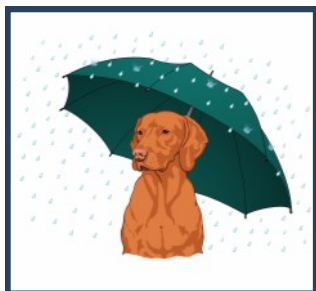




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President's Message September 2020

It's been a challenging summer for most people as we continue to deal with COVID 19 while confronting new challenges, such as the wildfires burning in Washington, Oregon, and California. On a bright note, the PSVC successfully held a hunt test in Fall City, Washington on Saturday and Sunday of Labor Day weekend. The Hunt Test Committee put in a sustained effort over many months to pull it off. In addition to the myriad details that come with holding any AKC event, the Hunt Test Committee dealt with an additional layer of details to make the hunt tests as safe as possible during the pandemic. Thank you, Hunt Test Committee, for your hard work and dedication!

On another positive note, we have the combined VCA/PSVC/TEVCO all Vizsla shows coming up in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho on October 2, 3 and 4. As with the hunt tests, there will be social distancing restrictions in place to make the event as safe as possible. These shows are a combined effort from the VCA, PSVC and TEVCO to give people an opportunity to show their Vizslas. Many thanks to the organizers for putting their plan into action!

The PSVC Nominating Committee is working on a slate of Officers and Board Members for 2021. If you would like to serve as an Officer or Board Member, please contact Nominating Committee Chair Gale Shay or committee members Dee Smiley and Jenny Campanano. The plan is to present a full slate of proposed Officers and Board Members at the November meeting, if not before. We have a call in meeting scheduled for October 7, 2020. We used Webex for the August meeting and plan to use it again for the October meeting. The November meeting will be on Wednesday, November 18, 2020 and will also be a call in meeting. At both the October and November meetings we will discuss whether we can hold an in person meeting in January. We vote for our new Officers and Board Members at the January meeting. If we can't hold an in person meeting, we will need to decide what application we will use to vote online.

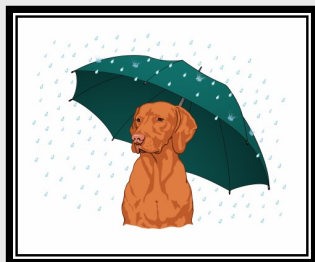
We hope all Vizsla owners, friends and family are safe and healthy and that they continue to be safe and healthy!

Tonya Gisselberg



UPCOMING EVENTS

- Oct. 2th-4th Vizsla Specialty Cluster (PSVC, TEVCO, VCA)—Coeur d'Alene, ID
- Oct. 7th PSVC Meeting - 6:30 pm -Webex
- Nov. 18th PSVC Meeting - Time TBA—Webex
- Dec. 3rd Trails End Vizsla Club of Oregon Specialties—Ridgefield, WA



Puget Sound Vizsla Club Membership Notifications



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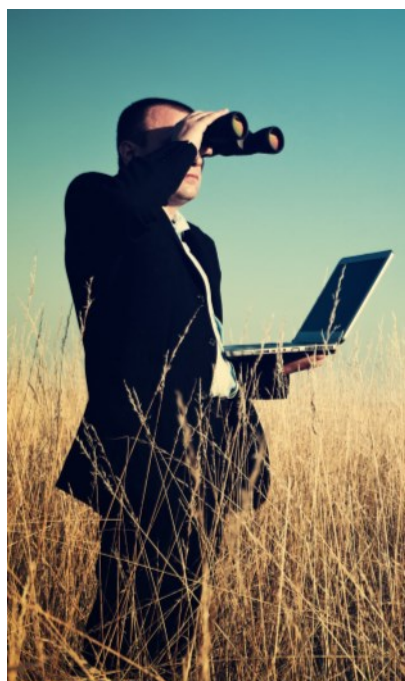
→Eric & Jeanette Cookson of Indianola, WA



Application read at the August 2020 meeting:

→None to read

Applications received but not yet read—will be read at the Oct 2020 meeting:



→Sarah & Brian McGilton of Seattle, WA

→Sam & Laurel Priddy of Lake Forest Park, WA

→Meghan Faulkenberry of Nine Mile Falls, WA

→Kevin Crampton & Bryan Solem of Richland, WA

→Nora Huey & Duane Kampschror of Issaquah, WA

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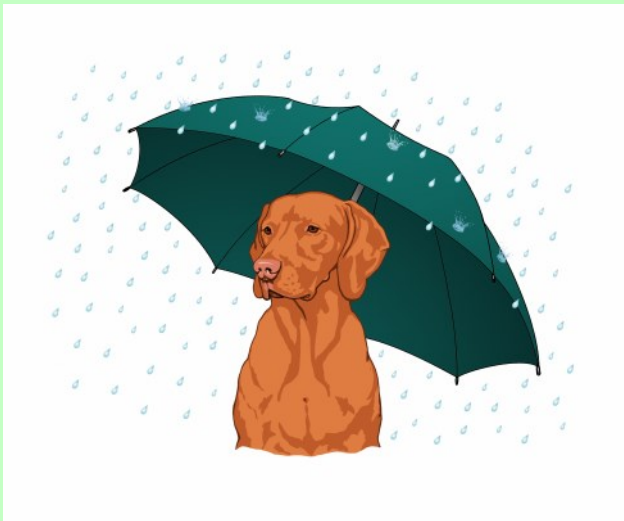
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2020 PSVC Officers and Board Members



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PSVC is Going Green!

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MEMORIAL

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BIS 10x BISS Am GCHP Can GCH Can NBISS Int Ch Jaybren's Irish Star CGC CGCA TKI

(Farfel x Kelley)

January 7, 2008 to August 19, 2020



I picked you "wet". You were my favorite puppy from the moment you were born. By four weeks you had made two things very clear - You were BORN to be a show dog and you were determined I was YOURS. At 9 week it was all I could do to place you, but I didn't need another male and you were going to a man I truly liked. When he had a heart attack and you came back to me 6 weeks later I knew you were right all along....you were never going to belong to anyone by me again (even if Jim didn't know that yet.) AND you were a STAR. You proved this by winning a five point major and going Best Puppy in Show, the very first day you stepped in the ring. You traveled the world with your best friend Andy – your record speaks for itself – but in the end you came home to me. Jim and I love and miss you. Run Free Beautiful Boy.



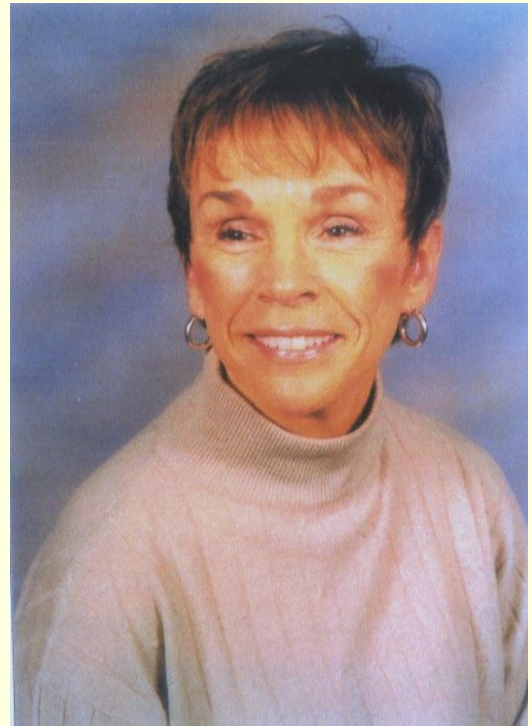
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CELEBRATING
135
YEARS

2020 Lifetime Achievement Award Nominee

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Lynn got her first Vizsla in 1969 and started on the road in the dog world that created an adventurous life for nearly 50 years.

Lynn's kennel name is Melto that means "worthy" in Hungarian.

Breeder of Merit, Lynn has bred Best in Show, National Specialty Best of Breeds, Top Ten Sporting Dog, sire of the first Vizsla bitch to go Best in Show, Vizsla Club of America Hall of Fame dogs and Dual Champions. Lynn is a licensed field trial and hunting test judge and has judged and competed in pointing dog events and field championships across the United States and in Canada. She has served as Chairman of three VCA National field events. She was the founder and President of the Connecticut Valley Vizsla Club and President of the Vizsla Club of Greater New York. Lynn served on the VCA Board of Directors from 1979 until 2017 as Vice-President, Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Director and AKC Delegate. She served as Chairman of Public Education, Nominating Committee, By-Laws and Founder and former President of the VCA Welfare Foundation that handles breed rescue and health studies and a committed donor to AKC's Health projects.

As AKC Delegate from 1993 to 2017, Lynn served as Secretary of AKC's Field Trial and Hunting Test Committee and on the editorial staff of Perspectives. As a professional writer, Lynn has had articles published in numerous magazines relating to many performance fields, including falconry, and many canine issues in the world of dogs. She lives in Virginia and presently serves as editor of the Virginia Hunting Preserve Association publication.

Lynn says that her commitment to canine performance has been the most important aspect of her dog career. She has mentored as much as possible and was the recipient of the Vizsla Club of America Outstanding Sportsmanship Award in 2015.

PSVC HUNT TEST 2020



Jeanette & Cali



Chris Colt member and bird planter

Fall 2020 Hunt Test

After delaying our June 2020 hunt test due to Covid 19 concerns, we finally got it in the books September 5th & 6th at Carlson's Canine Country Club in Fall City. We experienced all the challenges of trying to run a sporting event for dogs while socially distancing and keeping both participants and club volunteers safe, and we were able to run a very successful event. I would like to thank all the club members who volunteered their time: Barb Rowdon, Secretary, Katrina Sullivan, Dee Smiley, Tonya Gisselberg, Steve Hanna, Chris Colt, Gail Fleming, Eric Cookson, Jeanette Paulus Cookson, and Sue Muir (apologies if I left anyone out!)

We had a total of 40 entries both days which matched our 2019 totals. The hunt test committee is already discussing our 2021 test and how we can grow it to make an even bigger and better event.



Gunners: Steve & Mike

Tom Shay

Casie and Keyser

PSVC HUNT TEST 2020



Athena Rima



Barb Rowdan



Eric Cookson and brace mate

Thank you Eric Cookson for sharing your wonderful photos taken during the PSVC Hunt Test!



Judge & Participant Larry Schwertz and youngest participant



Jayme Nolan

FEATURED ARTICLE



Limber Tail Syndrome

Suspect a sprained tail if your normally whippy-tailed dog stops wagging.

By C.C. Holland -Published:December 6, 2004 Updated:April 20, 2020 [Click Here to read the article online](#)

SPRAINED TAILS: OVERVIEW

1. Consult your veterinarian if your dog's tail lies limply or stops wagging in wag-worthy situations.
2. Review the activities that preceded the onset of limber tail, so you can avoid retriggering the condition.

One day last summer, Lucky, my normally exuberant mixed-breed dog, returned with my husband from an off-leash hike exhibiting little of her boundless energy. She made a beeline for her bed, so we joked that she was out of condition; she'd had knee surgery six months earlier and we assumed she hadn't fully regained her stamina. But as the hours ticked by and she continued to show little interest in moving, we got concerned. She changed positions very gingerly and seemed to have a hard time sitting and lying down. Worse, we couldn't even coax a single happy tail thump from a dog who usually wielded that appendage with abandon. She looked at us with sad eyes and drooping ears, telegraphing that something wasn't right.



I started worrying about all the possible things that could have happened. Did she eat something foul on the trail? Had she re-injured her knee? She was eating and drinking, and her temperature was normal, but clearly this was not a healthy animal. An emergency examination was in order.

Our veterinarian examined her from stem to stern, and it was in that latter area she spotted the problem. "I think she has a sprained tail," she opined. "It should heal on its own within a week, but if she seems really tender, you can give her an anti-inflammatory."

Sure enough, within four days Lucky's drooping and strangely silent tail regained both its loft and its wag. Still, I was surprised that in the years I've written about dogs I'd never heard of a sprained tail. It turns out that the malady is well known among trainers and handlers of certain dog breeds, and while "sprain" is something of a misnomer, the affliction has a formal name: limber tail syndrome.

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The Limber Tail Checklist

You might suspect your dog has limber tail syndrome if:

- The tail is somewhat or completely limp.
- Your dog has difficulty sitting or standing.
- There was no obvious injury (i.e., a slamming door or an errant foot) to the tail.
- It occurs soon after extreme activity, prolonged transport, a swim in cold water, or a sudden climate change.
- His vital signs are good and he's still eating and drinking normally, despite the floppy tail.
- The tail shows gradual improvement over a few days. To view a video of a dog with limber tail, see [Youtube](#).

A Tail That Doesn't Wag

The syndrome seems to be caused by muscle injury possibly brought on by overexertion, says Janet Steiss, DVM, PhD, PT. Steiss is an associate professor at Auburn University's College of Veterinary Medicine and coauthor of the 1999 study on limber tail that pinpointed the nature of the muscle damage. Researchers used electromyography (EMG), imaging, and tissue testing on dogs affected with limber tail and concluded that the coccygeal muscles near the base of the tail had sustained damage.

The muscle injury of limber tail is characterized by a markedly limp tail, which can manifest in several different ways. "You can see varying degrees of severity," says Dr. Steiss. "The tail can be mildly affected, with the dog holding the tail below horizontal, or severely affected, hanging straight down and looking like a wet noodle, or anything in between." In some dogs, the tail may stick out a couple of inches before drooping; others may exhibit raised hair near the base of the tail as a result of swelling. Depending on the severity of the injury and the dog's tolerance to pain, some animals – like Lucky – may have difficulty sitting or lying down. And many dogs reduce or eliminate wagging entirely, probably due to soreness.

Limber tail can occur in any dog with an undocked tail, but certain breeds, especially pointing and retrieving dogs, seem particularly susceptible to it. Among these breeds are Labrador, Golden, and Flat-Coated Retrievers; English Pointers and Setters; Beagles; and Foxhounds. Both sexes and all ages can be affected. Other common names for the condition are "cold tail" (especially among Retrievers, who often exhibit symptoms after swimming in frigid water), "limp tail," "rudder tail," "broken tail," or even "dead tail."

The condition resolves over the course of a few days or a week and usually leaves no aftereffects. According to Dr. Steiss, there is anecdotal evidence that administering anti-inflammatory drugs early in the onset can help shorten the duration of the episode, but no veterinary studies have yet confirmed this.

The exact cause is unknown, but according to Dr. Steiss, there are a few different factors that seem to be linked to limber tail. Overexertion seems to be a common precursor, especially if an animal is thrown into excessive exercise when he or she is not in good condition (as in Lucky's case).

"For example, if hunting dogs have been sitting around all summer and then in the fall, the owner takes them out for a full (weekend of hunting), by Sunday night suddenly a dog may show signs of limber tail," she says. "The dog otherwise is healthy but has been exercising to the point where those tail muscles get overworked."

Another risk factor is prolonged confinement, such as dogs being transported in crates over long distances. If competition dogs are driven overnight to a field trial and don't have a few breaks outside the crate while they're on the road, says Dr. Steiss, they may arrive at their destination with limber tail.

Uncomfortable climate, such as cold and wet weather, or exposure to cold water may also trigger limber tail. Retrievers seem particularly prone to exhibiting symptoms after a swimming workout, and some, says Dr. Steiss, are so sensitive to temperature that they show signs of limber tail after being bathed in cold water.

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Limber Tail Syndrome: A Tricky Diagnosis

For an owner, the sight of a normally active tail hanging lifelessly can be alarming. After all, dogs' tails are barometers of both mood and health, and a tail carried low and motionless could indicate anything from nervousness to serious illness. Limber tail syndrome has been around for a long time, but it isn't very common and many veterinarians – especially those who don't work regularly with hunting or retrieving dogs – aren't familiar with it. Consequently, a variety of diagnoses can be given.

Limber tail can be mistaken for an indication of a disorder of the prostate gland or anal glands; a caudal spine injury; a broken tail; or even spinal cord disease. The all-purpose phrase "sprained tail" might also be used.

Ben Character, DVM, a consulting veterinarian in Eutaw, Alabama, and a member of the American Canine Sports Medicine Association, specializes in sporting dogs. He's seen plenty of cases of limber tail but doesn't call it a sprain.

"Sprain is a bad word for it because a sprain indicates a joint and problems with the ligaments surrounding a joint," Dr. Character explains. "As far as we know, this is all muscular."

" 'Sprained tail' is kind of a catchall, non-specific phrase that simply means something's wrong with the tail," agrees Dr. Steiss. "The tail has all kinds of joints because it has many tiny vertebrae, but sprain isn't the correct term here."

How can an owner tell if limber tail is the cause of a dog's discomfort? Look to the circumstances surrounding the onset of the droopy tail, suggests Dr. Steiss, especially if any of the risk factors were present.

"Limber tail has an acute onset. It is not a condition where the tail gets progressively weaker," she says. "Instead, it is an acute inflammation. Typically, the tail is suddenly limp and the dog may seem to have pain near the base of the tail. Over the next three to four days, the dog slowly recovers to the point where by four to seven days he's usually back to normal."

Dr. Character says it's a tough clinical call to make. "In order to really diagnose limber tail, you'd have to do electromyopathy (of the tissue) or do radiography to examine the inflammation, and a general practitioner just won't be able to do that."

Effects of Limber Tail

While an episode of limber tail can be unsettling for an owner, it doesn't hamper most dogs' ability to function normally.

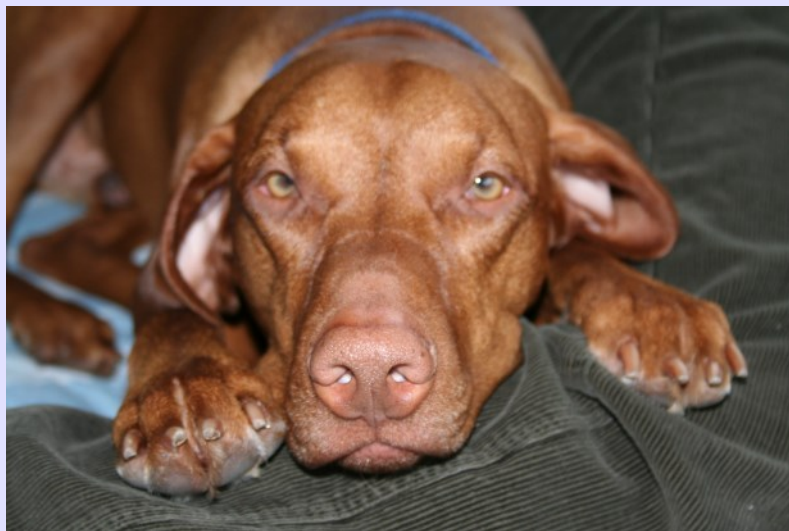
"For your average hunting dog, it probably won't make a difference," says Dr. Character. "The tail is involved in balance when they run, but how much that's going to knock them off their game . . . it may not be enough to notice."

However, competition dogs can be sidelined:

"Athletic dogs competing in field trials will not be able to compete when the tail doesn't have its normal motion, since the condition will be obvious to the judges," says Dr. Steiss.

Limber tail doesn't recur with any regularity among dogs that have already experienced one

episode, according to Dr. Steiss: "In the majority of cases it happens once and doesn't happen again," she says. "But there are a few dogs where, if put into the same situation, it happens more than once."



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That was the case with Hannah, a Lab/Pit Bull mix owned by Miriam Carr, a dog care specialist in Richmond, California. Carr operates a dog-exercise business, PawTreks, specializing in off-leash outings. Often, Carr's trips include swimming opportunities for her clients' dogs. Her own dogs, of course, get to participate in every outing. "Hannah was very active – she went to the park every single day – so she was in great condition," says Carr.

After Hannah suffered several incidents of limber tail, however, Carr had to limit the dog's participation in the activities that seemed to trigger the limber tail incidents. "When Hannah swam with other dogs she was more competitive and would swim harder to get to the ball first, and that sort of set off the problem with her tail," says Carr. "When we finally realized that was the problem, we wouldn't let her swim with groups of dogs."

It was smart management on Carr's part. In rare cases, a dog's tail can be permanently affected by recurrent episodes, says Dr. Steiss. "A few can injure the muscle so severely that the tail may not be straight again. Probably, there's been a significant loss of muscle fibers plus scar tissue build-up in the tails in those dogs," she explains.

What to Do If Your Dog Has Limber Tail

- Check with your vet to rule out any other possible ailments.
- Rest your dog.
- Ask your vet if an anti-inflammatory medication may be appropriate for the first 24 hours. (See "[Administer With Care](#)" for more information and warnings about anti-inflammatory use.)
- Gradually return your dog to activity.
- Try to determine what factors seemed to cause the limber tail and avoid them in the future.



Do More Dogs Have Limber Tail Now Than in the Past?

Before 1990, limber tail wasn't often recognized outside hunting- and sporting-dog circles. But in 1994, Auburn University's College of Veterinary Medicine launched a canine sports-medicine program and researchers (including Dr. Steiss) decided to take a closer look at the tail disorder after talking to owners and trainers in the region.

"These trainers were saying, 'Hey, this is a problem. We see it frequently, and nobody really knows what it is,'" says Dr. Steiss, who had a special interest in muscle disease and was intrigued by the strange injury. Although it seemed uncommon in the dog population as a whole, it sprang up with regularity among Pointers in the area. In one instance, an Alabama kennel discovered that 10 of its 120 adult English Pointers had been affected with limber tail in one morning. In 1997, Steiss and her colleagues began an epidemiological study (believed to be the first) of sporting dogs in the southeastern United States. A total of 3,066 dogs were included in the study, two-thirds of which were used for hunting. The survey yielded information about the characteristics of limber tail in 83 dogs. The publication of the study results made more vets aware of the syndrome, so it's not clear whether the perceived rise in the number of limber-tail cases is due to improved diagnosis or an actual increase in occurrence.

"It's definitely being recognized more often, (but) we hope it is happening less frequently in sporting dogs as trainers become aware of the specific risk factors," says Dr. Steiss, who is also entertaining another explanation for the increased frequency. "One thought I had is that in recent years more people are becoming physically active and they may want to include their dogs in jogging, hiking, and other strenuous activities. It is possible that we may see more dogs coming down with this disorder, or other athletic-related disorders, simply because they're participating in more physical activities with their owners."

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Life for Dogs After Limber Tail Syndrome

According to Dr. Steiss, researchers don't believe there's any underlying pathology to the muscles in afflicted dogs, nor is there any suggestion that a propensity for limber tail is genetic. As noted, while some breeds may be more prone to it – most likely due to their higher activity levels – any dog with a full tail is susceptible.

If your dog develops limber tail, treatment should include at least a few days of rest. Depending on the advice of your veterinarian, you may also administer an anti-inflammatory in the first 24 hours, under the direction of a vet. There is no evidence that anti-inflammatories speed healing, but some owners say they've noticed faster improvement when the medications are part of the mix.

Owners should also consider what activities their dogs were engaged in prior to the onset of the condition. Limber tail will show up quite soon after the triggering event, usually within hours or overnight. If you can isolate what it was that brought on the condition, whether it was a over-long off-leash hike or a swim in cold water, you can avoid repeating the situation.

Finally, ease your dog into any intense activity to slowly improve his condition.

Many cases occur when a dog is a couch potato in the off-season and then plunges back into hunting or training full time.

As for Lucky, we haven't seen a recurrence, but we also committed ourselves to gradually increasing her activity until her physical strength matched the demands of her workouts. Her tail is once again thumping away at full speed – and we aim to keep it that way.

Freelance writer C.C. Holland, of Oakland, CA, is a frequent contributor to Whole Dog Journal.



BRAGS FROM OUR CLUB MEMBERS

Tierah's Glistening Morning Star TKN, TKI, NTD "Dasher" (Russell x Shay)



Dasher has worked hard to earn his Novice Trick Dog and Intermediate titles. He loves to swim and tried out Doc Diving.

Be on the lookout as Dasher is making his show debut at the Enumclaw show this summer.

Dasher is loved, owned and handled by Tricia Groat

♥Submitted by Lisa Stewart

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The 60th Anniversary of the VCA Nationals was held in Estes Park, CO this year. High in the mountains Shay strutted her stuff.

Int'l CH/ Am GCHB Tierah's Shay - Flight of the Phoenix CA, CCG, TKN, BCAT

(Blue x Hemi) earned 3rd and 4th placements in the 8-9 year Veterans bitch classes during the week.

Miss Shay along with two of her daughters Tierah's Grand Winter Design "Tinsel" and Tierah's Glittering Icelynn "Icelynn" made the 1st cut in the Brood Bitch Class. Thank you to Will Stewart and Cassidy McIntyer for joining me in this class to escort these lovely girls.

Our sweet sugar face Miss Shay!

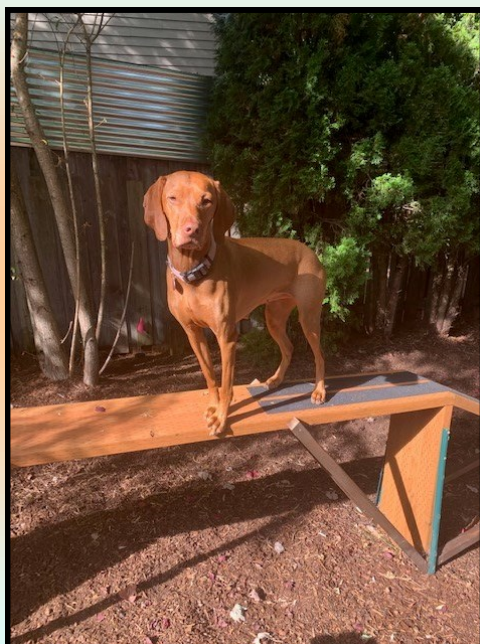
Love and owned by Will and Lisa Stewart Handled by Lisa Stewart

♥Submitted by Lisa Stewart



Our sweet Miss Ember!

Ember has been busy this year with finally getting her Canine Good Citizen title recognition and earning her Trick Dog Novice Title this year.



We also showed off our stuff in the breed ring at the Vizsla Nationals in Estes Park, Co and made the 1st cut.

Ember is a hard worker and will do anything you ask. Looking forward to what the future holds.

Int'l CH/ Am GCH Vivacious-n-Fiery Bond Girl BCAT, CCG, TKN (Bond x Karley)

Love and owned by Will and Lisa Stewart
Handled by Lisa Stewart

♥Submitted by Lisa Stewart



BRAGS FROM OUR CLUB MEMBERS



Missy Phoenix has been busy learning lots of new tricks which resulted in earning her Novice Trick Dog title this summer.

Due to the lack of dog shows available we tried our luck at the Cheyenne Kennel Club show in Wyoming. Not bad for limited showing. Missy Phoenix earned 4th in the Open Class.

Int'l CH Dezerfrye's Firebird Irateba of Tierah (Soks x Lucy)

Loved and owned by
Will and Lisa Stewart,
co owned by Jill Bren-
nan

Handled by Lisa Stewart and Sheila Wald

♥Submitted by Lisa Stewart



Tierah's Favored Siena Sky TKN "Siena" (Soks x Shay)

Siena took her first airplane ride to participate in the Cheyenne Kennel Club show in Wyoming where she took Winners for a 5 point major. While at this show she tried her luck at Fast CAT with 2 successful runs towards her BCAT Title.

Siena was Winners Bitch and Best of Winners at the Albany February 2020 show on Saturday (only day shown) for another point towards her Championship title.



Siena also won Best of Breed and OH Group 1 at the Ridgefield show December 2019!

Siena is loved, owned and shown by Melissa Smeester.

♥Submitted by Lisa Stewart



BRAGS FROM OUR CLUB MEMBERS



Eastwind Vizlas



This year at Eastwind Vizlas, we spent a lot of time at home, as show venues and hunt tests closed, as well as our local All breed club classes. We learned how to incubate and grow quail and chucker from eggs, worked on obedience and Hunt test skills, and had a small litter of pups born in March (Corona puppies). We made the decision to postpone till Spring 2021 an intended breeding due to the difficulty our puppy buyers were faced with in socializing pups and attending classes. We were able to attend a few Hunt tests with Leo and Mani, garnering Leo's Junior Hunter title, a couple legs for Mani's Senior, and watch Mani's latest litter do amazingly well at their first hunt test! Hopefully 2021 we can all get back to normal lives, enjoying dogs shows, other vizsla adventures, and socializing with friends!



♥Submitted by Tom & Gale Shay

BRAGS FROM OUR CLUB MEMBERS



After 6 months of no shows, trials, or classes, we were so excited to get back into things with the VCA National Specialty + Companion Events and two weeks later with our first agility trial back home!

COSMO (Brock x Sola) didn't come away with any Qs or points, but he had fun in his first agility trials with Sam, showed his heart out for Gaelyn in conformation, and found rats in Barn Hunt with Sam. He seems to be enjoying the teamwork and connection of companion activities - at his first trial back home Cosmo completed an entire JWW course (except for the weaves)!

SOLA (Teagan x Savoy) achieved some big finishes between the two shows. She got 2 Qs each in Containers and Interiors for Scentwork in her first trial ever. She picked up Crazy 8s points, her 2nd Senior Q, and High in Trial Senior Vizsla in Barn Hunt. She made the cut at the National Specialty at her first time out as a Special! And, after years of stage fright/performance anxiety with the weaves in agility trials, she completed the weaves in 3 of 4 runs on Sunday of the PSLRA Trial and finished her Novice JWW title! Pending AKC, she is now Am/Intl CH Sokoldalu's Sunkissed Eyecandy By Tierah CD BN RE NAJ OF CA RATO CGC.

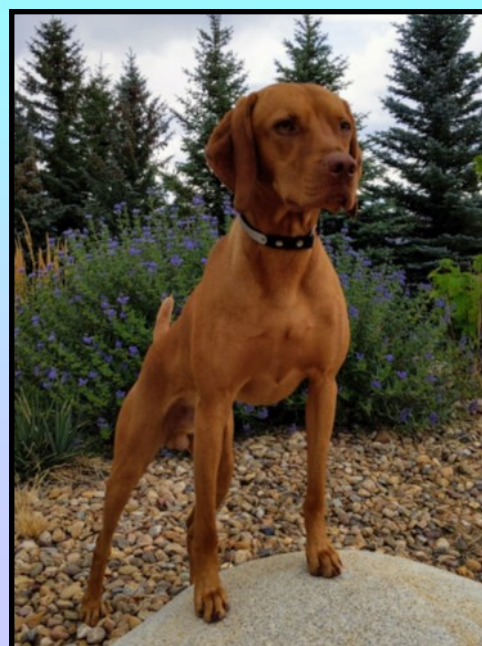
LUNA (Riker x Szofi) competed in Iron Dog at the National Specialty again this year, picking up points in agility, rally, obedience, and conformation. She picked up QQ #6 at the All-Breed day at Nationals, as well as a High in Trial for the Master level! In conformation, she placed 2nd in her class! She also picked up 2 Qs each in Containers and Interiors for Scentwork in her first trial ever. She finished her Barn Hunt Open title and picked up some Crazy8s points. Back at home, she picked up QQ #7, surpassed the 750 points needed for her MACH, and has qualified for the

AKC National Agility Championship next March. She also picked up a handful of other agility Qs - we think she missed agility a little bit....Luna is now Sokoldalu-N-Jaybren's Celestial Fyre CD BN RE MX MXJ MJB XF T2B CA RATO CGC.



♥Submitted by

Gaelyn Krauser & Sam Chew



BRAGS FROM OUR CLUB MEMBERS

2020 VCA Nationals was unique. I did see many PSVC members who attended and heard about many successes. This year VCA added new events for handlers and dogs to get involved. Congrats to all for show casing your dog(s) and making for fun opportunities. The dogs from the PNW are strong contenders in so many sports. We also had big winners in the Photo Contest. Yah to all!



CH Pursuit's Trek to the Triple Crown CGC (Boulder's N Solterra's Cruising at Light Speed "Cruz" x Pursuit of the Triple Crown for Kelby Creek "Rosie2") won the Regional VCA Puppy Sweepstakes. He also was awarded an Award of Merit recognition for the Regional VCA Specialty. At the VCA National Sweepstakes Trek was awarded 1st place in his class. Trek started his agility career with his debut in VCA National Agility Trial. Trek is owned and handled by Gail Fleming and bred by Gail Fleming and Amie Durbin.



Pursuit Vizslas announces our litter whelped September 6th, 6 females and 2 males. The sire of the litter is "Tanner" MBISS GCHG Comynara Tanner is the Silver Lining Ride JH NAVHDA PZ1 ACT1 ACT2. Tanner took Best of Opposite at the 2020 VCA National Specialty and grandsire is "Teak" who was Best of Veterans at 2020 VCA National Specialty. Dam is "Rosie2" GCH Pursuit of the Triple Crown for Kelby Creek who is half sibling to the Best of Breed at 2020 VCA National Specialty. Amie Durbin and Gail Fleming are the breeders who are very excited about this litter's potential.

At the PSVC Hunt Test and the Western Washington Weimaraner Club Hunt Test, "Trek" (CH Pursuit's Trek to the Triple Crown CGC) received a total of 3 passes working toward his junior hunter title. Trek was handled by Chuck Strong.

♥Submitted by Gail Fleming



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"RIKER"

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

(Reggie x Brandi)

Riker made the big trip to VCA nationals and walked away with some great ribbons. He got first in his veteran class, he pulled 2nd in Stud Dog, and he earned a new scent work title!

Riker is owned and loved by Carla & Ron Slabaugh



♥Submitted by Carla Slabaugh

CHERRY

BA Autumn Acres-Sokoldalu's Superfly Cherry Ride RI SCN SIN TKI CGC

(Brock x Reba)

Baby Cherry has been busy in a whole variety of activities this quarter. She took Reserve BEST IN SHOW Puppy at the International show in pursuit of her baby championship, she earned two new titles in Scent Work at VCA Nationals, earned her Canine Good Citizen title, she earned a 5 point major win in conformation at Cheyenne, WY and then she earned her Rally Intermediate title.



Loved and owned by
Carla & Ron Slabaugh



♥Submitted by Carla Slabaugh

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KEYLA

GCH Am/Can/Int'l CH Sokoldalu's Tokeletes Anya RN ACT1 SIN RATN CGC TKI

(Brock x Cola)

Keyla got to play in the conformation ring this quarter and do some barn hunt. She finished her international title at the beginning of Aug then headed to VCA Nationals where she made all the cuts and got to show in the finale. She also earned a run towards her Open Barn Hunt title. Then she headed to Cheyenne, WY where she took Best Opp everyday to finish her Grand Championship and also earned an Owner Handler Group 1.



Keyla is owned and Loved by Lori King and Carla Slabaugh

♥Submitted by Carla Slabaugh



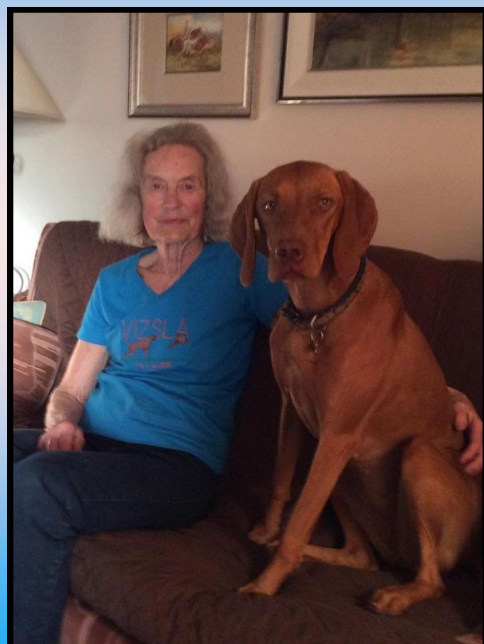
ASTRID

CH Sokoldalu's Astrid Starlight RI TD ACT2 RATN TKI CGC

(Brock x Sola)

ASTRID and Suzanne had a very busy quarter working on titles with Virtual Opportunities. They earned 2 new Rally Obedience titles (Novice & Intermediate) and they earned an Agility ACT2 title

Owned and Loved by: Suzanne Metcalf, Betsy Metcalf, & Carla Slabaugh



♥Submitted by Carla Slabaugh

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PILOT

Arailek-Sokoldalu's Mardi Gras Pilot TKN

.(Brock x Dazzle)

Pilot made the trip back across the border from Canada to head to VCA nationals in CO to make his ring debut and wow did it with a bang! At exactly 6 months of age Pilot took Best Opposite in Sweepstakes for the

National show, he placed 3rd in his class, and then for the regional he placed first in his class for sweepstakes again. At Cheyenne, WY he got himself on the board by earning a 5 point major. He also picked up a reserve to the 5 point major. It has been nice having him here to visit and we will miss him dearly when it is time to head back home.

Loved and owned by Carla Slabaugh and Derek & Visha Nowakowski

♥Submitted by Carla Slabaugh



ZINN

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

(Riker x Savoy)



It was the first weekend out trying Scentwork for team ZINN and they walked away with a NEW TITLE in the only element they entered, Novice Containers (SCN). This team has only ever practiced at home so it was even more impressive for them to grab placements for their quick alerts on the hides.

Owned and loved by Ron & Carla Slabaugh

♥Submitted by Carla Slabaugh

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VEGA

Sokoldalu's Brilliant Gt Superstar JH RATN BCAT TKI

(Brock x Sola)



So excited to announce team VEGA was able to secure their last needed pass for her Junior Hunter (JH) Title. She was able to get this title with 4 straight passes and finished it off with perfect scores of 10. This is Kevin and Bryan's first dog they have trained for Hunt Performance Events and the first title they have put on a dog!! At VCA nationals she placed in her class and in Cheyenne, WA show pulled Reserve to the 5 point major twice. Then when they

got back Kevin gave Virtual Trick dog a try and killed it earning Vega her Intermediate title!!

Owned and Loved by: Kevin Crampton & Bryan Solem

♥Submitted by Carla Slabaugh



KOLE

Int'l CH Sokoldalu's Keeper Of The Keys RATI

(Brock x Cola)



Look who got their International Championship... pretty boy KOLE (Brock x Cola)!! In August at Post Fall, ID he took 2 group 1st for Best Bred By and placed in groups the other times. It made for some long and hot days but he was a trooper!!

Owned and Loved by Nora Huey, Duane Kampschror, Carla Slabaugh, Sarah Smith-Falkner

♥Submitted by Carla Slabaugh

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Maverick

Ch Riverside's Northbay Chasing Maverick JH



Janine would like to share that Maverick has finished his Junior Hunter (JH) title!

♥Submitted by Janine Marty

Jocko (Nitro /Marley) once again gives his all. First at Nationals. He placed in 1st in his class in Sweeps. Placed first in his class at the Specialty show! Multiple Q's in scentwork and Barnhunt.

On to Cheyenne for a 3 day show. He was BOW 2 times, for 5 point Majors 2 of the 3 days. Then onto the Hunt Test in Fall City where Jocko got his final 2 legs for his Junior Hunt Title

One point away from his Championship!

INTL/CH OneTen Spektrum Supercharged GTO by Tierah JH RN TKA

Owned and loved by
Meghan Faulkenberry
and myself.

♥Submitted by Athena Rima



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NITRO (Riker/Cedar) had a great week at Nationals and Cheyenne. He made the 1st cut at Nationals. Pulled off another Q in scentwork . Placed 1st in his class in Barnhunt for another Q in Open.

Went on to Cheyenne show and received Select for 5 points!!



Handled by myself.

Owned by Athena Rima and Carla Slabaugh.

INTL/CH GCH CH Sokoldalu's Power Shiftn Out Of First By Tierah JH BCAT
RATN SEN RATN CGCA TKN

♥Submitted by Athena Rima

New addition to my family, Gemma " Spektrum Oneten Dreams Come True"

Never a dull moment with her. Very smart, birdy, loves the water and is biddable.

I also see Barn Hunt in her future. After coming in the house from outside she had something in her mouth. Nothing new. When I went to pull it out (which looked like poo) I quickly discovered it had a tail!!!! I screamed! It was a mouse that she had caught. Never dropped anything in my life so fast. Needless to say I had nightmares that night!!!

We have been working with birds. Teaching her how to use her nose. She never ceases to amaze me. She quickly picked that up. Scent Work? Yes!

Looking forward to seeing this girl grow up!!!

♥Submitted by Athena Rima



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Payton

Jaybren's 'Zactly Like Peyton Place at Tierah TKN

(Knight x Piper1)



Payton took first place 9-12 class at Nationals and regionals. She took second in both of her Sweepstakes classes.

Payton is loved, owned, bred by Jill and Jim Brennan and handled by Jill.

♥Submitted by Jill Brennan

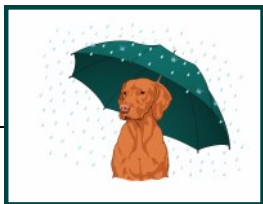
BIS, 7xBISS, GCHS AM/INT CH Tierah's Hijacked At 20000 Feet CGC

Beautifully handled by Eleesa Markham, won Best In Dog Veterans Sweeps. Thank you Eleesa!

Cooper is owned by Dani and Joe McCafferty and Eleesa Markham

♥Submitted by Dani McCafferty





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)	
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>
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