### Northwest Flat-Coated Retriever Club

# **Flat-Coat Times**

**Winter 2018** 



**Naughty or Nice?** 

Linda Givler's Trapper is all dressed up and waiting for Santa.

Note to Santa: IF you're looking for Trapper, his real name is "Brdztheword Welcome to Shangri La" and he lives in the Seattle area. His stocking is ready for you!



### President's Message

The Dog Days of Summer have passed, the leaves on the trees have fallen and we are now watching for snow. I hope that everyone had a wonderful summer and fall and that your seasons included many fun dog related activities for your four legged family members!

The 2019 FCRSA Specialty was a success thanks to the many NWFCRC members who took chair positions or served on committees. We had members from the Great Western Flat-coated Retriever Club and others from across the country help also. There were many compliments given out to committee members from participants. Our members came away with many ribbons in field, agility, rally, obedience, trick dog, dock diving and conformation. It took about three years to plan the event and many of us are now wondering what to do with all the free time we now have that had been filled with phone calls, emails and meetings!

Some of us took a brief rest from the Specialty before heading to Montana for a field training and WC/WCX test. Club member Xan Latta was able to use local fields for training so we had different training locations every day. She worked with all levels of dogs and their handlers to make sure everyone had a top notch experience. Marina Wells took some time off from working her own dogs and helped to teach some drills and provide some tips for handlers at the line. Xan hired some amazing bird boys who stayed out in the sun all day tossing ducks and moving equipment. If you are at all interested in field events, I would highly recommend this training! So much is to be learned from Xan and from other handlers who may have some tips that they have learned from their experiences. Stay tuned for the dates of next year's field training!

The NWFCRC had three supported entries this summer! We supported the Canby show right after the Specialty, the Hurricane Ridge show in July and the Rainier Sporting Dog show in August. The results from these shows are listed in the newsletter. Thanks to the Chinns for hosting a potluck barbeque at their house during the Hurricane Ridge show! They worked at the show all day and then came home to barbeque and party!

I encourage our members who don't actively participate in dog sporting events or conformation to let us know what type of events you would be interested in attending and how far you might travel for those events. The Board will be planning events for next year and would like to reach all our members with events that appeal to everyone! We are looking at creating regional committees to plan events in their areas of the NW. We realize that not everyone can travel to dog events and would like to bring events closer to all our members.

A Happy Holiday to all our NWFCRC Members and friends!

Lura Dunn

**NWFCRC President** 



### Dive Right In!

Dock Diving Fun Day Submitted by Salomeja Garolis

Seventeen Northwest Flat coats jumped, leapt and dove into fun at Paws Aquatic in Hillsboro, Oregon. Yes, us humans were merely the convenient means to get them to the pool and throw toys. Given the opportunity my flattie would like to drive herself to the center.

Puppies to experienced dock divers swam and entertained each other. In typical style they were jumping in off the side, stealing toys, and generously shaking off water on their owners (that was why a change of clothes was suggested as an item to bring). A big thanks to Paws aquatic staff, who managed the pool time and encouraged the first timers to jump into the fun.

Gary Simpson's home hosted a BBQ and it was a chance to make new acquaintances and visit with friends. For future reference note that Gary can be the new "dog whisperer". His homemade liver bars had 7 or 8 flat-coats sitting at attention around him to get the tasty treat.

Thank you to the NW club for sponsoring the event and Gary Simpson plus Penny and Blaze for organizing the day.

How many flat-coats fit in Gary's kitchen? And they are all sitting. Could liver treats be involved?



### Our Dogs: Wags and Brags

Mary Kirkness and Roxie earned High in Trial honors at the Bulldog Club Obedience Trial in Bow, Washingtonn on Dec. 8. Roxie is SHR Victory's My Name In Lights BN,RN,CD,JH,WCX. (Pic to the right)

Another High in Trial! Lisa Anderson sends the fabulous news that Revan took HIT and first place in Open B on 11/2 at the ICCKC trial in Idaho . This win gave Revan his first OTCH points! He also qualified in Utility B and picked up a second UDX leg. He is CH Wingover's Potentium Philosophy UD SH WCX CGCA.

Susan Shingleton tells us that Henry earned his Scentwork Novice title and his Scentwork Handler Discrimination Novice title in Chehalis in October. He loves doing scentwork! Henry is CH Wyncliff's Lock Up Your Daughters RN JH WC BCAT SWN SHDN DEX DMA AMX CGC TKN. (Pic to the right)









Barbara Fowler shares these two goofy holiday pics of Mole and Hiya, and shares news that Hiya has qualified for the FCRSA Hall of Fame! She is CH Shasta Meet and Greet CD BN RAE TD JH MX MXJ XF T2B BCAT TKA WCX. Barbara says she is also halfway to her MACH!

### Wags and Brags

Lynda Spangler and her dogs do search and rescue work for their county sheriff. The training and skills are intensive, time-consuming, and require huge dedication from the handler. But wait! There's more! Take a look at their success in conformation and obedience!

Lynda sends this information: "Heronbeck Hatilda earned her CH at the Santa Clara KC in Vallejo, California. We are so thrilled because only did she finish in BBE she went on to go Best op the next day and earned a 5 pt major toward her GCH! Good Girlie Hattie.

"Not to be outdone her dad, CH Blk Diamond Mr. Knightly at Heronbeck, earned his Novice Agility Title and even more exciting his "Intermediate Wilderness Air Scent certification" for Search and Rescue. He is now mission ready for calls throughout Southern Oregon and Northern California. We are very proud of our sweet boy."





Lynda and Knightly celebrate their "60 Acre Certification." This test, called the Canine SARTech III, challenges the team to locate a single victim during daylight hours in a 40-60 acre area. It's a grueling test. Congratulations to Lynda and Knightly!



### Wags and Brags

Salomeja sends an update on her culprit, Gracie, "Headliner Double Save". Gracie completed her championship at the Rainer Sporting Dog show. She also won the puppy sweeps. Many thanks to the Baggenstos team for showing her from start to finish.

However, she is most impressive in clearing a counter, putting contraband items into her kennel, and still look completely innocent of anything amiss.

#### News from Susan Kravit-Smith and Swiftwater:

At the Enumclaw Show on Sunday August 18th Rollie, "Swiftwater Tom Foolery", took Select Dog and BOH. I am very proud of both him and his owner handler, Jude Fritts for this great win in challenging competition. Congratulations also to Ronin who took BOB.



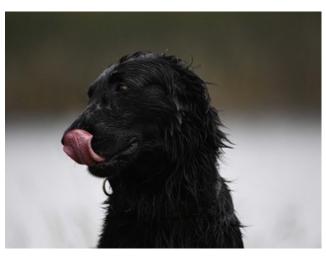
Susan reports that Juno earned five agility titles this year, after whelping ten puppies! She says, "Swiftwater got back to training after Juno's litter of 10 pups went home at the end of March. Juno, Swiftwater My Foolish Heart, and I started agility trialing last year at the Novice Preferred level. This year we started back at the regular Novice level and she earned her NA, NAJ, NF and then went on to earn her OA and 2 legs each towards her OAJ and OF. At the specialty she also earned her Dock Senior Advanced title. So Juno is now CH/CanCH Swiftwater My Foolish Heart OA NA NAJ NAP NJP NF BCAT DSA DJ CGC TKN."



Juno's puppy Swiftwater Brilliant Disguise "Salem" is already earning points! He is shown by his owner Zach Erz.

# Montana: Dog Heaven









The northwest dogs remain convinced that dog heaven exists just east of Idaho in Ronan, Montana. When they go to Montana, they find birds! Birds every day! Birds they retrieve! Birds they swim to retrieve! The northwest club owes a special thanks to Xan Latta, who planned and implemented the awesome training sessions, and to Marina Korzh who worked tirelessly to ensure quality time for every dog. Northwest members were joined by folks from all over the US, including FCRSA president Kerry Forni, past secretary Chris Van Byssum, and flat-coat guru Cheryl Kistner. Veronica Ward made the trip from Utah again, as did Barbara Fowler from California.

Thanks to Marcella Winslow for taking and sharing the photos.



### Welcome to Our New Members

We welcome the newest additions to our club, and look forward to watching them in the conformation ring, the field, dock diving, scent work, obedience, rally, agility, trick dog, and tracking.



Blaze Simpson, with his half-sister Emma, already knows how to hunt!



Glory Beevers, who at nine months seems to have grown antlers! "Solstice Finding the Glory"



Bueller Kerschner-Dunn has already outgrown this world. "Wyncliff's Taking the Day Off"



Reign Boydston holds her pose for the camera. "Brighton's Purple Reign"



Swiftwater Rennie and his uncle Bowen.

Lola Kirkness-Rotter enjoys a good joke. Victory's Ready for the Spotlight.



### Flat-Coat Daze

From Richard Harper: It was great to see old friends (and dogs - 31 Flatties to be exact) and see many new faces(and new dogs) too. It was another great gathering of dogs and owners this year at our 14th Annual Flat Coated Retriever Daze. Bbq'd salmon, chicken, & brats. Hope to see everyone again on the first Saturday in August, 2020. -8/1/2020 Mark it down now.

Thanks to Karen Giese for the pictures!





## **Board Meeting Minutes**

NWFCRC Conference Call: 11/18/19 7:00 PM

Participants: Lura Dunn, David Kerschner, Adora Lanphere, Lizzy Ramhorst, Lynda Spangler

**Known Absence:** Jo Chinn, Mary Akyens **Absent:** Linda Monroe, Susan Kravit-Smith

Elections: If Lynda is up for election this year, she is will stay a little longer. Adora and Lizzy agree to stay on as officers. We will have the elections and let people vote via Survey Monkey

Dues for 2020: We still have a Paypal account and can use the JotForm process we used last year.

Discussion of events for 2020:

- Salomeja Garolis had an idea for a one day obedience seminar. Adele Yunck \$2300 estimate for a one-day obedience seminar. Other ideas were to have Chris Cornell do a one day seminar. Will continue to pursue ideas on this subject.
- No supported entry or annual dinner in Albany at the Chintimini show this year. Everyone is either busy that weekend or headed to the Specialty!
- Agility trial the last weekend in July 2020 in Southern Oregon (Central Point).
- Supported entry in Sequim (and social at the Chinns) the same weekend as the Central Point but will not be a problem because of their distance apart.
- Xan interested in doing another Montana field event. Details still need to be worked out. Likely to be the week before or after July 4<sup>th</sup>. (Puyallup show is over July 4<sup>th</sup> weekend this year)
- WC/WCX test will be held in the Monroe, WA area on September 12<sup>th</sup> in cooperation with the Evergreen Golden Retriever Club
- As discussed at the last Board meeting, we will have a supported entry at the Boise show in October. Kevin Mallov is interested in helping.
- Lura to track down Gary and Salomeja about hosting dock diving again at the same indoor facility. *Gary said* yes to an unspecified date in September

Lura said that there are a few folks looking for dogs so if you hear of anyone let her know.

Jo is working on the newsletter.

**Next call:** Monday January 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM

Ended at: 7:32 PM

Please contact David Kerschner with any additions or corrections. dkerschner@comcast.net



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