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RETRIEVER CLUB



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Newsletters will be emailed monthly and will include; if available, the following:

**Monthly Club Meeting info and Club Minutes*

**List of Club Officers*

**Any Announcements (Important messages from the President, Club News and so forth)*

**Articles of Interest pertaining to Labradors, Canine genetics, health and breeding.*

**Available & Services (Members available litters, pups, adults, Stud service, training, handling, boarding, transport or anything dog related)*

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**Brags (Members brags on titles, accomplishments & more)*

**Membership Form*

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If you have anything that you'd like to have published in the newsletter, send to ashlandlabradors@gmail.com and please include "GALRC Newsletter" in the subject line.

Thank You!

Teresa Gordy-Brown

Club Meetings

MONTHLY CLUB MEETING

*Regular meetings are held on the fourth **Thursday** of each month at 6:30 pm. As always, all club members are invited. The date might change due to conflict with near by shows or Holidays.

We hope to see you there!





Minutes from March & April Club Meetings

GALRC Meeting, 3/23/18, Madeleine's, 1165 Perimeter Center West, Suite 350, Atlanta, GA 30338.

President Neil Martin called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

Attendees:

Neil Martin

Jodi Martin

Lisa Bailey

Carol Quaif

Linda Rehkopf

Anne Key

Linda moved to waive the reading of the minutes from the last meeting, Lisa seconded and it was approved.

Treasury report: As of 1/31/18 the club account balance is \$10,395.93. We have 2 bills, GA registry due 3/31 and insurance due in May.



Minutes from March & April Club Meetings

GALRC Meeting, 3/23/18, Continued....

Committee Report:

Carol reported that Barbara Reisig from Inselheim Labradors is our replacement Sweeps Judge since Laura Fletcher had to cancel.

Jodi confirmed our 2018 show will be 11/17 & 11/18. We need our application for the show submitted by 6/1/18.

There was discussion on using a superintendent for the show. Carol mentioned there is a new online superintendent called DOGZIBIT.COM that was used by San Joaquin dog show. Carol will talk to Vonnie Russell w/ HySpire Labradors to see what she thought of it. Additional options of using a superintendent that would also handle set up or hiring others to perform some of the more labor intensive parts of the show but no decisions were made that this time.

Carol stated that Laura VanDalen is handling the catalog swap ads with Potomac, LQ, Raleigh, Miami Valley and Nationals. It has not been Confirmed if she will be the Chair for other catalog ads this year.

Neil Martin agreed to be Grounds Chair again this year. We still need volunteers for the Show Chair, and Chair for Catalog Ads, Hospitality, Judges Hospitality, Trophies, Decorations and Photography. It was thought that some of the people that held those positions last year may want to do them again this year, but it's not yet confirmed.



Minutes from March & April Club Meetings

GALRC Meeting, 3/23/18, Continued....

Future Meetings:

There was discussion about the location of future club meetings. Linda Rehkopf will do some research to find a location in Cobb County, near I75 between the 120 Loop exits and I575 exit for the April meeting, and possibly future meetings.

- April 19, 2018, Thursday
- May 17, 2018, Thursday
- June 23, 2018, Saturday

Educational Seminars:

- Lisa Bailey will hold a Nose Work seminar for the June Meeting to be held on 6/23 at her business, Radda's K9 Campus.
- Carol Quaif will hold a seminar on the ABCs of Canine Genetics at our August meeting.
- There was also discussion around inviting Dr. Robert Stawicki, who is a reproductive vet with Sunrise Veterinary Hospital in Jasper, to come and so a seminary



Minutes from March & April Club Meetings

GALRC Meeting, 3/23/18, Continued....

New Business:

Linda Rehkopf moved that Kennels that advertise on the GALRC web site be required to pay \$50 per year, effective with the 2018 calendar year. The motion was seconded by Lisa Bailey and Anne Key and the motion was passed. The \$50 fee for 2018 is due by 6/1/18 to club Treasurer, Jodi Martin. Only members in good standing will be allowed to advertise on the club web site. For kennel names listed on the site now, the \$50 fee is due to Jodi Martin by 6/1. If not received, the kennel information will be removed for the remainder of 2018. Going forward the \$50 fee is to be paid with the annual dues.

Lisa Bailey made a suggestion that the club by laws be changed to require all members in good standing to contribute a minimum of 1 hour of their time to the annual dog show, or provide a monetary donation to the production of the show. Voting on this change to the bylaws will be held in the April meeting.

Linda Rehkopf suggested the club board support awards for members with the most success in the areas of Confirmation, Field Sports and Companion Sports once a year. The awards could be given at our dog show in November.

Anne Key moved to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Lisa Bailey and the meeting was adjourned.



Minutes from March & April Club Meetings

GALRC Meeting, 4/19/18

The GALRC meeting on April 19, 2018 at 6:30PM was held at LaMadeleine's, 1165 Perimeter Center West, Suite 350, Atlanta, Ga. 30338.

President, Neil Martin, called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

Members present:

Neil Martin

Jodi Martin

Barry Staples

Carol Quaif

Anne Key

Lisa Bailey

Dale Staples

Dale read the March meeting notes. They were approved by Lisa and seconded by Anne.

The Treasurer's Report stated that the Club account balance was approximately \$10,345.93 after paying the Georgia Registry bill of \$50.00 due March 31, 2018.



Minutes from March & April Club Meetings

GALRC Meeting, 4/19/18 Continued.....

The 2018 Specialty Show was again discussed.

Jodi announced that Debbie Winn has offered to be the Trophy Chair. Jodi proposed a two day budget of \$2500.00 for all trophies and ribbons. The Board voted and appointed this budget with Lisa seconding.

Finding a Superintendent/Show Secretary was discussed. Carol shared all the information about Dogzit that she obtained from Vonnie Russell. She also found Specialty Dog Shows from Bloomfield Hills, Michigan (Arden Shaw) that she could investigate. Barry discussed comparing last year's expenses to the new Superintendent/Show Secretary.

A Show Chairman was then discussed. Jodi offered to co-chair and train someone if committed for two years. With no volunteers for a two year commitment, Barry agreed to be Show Chairman this year providing the Club hires a paid Superintendent. No decision was made until more information is obtained. Barry also discussed getting approval from LRC with judges, dates, etc. before getting a Superintendent.

Carol proposed finding a Match judge for the show. Amy Wall agreed to be the Match judge.

It was again discussed increasing the participation of members in Club events. Laura VanDaylen discussed by email pricing for ads with the Labrador Quarterly. The LQ agreed to again swap ads this year. The Board voted and passed to also published a second ad in the fall.



Minutes from March & April Club Meetings

GALRC Meeting, 4/19/18 Continued.....

Ashley Chastain, who is in the process of becoming a member, offered to Chair Hospitality. Carol proposed that Lisa call Ashley to discuss organizing and preparing for that position.

New Business

Ashley Chastain had her first reading for membership.

Lisa announced that the June 23rd meeting will also include her seminar on nose work.

Jodi discussed needing a storage facility for Club items. The Club could buy a trailer for \$1500.00 to house the items and then Lisa volunteered her barn for storage. There would be a \$300.00 cost to hire someone to move the items. Jodi proposed a Motion to use Lisa's barn and paying the moving fee. Barry seconded.

Carol proposed beginning the meetings at 7PM instead of 6:30PM to lessen traffic issues. Lisa moved that the Club changed the time to 7PM and Anne seconded. The Motion passed. The Board again discussed finding another meeting place for meetings. Lisa was going to investigate options.

Carol moved to end the meeting and Anne seconded.

Articles Stud Dog Management Part III



Last month we talked about managing evaluating semen. This month I want to touch base on the importance of keepings stud dog fertile.

Important things to consider in being a good stud dog manager are:

- *How to properly manage Stud Dogs (Proper Nutrition and Care).
- *Learn to collect efficiently without the need of a teaser bitch.
- *Learn to evaluate semen.
- *Learn to properly extend, package & ship semen.
- *Keep stud dogs fertile.**
- *Record Keeping.
- *Stud Agreements



You've probably heard the old saying "If you don't use it, you loose it", well that could possibly hold true for stud dogs. The less frequent a male is used, he may not provide an optimum collection when it comes time to breed.

Some successful stud dog managers prefer to collect males one or twice a month when they are not being used for breeding. This give you a chance to evaluate the semen on your stud dog on a regular basis.

Stud Dog Management Continued..

As stud dogs age, the out-put starts to decline. You may notice a reduce the volume of semen output as well as the first and third fractions. You may also see a diminish in Motility. Many Older studs that are not used or collected from regularly, will also have more abnormal swimmers.

There are a few great supplements that just about every stud dog owner knows to keep on hand and give daily.

One of my all time favorites has been Glycoflex. Many use the stage I or II, but I have always used the stage III because of the added supplements such as Vit. C. and Selenium. Matter of fact, any quality GLUCOSOMINE product will work. But the magic in the Glycoflex formula that plays a vital role in the increase of sperm production is.....GREEN LIPPED MUSCLE (GLM).

I've been looking for comparable Human grade products to replace the Glycoflex (One of our dogs is sensitive to brewers yeast which is a heavy ingredient in the Glycoflex. I found two amazing products! Food Science Sea Mussel and Arazo Joint Support. Both are available on Amazon. I will post links below.

Stud Dog Management Continued..

Another product to consider (especially if planning on freezing in the future) is a quality fish oil product. Research has shown that Omega 3's (Fatty Acids) work to protect the sperm cell membrane during the freezing & chilling processes and actually increases Motility for both chilled and post thaw motility. Helps the coat too! A win-win supplement! Just be careful as not all Fish oil supplements are really what they say they are.

During one of the Theriogenology Seminars I attended, I learned that L-Carnitine, an amino acid is reported to increase Motility, however there is not actual studies we are aware of at this time to substantiate this claim.

Links to supplements:

Glycoflex - <https://www.chewy.com/vetriscience-glycoflex-stage-iii/dp/42633>

Fish Oil -

https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B01GV4O37E/ref=oh_aui_detailpage_o01_s00?ie=UTF8&psc=1

and

<http://om3-gold.com/index.html>

Glucosamine -

https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B01M5DEMWI/ref=oh_aui_detailpage_o01_s00?ie=UTF8&psc=1

Stud Dog Management Continued..

Links to supplements:

Green Lipped Muscle -

https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B004JLW6RQ/ref=oh_aui_detailpage_o01_s00?ie=UTF8&psc=1

L-Carnitine - <https://www.platinumperformance.com/canine-motility-plus>

Flyers to SAVE and SHARE

AUTHENTIC
LABRADOR RETRIEVERS COME IN 3 COLORS!
Black is BLACK! Yellow is LIGHT CREAM TO FOX RED! Chocolate is LIGHT TO DARK CHOCOLATE!

3 COLORS

BLACK CHOCOLATE

YELLOW

HEALTHY

DOUBLE-COAT

DON'T BE FOOLED BY UNETHICAL BREEDERS!
*SILVER IS NOT A SHADE OF CHOCOLATE!
*CHARCOAL IS NOT A SHADE OF BLACK!
*CHAMPAGNE IS NOT A SHADE OF YELLOW!

For more information on Labrador Retrievers
or to find Reputable Breeders in your area,
visit www.thelabradorclub.com

THE ORIGINAL PUREBRED

Litter Announcements



Please email Teresa at ashlandlabradors@gmail.com to include your litter announcements.

*Hi Everyone. I may have a yellow female available from our current litter. Waiting on final puppy evaluations before I decide who to keep but both girls retained for possible show/working homes. Lovely puppies, sound, athletic, strong show and working attributes. Sire is Leo (Radda's Painting A Legacy, JH x Ashland's Special Charm). Pups will not be 8 weeks old until the 22nd. Already crate trained! Extremely Well Socialized. Please call Teresa (615)289-9535 if interested in more info.

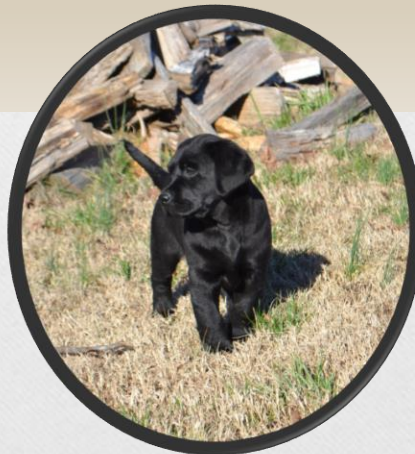


Available Dogs



Please email Teresa at ashlandlabradors@gmail.com to include your information on available announcements.

- 8 month old black female. Story is a wonderful girl and would do well with children and other dogs. Contact: Tom O'Hern. 678-234-8841 oherntc@bellsouth.net





Available Services



Website Design/Redesign & Marketing for GALRC Members/Friends. Personal or Business

It's more important than ever for Google search results that websites are responsive (resize for smartphones & tablets) as over 50% of searches are now done on mobile devices. Very reasonably priced.

Please email me, Jean McLain, jean@market-now.com and let me know how I can help.
Thanks,

Jean

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BREEDERS DIRECTORY

To be included in the breeders directory on the GALRC.com website, please email the following information to our webmaster: Jean McLain (Jean@market-now.com)

Your Kennel Name, Contact person, Website URL, email address and a brief description of your practices. You may include any updated information about current litters.

MEMBERSHIP



Membership Dues Reminder

Our membership dues for 2018 are due on 11/1/17.

Please completely fill out this form and return it with your check so that we can keep our records up to date.

\$20.00 individual ~ \$25.00 family ~ \$15 Associate

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

Please make checks out to GALRC and mail to:

Jim Griffin

130 Hickory Pointe Dr.

Athens, Ga. 30605

**Remember to support our club by
renewing your membership!**

Member's breeder directory

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