

FLAT -COAT TIMES

AUTUMN 2011

RETRIEVER CLUB

Important Dates:

- Oct. 29 Supported Entry at Vancouver Kennel Club. Dinner at Jolly's Restaurant. Contact: whatzthatfcr@earthlink.net
- March 31, 2012. Supported Entry at Albany. NWFCRC Dinner and Annual Meeting

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Koby: On a Winning Streak!

The weather may have been chilly in June and July, but Koby was HOT HOT HOT! Koby, known to AKC show aficionados as "Multi BIS INTL/GCH CAN CH Blacklace Magic Mocha Sapphire" won Best in Show honors on June 4, in Filer, Idaho under judge Robert Shreve. He won again on July 3, in Mount Vernon, Washington under judge Carmen Haller. While on the fourteen day Idaho/Montana circuit in June, he won nine group placements. During the summer show season he also achieved his 100th U.S. group placement, which includes more than 24 Group First awards. Owner Cathy Johnson says, "At the crazy, young age of eight years old we are so so proud of him. Tony Carter and Koby are an amazing team!"

Actually, winning is not new to Koby. He scored his first BIS back in May of 2008 in South Jordan, Utah. He won Best of Breed at the Eukanuba in 2007, 2009, and 2010, and a JAM at the Canadian National in 2010.

However, there are some little known Koby facts that this intrepid reporter was able to scoop:

 Koby stars in a shampoo commercial on YouTube. (go to YouTube and search for "Koby shampoo")

2. Is that a Koby tattoo Cathy Johnson sports on the inside of her ankle? (I'm



Not camera shy: Koby and his teammate Tony Carter strike a familiar pose.

sure I saw it on the web somewhere!)

3. Is Koby really named after basketball star Kobe Bryant?

What's next Koby? He's training for his JH!

For more about Koby, check-out his website at http://www.blacklacemagic.com/home

Supported Entry Results: Rainier Sporting Dogs

Results of our Supported Entry at the Rainier Sporting Dogs Show in Enumclaw on Aug. 19, 2011: BOB: BIS GCH MACH Shasta Brownstone CD JH RA HOF, Bred and owned by Joyce Brackney BOS: GCH Someone's in the Kitchen with Dinah CD RE NAJ NA. Bred by Andrea Williams and Jo and Steve Chinn, owned by Jo and Steve Chinn (Continued on page 6)

President's Message



Jeanne's champion and best friend, "Jedi."

"The next event is the Supported Entry at the Vancouver Kennel Club in Ridgefield on Oct. 29" Hello all, I hope everyone had a great summer. We live in such a wonderful part of the country. This summer was so nice compared to the rest of the country with their bad weather and extreme heat waves that many had to deal with. Now we can look forward to the fall weather and hopefully not too much rain. On the Fun Day we had a nice sunny day, which was a little warm for the humans, but the dogs had so much fun swimming that they could have gone for hours longer than their human counterparts did.

I just want to thank Pat Boydston once again for organizing the Fun Day and to all who helped out. I hope you all saw the earlier e-mail Jo sent out right after the Fun Day. Those of us that were there had a lot of fun visiting and playing with the dogs. Like Pat said, it's always fun trying to figure out whose dog is who when you have 15 plus black dogs and a few livers running around in and out of the ponds.

Once again our annual agility trial was a huge success. A big thank you to Joyce Brackney for all of her hard work on the agility trial. I would like to thank all who work on making this one of our best ever: to Raffle Chairs, Marge Ryder and Linda Schurer, these ladies not only did a great job of having lots of items for us to buy raffle tickets for, but also had hospitality bags for all of the exhibitors; to Pat Boydston who organized the CERF clinic and helped where needed; to Chief Ring Steward Lynda Spangler; to Vendor Chair Vicki Peterson; and to Salomeja Garolis who helped me with hospitality. Thank you to all who donated money or items to the raffle. We also had a nice Judges' dinner on Saturday at the fairgrounds with 60 in attendance. I always get so many compliments on the grounds and how well organized the event it. We all worked hard and it was worth it. The money we earned from this trial will be going for us to hosting the 2014 Specialty. This will be the same for the 2012 and 2013 agility trials. In the past, part of the money was donated to help support the next year's specialty.

The next event is the Supported Entry Saturday, Oct. 29 at the Vancouver Kennel Club in Ridgefield, Washington. Thanks to Linda Monroe and Lura Dunn for all their work on this. Trophies are offered for all classes, obedience, and rally. Remember there are non regular classes for working dog and bitch, field dog and bitch, veterans, and puppy sweeps. Superintendent if Onofrio, www.onofrio.com. ENTRIES CLOSE Wednesday, Oct. 12th. We are also having dinner at Jolly's Restaurant, which is just on the other side of the freeway and only 1/2 mile away. You can contact Sheila Bradshaw, Dinner Chair, at shelenfcr@aol.com or 360-577-0890 for more details. We will be ordering off

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President's Message, continued

Their menu so cost will be less than in years past. Hope to see you there.

Plans are underway for the NWFCRC to once again host the national specialty in June, 2014. Joyce Brackney and Heather Dawson are Co-Chairs. It will be held in Albany, Oregon. There will be more info in the coming months/years, but if you have any questions or would like to help, please contact the chairs. Their contact info is listed in the newsletter. There are still some positions that need to be filled and Joyce has added this to the newsletter with a description of what the jobs entail. This is a ways off, but so much work needs to be done in advance. We are looking for ideas for fun raisers, trophies, judges' gifts, hospitality bags, merchandise you would like to see us offer. We are trying to come up with a theme for this specialty. This year in Maryland, it was the Stars & Stripes theme. Do you have any ideas for the logo? Some of the ideas we tossed around is a wine theme, incorporating the vineyards of the Willamette Valley, along with Mt. Hood in the background, with the silhouette of a liver and black FCR on it. Past specialties have been offering a special award if the dog completes and wins/qualifies in three venues: i.e. field, conformation, obedience, rally, agility, tracking. We need an idea of what to call the award, which would be a beautiful rosette. Your input can be very helpful. Some of us have been to several specialties, but some of you are new to dogs, so let us hear your opinions, too. Please just put on your thinking caps and let us know your ideas; we look forward to hearing from you.

I hope to see some of you at the supported show and wish everyone that they have fun this fall. One thing about our dogs, is they enjoy any kind of weather, so they are probably looking forward to playing in the rain. Also, Heather is working on a new website, so if you have some favorite photos of your fur babies taken this summer, I'm sure both she and Jo, newsletter editor, would love to see them! Jo can now add these to the newsletter. Let her know your brags. If you have an article you would like to see, let her know. They don't need to be just about FCR's. If you have seen an article that you think the membership might enjoy, forward it on to her.

Jeanne Allen President NWFCRC

Our Dogs



Big Congrats to Nancy Dyson and "Inklin" (Am/Can CH Coastalight Just An Inklin Am/Can CDX JH WC)! She reports he recently finished both his AKC CDX and JH titles. Now on to utility!

Proud flat-coat mom Maggie Minetti informs us that her Valleycrest dogs continue to excel in the agility ring. At the Redmond, WA trial in August, her "Felon" (Valleycrest Repeat Offender, MX AXJ) earned his Master Agility Excellent title, jumping in the 24" class and bringing home two 4th place ribbons and a 3rd. "Jasper" (Valley Crest Fuedin' Fussin' and a Fightin' OA NAJ) earned his Open Agility title, nabbing a 2nd place ribbon. Maggie admits to being obsessed with agility, and says her husband has now caught the bug,

too. He runs their two-year-old border collie, Bam Bam. Maggie trains in Marysville with Julie Germano at Country Classic Kennels. Maggie says, "Valleycrest flatties are the best!"

Several members sent exciting news about Salomeja Garolis and "Dahlia" (Ch. Moonlight Black Dahlia). Dahlia her Junior Hunter in 4 straight passes. Observers report, "She demonstrated enthusiasm, speed and a happy flat-coat attitude that was fun to watch."

GCH BIS MACH Shasta Brownstone CD JH RA Hall of Fame "Stoney" earned a group 2 at the Gallatin Dog Club on September 22, 2011 under judge Sandra Goose Allen.

Sheila Bradshaw sends us this glorious picture of her "Velvet", still doing well at age thirteen!



And to the right, here's Joyce Brackney's "Tanner" (Shasta Leather), who earned his second major at 9 months of age. Tanner is out of GCH BIS BISS Quillquest Etched in Stone JH OA AXJ WCX Hall of Fame "Cutter"

and CH MACH Shasta Terracotta CDX JH RA Hall of Fame "Terra".



Our Dogs, continued



High In Trial Flat-Coated Retrievers, A Different Dog Each Day!

Shown above are the flat-coats who went high-in-trial each day of our four-day agility trial in July. They are, from left to right: MACH Shasta Black Coffee "Jo-Jo" owned by Joyce Brackney, CH MACH Shasta Caliente "Cali" owned by Tracy Tennison and Joyce Brackney, CH MACH10 Shasta Belstar Magic Happens CDX JH RA "Magic" owned by Tracy Tennison and Cynthia Trotter, and CH Saudades's First Star IC Tonite RA MX MXJ OF CA "Twinkle" owned by Vicki Peterson. Judges were Mark Upshaw and Jacqi O'Neill.

And at the Chinn house: "Hiss" (Blackstone Hissy Fit CD RE OAP AXJP) finished her recent agility titles on



consecutive weekends in August at the Gig Harbor Kennel Club trial and the Hurricane Ridge Kennel Club trial. Almost nine years old, Hiss especially loves the dog walk and the A-frame, where she can be sure everybody is watching her.



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Editor's note: Yes. This info should be on page 2 or the last page. Yikes!!! I couldn't get there last time and still can't...

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Supported Entry Results, cont'd.

Select Dog: GCH Blacklace Magic Mocha Sapphire. Bred by Kathy Kondrat, owned by Ken and Cathy Johnson
Select Bitch: GCH Feathurquest Moonlight Sonata. Bred by Masaki Shimizu, owned by Paul Briganti, Rici Morrill, R & D Baggenstos
WD/BOW: CH Shasta's Western Samurai. Bred by Joyce Brackney & Dinah Baggenstos, owned by Lura Dunn and David Kerschner.
WB: Gondolin Misty River Mountain Kanyon. Bred by Colleen Chapman/Sandee Cassidy/Christopher Butler. Owned by Kathy Adams.

Sweepstakes:

Best in Puppy Sweeps: Shasta Leather, Bred and owned by Joyce Brackney Best in Veteran Sweeps: GCH Blacklace Magic Mocha Sapphire. Bred by Kathy Kondrat, owned by Ken and Cathy Johnson



Upcoming Litters



Shasta Flat-coated Retrievers announces a litter born September 13, 2011.

Puppies were born September 13, 2011 from GCH BIS BISS Quillquest Etched in Stone JH OA AXJ WCX Hall of Fame "Cutter" and CH Shasta Liberty "Libby". There are 3 black males, 3 black females and 2 liver females. Libby is a littermate of Stoney. Contact Joyce Brackney 530-842-4839, <u>jbrackney@snowcrest.net</u>, <u>www.shastaflatcoats.com</u>



Jo and Steve Chinn Rainshadow Flat-coated Retrievers Announces an upcoming litter, due Oct. 6, 2011 Inquiries invited: 360.461.3890, jchinn@olypen.com



"Dinah"



"Stoney"

GCH Blackstone Someone's in the Kitchen with Dinah CD RE NAJ NA, Two Group 2 placements, 4th Place at National Specialty at 18 months. Born Oct. 19, 2006 Sire: Blackstone's Nicklaus Rookie Dam: Blackstone's Hissy Fit CD RE OAP AXJP BIS GCH MACH Shasta Brownstone CD JH RA HOF, JAM at National Specialty 2006, 2010, BIS Albany, March 2011, numerous group placements Born May 18, 2004 Sire: "Brooks" CH Wyncrest Cool Water Dam: "Indy" CH Shasta Indigo

Looking Ahead: FCRSA Specialty, 2014

Joyce Brackney, Co-Chair, sends us this information about the national specialty we'll be hosting in June, 2014. Interested in helping or have an idea? Contact Joyce at <u>jbrackney@snowcrest.net</u>, or Co-Chair Heather Dawson at heather@northernlightsfcr.com.

Schedule for 2014 Oregon Specialty

This is our tentative schedule. Please feel free to make suggestions.

	Monday, June 2
Sunday, June 1 Tracking TD,TDX	Flat-coat only agility in indoor horse arena morning
Theorem and the second se	Rally in the afternoon (one ring)
	Veteran Sweeps in the evening
	(People will be able to enter the confor- mation building in the morning and set up in grooming area)
Tuesday, June 3	Wednesday, June 4
Puppy sweeps	Dog classes
Gun Dog sweeps ?	Puppy 3-6 month class ?
Obedience in two rings	Wine Tasting ?
Ring of Honor in the evening	
Thursday, June 5	Friday June 6
Bitch classes	Best of Breed
Annual meeting ?	Awards banquet
Saturday June 7-8	Sunday June 8
Field events at St. Louis Ponds	Field events at St. Louis Ponds

Specialty Chairs

Co-Chairs	Heather Dawson and Joyce Brackney	
Treasurer	Cindy Tulpa	
Conformation Chair	Donna Keeter	
Obedience Chair	Jeanne Allen	
Agility Chair	Lynda Spangler	
Field Chair	Pat Boydston and Ed and Candy Ferner	
Tracking Chair	Kris Rainey	
Merchandise	Stacy Ronan and Heather Dawson	
Hospitality	Jo Chinn and Lura Dunn	
Catalog Ads	Candy Ferner	
Ring of Honor	Cindy Tulpa	
Judges Education	Dinah Baggenstos	
Junior Showmanship	Dinah Baggenstos	
Ribbons	Sandee Butler	
Hospitality Bags and Name T	TagsLinda Monroe and Stacy Ronin	
Web Site	Barbara Fowler	
RV Reservations	Ray Konopa	
Vendor	Stacy Ronin	
Silent Auction	Jennifer Stanley	
Trophy Donations	Nanci Hanover	
Trophy Chair	Jeanne Allen and Linda Monroe	
Logo Chair	Heather Dawson	

Positions left to fill

Grounds (making sure that the poop bags are available and that the poop cans are dumped)

Judges hospitality make sure the judges are taken care of.

Volunteer Coordinator Sign up volunteers for the specialty

Live Auction ? Organize the live auction if we decide to have it.

Three Q Award- This person would have to keep track of the dogs that Q in three areas (conformation, tracking, rally, obedience, agility, field) I don't know if we have to do this but the idea is to get people to enter lots of things. We all love to get nice pretty ribbons.

Education for the membership Organize something for the specialty. At this last specialty they had the Applegarth group present about the standard. I thought it was very nice. Maybe we could use them again. Not sure where we would put it though.



Health Matters A Question for You

One of our members recently received a call from a friend whose partner's brother (Yes, this is real!) took his flatcoat puppy, at 8 months, to be spayed. This occurred about two months ago, and since then the girl has been ill. Her symptoms include vomiting, diarrhea, and lethargy. She did not exhibit any of these symptoms prior to the

spaying.

Has anyone experienced this? His vet suggested possibly Addison's Disease, but he was skeptical about that, because he thought this usually occurred in older dogs.

He's now taking this dog to the vets at Washington State University, but was hoping for some input from experienced flat-coat people. Our member suggested to her friend that he also contact his breeder to check on the health of the littermates.

He's also wondering if any of our members could recommend a vet for him in the Shoreline area of Seattle.

The member, her friend, the friend's partner, and the partner's brother thank you for your help!

You can help!

Place	Am	Amount	
Best of Breed	\$	45.00	
Best of Opposite Sex	\$	40.00	
Best of Winners	\$	40.00	
Select Dog	\$	30.00	
Select Bitch	\$	30.00	
Winners Dog	\$	35.00	
Winners Bitch	\$	35.00	
Reserve Winners Dog	\$	25.00	
Reserve Winners Bitch	\$	25.00	
High Scoring Flat-Coat-Obedience	\$	20.00	
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Best of Sweeps	\$	30.00	
BOS Sweeps	\$	30.00	
Best Puppy	\$	30.00	
Best Veteran	\$	30.00	

Sponsors Still Needed for Supported Entry

Contact Linda Monroe at 509.845.0550 or tamturifer@clearwire.net.

Rainbow Bridge

Just this side of heaven is a place called Rainbow Bridge.

When an animal dies that has been especially close to someone here, that pet goes to Rainbow Bridge. There are meadows and hills for all of our special friends so they can run and play together. There is plenty of food, water and sunshine, and our friends are warm and comfortable.

All the animals who had been ill and old are restored to health and vigor. Those who were hurt or maimed are made whole and strong again, just as we remember them in our dreams of days and times gone by. The animals are happy and content, except for one small thing: they each miss someone very special to them, who had to be left behind.



They all run and play together, but the day comes when one suddenly

stops and looks into the distance. His bright eyes are intent. His eager body quivers. Suddenly he begins to run from the group, flying over the green grass, his legs carrying him faster and faster.

You have been spotted, and when you and your special friend finally meet, you cling together in joyous reunion, never to be parted again. The happy kisses rain upon your face; your hands again caress the beloved head, and you look once more into the trusting eyes of your pet, so long gone from your life but never absent from your heart.

Then you cross Rainbow Bridge together

Author unknown...

In Loving Memory

Blackstone Done With Mirrors

"Zoe"

June, 2002—-September, 2011

Owned, loved, and missed by Henri Kruse and Stephen Marshall

"We're very sad, she was so sweet and so spirited and such a clown."