental processes, I wondered whether they had taken the next step to see if those resources could be replenished quickly and efficiently. With this in mind I went back to the scientific literature and found another report by this research team which did exactly that.

This study actually consisted of two experiments. The first one provided a replication of the original findings that self-control drains resources and makes further mental activities more difficult. In this study dogs were shown a transparent plastic toy containing treats they could both see and smell. They were taught that they could get these treats by tugging on the toy. The dogs were then assigned to one of two conditions.

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The first was quite simple: The dog was placed in a wire kennel crate and left there for ten minutes with the owner out of sight. The second condition involved some willpower and self-restraint on the part of the dog. In this test condition the dog was placed in a sit-stay position and the owner left the room for ten minutes. If the dog began to move out of position, the owner returned, repeated the sit-stay command, and again disappeared from sight. Afterwards both groups of dogs were again given the toy from which they had learned how to get food, only this time the toy was set up so that no treats were dispensed regardless of how the dogs tugged at it. The idea was to measure how long the dogs would persist at this impossible task before they gave up. The findings were quite clear—the dogs who had to exert willpower by holding their position in the earlier part of the session rapidly lost their focus on the problem and gave up a lot more quickly. In fact, the dogs that had to exercise self-control persisted at the task only 34 percent as long as the dogs that didn't have to use up their energy in advance.

But what is this resource that is being exhausted by self-control? It turns out that research has shown that self-control in humans relies on the availability of blood sugar. It's recognized that the human brain depends on glucose in the blood for energy. All cognitive processes involve some expenditure of glucose, but activities that involve high levels of mental effort are particularly susceptible to fluctuations in the blood sugar level. These experiments on humans suggest that exerting self-control significantly lowers blood glucose levels, which in turn results in poor performance on tasks set after the exertion of willpower.



Well, if blood sugar levels are the issue, couldn't the needed mental resources be restored by consuming something sugary? The research on human beings shows that this in fact works, and consuming something like a sugar-laden drink restores performance. If this is true, then the negative effects in dogs of exercising self-control should be eliminated with a boost of glucose.

The research team confirmed this in a second experiment, which was identical to the first except that one group of dogs, who had to exercise self-control by sitting in place for 10 minutes, was given a high-sugar drink immediately afterwards, just a few minutes before being given the treat-filled toy. The results were unambiguous. The dogs who received the jolt of sugar now performed just as well as those who had not had to exercise self-control before being presented with a new task.

This appeared to me to be a very promising finding. So before the next evening when I hoped to train Ranger again for two hours, I armed myself with a small plastic bag filled with gummy candies (gummy bears and gummy worms). For those of you who are not familiar with these marvelously sweet and probably unhealthy treats, they are soft candies with a gelatin base, sweetened by a lot of corn syrup and sugar. According to the package one serving contains 21 grams of sugar.

Once again I took Ranger to his class, and as before, he got through the first hour quite well. During the break between classes, I took him out for five minutes or so to relieve himself, and I gave him a couple of the gummy candies I was carrying. This time, as he worked his way through the second hour of obedience training, he seemed less fidgety on the sit-stays and the down-stays—the self-control exercises. There were no breaks from position and no exciting mad dash around the room. Although this is clearly just a report of my personal experience, not a controlled scientific observation, what I was doing was based on the research findings. In any event, I have now made it a habit to carry these gummy candies with me whenever I know that my dogs are going to have to exercise willpower in classes or obedience competitions. It seems like a simple way to boost the resources my dogs need to maintain self-control, and besides, they adore the taste of these highly sweetened treats.



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Princess Cruises doesn't need to dazzle with gimmicky attractions. Royal Princess is no exception – it has very successfully opted for innovations that enhance a more traditional style of cruising such as *Movies Under The Stars*, the adults-only *Sanctuary*, and the transformation of a functional ship's atrium into the buzzing *Piazza*. New features onboard include *Princess Live!*, the first television studio in cruising; a magical fountain which does a Vegas-like water and light show at night; and the *SeaWalk*, a walkway which hangs over the ocean and offers spectacular (albeit vertigo-inducing) vistas through strengthened glass in the floor.

The line has renewed its focus on food. There are 16 eateries on-board including the new Ocean Terrace Seafood Bar, Pastry Shop, and Gelato parlor. Old favorites like Alfredo's Pizzeria, a dining room with set-seating, elegant cocktail lounges, lovely classical music performances, and afternoon tea remain a staple.

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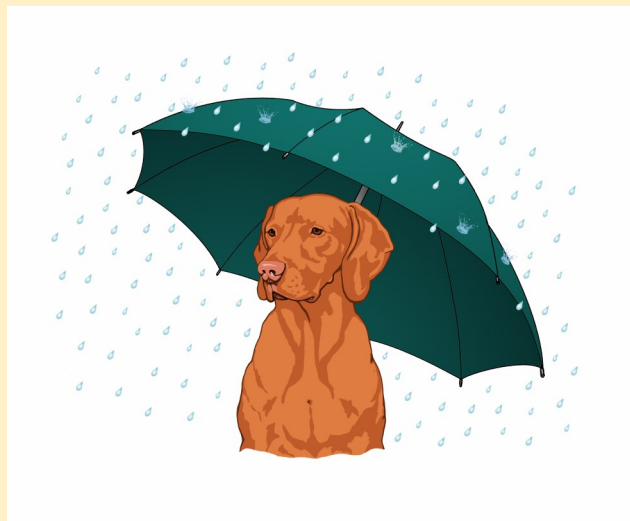
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PSVC is Going Green!

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BRAGS FROM OUR CLUB MEMBERS

Proud to announce Dawson earned a Junior Hunter title at the very enjoyable PSVC Hunt Test. He earned his title on Saturday and ran Sunday just for fun, but as it turns out, Dawson's scores were high enough for a first Q towards a JHA. Love my crazy about birds boy. Gch Int/Am Ch Jaybren's Trouble in Mind BN RN CGC TKP JH

♥Submitted by Valorie Bordon



Kelby Creek's Sol De Oro (Tex x Maggie) known as Lil Miss Kira, found a new love. Hunting is her thing and at the PSVC hunt test she was able to secure her 1st leg of the Junior Hunt test. Without a doubt, she will have her title before long. We can't wait to get out in the field again and watch this gorgeous girl do her thing.



♥Submitted by Rene Roldan



BRAGS FROM OUR CLUB MEMBERS

News from Eastwind Vizslas:

Tom and I are proud to announce that Eastwind's Wild Card, Lani is now a Champion! Lani finished her championship with a final BOB win at one year of age and limited showing at the Lewiston Cluster of shows in April. Last minute family obligations required us to find a handler for our 3 dogs that weekend, and the amazing Theresa Bradley stepped in to assist. We are ever grateful for her support.

Ch Eastwind's Wild Card→

Out of "Jack", GCH Jackpot Bean Stalk and our "Turq" CH Eastwind Baroque's Hot Steppa RN



That same weekend "Baron", Eastwind's Red Baron pulled another major, as did baby brother "Leo", Eastwind's Lion Share. These two boys are out of "Pre" GCH Boulder Sentryfier Pre Lives, and our "Lela" GCH Can Ch Kelby Creek's Spirit of Kilauea RN SH

←BARON

LEO at 7 months↓

♥Submitted by Tom & Gale Shay



BRAGS FROM OUR CLUB MEMBERS

Leo was also entered in the PSVC Hunt test this past weekend garnering 2 legs towards his Junior Title. Good puppy! →



We had a nice turn out for our pups at the PSVC Hunt test June 8 & 9! Here are "Lela's" pups the first day. "Saylor" finishing his last JH legs, and "Ivy" and "Leo" (litter mates) their first.

♥Submitted by Tom & Gale Shay

Sokoldalu's Tokeletes Anya RN TKA CGC

KEYLA (Brock x Cola)

In April just as she turned 6 months, KEYLA traveled to Nationals in Wisconsin with Carla where she took first in her class for Sweepstakes and then took 3rd in the Regular Classes. Then the day after nationals, at the local all breed show, she took her first points being awarded Best of Winners and earning a 4 point major.



Memorial Day weekend she earned her Rally Novice title with a second place and two fourth place qualifying runs. At 7 months she earned her CGC and Trick Dog Novice title. Looking forward to each new month with this sweet happy girl! She is owned and loved by Lori King and Carla Slabaugh.

♥Submitted by Lori King

BRAGS FROM OUR CLUB MEMBERS



I am so proud of"NITRO " INTL GCH CH Sokoldalu's Power Shiftn Out of First t by Tierah JH BCAT CGCA RATN TKN (Riker x Cedar)The last six shows he has taken BOB. We even received a Group 3 OH and Group 2 OH. A first for me! Still can't believe it. He is well over half towards his Bronze, with limited showing.

After coming back from Nationals he was taken the next morning to a hunt test where got is final leg for Junior Hunter. And yes he brought the bird back. Thank you to my dear friend Lori for taking him since I was unable. This boy never stops amazing me of how smart he is.

Zoe INTL/Ch Soleil's Ma Petite Biche Zoe RATN RN CA BCAT CGC TKN added a couple more points towards her championship going Best of Opposite. She also finished her Fast Cat title and final Qualifier in Barn Hunt.



June 13 Zoe's "First Love" litter turned One year old. Nahla - Spektrum's Magic Touch of Love...(ChasexZoe) Received her first point, going Best of Opposite. My beautiful granddaughter helped me shuffle dogs and even taking Nahla back in the ring. She looked like a natural taking her around in the ring. Puppy Viggo....Spektrum's All Your Heart Desires (ChasexZoe) Was first to get a title. CGC. SO proud of all the training he receives from great owners. He has been in the ring and doing lots of Obedience. Soon will be hitting the rally course.

♥Submitted by Athena Rima



BRAGS FROM OUR CLUB MEMBERS



Lyric, Widdershins Play it again, AKA The Mighty Mouse finished her Junior Hunter title at the PSVC hunt test. The next day she ran in her very first senior test and earned her first leg towards her Senior hunter title.

The following weekend at the GSP and Brittany club double double Lyric earned two more legs towards her senior title with extremely high praises from the judges. On day two she ran her fourth and final leg to finish her Senior Hunter Title and after that run we ran back to get her switched over to Master for her next run and she passed her first Master run beautifully!

To say that we are proud of our little girl is an understatement!

♥Submitted by Jayme Nolan



Switching gears the following weekend in Canada, Saylor came away from the Nanaimo Kennel Club shows with 2 Group wins. Many thanks to Mario Knoll for the Group 2 and Edgar Bajona for the Group 4 placements.

Saylor is owner trained, handled, and loved by Heidi and Stephen.

♥Submitted by Heidi Bergen

Can GCh Eastwind Solana's High Seas Adventure FDJ JH TKN

Saylor had a fantastic weekend at the PSVC hunt tests in early June. He ran Saturday and Sunday, getting the final two legs for his title. Saylor and Stephen love the game and can't wait to get out on wild birds again this fall.



BRAGS FROM OUR CLUB MEMBERS

Dezertfyre has had an exciting few months. "Stori" NBISS, MBISNOH, GCHB Am/Can CH Rhapsody Dezertfyre Write UR Stori, CGC, BN, RN, TKI (Justice x Ellie) Warming up for nationals Stori was Best of Breed both days at Ephrata Moses Lake, Group 4, OH Group 1 and 2 and Owner Handler Best in Show. On to nationals where she made the first cut and followed up with a nice breed win at the all breed show following. After a few months off and working on her field activities we headed to Yakima KC where she earned back to back Group 2's, Owner handler Group 4 and 1 and Reserve Best in Show Owner Handler.

Stori is currently #7 all breed standings, #10 breed standings and #8 owner handler.



"Percy" CH Dezertfyre's Blue Thunder (Blue x Liz) came out of retirement and at 8 years of age and several years of being a well loved family pet, earned both his Grand Champion majors going BOS and Select at Ephrata Moses Lake KC. (Owned by Heather and John Slee, Sheila Wald)

"Swagger" CH Dezertfyre's When the Stars Go Blue (Boh x Lucy) earned his Junior Hunter title and is now working on Senior (owned by Mike and Sheila Wald, Cindy Hunter)

"Tulah" Dezertfyre's Red Fureand Feathers Flying, RI (Soks x Lucy) earned her first Rally Advanced Leg at Ephrata Moses Lake (Owned by Kirk and Shelbi Engle)

"Faith" Zoldmali Usko had some fun in the ring with Mike and earned a lovely Owner Handler Group win at Ephrata Moses Lake KC

Finally we are excited to announce our newest addition, another Wirehair to join Faith! Crookstone's Journey to Loroka "Lucas"

♥Submitted by Sheila & Mike Wald

BRAGS FROM OUR CLUB MEMBERS



I had the special privilege of bringing one of Shay's daughters to Nationals with me.

Tierah's Ferocious Leka Ojibway Princess TKN "LEKA" (Soks x Shay)

Miss Leka took 3rd place in Sweepstakes in her class out of a large competitive group along with a 2nd place at the All Breed Show that weekend. Miss Leka also earned her Barn Hunt Novice title in just a few seconds. I'm exciting to see where this little girl take us.

Loved and owned by Pia and Michael Peterson Shown by Lisa Stewart



Northern California Vizsla Club Vallejo, CA: I had the privilege of showing one of Shay's sons during the double specialty weekend.

Tierah's For Joska of Windhaven JH, CGC "JOSKA" (Soks x Shay)

Joska earned his JH & CGC in less then 9 mo of age. Currently working towards his Senior and Master Hunter skill sets along with water retrieving, BN & CD titles as well.

Loved and owed by Walter and Sue Windus

Shown by Walter Windus and Lisa Stewart

♥Submitted by Lisa Stewart

What an adventure and a crazy road trip from Oregon to Wisconsin for the 2019 VCA Nationals. My traveling ladies included Jill Brennan, Eleesa Markham, and Dani McCafferty. Our motto in my truck "2 adults, 4 dogs, cell phone, wallet, and keys".

GCHB Tierah's Shay-Flight of the Phoenix CA, CGC, TKN "SHAY" (Blue x Hemi) showed her heart out for me. "Don't touch me I can do to myself" Miss Shay would say. That's my Queen Bee!

Love and shown by owners Will and Lisa Stewart



Northern California Vizsla Club hosted their specialty event in Vallejo, CA June 2019. What a weekend! This was Shay's first time in the 7 and under 9 yrs Veterans Class. Miss Shay won 1st in the Veterans Class, took and AOM placement and also a Best of Opposite win all in one weekend!

Loved and shown by Will and Lisa Stewart



BRAGS FROM OUR CLUB MEMBERS



Trek (Pursuit's Trek to the Triple Crown) made his debut in the showing environment on Saturday, June 15th at the IABCA show in Enumclaw. At this show he was awarded Best in Show and Best Puppy. Trek is a 4 month puppy from GCH Boulder's N Solterra's Cruising at Light Speed (Cruz) and GCH Pursuit of the Triple Crown for Kelby Creek (Rosie2). Amie Durbin and Gail Fleming bred this litter and Trek is owned by Gail Fleming.

♥Submitted by Gail Fleming

BROCK (Bodi x Hemi)

GCH Am/Int'l CH Sokoldalu'N'Tierah's Total Power Package
CD BN RE JH OA AXJ CAA BCAT RATM TKA CGCA



Brock made the trip to VCA Nationals this year and pulled a third place in Veteran Sweepstakes.

Brock is owned by Carla & Ron Slabaugh, and Sarah Smith-Falkner

♥Submitted by Carla Slabaugh

BRAGS FROM OUR CLUB MEMBERS

ASTRID (Brock x Sola)

Sokoldalu's Astrid Starlight

Astrid made her show debut at the Moses Lake, WA show in April and we were blown away with her taking Winners both days. What an exciting way to start her pursuit of a championship.



The next shows she was entered into were the Spokane/Cda shows. Well she continued to amaze us and went and won 3 of the 4 shows there (the other show she took Reserve Winners) and also grabbed 2 major wins. After 2 weekends of showing and at 10 months of age, Astrid now sits at 13 points with both majors done. All points have been awarded out of the Bred By Exhibitor class.

Astrid is owned by Suzanne Metcalf, Betsy Metcalf, & Carla Slabaugh

♥Submitted by Carla Slabaugh

VEGA (Brock x Sola)

Sokoldalu's Brilliant Gt Superstar TKN

We are thrilled to announce that Vega made it on the board with her first points in the superstar fashion that she is by going Best of Breed over Specials from the classes.

She is owned by Jeff & Sarah Falkner, and Carla Slabaugh

♥Submitted by Carla Slabaugh



BRAGS FROM OUR CLUB MEMBERS



ZINN (Riker x Savoy)

Am/Int'l CH Sokoldalu-Soleil Vin Rouge du Capataine
BN RE JH CA BCAT RATS TKN CGC

Zinn and Ron came home from Moses Lake Barn Hunt trials with Zinn's first qualifying leg in the Master Class. Not only did they qualify, they got the fastest time and won High in Class!

Zinn is owned by Ron & Carla Slabaugh

♥Submitted by Carla Slabaugh

SEAGER (Riker x Cedar)

Sokoldalu's Powerful Salty Capt'N of Tierah

We are super excited to announce that Seager had a fantastic quarter. He picked up a Major at the Moses Lake, WA show and then picked up some points in Spokane taking Best of Winners and then he went on and picked up his second major win in CDA, Idaho. All his wins have been out of the Bred By Exhibitor class.

Seager is owned by Drew & Gaylan Warnock, and Carla Slabaugh



♥Submitted by Carla Slabaugh

8 Tips for Helping a Dog That's Scared of Fireworks

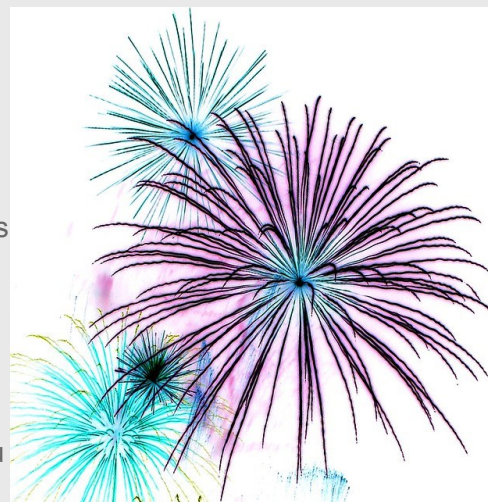


Fireworks might be awe-inspiring for some people, but many dogs are scared of fireworks and find the sound and spectacle of them terrifying. Dog fireworks anxiety can leave your pets in a panicked state.

It should go without saying that anxious dogs don't belong at fireworks displays, but even dogs that are at home can be overwhelmed by the noise, especially if the neighbors are setting off their own. That's why it is so important to help your pet.

Dogs that are scared of fireworks might hide, tremble, pace or whine in response to the sounds, leading pet parents to consider trying pet meds to help deal with the behaviors. But there are alternatives.

The following tips might help reduce dog fireworks anxiety—whether you choose to train before scheduled fireworks or need tips that you can use right away.



Use Sound Training to Relieve Dog Fireworks Anxiety

You can help dogs that are afraid of fireworks learn to cope with them by setting up training sessions throughout the year, well in advance of events such as the Fourth of July or New Year's Eve.

Begin by playing a fireworks sound effect (many are available free online) at a very low level for a brief period while giving your dog a series of small, tasty dog treats and lots of praise when they remain calm. Then turn the sound off and stop giving treats.

Repeat the process with the sound at a low level until your dog looks to you expectantly when it starts. Always be sure to check that your dog is comfortable with the sounds and not displaying signs of anxiety.

Gradually turn up the sound in subsequent training sessions, varying the recordings to include a variety of firework types, until your dog begins to associate the noises with goodies and praise for having a calm demeanor.

Try a Dog Anxiety Vest

Much like swaddling helps to calm infants, a snug garment that puts gentle pressure on your dog's torso can reduce fireworks anxiety.

Get your dog used to wearing a pressure wrap—like a dog anxiety vest—before fireworks so that by the time the event arrives, your dog will be comfortable with the garment.

You can either make your own by wrapping stretchy fabric around your dog's shoulders and chest (make sure it's not so tight that it restricts blood flow or the ability to breathe) or opt for a [ThunderShirt](#) that uses a patented "hugging" design to help reduce stress from dog fireworks anxiety.

Schedule a Pre-Fireworks Workout

Going for a long hike or spending time playing with pals during the day will help wear out your dog before the fireworks begin.

A dog that's mentally and physically exhausted might be less likely to react to fireworks, so plan a day of fun activities that will leave your dog ready for a snooze.

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Schedule Meals and Potty Time Early

It's important to time your dog's dinner and potty trips well in advance of nightfall, since fireworks typically start as soon as the sun sets. There's nothing worse than a dog that's scared of fireworks that needs a potty break but is too terrified to step out the door.

Give your dog enough time to finish his dinner, digest and potty before the noise begins so that he's not forced to hold it during an already stressful period.

Keep Your Pup Occupied During Fireworks

Provide distraction by giving your dog something delicious to focus on during fireworks, like a [KONG Classic dog toy](#).

Stuff the busy toy with special goodies like your dog's all-time favorite treat so that he has something else to focus on during the noise.

Muffle the Noise

It's easy to understand why dogs are scared of fireworks; the unpredictable booming sounds can be perceived as an impending threat and make a dog feel vulnerable.

While counterconditioning with a fireworks recording throughout the year will help your dog learn to cope with the noise, an easy way to manage dog fireworks anxiety during the event is to simply muffle the sounds with something else.

Plug in a white noise machine or turn on some calming music loud enough so that the fireworks are camouflaged. If your dog's "safe zone" is his crate, you can also cover the top, sides, and back with a thick blanket and play music or sounds for him. Just make sure your dog can leave the crate if he wants to.

Comfort Your Dog

You might have heard that comforting your dog in times of stress can reinforce his fears. However, your dog's reactions to fireworks are based on a legitimate fear. Providing comfort during this time is appropriate and often helpful.

Sitting close to your dog, petting him gently and offering quiet words of reassurance during scary events like fireworks can help to center your dog and might even reduce his fearfulness. Plus, doing so will help your dog understand that you're his partner and that he can always turn to you when he's feeling scared.

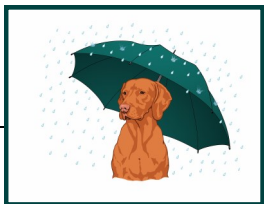
Consult a Professional

If your dog's behavior doesn't improve, find a positive trainer to help you and your dog work through relaxation protocols.

If your dog's fireworks anxiety puts him or you in danger, talk with your veterinarian or a [board-certified veterinary behaviorist](#) about anxiety medication for dogs and whether it is necessary.

Remember that your dog's fireworks anxiety is a *visceral response*, and it will likely take a multi-step approach to help your dog feel more comfortable with the sounds.

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PSVC Membership Application/Renewal

Contact Information

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| Name + Spouse/Other: | |
| Street Address: | |
| City, State, ZIP Code: | |
| Home Phone/Work Phone: | |
| Occupation: | |
| E-mail Address #1: | |
| E-mail Address #2: | |
| Kennel Name: (if any) | |
| Do not publish the Home/Work/Fax/E-mail Address in Membership Directory (<i>circle all that apply</i>) | |

Would you like to receive notification of Club Events via E-Mail Only.

Membership Desired*

Newsletter only (*no voting privileges*) \$5.00 Single \$15.00 Family \$20.00

**Membership dues are payable by January 1st and delinquent on March 31st. Lapsed memberships are dropped from the roster with the April issue of the newsletter. Please make check payable to PSVC.*

Interests: What activities interest you?

| <u>Dog Related Activities</u> | | | <u>Club Activities</u> |
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| Show | Agility | Obedience | Event Volunteer |
| Hunt Test | Field Trial | Other | Committee Position |
| Family Companion | Tracking | Rescue/Foster | Board Position |

Memberships in Other Dog Clubs: (Please list other dog clubs of which you are a member)

Vizslas Currently Owned:

Please provide a brief explanation describing your interest in joining PSVC:

Signatures of Applicant and Sponsor:

I hereby apply for membership in the Puget Sound Vizsla Club, and agree to support the Constitution and By-Laws of the Club and the Constitution, By-Laws and Rules of the AKC; to encourage high standards in the breeding of, training, and competing with Vizslas; and to promote the health and welfare of the Vizsla Breed.

Applicant _____ Date: _____ Applicant _____ Date: _____

Sponsor#1 _____ Date: _____ Sponsor#2 _____ Date: _____

Application must be completed in full with all signatures in order to be considered for membership. By PSVC By-laws each application is to be read at the first meeting following receipt, prospective members names published in the newsletter and listed on the agenda for the 2nd meeting at which the application will be voted on.

Mail/email to Membership Chairman membership@pugetsoundvizsla.net