



FLAT -COAT TIMES

SUMMER 2011

Stoney Goes Best in Show!

Important Dates:

- July 28, 29, 30, 31.
Annual All-Breed Agility Trial. Contact: jbrackney@snowcrest.net
- Sat. Aug. 6. FCR Daze at Rudders River Ranch. Contact: cbersch@comcast.net

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It was an historic moment at the Linn County Kennel Club in Albany, Oregon, on Feb. 11, when judge Pat Hastings declared GCH MACH Shasta Brownstone CD JH RA HOF to be BEST IN SHOW. "Stoney" became the first liver flat-coat in history to win best in show honors. Judge Hastings called Stoney "gorgeous, correct, sound in both mind and body."

Handled by Rick Baggenstos, Stoney is owned and loved by Joyce Brackney of Shasta Flat Coated Retrievers of Yreka, California. Stoney also won



Stoney poses for the photographer after his BIS win.

a Judge's Award of Merit at both the 2006 and 2010 Flat-coated Retriever of America Society's National Specialties. An all-round winner, he sports a

MACH agility title along with his hunt, rally, and conformation titles. He was inducted into the FCRSA Hall of Fame in 2010.

News Flash! National Specialty Returns to the Northwest!

At its annual meeting in Frederick, Maryland, the governing board of the FCRSA (Flat Coated Retriever Society of America) voted to hold the **2014 National Specialty in Albany, Oregon**. The Albany site is an excellent choice because the

event occurs indoors, the hotels are adjacent to the event site, and the caterers have proven to provide excellent meals.

Joyce Brackney made a presentation to the board, noting the positive response to the 2008 Specialty held in Albany, and outlining

the support for the 2014 show. Now Joyce is busy firming up contracts with the showgrounds and putting together committees that will oversee the operations of the event. Lots of volunteers are needed. Please contact Joyce at jbrackney@snowcrest.net.

President's Message



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

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31st'*

Hello all, Welcome to summer at last. While I know that our flat coat friends never mind a wet winter or spring, I'm sure they too are looking forward to sunny days and time spent with their best friends hiking,, swimming, and sharing food at the backyard BBQ's. I know most love munching away on all that fresh grass and finding a nice spot to sit or lay in the sun enjoying the good life we love to give our four footed buddies.

Please welcome our new newsletter editor Jo Chinn. She has graciously taken over this position. Please be sure to send her your brags. I want to send a huge thank you to Pat Boydston who did the newsletter over the last several years. She has done a wonderful job and we appreciate all her hard work. She will be helping Jo as she learns the ends and outs of putting the newsletter together.

Also, please let Jo know whether you want the newsletter emailed or snail mailed. I know of a few people who do not have computers, so those will be mailed. I'm sure she would like to see photos of your dogs that could be added to the newsletter. Have any ideas you would like to see in it, let her know. If you have or know of an article that may be of interest to our flat coat group, please let her know. It's always nice to have your input into the club.

At the Spring supported shows, we also had elections at the banquet following the show earlier that day. I would like to welcome new Vice President Kris Rainey, she is taking over the position from Heather Dawson who I thank for the last 4 years of her service to the club. She is now on as a board member, taking over for Linda Monroe who is now the membership secretary. The other officers are still, Sheila Bradshaw :Secretary, Treasurer: Cindy Tulpa, Board of Directors: Joyce Brackney & Lura Dunn. I thank all of you for all your hard work of the last two years and look forward to working with you the next two. Please see results elsewhere in the newsletter from the supported entry. Our next supported entry will be in Vancouver in late Oct.

I also want to thank all those who work so hard on the supported entry. Linda Monroe and Lura Dunn for their work with the club. Heather Dawson did an awesome job with both trophies and the banquet. I think both judges did a nice job of judging the dogs. Taking their time with the puppies and the veterans as well as the overall entry. While the entry wasn't large, we still had a nice turn out and it's always fun to see our friends cheering everyone on.

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President's Message, continued

Don't forget our annual agility trial is July 28th –31st. Once again we are always in need of auction items. Anything you can donate is very helpful. Please contact Joyce Brackney at jbrackney@snowcrest.net if you are willing to help out or are planning to attend the trial. It is held in Medford, Oregon. This is an indoor trial. We will have a judges dinner on Sat evening, with fried chicken or tri-tip. We are asking \$5.00 if you bring a side dish and \$10.00 if just yourself. Hope to see many of you there.

Pat Boydston is working on the funday. We had thought of doing it in July, but realized that there was a lot going on that month. If you have an idea for a location and date please contact her at mickeymo2@earthlink.net. It is hard to find a date that doesn't conflict with something else. She is thinking sometime late August or early Sept. Your input will help us decide which way to go.

Have fun this summer. Hope to hear through the newsletter about your many brags from your adventures this summer. Hope many of you add new titles to your dogs.

Jeanne Allen

President NWFCRC

Supported Entry

The spring supported entry was held at the Chintimini Kennel Club show in Albany, Oregon on April 2. Sweepstakes were

judged by Ms. Dianne Kroll and Regular Classes by Ms. Nancy E. Talbott.

On Saturday evening we treated our-

selves to another wonderful catered dinner, followed by the club meeting with elections, and a silent auction.

Complete results can be found at

<http://www.onofrio.com/execpgm/WBSRBREEDS?WTSHKY=CHIN132537>



Results:

BB GCH Blacklace Magic Mocha Sapphire. Breeder: Kathy Kondrat Owner: Ken and Cathy Johnson

BOS GCH Feathurquest Moonlight Sonata. Breeder: Masaki Shimizu. Owner: Paul Briganti, Rici Morrill, R & D Baggenstos

Select GCH MACH Shasta Brownstone CD JH RA. Breeder: Joyce Brackney. Owner: Joyce Brackney

Select GCH Blackstone Someone's In the Kitchen With Dinah CD RE NAJ NA. Breeder: Andrea & Wes Williams, Jo & Steve Chinn., Owner: Jo and Steve Chinn

WD/BOW Valley Crest A Matter of Choice. Breeder: Owners. Owners: Stacy Ronan, M & D Keeter

RWD Flying Blueberry Evolution JH. Breeder: Martha Collins & Susan Strohl. Owner: Catherine & Peter Szilard

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Carolyn and Joe Bersch and their Flatcoats Suzy, and Scout Invite You to the Sixth Annual Flat Coated Retriever Daze

at

RUDDER'S RIVER RANCH

52368/52372 Concrete Sauk Valley Road

Concrete, WA 98237

Saturday, August 6, 2011

11:00 – 3:00



Potluck Lunch to be Served at 1:00 (or thereabouts)

Pot Luck, but some BBQ'd chicken/homemade Brats will be provided

Please Bring Your Own Beverages

Please Feel Free to Invite other Flatties (and their owners too!)... or folks who might like to own a Flattie!

Please RSVP and request directions by e-mailing

cjbersch@comcast.net

or

rharper@movinglink.com

OVERNIGHT PARKING/CAMPING IS AVAILABLE

Our Dogs

Jeanne Allen's "Kiss" (Whazthat's Kissed by the Stars) has earned two legs on her Rally Advanced title.

Pat Boydston's beautiful and talented girl Pebbles earned her Senior Hunter title in Fallon, Nevada. It was a tough test and blew a few minds, but Pebbles did very well.

At the Klamath Falls dog show, Pebbles earned one point on Friday with Winners Bitch. On Sunday she earned her 1st 3pt Major with Best of Winners. Pat wishes to thank Dinah and Rick for their great training advise and for rescuing her on Sunday. Thanks also to Joyce for leaving in her beautiful girl after she earned her Championship on Saturday. Congratulations to CH Shasta Blackberry.

"Jedi" (CH Whazthat's Across the Stars CD RE) was named select dog for a four point major toward his Grand Champion title at our supported entry show in April. To make the weekend even more spectacular for Jeanne, her "Dolly" (CH Whazthat's How Spicy You Want It, TD) went select bitch for a three point major toward her Grand Champion title.

News from the National Specialty in Maryland: two year old "Paisley" (Saltbox's Unforgettable Paisley Sister) won the Open Bitch class. She is a niece to Jeanne's Jedi. This is only her fourth time being shown and she has earned two points towards her championship.

GCH Blackstone Someone's in the Kitchen With Dinah CD NA NAJ RE, owned by Steve and Jo Chinn, had a tremendous showing at the Peninsula Dog Fanciers Shows in Bremerton in March. After winning the breed, she earned Group 2 placements on both Saturday and Sunday. She was handled by Jennifer Holmberg.





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be on page 2 or the last page.
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can't do it all...maybe next time!

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Our Dogs, continued from page 5

Pamela Hill reports that her flat-coat Bart is in training to do therapy dog work; he's completed two rounds of therapy skills classes and she hopes to enroll him in a third this summer before his certification test in the fall. She says, "At night, I tell him, "Let's read," and he jumps in bed, snuggles in beside me, and watches as I turn the pages."

In the photo to the right, her girls Kate and Bess gaze into the camera with such intensity; hunting was clearly their passion. Aren't they "poster dogs" for the breed?



Upcoming Litters

Northern Lights Flat-Coated Retrievers Announces An Upcoming Litter

Expected June 9th, 2011!!!

Inquiries Invited: Heather Dawson Email: heather@northernlightsfcr.com or Phone: 360-904-7299

Website: www.northernlightsfcr.com

BIS GCH Can/Int'l Ch Blacklace Magic Mocha Sapphire "Koby"



Koby is a well balanced black dog with excellent breed type and gorgeous movement. His beautiful head piece is complimented by dark eyes and a pleasing, soft expression, nice bone and beautiful angulation. He has a wonderful sweet temperament. He is a Best In Show Winner and has won countless Group Placements. He was Best of Breed Winner at the Eukanuba Nationals in 2007, 2008 and 2010 (winning BOB all 4 days including supported entries). He has been ranked in the top 5 Flatcoats in the US and Canada since 2005. He has produced beautiful progeny. Koby is 8 years old and his show career is still going very strong! Koby recently began his field training and is doing very well. Koby's offspring are doing fantastic in the show ring and are just beginning their show careers.

Ch Flashback Crazy For Loving You CD RN CGC "Patsy"



Patsy is a moderately sized, well balanced liver bitch with excellent angulation, level topline, nice prow, and a pleasing head. She comes from a very successful litter of 5 champions (2 others pointed), with multiple titles in field, agility, obedience and rally. Patsy easily earned her obedience and Rally titles. Patsy inherited her mother's gorgeous movement; she and her dam ("Snicker") won the brace class as the 2007 Specialty. She has a wonderfully bright and cheery personality and LOVES to work!

Sire BIS Can/Int'l Ch GCH Blacklace Magic Mocha Sapphire "Koby"	Sire Ch Parkburn Ryan CD	Sire Ch Parkburn Pacific Pride
		Dam Lathkill Cantata For Torwood
	Dam Ch Blacklace Medieval Jewell	Sire Ch Parkburn Merlin
		Dam Ch Avalon Arthurian Black Lace
Dam Ch Flashback Crazy For Loving You CD CGC (07-05) SR27774107 LVR	Sire Casblaidd Don't Pay the Ferryman SDC' A' SG-WC (UK)	Sire Ch Waverton Toby Ale of Varingo (UK)
		Dam Casblaidd Duty Free SDC
	Dam Ch Claymore's Live, Love, Laugh NAJ NAP NJP OAC OJC OCC O-TN-O TG-N CL2-R CGC FFX- AG Can. AGN	Sire Ch SR SHR U-CDX U-AGI Blazin's Back O' The Moon UD JH AX NAP NJP WCX CGC TT HOF
		Dam Ch SR Lyric's Kay CD SH WCX CGC TDI



Health Matters

Updates

The FCRSA website has updated information about the ongoing research studies pertaining to flat-coated retrievers and cancer. There are currently two major research projects: that of Drs. Breen and Modiano, and that of Drs. Parker and Ostrander. According to the website, Drs. Breen and Modiano “are studying two different aspects of **hemangiosarcoma**, **lymphoma** and **osteosarcoma**. First, they are aiming to identify the genes that predispose Flat-Coated Retrievers to these diseases. The re-

sults could lead to the development of genetic marker tests. Second, they are trying to identify chromosome rearrangements associated with these types of cancer. The results obtained could lead to improvements in diagnosis and treatment.”

The website also outlines the study of Drs. Ostrander and Parker, which “aims to identify the gene that causes malignant histiocytosis, and the related disease, histiocytic sarcoma. This information will allow the development

of a genetic test to identify dogs that carry the mutation for these dreaded diseases.”

Check the website to find the latest information and how you can assist the researchers:

(<http://www.fcrsainc.org/health/cancerstudy.html>)

Recommended by one of our members....

Online FCR Health Manual

The FCRSA also posts an on-line health manual, with sections on numerous health issues that can affect flat-coated retrievers. Although the articles are somewhat dated, much of the basic information is helpful. The second section contains seventeen issues, including the following: ear infec-

tions, hip dysplasia, bloat, patellar luxation, and nonmalignant tumors of the skin.

A hard copy of the manual can be purchased for \$3.00. To view the manual, go to: <http://www.fcrsainc.org/healthmanual/index.html>

Upcoming Events

What? No list of upcoming events?

This editor feels that since you are reading this online, you have access to the Internet, and therefore can search for the events yourself. In fact, many of you have told me you already do this.

For some of you, this may be a new experience. Follow these basic steps to open the world of AKC events:

1. Go to the AKC website: <http://www.akc.org/>
2. Select "Events" from the horizontal menu

bar by clicking on it.

3. Select "Events and Award Search" by clicking on it.
4. At this point, you can select exactly the kind of search you want. There are two ways to go about this:
 - A. Select either tracking, conformation, or obedience/agility/rally.

From there, click on the states you're interested in, click on "more search options" to limit the date range, and then click on "Search" at the bottom.

B. Click on "Event Search".

From there, specify the date range and the type of event, click on the states you're interested in, and then click "Search" at the bottom.

From the results page, you can get club information and maps to the show sites. You can also add show information to your customized events list. For example, if you add all shows in which you are interested, the AKC website will generate email reminders. These are sent to you before the closing date for the shows.



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WB Coastalight Rip Times Two. Breeder: Judy Teskey & Wendy MacDonald. Owner: Catherine M & Timothy Lynch

RWB Shasta Blackberry. Breeder: Joyce Brackney. Owner: Joyce Brackney
Best In Veteran Sweeps

CH Bristol Candle Lights The Way CDX RE. Bred by Pamela Green & Nanci Hanover. Owner: Christina Karnes.

Best Opposite in Veteran Sweeps

GCH Blacklace Magic Mocha Sapphire. Breeder: Kathy Kondrat.
Owner: Ken and Cathy Johnson

Best In Puppy Sweeps CH Shasta Abracadabra. Bred: Joyce Brackney. Owner: Joyce Brackney

Best Opposite in Puppy Sweeps Coastalight Itza Pepper 2. Breeder: Judy Tesky & Wendy MacDonald. Owner: Boyd Ulsh