

# The Sounder

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# IPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

2020 VCA National Gun Dog Championships in March 24-27, 2020 Caret, VA—CANCELED

## **2020 VCA National Specialty and Companion Events** in Estes Park, CO —POSTPONED

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic and government recommendations and limitations the VCA Board has voted to postpone the events at Estes Park in April and May 2020. The committee is actively working on negotiation of new dates in 2020.

If you have already entered any events please contact the superintendent regarding refunds.

Agility:deb@LookoutK9Trials.com

Conformation, Rally & Obedience: www.foytrentdogshows.com

Scent work: trialsec@matrixdog.com

Barn Hunt: jen@rockymountainratters.com

The VCA is working on an additional sweepstakes class to accommodate dogs that will be aging out. All donations and advertisements will roll over to the new 2020 dates. Please hold off on cancelling your hotel reservations. The committee is working with the hotel to move the entire block of rooms.



# 🕊 UPCOMING EVENTS

Apr. 4th Trails End Vizsla Club of Oregon Specialty—Albany, OR **→CANCELED** Apr. 27<sup>th</sup>-May 1<sup>st</sup> Vizsla Club of America National Events—Estes Park, CO **→POSTPONED** Jun. 3<sup>rd</sup> Puget Sound Vizsla Club Conference Call In Meeting— Watch emails for phone in information

Jun. 6th -7th Puget Sound Vizsla Club Hunt Test—Fall City, WA **→TENATIVELY A GO** 

Jun. 26 & 27th Trails End Vizsla Club of Oregon Specialties—Redmond, OR → TENATIVELY A GO

Jul. 18th Vizsla Canada National Specialty—Surrey, BC **→TENATIVELY A GO** 

Aug. 14th Puget Sound Vizsla Club Specialty—Enumclaw, WA **→TENATIVELY A GO** 





### **President's Message**

Coronavirus (COVID-19) is now in the news persistently. My message regarding COVID-19 is to pass on information sources others have recommended to me:

Washington State Department of Health <a href="https://www.doh.wa.gov/Emergencies/NovelCoronavirusOutbreak2020/FactSheet">https://www.doh.wa.gov/Emergencies/NovelCoronavirusOutbreak2020/FactSheet</a>

Public Health – Seattle & King County <a href="https://www.kingcounty.gov/depts/health/communicable-diseases/disease-control/novel-coronavirus.aspx">https://www.kingcounty.gov/depts/health/communicable-diseases/disease-control/novel-coronavirus.aspx</a>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/index.html">https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/index.html</a>

American Kennel Club <a href="https://www.akc.org/press-center/covid-19-updates-from-the-american-kennel-club/">https://www.akc.org/press-center/covid-19-updates-from-the-american-kennel-club/</a> and <a href="https://www.akc.org/expert-advice/news/can-dogs-get-coronavirus/">https://www.akc.org/expert-advice/news/can-dogs-get-coronavirus/</a>

In Washington state, there is currently a statewide ban of gatherings and events of more than 250 people. The Peninsula Dog Fanciers Club dog shows in Bremerton (Kitsap County) on March 21 and 22, 2020 have been cancelled. https://www.barayevents.com/ The PSVC had a supported entry at the March 21 show. Thank you to the Peninsula Dog Fanciers Club for asking us to participate in their show!

The Vizsla Club of America has cancelled the National Gun Dog Championship scheduled for March 24 - 27, 2020 (no link, I received an email message about that). Those of you who plan to attend the VCA National Specialty scheduled for April 27 – May 1, 2020, in Estes Park, Colorado, will want to monitor the latest information on those events.

Moving to other topics, at our January 2020 meeting, we elected the following officers:

President: Tonya Gisselberg
Vice President: Eleesa Hofmann

Secretary: Gale Shay

Treasurer: Jenny Campanano

Welcome to our new officers! Thank you to our 2019 officers!

We look forward to sunnier times and to our June 2020 Hunt Test, scheduled for June 6 and 7, 2020, at Carlson's Canine Country Club, Fall City, WA.

Until then, take care and be safe!

# <mark>7onya Gisselberg</mark>







Puget Sound Vizsla Club Tonya Gisselberg, President 33014 NE 138<sup>th</sup> St. Duvall, WA 98019

March 14, 2010

Peninsula Dog Fanciers Club, Inc. Diane Burlingame, President Wayne Bond, Event Chair PO Box 876 Silverdale, WA 98383

Dear Ms. Burlingame and Mr. Bond,

On behalf of the Puget Sound Vizsla Club, I want to thank you for inviting our club to participate in the celebration at your March 21 and March 22 Shows. Many of our members were looking forward to the added Sweepstakes and Veteran Sweepstakes shows. I know a tremendous amount of effort goes into the planning and coordination, many months in advance, for a dog show. We are all disappointed – none more than you, I'm sure – that you needed to cancel the show. We certainly understand and believe it was the wisest and the right thing to do.

Please extend our thanks to the many volunteers who worked to put on this show.

I trust there will another time when we may participate in one of your shows. Please let me know if there is anything our club may do to help you recover and I will take it up with our membership. Thank you again.

Sincerely,

/Tonya Gisselberg/

Tonya Gisselberg President, Puget Sound Vizsla Club

cc: PSVC Membership



# Puget Sound Vizsla Club Membership Notifications



#### **Voted in at the March 2020 meeting:**

→Lina & Matt Bancroft (former "Newsletter Only" members)

→ Ashley & Chris Popa (former "Newsletter Only" members)



#### **Application read at the March 2020 meeting:**

→Kita Morris of Deer Park, WA -Kennel name Coppersage

# Point Schedule for Vizslas effective May 13, 2020

Div	States	1 point		2 points		3 points		4 points		5 points	
DIV		Dogs	Bitches	Dogs	Bitches	Dogs	Bitches	Dogs	Bitches	Dogs	Bitches
Div 1	CT ME MA NH RI VT	2	2	4	5	5	7	8	11	14	19
Div 2	DE NJ NY PA	2	2	4	6	5	9	8	13	13	20
Div 3	DC MD NC VA WV	2	2	4	6	6	9	7	10	9	13
Div 4	FL GA SC	2	2	5	8	7	14	11	16	19	21
Div 5	IN KY MI OH	2	2	5	5	7	8	9	10	12	15
Div 6	AZ CO	2	2	4	5	6	8	7	9	8	12
Div 7	KS OK TX	2	2	3	5	4	7	5	8	7	9
Div 8	OR WA	2	2	7	7	11	11	13	14	16	19
Div 9	CA	2	2	5	5	8	7	10	11	13	17
Div 10	AK *	2	2	3	3	4	4	5	5	6	6
Div 11	HI*	2	2	3	3	4	4	5	5	6	6
Div 12	PR *	2	2	3	3	4	4	5	5	6	6
Div 13	ID MT NE NV NM ND SD UT WY	2	2	4	4	5	5	6	6	7	7
Div 14	AL AR LA MS TN	2	2	3	4	4	6	5	7	6	10
Div 15	IL IA MN MO WI	2	2	5	5	7	7	9	11	13	18

# **August PSVC Specialty**

Submitted by Dani McCafferty

- We have our Sweepstakes judge under contract. She is Rita Mather, a Standard Poodle breeder from Arizona and Rita Mather has bred Vizslas for many years under the Kennel name Sleepy Hollow Vizslas. Her first litter I believe was in the 1970s. She is also a member of the VCA.
  - 2. Paul Price has agreed, yay, to be our ring steward.
    - 3. There is no information to pass on yet, about the RV reservations.

As we get closer to the show, I'll be asking for volunteers for setup/take down, donations for ice and water and a sign up for the potluck.



Submitted by Janine Marty

Last years summer specialty auction was a hit! But, I think we can do even better. Let's start planning now for some donation items. They can be given to me any time of the year or feel free to bring them to the day of show.

# **PSVC Hunt Test**

Submitted by Tom Shay



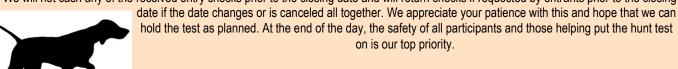
PUGET SOUND

Just a quick reminder to all PSVC members, the PSVC 2020 Hunt Test will be held June 6th & 7th

at Carlson's Canine Country Club in Fall City. We are offering trials for Junior Hunter, Senior Hunter and Master Hunter. You should have received an electronic form from Barb Rowdon, HT Secretary. If you need a new form, please contact Barb or myself.

We are also looking for volunteers to help us with setup and takedown, bird planting, back up line marshal, hospitality help, etc. If you are interested, please contact me.

In response to Covid 19: we do not know what the impact of the Corona virus will have regarding our hunt test. We will however make a decision prior to the closing date for entries whether or not we go ahead with the test on our posted date, postpone or outright cancel and will let entrants know. We will not cash any of the received entry checks prior to the closing date and will return checks if requested by entrants prior to the closing



#### **PSVC Newsletter Classified Advertising Available!**

Our club accepts classified advertising. Ads must be print ready complete with any desired graphics or photos suitable for publication in MSWord. Editor will not design or layout ads. Ads may be for stud dogs, available puppies, equipment, vehicles, services, etc. pretty much anything (within reason) the PSVC membership may be interested in. Payment must be received prior to publication.

#### Newsletter Ad Rates

1 page w/1 photo \$17.00

1 page w/2 photos \$22.00

1 page w/out photo \$12.00

1/2 page w/1 photo \$15.00

1/2 page w/out photo\$10.00

1/4 page w/out photo \$5.00



When placing ads advertising dogs, OFA#'s are required for the subject Vizsla. If under 2 years of age, the OFA#s of the parents are required.

Spayed/neutered and deceased Vizslas need no OFA number.

NOTE: As a condition of providing classified advertising PSVC Membership has granted the Newsletter Editor has full discretionary rights to refuse or edit any ad submitted for publication.

#### 2020 PSVC Officers and Board Members



#### **Club Officers**

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Breeder Referral: Janine Marty— janinemarty1009@hotmail.com

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## **PSVC** is Going Green!

If you want to receive a PRINTED copy of the newsletter in addition to an electronic version, please notify Carla Slabaugh <u>Carla@nwi.net</u>

# MEMORIAL











# You may no longer be walking beside me...

In loving memory of "Reggie"

Am/Can/Int CH
Jaybren's Grand Slam At Tierah
RN JH CGC TKN

AUGUST 17, 2006 - NOVEMBER 22, 2019

- Multiple Best Puppy in Sweepstakes
- PSVC Specialty AOM
- Multiple Best Veteran in Sweepstakes
- Multiple Specialty Best of Winners
- Sire of Multiple Specialty & Group Winning Puppies

I was there when you were conceived in the airport parking lot, literally as your sire readied to board an airplane to move back to Europe. I was there again on 8/17/06 as you came into this world. I helped you take your first breath – a singleton puppy. I held you in the pockets of hoodies for first your first two weeks, as I fought to keep you warm and alive.

You were there with me when Nico went to live with Andy and again when Cagney did the same. You were my show dog, my hunting partner, my bed warmer, my "performance dog", and my best friend.

I lost a piece of my heart when they told me you had cancer and only had 6 more months. But just like when you were a tiny baby you fought to stay with me and we got to share each other's company for nearly 18 more months. On 11/22/19 I held you again as we set you free from the cancer - I know you no longer hurt, but my heart does.

...but you left footprints forever on my heart,

#### **MEMORIAL**



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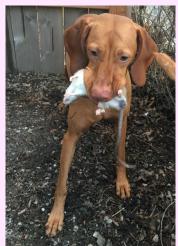
6/25/12-12/29/19

A couple days after Christmas our world shattered. We came home from a quick bite to eat and found our HOT-TIE (Riker x Szofi) dead in her crate. Officially her death has been ruled "Indeterminate" but authorities suspect causes are side effects from the brain damage found when she suffered her accident years ago.



Our HOTTIE was the girl we had been waiting YEARS for and was literally the first girl to be born in our home. I had a feeling at that moment she was staying and she got the hot pink collar! She was sharp as a whip and had the keenest nose in the house! And of course this was a good & bad thing. If she was left loose in the car, she would literally be able to open up our center storage compartment the second we shut the door. She also popped

lids off of anything even if she was never supposed to touch it (think Rx pills) and she was very creative about how to access what she wanted. Because of this hydrogen peroxide was her friend and crating was mandatory and this is also why she was sometimes lovingly called NAUGHTY HOTTIE.



That sharp nose took us to pursue her Junior Hunter at 8 months of age. She passed with 4 straight passes on a double-double weekend. WOW!! So many remarked how well we had done teaching her to hold her point, yeah that wasn't us. It was all her. She never crept. NEVER. Even many years later out hunting on wild birds she would sit there and hold them until I got up there no matter how far away I was. Hurry up already Mom! She also had beautiful points for the rats in barn hunt which sometimes was a problem because she would go on point so far away from the rat I didn't know exactly where it was to call it. Hands down she was the best rat killer in the house. We had witnessed her snatching a rat mid jump as they tried to make a run for it.

We tried so many different performances events with her and had so many successes but with many of them it seemed she would lose interest. For example in barnhunt she lost interest after awhile because I am positive she never got to kill them. You go find the rat yourself mom if you won't let me kill it. Obedience and Rally had to be minimal trained or she would start looking at you like she was just on the verge of making you look like an idiot out at trial. Don't push me woman! However every single obedience & rally title she got was with 3 straight passes and she even received an invite to obedience championships! Recently though we found a performance event that she LOVED doing! Scent Work! My only regret with her is we didn't get going with it sooner so she could have proven just

how sharp her nose was. She was a natural and enjoyed every moment of it.

One of her other callings in life was to be a momma. She was the best mom I have ever seen raise puppies and she was so happy to raise puppies for other mommas too! Let me in there!! My favorite memory of her with her babies is when she was weaning her first litter. While playing with her pups, she decided to lay on her back on the dog bed.

Hmmm. What is she doing? She never lays on her back. Next thing I know puppies start heading to the milk bar that I know is closed. She starts correcting them immediately. What a tease! But all the puppies learned to respect and listen to their momma.



As I look back, I am so incredibly thankful for the extra years we got with her. It was over 2.5 years ago she went over a cliff while we were out hiking. How on earth she survived that fall we will never know?!?!? There was so much evidence that her head and neck took the brunt of the hits. The next morning she was in so much pain I was-

n't sure what the future held for her. But she beat the odds and recovered way sooner than I could have imagined she could. We have never gone to that area again.

Hottie taught us so many lessons I am just hopeful I can remember them all. We will miss her something fierce. Until we are together again, try not to be too naughty. We love you Hottie Body!



Submitted by Ron & Carla Slabaugh

#### FEATURED ARTICLE



# Coronavirus, Your Dog, and You

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By Nancy Kerns - Published: March 4, 2020

From past work on articles about canine vaccination protocols, I was familiar with the word "coronavirus" when the stories about coronavirus disease 2019—better known today as COVID-19—began to break.

When it comes to dogs, the phrase "coronavirus disease" has long been used to refer to a highly infectious intestinal disease that mostly affects puppies who are less than six weeks of age. The viral infection can cause abdominal discomfort and diarrhea for a few days, but is usually mild. The disease is most common in puppies who have been raised in crowded and unsanitary conditions—puppies who are also at higher risk of becoming infected with parvovirus. If a pup contracts both viruses at the same time, he may not recover.

There is a vaccination that can protect pups from a coronavirus infection, but it's rarely administered. Neither the American Animal Hospital Association (AAHA, the organization whose vaccination protocol guidelines are followed by most veterinarians) nor the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) recommend the coronavirus vaccination for most dogs or puppies.

The type of coronavirus that typically infects dogs is not zoonotic; it doesn't affect humans in any way.

"Coronavirus" is a sort of generic term for any one of a number of viruses that are named for the crown-like spikes on the surface of the virus when viewed by powerful microscopes. Some coronaviruses affect only animals and some affect humans. The types that affect humans tend to cause mild to moderate upper-respiratory infections—what most of us would consider an ordinary "cold." However, in vulnerable or particularly susceptible individuals, the viruses can also cause bronchitis and pneumonia.

There has been a certain amount of comparing COVID-19 to "severe acute respiratory syndrome," better known as SARS. COVID-19 and SARS are actually both coronaviruses (as is Middle East respiratory syndrome, better known as MERS). So far, SARS and MERS both seem to be less infectious than COVID-19, but they both seem to cause a higher rate of fatalities than COVID-19 infections.

#### What's Been Reported So Far

Here's the only reason I (of all people) am writing about this: On February 28, there was a widely disseminated news report that the pet dog of a COVID-19 patient in Hong Kong had been tested for COVID-19 and the test resulted in a "weak" positive detection of the virus.

The health officials who tested the COVID-19 patient's dog collected oral, nasal and rectal samples for testing; it's unknown what made them decide to do this. As it developed though, the dog's nasal and oral samples "tested weak positive" for COVID-19 and the dog was placed in a veterinary quarantine facility for further observation.

A spokesman for the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department said the dog does not have "any relevant symptoms," so the agency will conduct close monitoring of the dog and collect test further to confirm if the dog has really been infected with the virus or this is a result of environmental contamination of the dog's mouth and nose.

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# Continued...FEATURED ARTICLE

The agency's news release about the case also state that it has no evidence that pet animals can be infected with COVID-19 virus or can be a source of infection to people. And yet, confoundingly, the release went on to say that to ensure public and animal health, the department strongly advises mammalian pets of patients confirmed to have been infected with COVID-19 virus to be put under quarantine.

However, experts in this country have observed that any swabs of an infected patient's environment, such as the doorknobs, television remote control, bathroom faucets, and so on, may also produce a positive test result due to "environmental contamination."

Tragically, within days, there were reports of a record number of dogs and other pets being abandoned in China's streets, and thousands of pets being surrendered to overwhelmed animal shelters—despite the



fact that there is no indication that the COVID-19 virus is zoonotic. Time magazine reports that the crisis for pet dogs and cats is the worst in Wuhan, the capital city of the Hubei province where the first cases of COVID-19 are believed to have emerged. Time reports that when a person in Wuhan is found to have COVID-19, the authorities kill all animals in the home as a precaution.

This report was corroborated by a reporter for the BBC (British news service):

"Volunteers in China say they're struggling to keep up with the number of animals being abandoned as the country battles the virus outbreak.

More than 2,000 people in China have died and more than 78,000 infections have been reported in the country.

Pet owners who fall sick or are caught up in quarantine can't take their animals with them, and despite reassurance from the World Health Organization that animals can't carry the virus, others are being dumped."

#### **How to Protect Your Dog from Coronavirus**

There is no evidence whatsoever to indicate that dogs (or cats) can carry or transmit COVID-19. According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), at present, there is no evidence to suggest that dogs or cats will become a source of infection of COVID-19. "It's important to remember that viruses can sometimes infect a species but not cause illness in that species, nor become transmissible to others," says the CDC.

And if you do become ill, you may well contaminate your dog's coat with droplets from your sneezes, coughs, or nose-blowing. Theoretically, someone else could contract the virus if they were to pet your virus-covered dog! Accordingly, the CDC makes the following practical recommendations:

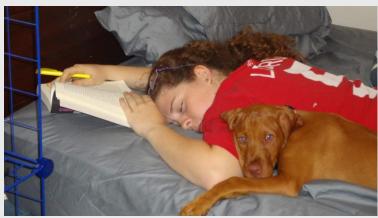
"You should restrict contact with pets and other animals while you are sick with COVID-19, just like you would around other people. Although there have not been reports of pets or other animals becoming sick with COVID-19, it is still recommended that people sick with COVID-19 limit contact with animals until more information is known about the virus. When possible, have another member of your household care for your animals while you are sick. If you are sick with COVID-19, avoid contact with your pet, including petting, snuggling, being kissed or licked, and sharing food. If you must care for your pet or be around animals while you are sick, wash your hands before and after you interact with pets and wear a face mask."

But under no conditions whatsoever, should you abandon or surrender your dog due to fears over COVID-19.

#### MEMBER HIGHLIGHT

# " VIZSLA STORY "

## **SUBMITTED BY Jessica Mackey**



Work-life-balance. It's something preached over and over in medical school, emphasized again in residency, and set in stone by the time the world throws you out on your own in medicine.

The best work-life balance? Red dogs. Red dogs, red dogs, and more red dogs.

Enter Sitka, stage right. Not many breeders would take a college kid seriously. Would you? How about a college kid that had worked two jobs, gone to school on a full scholarship, planned on medical school, and REALLY just wanted her first vizsla to hunt with and

explore the Appalachian Mountains? I'm sure a lot of you are shaking your head in a vigorous "HELL NO that kid isn't getting one of my puppies", and you would be justified in doing so. I encountered that a great deal in my search for Sitka. Thankfully, my breeder saw the glass as half full,

rather than a chaotic mess of half empty. After a 6 month wait for the right breeding, I received the phone call I had been holding my breath for. Riley had had her pups – 5 girls and ONE boy. I was first up for a boy, did I want him? Yes, yes I did. Five weeks later, after twice weekly pupdates and emails, my breeder called again. He asked me if I was sure I wanted this lone male, and wanted to ensure that I was comfortable getting this single male rather than having a few males for him to evaluate and best match with me. He asked maybe a dozen times if I was sure I wanted him in that conversation, and I finally interrupted him.

Me: "Jon, is there something wrong with the pup? Should I wait for the next litter?"

Jon: "No! I just want to keep him."

OH. Well, then. Yes, yes I most definitely want that puppy. Ha! As indecisive as they come, I was both relieved there WASN'T another boy to stress over for best match and now incredibly excited my future pup was a stand out that his breeder would keep himself.

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#### MEMBER HIGHLIGHT

#### THE VIZSLA STORY Continues...

I brought Sitka home my senior year of undergrad at the University of Virginia. And my world changed. My busy class schedule was now restructured with puppy hikes, socialization classes, birddog intros with new local mentors, basic obedience classes, and taking my new best friend eve-

rywhere we could possibly go. Sitka was always my shadow and my new co-adventurer, becoming quite the wine connoisseur at our favorite vineyards, the mascot at his dad's rugby matches, and first class bed hog. Then Jon said something that really made my world change. "Hey, you grew up riding horses and really like this bird dog thing. You should go to a field trial. Let me get you in touch with friends of mine." Boom. We went, I hopped on a horse, watched my pup point birds, was handed a pretty ribbon and while driving home grinning ear to ear thought "Ut oh. This may be dangerous." Understatement of the century.

Long story short: by the time I graduated Medical School in Colorado, Sitka had accomplished his Dual Championship, his Amateur Field Championship, had made Colorado Field Trial history by becoming the only dog of any breed to earn the Open and Amateur Gun Dog of the Year awards in the same year, and become a scaled quail hunting expert... and had done it while enduring 100 hour weeks, crazy surgery schedules, sporadic on call hours, and impractical late



nights delivering babies with his rookie, dog crazy, owner at the helm. He took it all in stride. Vizslas are a high energy breed, but their off switch in the house is my favorite character trait. Nothing epitomized that more than coming off a 14 hour OB shift while my other half was stuck at his restaurant, coming home to a three year old locked up Sitka (that our amazing neighbors let out every 6 hours)My, apologizing to him profusely while spending half an hour with him doodling around, and then diving into bed with him contently sound asleep snuggled on my shoulder. GCH DC AFC Sitka UTII -- but his most valuable title to me is nothing more than Bugaboo, four-legged love of my life.

Somehow his adaptability, his resilience through three moves, his steadfastness through two significant others, and a whole lot of forgiveness through first time owner mess-ups made him... multiply. Who can have just one vizsla? Sitka opened the door to a world I had no idea existed. I've met some of my closest friends, been a Board member of regional Vizsla clubs, helped organize and run multiple events, participated in competitions I had only previously watched on TV, raised two litters, and enjoy continuing to learn more about our breed.



Today, we're settled in Moses Lake. Sitka has survived college graduation, a cross country move, medical school, another cross country move, Family Medicine Residency, a third cross country move, and now real life as a fully fledged adult. On the way, he's picked up five titles, two kids as permanent housemates and a revolving door of a dozen others that come visit, helped raise three litters of pups (and grandpups). Through all the hubbub he still claims the fluffiest pillow on the right side of the bed half way under the covers, and he still snores all night long.

Work life balance. When I'm not in clinic, I'm out chasing vizslas. Whether that be in the desert chasing quail, in the mountains after grouse, on the prairie after pheasants, in the duck blind calling in waterfowl, on the trail up above tree line, on a horse at a field trial, holding a lead in the show ring, herding up scattering puppies on a field trip, or wrestling into a king sized bed hogged by four velcro vizslas... chasing red dogs is my favorite past time.

I will be forever grateful to Sitka's breeder for trusting me with my very first, spectacular, vizsla. I would never have guessed that driving the 8 hours to Michigan would open a whole world of adventure, friendship, and joy. But it has, and I look forward to many more days spent sharing life with these amazing red dogs.

# BRAGS FROM OUR CLUB MEMBERS

"MILO"

Red Oak's Firefly JH NAJ NF TKN



Milo (Red Oak's Firefly) received his Novice Fast and JWW titles. Milo loves agility. Now if I could just run faster.

♥Submitted by Barb Rowdon

CH Riverside's North Bay Chasing Maverick



Maverick finished in Championship in January over the Puyallup show weekend. Owned by Janine Marty and Colleen Merlino

♥Submitted by Janine Marty

# BRAGS FROM OUR CLUB MEMBERS

#### **CEDAR**

Am GCHB/Int Ch Jaseni Le Tierah's Total Power Trip

(Brock x Jasmine)

Cedar was BOS both Saturday and Sunday at Linn County KC in Albany OR. Cedar was shown by Eleesa Markham, was bred by Sue Muir, and is owned by Paula & Dan Craig, and Eleesa.



♥Submitted by Jill Brennan

#### **ENZO**

Int Ba/Nat Ba Ch Eveningstar's Photo Finish At Tierah (Syrus x Nike)



Enzo was winners dog both Saturday and Sunday for two more points at Linn County KC in Albany OR. Enzo is owned by Jill Brennan & Tanaya Everbe, bred by Gaila Brickus, and handled by Eleesa Markham and Jill.

♥Submitted by Jill Brennan

# BRAGS FROM OUR CLUB MEMBERS

#### **MAGGIE**

Riverside's Gone Super Nova at Tierah (Nova x Nova)

Maggie was reserve winners bitch her first time in the ring from the 6-9 class. Nova was bred by Janine Marty and Jill Brennan; handled by Jill; trained by Caroline Wood; and owned/loved/trained by Caroline & Jill.



♥Submitted by Jill Brennan



Payton was Beginner Puppy Group Two at Puyallup at just four months (January), then she was Beginner Puppy Group one BOTH Saturday and Sunday at Linn County KC in Albany OR in Feb. Payton was owne/loved/bred by Jill and Jim Brennan and handled by Jill. (Yes, her call name is spelled with an "A" like the girls name, but with an "E" like the novel for her registered name.)

♥Submitted by Jill Brennan

# PAYTON Jaybren's Zactly Like Peyton Place at Tierah (Knight x Piper 1)



# BRAGS FROM OUR CLUB MEMBERS



ROMA

De Oro's Upcountry Quetzal

(Taiga x Lox)

Our Roma did not disappoint, her 1st time in the AKC show ring she went Winners Bitch for her 1st points and then went Best of Winner for her first

crossover win and 4 point major. The following day she secured Best of Opposite Sex, at 6 months of age. We continue to work and watch her mature and are very excited to see how she turns out. She's been put on birds and we're working towards that Junior Hunter title!

♥Submitted by Rene Roldan



The Alpine vizsla crew had our first successful hunting season in eastern Washington! We successfully bagged valley quail, hungarian partridge, pheasants, waterfowl, and blue grouse. The red dogs would also have chukar and ruffed grouse on that list if their humans were better shots...;) Next up, field trial season.





♥Submitted by Jessica Mackey

# BRAGS FROM OUR CLUB MEMBERS



in the Sporting Group, Owner Handler competition. We thank the judges for this honor. As of January 31, 2020, Trek became #9 Vizsla in the standings, which was a total surprise for us. Trek is currently training for hunting and agility. I am especial proud that I was able to show him for all his points from the "Bred By" class. This was a goal of mine. Trek is loved by Gail Fleming, Chuck Strong, Kizzy and Desi; bred by Gail Fleming and Amie Durbin.

♥Submitted by Gail Fleming

#### **TREK**

CH Pursuit's Trek to the Triple Crown

(Cruz x Rosie2)

Pursuit's Trek to the Triple Crown (Cruz x Rosie2) was awarded Best of Breed on January 11th and 12th in Puyallup, WA. This completed the points needed for his Championship title at age 11 months. He also got a Group 3



#### TULAH

Dezertfyre Red Fur & Flying Feathers RE RATN TKI

(Socks x Lucy)



"Tulah" earned her AKC RALLY EXCELLENT title on March 14th at the Columbia Basin Dog Training Club Obedience and Rally Trial, by receiving a third leg qualifying score in Excellent A.

She moved up to Rally Master the following day, and received her first qualifying leg.

♥Submitted by Kirk and Shelbi Engle

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RIKER

MBISS GCHG Am/Can/Int'l CH Dezertfyre's Captain's First Mate CDX RE JH OA AXJ NF SCA SIA SWN SHDN RATO TKA CGCA ROM

(Reggie x Brandi)

Riker really hit it out of the park at his last Scent Work trial! He completed two new titles in the advanced levels for the Container and Interior elements finds and he also pickup up new qualifying scores in the excellent level.



♥Submitted by Carla Slabaugh



**VEGA** 

Sokoldalu's Brilliant Gt Superstar RATN BCAT TKN

(Brock x Sola)

VEGA had a great quarter! She got to travel down to the nice weather of Phoenix, AZ with us in January where her and I were able to score a BEST IN SHOW—Bred by Exhibitor for her. When we came back home she met her new owners Kevin Crampton and Bryan Solem and

found her love for hunting. Amazingly after only a month and a half with her, they were able to get her into the local hunt test and secured 3 out of 3 qualifying scores towards her Junior Hunter and with fantastic scores

none the less! We are so very proud! I think her new owners have been bit by the hunting bug and plan to keep going!



♥Submitted by Carla Slabaugh

# BRAGS FROM OUR CLUB MEMBERS



Am/Can CH Sokoldalu's Tokeletes Anya RN SIN RATN TKN CGC (Brock x Cola)

**KEYLA** 

Keyla headed to the Phoenix, AZ with us and clearly brought her A game. She got 14 points closer to her grand championship taking best opposite twice and select once. She also took two best owner handlers and one owner handler group 2 AND she also won Best Puppy in Sweepstakes for the Vizsla Specialty and won a group 4 for the sporting dog sweepstakes.

Owned and Loved by Lori King and Carla Slabaugh

♥Submitted by Carla Slabaugh



#### **ASTRID**

CH Sokoldalu's Astrid Starlight TD RATN TKN CGC
(Brock x Sola)



We are so excited to announce that after many months of training, Astrid and her owner Susanne Metcalf successfully found the glove on an aged trail during their Tracking Dog test and earned Astrid a new Tracking Dog Title (TD)! Also in February this team earned her Canine Good Citizen (CGC) title and her Trick Dog Novice (TKN) title. We are so very proud of this team. Astrid is owned by Suzanne Metcalf, Betsy Metcalf, and Carla Slabaugh

♥Submitted by Carla Slabaugh

# BRAGS FROM OUR CLUB MEMBERS



CHERRY
Autumn Acres-Sokoldalu's Superfly Cherry Ride
(Brock x Reba)

We are very pleased to announce that we have a sweet new addition to our pack. CHERRY was born in Wisconsin November 5, 2019 and was bred by Tamara Jone Brown &

Weston Brown out of their "ReBrock" litter with a muscle car theme. She was absolutely perfect on the plane ride home and has been nothing but a joy since her arrival. We are smitten.

SIRE: GCH Am/Can/Int'l CH Sokoldalu'N'Tierah's Total Power Package CD BN RE JH OA AXJ
CAA BCAT RATM CZ8B TKA CGCA

DAM: GCHB MACH Rustic Road's Rowdy Redhead CD BN RN MXS MJG OF T2B CAA CGCA

♥Submitted by Carla Slabaugh



#### SHAY

GCHB Tierah's Shay-Flight of the Phoenix CA, TKN, CGC, BCAT (Blue x Hemi)



Shay took Select at the Linn County Kennel Club Saturday February 22, 2020 (only day entered) after two weeks from her litter of puppies going to their homes. Miss Shay continues to impress. She is loved and owned and shown by Will and Lisa Stewart.

Looking forward to more adventures with her and watching her puppies grow.

♥Submitted by Lisa Stewart

# BRAGS FROM OUR CLUB MEMBERS

#### **TINSEL**

Tierah's Grand Winter Design
(Russell x Shay)

Introducing Tinsel to our household. Miss Tinsel is a mini me Momma Shay. We are eager to see what her future holds and exciting adventures awaits.

Loved and owned by Will and Lisa Stewart

♥Submitted by Lisa Stewart





SOLA

Am/Int'l CH Sokoldalu's Sunkissed Eyecandy by Tierah CD BN RE OF CA RATO TKI CGC (Teagan x Savoy)

SOLA finished her AKC Championship!! Many of you are aware of the long journey she has been on to get to this point and commiserated with us as we lamented the fact she still had not finished. She singled out a long time ago - the same weekend she got her first major in Montana. We hunted the elusive last major - travelling around the PNW, to California, to Wisconsin, and finally to Arizona. By the end, Sola has a total of 19 Reserve Winners - 4 were earned at Vizsla Specialties and 5 additional Reserve Winners on those Specialty weekends. There

were even one or two times when Gaelyn was handling the bitch Sola took Reserve to - talk about bittersweet! Along the way Sola had 7 beautiful puppies, finished obedience, rally, agility, and barn hunt titles, and

added to her ever growing collection of scars! Thanks to Carla, Sarah, and all the others who have helped show her over the years! And thanks again to Carla for entrusting Sola with us, and for insisting that she deserved this championship all along!

♥Submitted by Gaelyn Krauser & Sam Chew



# BRAGS FROM OUR CLUB MEMBERS



LUNA

Sokoldalu-N-Jaybren's Celestial Fyre CD BN RE MX MXJ MJB XF T2B CA RATN TKI CGC

(Riker x Szofi)

Luna has been tearing it up in the agility ring! She now has her Masters title in both Jumpers With Weaves and Standard, and has even gotten to the JWW Bronze level (she really likes those fast JWW courses!). She recently had a stellar weekend, getting two double Qs putting her at 5 total - a quarter of the way to her MACH! She is also half way to qualifying for the 2021 National Agility Championship. We're bummed that the trials are getting canceled right now, but looking forward to getting back at it soon!

♥Submitted by Gaelyn Krauser & Sam Chew



# ZERO Dunantul-N-Tierah's Grand Budapest Hotel



Zero photo jumping for oyster shells

This photo was taken a couple summers ago at "dog beach" in Edmonds. Our dog Zero loved to jump and dive for oyster shells that we threw. When we would get to the beach and unleash him, he would sprint to the water and point. I would gather up a bunch of shells and throw them just out of reach for him and he would jump and dive into the water for them. This photo was selected by "Garden & Gun" magazine as one of the 300 best Dogs of Summer photos.

1 of 300 is not bad considering they received over 17,000 uploaded photos.

Click here to take you to the "Good Dog Winners"

♥Submitted by Bill & Jodie Levey



# **PSVC Membership Application/Renewal**

#### **Contact Information**

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)				
<u><b>Do not</b></u> publish the <b>Home/Work/Fax/E-mail Address</b> in Membership Directory (circle all that apply)				

# Would you like to receive notification of Club Events <u>via E-Mail Only.</u> Membership Desired\*

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

**Interests:** What activities interest you?

Dog Related Activities		Club Activities		
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 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting at which the application will be voted on.

<sup>\*</sup>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.