



Northwest Flat-Coated Retriever Club

FLAT -COAT TIMES

AUTUMN 2013

Important Dates:

- March 12: Entry Deadline for Chintimini Kennel Club Supported Entry. [http://www. On-ofrio.com](http://www.On-ofrio.com)
- March 29/30: Supported Entry at Chintimini Kennel Club in Albany, Oregon. Contact: Jeanne Allen, whatzthat-fcr@earthlink.net, for dinner info contact Jo Chinn, jchinn@olypen.com
- Specialty Dates: see newsletter pages 10 and 13.

Countdown to the Specialty!!!

The 2014 FCRSA Specialty is only 94 days away! Are you ready? Our committees are working hard to complete all the preparations. In this edition, you'll find messages from many of the chairpersons, looking for help at the specialty. You'll also find updated information about the events, and important deadlines.



Never been to a national specialty? Don't miss this one, as it is so close to home! For newcomers, the Albany venue is especially easy to negotiate. All ring competition is under one roof, and the hotels are next door. Sign up for the dinners, and make new friends over wonderfully scrumptious food. Volunteer to help at one of the events, and learn something new! The specialty is a wonderful place to learn just how talented our dogs are, and get yourself started in a new activity.

Spotlight on Agility

Four-legged flatcoated athletes and their two-legged perspiring handlers jump, climb, and wiggle on Monday, June 2. Correction: the dogs jump, climb, and wiggle; the handlers just perspire.

There are two basic courses: a "Standard" course which includes jumps, tunnels, weave poles, A-Frame, dogwalk, pause table, chute, and a tire-jump, and a "Jumpers With Weaves" course which includes jumps, weaves, and perhaps a tunnel. The Novice courses are for beginners. Dogs who have earned their novice title run in Open, and more advanced dogs run in Excellent. While all flat-coats are entertaining and fun to watch, the prestigious MACH dogs are outstanding. We'll also be running a "Time to Beat" course, which is a "hybrid" course. Each dog has the chance to set the "Time to Beat" for his jump height.

Agility trials require lots of volunteers, and chairperson Lynda Spangler needs plenty! If you're at the specialty on Monday, please stop by the arena and offer to help!



I'll be there; will you?

*I hope you are coming,
because I want to meet
EVERYBODY!*

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President's Message



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

"Hope to see many of you at the supported show and of course the specialty."

Hello all!

I hope you all had wonderful holidays and were able to spend time with family and friends.

This will be my last president's message. I have enjoyed the last 6 years and have tried my best to have the club do as many things as we could. I hoping that someone who is reading this will step up and run for president. It's time for some new ideas from one of our other members. If you're interested, please let Sheila Bradshaw know so she can have your name added to the ballot.

Plans are well under way for the specialty. There will be quite a bit of info in this issue regarding the specialty. Co-chairs Joyce Brackney and Heather Dawson will be more the happy to answer any questions you may have.

We will be hosting the agility trial again in July. Joyce will be looking for help, so if you can please let her know.

Our first supported entry is coming up shortly. It will be Sat., March 29th at the Chintimini KC in Albany, Oregon. Judge for sweeps is Kathy Gaut and regular classes is David Kittredge. Trophies are offered for all classes. Also, there will be the annual meeting and dinner that evening on the show grounds. More info is included in the newsletter. Hope we have a nice turn out and wish everyone good luck. Thank you to all that work on this supported entry.

Thanks to all the officers and board members for another 2 years of working with you, especially to Sheila Bradshaw and Lura Dunn. These two will no longer be serving the club as Secretary or as a board member, but we appreciate all their years of serving the club.

I'm looking forward to working with the new president and my wish is for the club to continue to offer our members many fun activities that we all will enjoy.

If you haven't done it already, please remember to send in your dues to Linda Monroe.

Hope to see many of you at the supported show and of course the specialty.

Jeanne

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED
NWFCRC SUPPORTED ENTRY,
BANQUET,
AND ANNUAL MEMBERS' MEETING
SATURDAY, MARCH 29
LINN COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS, ALBANY OREGON

Held in conjunction with the Chintimini Kennel Club all-breed show, with rally, and obedience trials. For entry information, go to <http://www.onofrio.com>. Also, Columbia River Agility Club holds a two day agility trial. Our supported entry will feature puppy and veteran sweeps, working and field dogs, and regular classes. Note: veterans entered in sweepstakes classes may be neutered or spayed.

BANQUET AND MEETING
ROOM 3, WILLAMETTE CONFERENCE CENTER
6:00 SOCIAL HOUR.
6:30 DINNER.
\$12 FOR MEMBERS, \$25 FOR NON-MEMBERS
FOLLOWED BY MEETING AND ELECTIONS

NOTE: Important Change.
You must send in your reservation and pay before the banquet!!!
See next page.

**NWFCRC BANQUET RESERVATION
RESPOND BY MARCH 22, 2014**

NOTE: Important Change.

You must send in your reservation and pay before the banquet!!!

We have to give the caterer a head-count on Tuesday before the event. We will need your payment in order to include you!!! Last year people promised to come, and didn't show up.



Member dinner price is \$12.

Non-member dinner price is \$25.00 New members may join at the dinner and receive the "member" dinner price. Menu includes: BBQ Beef Brisket, Chicken Cordon Bleu, Five Cheese Lasagna, Au-Gratin Potatoes, Green Beans with Almonds, Pasta Salad with Arthiocokes, Tossed Green Salad, Fruit Salad, Marionberry Crisp, Coffee, Tea, Strawberry Lemonade, Beer and Wine available.

NAME _____ @ \$12

NAME _____ @ \$12

NAME _____ @ \$12

NAME _____ @ \$12

NAME _____ @ \$25

TOTAL AMOUNT _____

Please make checks payable to NWFCRC.

Please send to:

Jo Chinn

331 Livengood Lane

Sequim, WA 98382

Our Dogs



John and Mary Aykens' boy Mario, CH WaunaRun's Mario Andretti CGC, took breed and made the cut in the sporting group at the Sammamish Dog Show in Puyallup on January 13, 2014. Huge thanks go to Dinah Baggenstos who handled him in the group ring and to Luke Baggenstos for handling him in the breed ring. Poor Rick missed out that day as he was out with an injury. Mario also completed his CGC recently. He hopes to test for therapy dog soon.



From Mary Aykens:

Our girl Maggie completed her Junior Hunter title at Prado – Inland Valley Retriever Club on Saturday, February 15, 2014. Huge thanks go to her trainer and handler, Tracy Tennison. You two are such a great team! Maggie and Tracy hope to finish her MACH next Thursday when she competes in agility. Our fingers are crossed as she has 21 double Q's and 746 points. Here's hoping she can have a clean run and collect those last 4 points. Go Maggie!

Maggie is now: WaunaRun's Prime Minister JH RN MX MXB MXJ MJB

Maggie Minetti's Valleycrest Feudin' Fussin' and a Fightin' MX MXJ "Jasper" ran agility in Lynden, Washington. He qualified in 5 out of 9 runs. He earned one more leg in Novice Fast (needs one more for the title), and got four more points toward his Time 2 Beat. He now has 358 Mach points!

Our Dogs

CH Rainshadow's Summer Breeze RN "Bree" earned her Rally Novice title at the Puyallup shows, and her breed championship at the Portland shows! She is owned by Chris and Claire Cornell, and handled in Rally/Obedience by Chris. She was handled in the breed ring by Rick Baggenstos, Dinah Baggenstos, and Jennifer Holmberg Baggenstos.



"Bree" with handler Jennifer Holmberg Baggenstos

 GCH Blackstone Someone's in the Kitchen with Dinah CDX TD RE NA NAJ "Dinah" completed her CDX in obedience at the Albany show on Feb. 23. She is owned by Jo and Steve Chinn and handled by Jo.

Linda Monroe's Tamturi Destiny Reigns "Reign" got her CGC title at only 10 1/2 months of age. What a clever puppy!

 Heather Dawson's Tamturi Dancing Northern Lights "Kaitlin" took Reserve Winners' Bitch three days in a row at the Albany Shows.

Our Dogs



Rob and Rhonda Porter are thrilled to have a flattie back in their home. Victory's Knotty Kahuna, aka Hitch, is a pup from the K litter of Victory Retrievers. He's the largest pup of the litter and is already retrieving bumpers and is quickly learning new tricks. Watch for him to the Specialty in Oregon this June!



Elizabeth Gentry tells us of Elgie's latest training:

We have three permanent deer residents and four semi-permanent ones on our property. Of the permanent ones, the yearly and the fawn were both born on the property. We saw them right after the doe had them, when she moved them from the birthing spot. They don't run when they see us or our vehicles. But they do run when anyone else arrives.

Elgie Gentry and Quest were out training on a back pile, and deer walked up. She stayed for the whole training session, and watched both the AM and PM sessions. Quest does not chase the deer. They will look into the dining room window and he looks back at them. Elgie and Quest have some unusual training buddies.

Check out the bent front left leg on the one picture. Is Bambi a pointer or retriever?

Save the Date!!! Summer Fun!

Richard Harper writes to inform us of summer fun:

Wow! We have been getting together for 9 years! So here goes - Joe & Carolyn asked me to email their flyer (attached) for the 8/02/2014 Flatcoat Daze!! As most of you already know this is a very informal group of folks who own, breed, or are interested in owning a flattie. This informal get together is always the 1st Saturday in August. Joe and Carolyn have once again been gracious and are providing their property for this event. This amazing property is 160 acres with 3 creeks, 2 ponds, and a number of wonderful meadows. Last year we had 33 flatties in attendance.

Past get togethers have been great fun and, in my mind, a real opportunity to enjoy other folks who are also owned by Flatties! FEEL FREE TO INVITE OTHER FLATCOAT OWNERS YOU KNOW OR SOMEONE LOOKING TO OWN ONE.

Over-nite RV, trailer, or tent parking is available.

Directions and invitation are attached. Joe and Carolyn are "excited to host the event again!"

Can't wait to see the flatties and all of you!

Rick
rhharper2@gmail.com
206.229.9112

From the South:

Take I-5 North to the Arlington/Darrington Exit (Hwy 530). Follow Hwy 530 through Arlington to Darrington (Approximately 30 miles). At the stop sign in Darrington make a left, following Hwy 530 toward Rockport. Just before Milepost 62, turn left onto Concrete-Sauk Valley Road. You will quickly cross the Sauk River and veer right. Follow the Concrete-Sauk Valley road about 6 miles. At approximately MP 12.1 there are two blue address markers on the left hand side (52368, 52372). Turn left and proceed 1 mile up the gravel road to the houses.

From the North:

Take I-5 south to the Cook Road exit just north of Mt. Vernon. Follow Cook Road into Sedro Woolley and turn left on Hwy. 20. Follow Hwy 20 about 25 miles to Concrete. Just before Concrete you will go through the town of Grassmere where there is an Albert's Red Apple in a strip mall on the right. Continue about another 1/2 mile and turn right onto Concrete-Sauk Valley Road. (You will turn before actually reaching Concrete proper). There is a Valley's West Realty building at the turn. Proceed on Concrete-Sauk Valley until milepost 12.1 where there are two blue address markers on the right (52368, 52372). Turn right and proceed 1 mile up the gravel road to the houses.

Summer Daze



Carolyn and Joe Bersch and their Flatcoats Suzy, and Scout Invite You to the 9th Annual Flat Coated Retriever Daze

at

RUDDER'S RIVER RANCH

52368/52372 Concrete Sauk Valley Road

Concrete, WA 98237

Saturday, August 2, 2014

10:00 – 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

rhharp@gmail.com

OVERNIGHT PARKING/CAMPING IS AVAILABLE ALL WEEKEND

NOTE: You may want to bring a camp chair

Specialty News

Schedule for 2014 Oregon Specialty

Saturday, May 31

Hunt Tests at Scio 14 miles from show site

Master Judges: Bryant Meyer and Glen Marttila

Senior Judges: Mary Beth Lamb and Mary Jo Marttila

Junior Judges: Cindy Meyer and Nicki Illias

Sunday, June 1

WC/WCX Test at Scio 14 mile from show site

WC Judges: Cindy Meyer and Mary Jo Marttila

WCX Judges: Mary Beth Lamb and Nicki Illias

Fetch Fever Newcomer Singles Stake: Judges: Boyd Ulsh and Michael Rigby

Fetch Fever Puppy Singles Stake: Judges: Pat Boydston and Joe Skorupa

Tracking TD, TDX about 40 miles south of show site

Judges: Curt Curtis and Jill Jones

6 pm Field Banquet

Monday, June 2

8 am Agility (FCR only) agility in indoor horse arena: Judge Paula Ratoza

11 am Rally (one ring): Judge Theresa Temple

1 pm Canine Good Citizen Test & TDI: Judge Chris Cornell

4 pm Ring of Honor

Start 4 pm Welcome Party

5 pm Veteran Sweeps: Judge Shelly Spencer-Marx

(People can enter the conformation building in the morning and set up for grooming)

Tuesday, June 3

8:30 am Puppy Sweeps (4-18 month): Judge Shelly Spencer-Marx

Gun Dog Sweeps Dogs: Judge Sid Marx

8:30 am Obedience (two rings): Judges Theresa Temple and Chris Cornell

2-5 pm Education Seminar-Pat Hastings "Flat-Coat Structure"

6 pm Social, 6:30 NW Dinner

Wednesday, June 4

8:30 am Dog Classes: Judge Kurt Anderson

Gun Dog Sweeps Bitches: Judge Sid Marx

Junior Handling: Judge Shelly Spenser-Marx, followed by Junior Handler Workshop by Jennifer Holmberg

Baggenstos and Darcie Cantor

11 am CERF/OFA Eye Clinic Dr. Sarah Maxwell

6 pm Pizza Party for Junior Handlers

FCRSA Board meeting after classes conclude

Dinner on own

7:30 pm Wine and Cheese Tasting & Silent Auction

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Specialty News , continued

Thursday, June 5

8:30 am Beginner Puppy (4-6 months): Judge Kurt Anderson
Bitch Classes: Judge Kurt Anderson
 2-5 pm Judges Education in afternoon
 6 pm Social, 6:30pm Dinner and Annual meeting

Friday June 6

9 am Best of Breed: Judge Kurt Anderson
Stud dog/ Brood Bitch and Brace: Judge Kurt Anderson
 6 pm Social, 6:30 Awards Banquet

Volunteers Needed!

Look at all these opportunities to help at the Specialty!

Hi all,

As the Obedience/Rally chair I am asking members to please think about helping to ring steward at the Speciality in June. We will need at least 8-10 people to help with all three events. If you've ring stewarded before or even if you haven't , please let me know if this is something you might be interested in. I will only need you for anywhere from a 1/2 hour to an hour of your time. Rally is on Mon starting at 11:00 AM, CGC/TDI on Mon & will start at 1:00 PM. Obedience on Tues at 8:30AM. Please e mail me at whazthat-fcr@earthlink.net or call me at 503-925 1838 or 971-242 9262

and I will work with you where you'll be the most helpful. Even if your planning on showing , I can work around your ring times. Look forward to hearing from you.

Thanks Jeanne

Feeling hospitable? Volunteers are needed to work the Hospitality Desk at the Specialty. Simple duties...no heavy lifting! We especially need volunteers Monday and Tuesday, when people are checking-in. If you can help, contact Lura Dunn at turalura@comcast.net

Pam Morris is serving as volunteer coordinator for all specialty events. Contact her at: pmorris117@aol.com to offer your services.

Pictures Needed!

Pat Hastings, well-known conformation judge, is presenting a "Flat-Coat Structure" seminar on Wednesday afternoon. She needs pictures of flatcoats to use in the seminar. You can email pics to her at: dog-folk@teleport.com

Specialty News, continued

From Jennifer Stanley, Silent Auction Chair:

The specialty is almost here! For your bidding pleasure, the silent auction will be held Wednesday evening June 4th along with wine and cheese tasting. The proceeds from the auction will benefit the FCRSA Foundation and are tax deductible. One very special item that will be auctioned is a Specialty Quilt handmade by Elaine Broughton. Thank you Elaine!

We are in need of items to be donated to the auction! The items need not be FCR or dog related. Please consider donating! Contact Jennifer Stanley fowlplayfcr@gmail.com



The Specialty On-line

Website: <http://flatcoat2014.us/>

Facebook: 2014 FCRSA National Specialty

Specialty News, continued

Specialty Planning Meeting

Our next meeting will be on FRIDAY March 28 at 6 pm at the Lum Yuen restaurant which is right next to the Econo Lodge in Albany in their banquet room. We have details to discuss, and all chairs should be prepared to update everybody. Please contact Joyce or Heather if you have concerns.

Specialty Deadlines:

Closing Dates

April 1

Host Hotel Reservations for group rate
Catalog Ads

May 1

Merchandise
Trophy Sponsorships to be in the catalog

May 7th

Conformation
Obedience
Rally
Tracking
Agility

May 10

Hospitality

May 12

Field

Spotlight on Junior Handlers

The future of breed champions is just at the other end of the leash! Our junior handlers take the ring on Wednesday afternoon at the Specialty, vying for “Best Junior” honors. Juniors compete by age group, with the winners advancing to the final competition. Local handlers Jennifer Holmberg Baggenstos and Darcie Cantor will offer a handling workshop. Both Darcie and Jennifer have showed many flatcoats and will provide professional tips to the juniors. Following the judging and workshop, juniors will enjoy a pizza party. For more information about junior handling, go to http://classic.akc.org/kids_juniors/jr_getting_started.cfm. The Junior Handler event is organized by Dinah Baggenstos. If you’d like to help or need more information, contact her at: wyncliffkennel@gorge.net

Registration Packets

The registration packet that was sent to all FCRSA members will be sent to you via a separate emailing. It includes hospitality sign-ups, RV parking sign-ups, merchandise order forms, etc. Visit entryexpress.com to enter field events, and Onofrio’s website for other entries. If you need a hardcopy, Joyce Brackney will have them at the Supported Entry in Albany at the March.

FCRSA Cancer Studies Support Team

You CAN Make a Difference!

If you have a dog with cancer

Please consider participating in our cancer studies

Contact the Cancer Studies Support Team at:

FCR-Cancer-Support@yahoogroups.com

Or contact any Team member directly:

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Editor's Note: Due to the overwhelming information about the Specialty, some of our regular features (Health Matters, Meet our Members) were omitted from this edition. I apologize for the lack of "meaty" articles and plan to include them in future editions. Right now, all energy and attention must be focused on the enormous task of putting on the Specialty.



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