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From the Acting President

Karen Kennedy

The warm weather is here and I for one can't wait for the cooler weather.

Our Spring events have been VERY successful and well attended.

Congrats to all who Chaired the events and those Club members that contributed their time. It is appreciated.

The Spring Match at Winnekinni Castle again was a Fun day. **Marianne Rousseau and Barb Burri** did a GREAT job in organizing this annual event..... and again, the weather cooperated. Marianne's husband, David, provided a tasty meal and clean up with quick with all the help.

Jan Johnson and her Agility TEAM once again had a VERY successful day..... Thank you to all the Club members that worked this 2 day trial. This 1 day event contributes to more than half of our club's income each year.

Robin Magee and Barb Burri and their

committee did an EXCELLENT job with this year's 2 day Back to Back Specialties. Many people contributed to the success of this BIG event....The weather cooperated and our new Club fleece jackets and vest were a HUGE hit... Thanks Pam..... The Lobster/Chicken Dinner entertained over 50 people. Thanks to Scott, Brian and Dick for a tasty meal.

Thanks to Jim Pickunka for a GREAT job in teaching the Beginner's Field Class... This class has been a BIG hit with new club members in helping them get their start in field game.....I personally want to THANK All the Club members..... Karen Kase(this means you) for helping ME get my start in Hunt tests. I don't know what I like more... Field or Obedience... I guess it depends on the time year.

Up Coming Events:
July 22nd LRCGB Working Certificate
Hopkinton, NH Contact Karen Kennedy at Pleasantpine@aol.com

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CLUB NEWS

CONFORMATION

May Match 2007 Results

Best Adult: Mango (pointed class)
Robin Anderson
Best Puppy: Gucci (6 -9 puppy bitches)
Beth Robillard
Best Op Puppy: Georgie (4 – 6 puppy dog)
Marilyn Meewes
High In Match: Jenna (Novice B)
Beth Teixeira

Regular Classes:
Judge: Ingrid Jackson PREMIERE
Labradors

2 – 4 months Dogs:

1st Darabee Sue Willumsen
2nd Bracey Ann Rouillard
3rd Shadow Steven Elberry
4th Oliver Heather Altersio

2 – 4 months Bitches

1st Bebe Marilyn Meewes
2nd Ripple Pam Shaw
3rd Ugly Betty Sue Willumsen
4th Dora Elly Hawkins

4 – 6 months Dogs

1st Georgie Marilyn Meewes
2nd Jack Marilyn Meewes
3rd Dempsey Sharon Celentamo

4 – 6 months Bitches

1st Rini Marilyn Meewes
2nd Alice Claire White-Peterson
3rd Dreamer Wendy McNaughton
4th Surely Claire White-Peterson

6 – 9 months Dogs

1st Woody Sue Willumsen
2nd Rupert Brian Hawkins
3rd Toby Courtney Marshall

6 – 9 months Bitches

1st Gucci Beth Robillard
2nd Gabbi Beth Robillard

9 - 12 months Bitches

1st Phoen Carla Keller
2nd Dolly Bubbles Beth Robillard
3rd Bunny Carole Caouette
4th Jill Marilyn Meewes

12 – 18 months Dogs

1st Carbon Milly Secco

12 – 18 months Bitches

1st Della Sue Willumsen
2nd Gwen Elly Hawkins

Open Black Dogs

1st Porter Karen Pandolfi
2nd Sue Willumsen

Open Yellow Bitches

1st Ella Heidi Riess
2nd Hildi Gerrie Owren

Open Chocolate Dogs

1st Harry Marianne
Rousseau

Hunting Retriever Dogs

1st Morgan Karen Kennedy

Bred-By-Exhibitor Bitches

1st Kat Sue Willumsen
2nd Lola Tortola Robin Anderson

Am Bred Bitches

1st DaisyMae Robin Anderson

Novice Bitches

1st Dazzle Gerrie Owren

Hunting Retriever Bitches

1st Marley Nancy Frietas
2nd Emily Scott Shaw
3rd Ganni Gerrie Owren

Altered Bitches

1st Kestrel Barb Burri

Pointed Bitches

1st Mango Robin Anderson

Veterans 7 – 10yrs Bitches

1st Searsha Gretchen Boss
2nd Annie Pam Shaw

Sweepstakes:

Judge Jen Leitao

2 – 4 months Dogs

1st MacMilliam Sue Willumsen
2nd Bracey Ann Rouillard
3rd Darabee Sue Willumsen
4th Shadow Steven Elberry

2 – 4 months Bitches

1st Ripple Pam Shaw
2nd Dora Elly Hawkins
3rd Bebe Marilyn Meewes
4th Evidence Marianne Rousseau

4 – 6 months Dogs

1st Jack Marilyn Meewes
2nd Jolly Claire White-Peterson
3rd Punch Kathy Cipriani
4th Dempsey Sharon Celantano

4 – 6 months Bitches

1st Rini Marilyn Meewes
2nd Bailey Sharon Celantano
3rd Dreamer Wendy McNaughton
4th Tulip Carole Caouette

6 – 9 month dogs

1st Rupert Brian Hawkins
2nd Toby Courtney Marshall
3rd Woody Sue Willumsen

6 – 9 month bitches

1st Gucci Beth Robillard
2nd Gabbi Beth Robillard
9 – 12 month Dogs
1st Finn Pam Shaw
2nd Schaffer Robin Magee

9 – 12 month Bitches

1st Phoen Carla Keller
2nd Tipsey Carole Caouette
3rd Jill Marilyn Meewes
4th Bunny Carole Caouette

12- 18 months Bitches

1st Gwen Elly Hawkins
2nd Della Sue Willumsen
3rd Amber RyNancy Salvetti

Junior Showmanship Judge: Jen Leitao

Best Junior Handler: Megan Sullivan

Under 10 years

1st Searsha Megan Sullivan
2nd Carbon Jane Lindstrom
10 – 14 Novice
1st Oliver Heather Altersio

Rally Judge: Caron Bronstein

Novice A

1st Emily Pam Shaw
2nd Toby Pam Shaw

Novice B

1st Cola Heidi Riess
2nd Merlin Barb Burri



Obedience Regular Classes
Judge: Penny Schultz

Novice B

1st Jenna Beth Teixeira 189
2nd Ella Heidi Reiss 184

Novice A

1st Kestrel Barb Burri 174

Non Regular Obedience Classes
Judge: Karen Tuccitto

Pre Novice B

1st Hildi Gerrie Owren 194½
2nd Mango Robin Anderson 194
3rd Dazzle Gerrie Owren 182 ½
4th DaisyMae Robin Anderson 162

Pre Novice A

1st Merlin Barb Burri 153 ½

Veteran's

1st Ganni Gerrie Owren 197

Triple Crown Standings before the WC/WCI/WCX test

Participants	Dog's Name	Conf	Pts	Obed	Pts	Sub Total
Robin Anderson	Mango	Snowden Hill Mango Crazy, JH, RA, WC, CGC, CC	200	194		394
Heidi Reiss	Ella		200	184		384
Gerrie Owren	Dazzle	Grampian Bedizened Viking, JH, RN,CGC, WC, CC	200	182 1/2		382 1/2
Barb Burri	Kestrel	Burri's Celestial Kestrel, RA	200	174		374
Robin Anderson	DaisyMae	Snowden Hill Miss DaisyMae, RN, WC, CGC, CC	200	162.5		362.5
Nancy Frietas	Marley	Marley	200	160		360
Karen Kennedy	Morgan	Wilmark's Jus 1 Mor at Pleasant Pine, JH, WC	200	148		348
Gerrie Owren	Hildi	Viking Hil'Die Tanzbarin, JH, WC, CC	150	194.5		344.5
Gerrie Owren	Ganni	Viking Gansett Bay Watch, UDX, SH	100	197		297
Scott Shaw	Emily	Sealcove's Bold N' Lucious, JH, WCI	150	95		245

FIELD

What's better than a warm sunny weekend in the field with our pals? The **LRCGB Spring Hunt Test** was a great take for the 87 dogs, handlers, volunteers and gallery at High Ridge Mass Wildlife Management Area in Gardner, MA.

Master Stake: We had the honor of veterans **Bunny Millikin** and **Paul Young** judge the master stake. The pair set up a classy test that challenged all - with two of the 8 qualifying dogs earning their Master Hunter title. Congratulations!

A special thanks to the capable **Bob Blanchette** for marshaling this stake and to **Jim Pickunka** for his assistance selecting the grounds on Friday. And to **Marion Amidon** who kept the line moving.

Junior Stake: The junior stake, judged by **Phil Thomas** and **Susan Wright** and apprenticed by our own **Scott Shaw**, had 48 entries on the books!

Thanks to diligent Friday planning, quality leadership (**Nancy Wolston**, stake marshal), and an ace team of line & bird stewards (**Jan Lenahan** and **Mark Dickson**) the test started on time. Yes, that's on time... and completed by 5pm. More than half of the junior dogs qualified but all were happy with the quality of the test and their dog's performance.

Recognition: I'd like to recognize the following organizers and committee members for their support of this fun event: **Joey Meade** — not only for taking the reigns as co-Chief marshal, but also for chairing the club's Field Committee. **Jean Piccosi** who did an awesome job as test secretary. **Marsha Wilcox**, co-Chief marshal and smart cookie who found a way to save the club money. **Gerrie Owren**, double-timing it at feeding us all - for breakfast, lunch and tailgate both days - and taking charge of schlepping equipment on Fri and Sat. **Eric Madsen**, who consistently organizes a team of sharp-shooting gunners. And **Rainer Fuchs** for his membership on the committee and unrelenting support in the field. Thank you all.

And to the many unnamed volunteers who worked in the fields, made sandwiches, and ran the line, **Thank You!**

See you in the fields,

Nancie Freitas, Hunt Test Chair LRCGB

(Thank you Karen Kase. For everything.)

Visit Jeremy Kezer's website for more pictures of this fun day

www.jeremykezerphotography.com

Master - **Saturday - 35 Entries** Judges: **Paul Young & Elizabeth Millikin**

#	Dog Name	Owner	Handler	Results
3	<u>Porjay's Vida Blue Streak</u>	Mark Isenberg	Mark Isenberg	Pass
5	<u>Teufelhund Uncommon Valor, MH, OA, NAJ</u>	Michael Moss	Michael Moss	Pass
14	<u>HRCH Yahweh Blessed Caleb MH</u>	Stephen Rocco Aliberti		Pass
16	<u>Teufelhund Upsy Daisy, MH, OA, NAJ</u>	Michael Moss	Michael Moss	Pass
23	<u>Swift River's Speed Trap</u>	Buck Shope	Buck Shope	Pass
28	<u>Pike's Peak of Castle Bay</u>	Joe Waters	Dave Sears	Pass
30	<u>Riverbenz Way To Go Tristan CD, SH</u>	Joey Mead Edsall		Pass
33	<u>Pondview Rowdy Reed SH</u>	Jim Pickunka	Jim Pickunka	Pass
35	<u>Wayside's Babe on Fire CD,CDX,SH</u>	Barbara Lindsay	Barbara Lindsay	Pass

Junior - **Saturday - 47 Entries** Judges: **Susan Wright & Phil Thomas**

#	Dog Name	Owner	Handler	Results
2	<u>Gunning Isle's no more Reigny Days</u>	Antonio M Larginho/Roy Medeiros		Pass
4	<u>Ambertrail's Northern Lights WC</u>	Diane & Steven Brunelle		Pass
5	<u>Lobuff Major Yeager at Asquam WC</u>	Nancy Laser-Wolston		Pass
8	<u>Crown Jewel of Diamond Brook</u>	Brian Van Wormer		Pass
9	<u>Hyspire Impressively Charming</u>	Julie Jussaume	Michael Franklin	Pass
11	<u>Amandas Darkstar Ozzy</u>	Paul Charos	Paul Charos/Buck Shope	Pass
20	<u>Remus N Radars Berkshire Blast</u>	David meharg	David Meharg/Buck Shope	Pass

21 <u>Mirabelles SBJ Diesel WC</u>	Milly Secco	Milly Secco	Pass
22 <u>highmeadows celebration</u>	Anne-marie Galvin		Pass
23 <u>Viking Patriot Dream</u>	Scott Baum	Gerrie Owren	Pass
25 <u>Bailey Quinn II, CD</u>	Jennifer Quinn		Pass
27 <u>Wayside's Johnny Rebel</u>	Barbara Lindsay		Pass
29 <u>Sweetness of Sassafras</u>	Ed Copperthite	Buck Shope/Ed Copperthite	Pass
33 <u>Meg Chocorua's Guzzle CD JH</u>	Susan Hemingway	Pass	
39 <u>Sungold Stonewall Jackson</u>	Tim Wright	Buck Shope/Timothy Wright	Pass
40 <u>Belle Starr of Partridgehill</u>	Ron Amidon		Pass
41 <u>Lakeview Mountain Scout</u>	Rod Netz		Pass
43 <u>Mirimichi Marsh Perfect Storm JH</u>	John M Haberek		Pass
44 <u>Indian Creek Ranger</u>	Charles H. Miller		Pass
45 <u>Snowden Hill Miss DaisyMae</u>	Robin Anderson/Gerrie Owren Robin Anderson		Pass
46 <u>Beau Geste Knicknack Veritek</u>	Jonathan Rausch		Pass

Just thought I'd share a heartwarming story with you about our black Lab, Molly (aka *NAIAD Frisco's Fetching Molly*). While out for a walk recently with her master and trainer (Ray), her excellent training, hunting skills and pedigree line won her the love of strangers recently. When my husband Ray returned from this walk and shared their story with me, I sat down and wrote what happened...

Man's best friend saves puppy's life

It was a bluebird winter afternoon, about 65 degrees, and instead of going to hit golf balls, **Ray Francisco** stopped after work to pick up his best friend and hunting partner, Molly, a 5-year-old black Labrador retriever, to get some fresh air, take advantage of the weather and get some exercise. They drove to their old stomping grounds where they hunt in the fall and went for a walk. Along the way they bumped into an elderly couple who were also out for a walk with their new terrier puppy. They exchanged greetings and went on their way, as Molly didn't want to waste time investigating her favorite surroundings.

On their way back to the car, Ray saw the elderly couple visibly upset and frantically trying to coax their puppy back to shore after it innocently wandered out onto thin ice and some open water. Just as he approached them, the puppy fell through the ice into the frigid water and hopelessly began to drown not knowing how to swim yet.

That's when Ray and Molly jumped into action. He gave her a verbal command to go out onto the ice in the direction of the puppy. Molly, a true lab who loves the water, willingly accepted the challenge and raced out onto the ice. As she approached the edge of the open water about 25 yards out and looked down into the water, she looked back as if to say, "Now what? This isn't a duck." Ray gave her another command to fetch it. Without hesitation, Molly dove underwater and retrieved the puppy by the nape of its neck. Now, she had to maneuver her way back up onto the ice to get safely back to shore. Molly was having trouble getting out of the water with the puppy in her mouth. She instinctively set the puppy down on the ice first. The traumatized puppy was disoriented and shivering. After two more attempts to pull herself up on the



NAIAD Frisco's Fetching Molly, the 5-year-old Labrador retriever of Ray and Kathy Francisco is not just your average pet. She is also known for her recent heroics to save the life of a drowning puppy.

ice, Ray was about to head in after Molly but the third time was the charm. After shaking herself off, she immediately picked up the puppy again and headed in right back to Ray's side. Ray gave her another command to drop the puppy and she gently placed it in Ray's hand, who in turn, returned it safely to its owners safe and sound. Molly proceeded to prance around and show how proud she was of herself.

By this time, the elderly couple was sobbing uncontrollably, relieved to

have their puppy back and in awe of Molly's performance. Naturally, they expressed their gratitude praising their hero and Molly got some well-deserved treats for her reward. Molly's reactions all come naturally to her now since Ray invested significant time extensively training her since she was a puppy. Both sides of Molly's pedigree are field trial champions and master hunters going back five generations.

This day, it all paid off.



Member Accomplishments

Pic's Come Back Kid **CD**, JH, WCX (JJ) earned his CD on May 6, 2007 with a 4th place in Acton, ME at the York County Kennel Club of Maine show handled by owner Jean Piccosi.

Beth Texeria sends this brag: MacGregor's Irish Surprise (Jenna) earns High in Trial with a score of 194 at the LRCPV show May 12, 2007 Novice B Obedience competition.

Riverbenz Way To Go Tristan, CD, MHTristan (Swift River's Leap of Faith, **MH** (Risk) x Riverbenz High Hope, MH (Hope) completed his Master Hunter title at the Labrador Retriever Club of Greater Boston Spring Hunt test. He is now officially Riverbenz Way to Go Tristan CD, MH owned

and loved by Joey and Alex Edsall.



Grampian Lola Tortola Viking, CGC, CC takes BOB at the RIKC show, April 16, 2007.

Lola is owned and loved by Robin Anderson and Gerrie Owren. (*Hollyhills Delby's Samuel Adams x Snowden Hill Mango Crazy, JH, RA, WC, CGC, CC*).

Summerthyme Dory Delight, RN, **RA**, WC, CC (*Rocheby Suttonpark Showstopper x Old Orchard Farms Lady Di*) earned her Rally Advanced title with a third place at the LRCP show April 11th, 2007 handled by Robin Anderson. Dory turned 9 years old on December 30, 2006.

Danbridge Labs have several new titles and certificates!

Ch. Danbridge Indiana Jones **WC**

Ch. Danbridge Empress Josephine

Danbridge Kathryn The Great, CD, CGC, **CC**

Danbridge Rumor, **CC**

Ken & Marilyn Meewes are owners and breeders on all.

And at the Potomac:

Danbridge Pin-Up Girl (Ch. *Danbridge Indiana Jones, WC X Wit'sEnd Origins Comedy Star*), Lucy, took a second in Open Black Bitch.

Danbridge De'Lovely (same breeding - littermate) took a third in Novice Yellow Bitch.

Danbridge Just Wanna Have Fun (Ch. *Ocean Spray MacGregor X Wit'sEnd Origins Comedy Star*) rec'd 2 pair of scissors - one for each of her 9-12 classes (reg & swps) - making it down to the last 6 pups in each class.

We are so proud of all of our girls and their Mom

Snowden Hill Mango Crazy JH, RN, WC, CGC, CC (*Ch Dickendall Davaron Gable x Snowden Hill My Friend Irma*) earned a Rally Advanced leg at the Potomac, came in Third in the Hunting Retriever Bitch class handled by Jen Leitao, and helped her Junior Handler, Sarah Nolan come in first in their Novice Senior Class in Junior Showmanship. Mango is owned by Robin Anderson, Gerrie Owren and Sarah Nolan, and bred by Gladys Rogers.

While in Florida this past winter, Marlene Lendrim's 'Jet' earned her CDX title. Graewall's Pretty As A Picture, **CDX**, JH, WCI (*Ch. Wynwood's Sweetness In Motion x Graewall's Cute As A Button*) was bred by Patt Dunn, is co-owned by Pat Dunn and Marlene, and is trained & handled by Marlene.



Got Brags? email them to Robin to be included in future publications. grampianlabs@comcast.net

More New Titles:



Viking Gansett Baywatch, UDX, **SH** (Ganni) earned her Senior Hunter Title in four straight passes. Her title run was at the Shoreline Hunt test at West Thompson, CT on June 16th 2007. Ganni earned a bumper leg at the Black Creek Hunt Test on June 24tg, bringing her passes up to five in a row. Ganni is bred, trained and handled by Gerrie Owren.

Viking Hil'die Tanzbarin **JH, CC** earned her Junior Hunter Title at the Long Island Hunting Retriever Club test on June 9th after four straight passes. Hildi is bred, trained and handled by Gerrie Owren, and co-owned with Robin Anderson and Sarah Nolan.



Grampian Bedizened Viking, **RN, JH, CGC, WC, CC** (Dazzle) (*Hollyhills Delby's Samuel Adams x Snowden Hill Mango Crazy, JH, RA, WC, CGC, CC*) earned two titles in one week. At the 2007 Fun in the Sun Specialty, Dazzle earned her Rally Novice title. At

the Shoreline Hunt test at West Thompson, CT, Dazzle earned her Junior Hunter title in four straight passes, followed by a bumper leg at the Black Creek Hunt Test in Berne, NY. Bred by Robin Anderson, Dazzle is coowned, trained and handled by Gerrie Owren.

Snowden Hill Miss DaisyMae, **RN, JH, WC, CGC, CC**, bred by Gladys Rogers (*CH Ghoststone's Louis Downtown, CD x Snowden Hill My Friend Irma*), earned her Rally Novice title at the 2007 Fun in the Sun Specialty. A the Black Creek Hunt Test in Berne NY on June 24th DaisyMae earned her Junior Hunter Title. Robin Anderson, Gerrie Owren and Sarah Nolan co-own DaisyMae, who is trained and handled by Robin.

Snowden Hill Mango Crazy **JH, RA, WC, CGC, CC** earned her RallyAdvanced title at the 2007 Fun in the Sun Specialty with three placements and in three straight runs. Bred by Gladys Rogers, co-owned with Gerrie Owren and Sarah Nolan, Mango lives with and is handled in all venues by both Robin and Gerrie.

Grampian Lola Tortola Viking **RN, JH, CGC, CC** (Lola) earned her Rally Novice title at the 2007 Fun in the Sun Specialty. Lola went on to earn her Junior Hunter Title at the Black Creek Hunt Test in Berne, NY on June 24th 2007 with four straight passes. Lola and Dazzle are littermates and train together with co-own-



ers Robin Anderson and Gerrie Owren.

UCD HR SR Puddleducks Kyla O'Fairview, CDX, SH, WCX, **RN, TDI** completed her Rally Novice title at Casco Bay in April and earned her first Utility leg on May 6 at the Bullmastiff Obedience Trial in Franklin with a 1st place. Also, Kyla gained two UKC-HRC Finished passes at the Yankee Waterfowlers HRC Hunt Test, June 1&2

Pondview Rowdy Reed, **MH** (*K-Jo's Cayenne Dan, MH x twin Lakes Brown Sugar*) earned his Master Hunter Title at the LRCGB's spring hunt test. Bred by Woody Thurman, Reed is owned, trained and handled by Jim Pickunka.



Burri's Celestial Kestrel, **RA, CGC, CC** earned her Rally Advanced Title on 3/17/07 Owned and handled by Barb Burri, Bred by Gregory J. McCarthy, Judith Clark, Susan C. Willumsen (*Ch Guideline's Master Card X Wilcare's Miss Directed, JH*)



Yarborough Star Happy Child, CDX, RE, **UD** bred by J. Kamis & N. Baker & L. Engle (*Ch Wilcare's Master of the Hunt JH, CD x Majestix Woodruff Primrose*) earned her Utility Dog title at the 2007 Fun in the Sun Specialty. Owned and handled by Caron Bronstein.

Lobuff Major Yeager At Asquam **JH** (*Lobuff Hollyridge The Aviator x Ol Bailey Wet And Wild*) earned his Junior Hunter title at the Shoreline Hunt Test on June 16th. Bred by Eileen D. Kelly, Yeager is co-owned by Nancy Laser-Wolston, Lisa Weiss and Julie Quigley-Smith, and is trained and handled by Nancy.

Westwind Nite-Sky of Montana UDX6 earned a perfect 200 score from the Open B class at the New England Dog Training Club's spring obedience Trial held on March 31, 2007 Montana is owned and bred by Beth Chapman, Westwind Labradors, Montana was also HIT/HC on Thursday (June 14th) at the Labrador Retriever Club of Greater Boston's Specialty Show

2007 Specialty Report



What a great Specialty show!!! The weather cooperated to some extent. Overcast and cool on Thursday and sunny and warm on Friday. People and dogs seemed to be enjoying themselves and the dogs didn't seem to mind all the attention they received over the two days. And don't forget the extra goodies they received!!!

I thoroughly enjoyed being this year's Show Chairperson. However, I could not have put this show together without the help from my Obedience/Rally Co-Chairperson, Barbara Burri. Her organizational skills, ability to help me stay on top of things and her never-ending energy helped me from the pre-planning stages all the way through to our last minute phone calls just a day before the show. I must also Thank Scott and Pam Shaw for packing the trailer and their truck from head to toe, for making the judges' lunches, setting up the complimentary coffee and muffins both mornings, selling catalogs, raffle tickets and most importantly, for organizing and putting together the Lobster Dinner on Thursday night. The Lobster Dinner was quite a hit with about 45 dinners sold and eaten with no hesitation.

My sincerest thank you to Jeff Snyder for organizing and putting the raffle together, for his constant reminder lists, his organization of the RV parking and the Exhibitor parking and his favorite saying to me "Don't Forget...". (Which I know I did forget something or a few something's.)

A heartfelt and huge thank you to Sue Willumsen for being my mentor, for the beautiful ring decorations, more specifically, the hanging flowers that were generously donated by Murray Farms in Penacook, NH, and for the Judge's Welcome Bags. Thank you, thank you.

To my Chief Steward, Elly Hawkins, Chief Obedience Steward, Fran Masters and our Rally Steward, Gayle Abrahams, all the other stewards and our Judge's Hospitality, Diane Pilbin thank you, thank you. You all did a superb job in keeping the rings moving and for making the Judge's feel welcomed and appreciated.

A genuine thank you to Karen and Dick Kennedy for your help in sorting all the Ribbons, keeping them organized and helping me to stay on top of things.

To Scott Shaw, Brian Hawkins and Dick Kennedy for utilizing your cooking abilities Thursday night and setting up the Lobster Dinner. What a wonderful meal you all put together. I know the Judge's thoroughly enjoyed their dinners!!!!

Carla Hyndman and Gerrie Owen what a beautiful and organized job you did with the Conformation and Obedience/Rally Trophies. Your efficiency allowed me to worry about other things and I did not have to worry one minute about the Trophies. Thank you!!!

And my final thank you to all the volunteers who helped set up the tents, helped keep the grounds clean, and the many other things that needed to be done before, during and after the show.

I know there were many more of you who helped put this together and I apologize now if I forgot to mention someone by name.

I would like to take a moment Congratulate our Winners.

On Thursday, June 14:

Best of Breed: CH. Willcare's Prestige owned by our own club member and Vice-President, Sue Willumsen.

Best of Winners: Maritime Play It Off the Wall owned by Julie Jussaume.

Best of Opposite: CH Graycrofts Distant Visions CD SH owned by Karen Cheney and Anna Clark

Best Puppy: Nycoma Way Sweet Serenity owned by Heather Johnson Lamarche and Marc Lamarche

Best Bred By Exhibitor: Erinhill's Special Occasion owned by Cheryl Curtis

Best Veteran: CH Lobuff's Turtle Dove owned by Lisa Weiss and Julie Quigley-Smith

On Friday, June 15th:

Best of Breed: CH Erinhill's Guinness Stout owned by Cheryl Curtis and Gregory J. McCarthy

Best of Winners: Wilcare's Singin' in the Rain owned by Sue Willumsen

Best of Opposite: CH Allegheny's Gem of Caer Bren JH owned by Clare Senfield

Robin MaGee, 2007 Specialty Show Chair

The 2007 LRCGB Fun in the Sun and Skinny Dip specialties are a glimmer on the horizon. From the Obedience/Rally side, the show went really well. Sharon Crossman and Tony Cherubini have already thanked me for the fine hospitality our club showed them. Entries were up in obedience, and both Rally and Obedience went really well thanks to our Chief Steward for Obedience, Fran Masters, and our Rally Chair, Gayle Abrams. They rounded up stewards, and kept things moving all day long for both days! Rally exhibitors earned many qualifying runs, and a few new titles were earned. Obedience covered the gamut from the serious utility competitors to the first X-rated brace exhibition in an LRCGB Obed ring. The non-regular classes are well on their way to becoming a spectator sport for Boston Specialty attendees! We are looking forward to next year, and seeing how Obedience Chair Robin Anderson can top this year's activities.

Barb Burri, 2007 Specialty Obedience Chair

Obedience and Rally Placements are as follows:

Thursday

Novice B

1 Gypsybog's Qunnapoxit Run, JH

2 Mac Gregor's Irish Surprise

3 Highmeadow's Tycoon Ennis

4. Meg's Memory Of Gypsybog

Summit, CD, RA

Open A

Shadowglen's Midnight Dylan,
CD, RA, OA, NAP,NJP (CDX Title)





- Open B**
 1. OTCH Westwind Nite-Sky Of Montana, UDX6, Beth Chapman, (High In Trial And High Combined)
 2. Shoreline's Sabrina Fairchild, CDX, JH, RN

- Utility A**
 Yarborough Star Happy Child, CDX, RE (UD Title)

- Utility B**
 1. OTCH Westwind Nite-Sky Of Montana, UDX6, Beth Chapman, (High In Trial And High Combined)

- Graduate Novice**
 1. Windrush Elegant Bear, VCD1, RE, OJP
 2. Lemon Thyme's Clementine, CD, RE, NJP

- Veterans**
 1. Forecast Mitchell, CD, RAE, OAP, OJP



2. OTCH Lee Shore Magical Water Sprite, UDX, JH, RN
 3. Viking Gansett Bay Watch, UDX, JH, SH
 4. Trevor, UD

Brace

1. Gypsybogs Qunnapoxit Run, JH & Meg's Memory CDX, RN
 2. Snowden Hill Mango Crazy JH, RA, & Viking Gansett Bay Watch, UDX, JH, SH
 3. Lemon Thyme's Clementine, CD, RE, NJP & Windrush Elegant Bear, VCD1, RE, OJP

Rally Thursday
Novice A

1. Sealcoves Bold N'luscous JH
 2. Dune Dancers Birchill Data

Novice B

1. Sasco's Zinnia, CD, AX, OAJ
 2. Grampian Bedizened Viking, JH



3. Meadowbrook's Emma Heart Breaker
 4. Chablais Ragtime Waltz, CD

- Also Q**
 Grampian Lola Tortola Viking;
 Snowden Hill Miss DaisyMae;
 Sunnyside Broadway Necessiy, CD, JH;
 Hyspire Western Wishes For Cedarwood

- Advanced A**
 1. Snowden Hill Mango Crazy, JH, RN
 2. Babbling Brook's Shannon, RN

- Advanced B**
 1. OTCH Less Hsore Magical Water Sprite, UDX, JH, RN
 2. Meg's Memory Of Gypsybog Summit, CD, RA
 3. Yarborough Star Happy Child, CDX, RE
 4. Forecast Mitchell CD, RAE, OAP, OJP

- Also Q**
 Broadway Necessities Ms Logan, JH, CD, RN;
 Windsors Sweet Ginger Brown, UD, RN;



- Trevor, UD, (and Oldest Qualifying Rally Dog);
 Paradise's North Star Hi-Jinx, RN, CD

- Excellent B**
 1. Shadowglen's Midnight Dylan, CD, RA, OA, NAP, NJP (Also Both Days Highest Score In Rally For A Dog With Agility Title)
 2. Yarborough Star Happy Child, CDX, RE
 3. Forecast Mitchell, CD, RAE, OAP, OJP



Friday

Novice B

- 1 Gypsybogs Qunnapoxit Run, JH
 2 Gypsybogs St Lawrence Lazy Daze
 3 Meadowbrooks Emme Hart Breaker

Open B

- 1 Shoreline's Sabrina Fairchild, CDX, JH, RN
 2 J Mark's Magic Moxie, UD, JH, MX, MXJ
 3 OTCH Plymrock Jet Propelled, UDX3, SH

Veterans

- 1 OTCH Lee Shore Magical Water Sprite, UDX, JH, RN
 2 Viking Gansett Baywatch, UDX, JH, SH
 3 Forecast Mitchell, CD, RAE, OAP, OJP

Brace

1. Gypsybogs Qunnapoxit Run, JH & Meg's Memory CDX, RN
 2. Snowden Hill Mango Crazy JH, RN, & Viking Gansett Bay Watch, UDX, JH, SH
 3. Lemon Thyme's Clementine, CD, RE, NJP & Windrush Elegant Bear, VCD1, RE, OJP

Graduate Novice

1. Windrush Elegant Bear, VCD1, RE, OJP
 2. Lemon Thyme's Clementine, CD, RE, NJP



Labrador Retriever Club of Greater Boston

Working Certificate, Working Certificate Intermediate, and
Working Certificate Excellent for
Labrador Retrievers 6 months and older
Sunday, July 22nd, 2007 Hopkinton, NH

Start time for WC 8:00 am Start time for WCI/WCX 8:00 am
Judge: Scott Shaw Judges: Malcolm Haith and
George Smilas

Chairperson: Karen Kennedy
Pleasantpine@aol.com 978-774-8458
Secretary: Pattie Duddy
Labrk9@metrocast.net603-664-6945



Labrador Retriever Club of Greater Boston

WC/WCI/WCX ENTRY FORM

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

CLOSING DATE FOR TEST: Wednesday, July 11th, 2007
(Entries will be accepted the day of the test. HOWEVER,
LRCGB WILL NOT guarantee live birds to late entries)

REFUND POLICY: Entry fees will be refunded, if requested in
writing before the closing date. After the closing date, refunds
will be given only for dogs withdrawn for the following reasons:
illness of the dog, injury to the dog, or death of the dog.
Refunds will only be made upon written application to the
Secretary and submission of appropriate veterinarian's
certification within two weeks of the test, if the Secretary has
been notified of the scratch before commencement of the test.

* above conditions less a \$5.00 administration fee

NOTE: BITCHES IN SEASON WILL BE ALLOWED TO RUN
THIS TEST AT THE END OF THE RUNNING ORDER. PLEASE
INFORM THE STAKE MARSHAL IF YOUR BITCH IS IN SEA-
SON.

PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS:

WC: Single on land, back to back singles on water, 50
yard retrieves, not gun shy, steadiness not required, delivery to
hand NOT required, light cover.

WCI: Doubles on land and water, 75-100 yard retrieves,
steady off lead, delivery to hand, on-lead honor, not gun shy,
decoys, moderate cover, NO BLIND.

WCX: Triples on land and/or water, blinds on land and/or
water, up to 100 yard retrieves, honor, diversion, delivery to
hand, not gun shy, decoys, boat.

GAME: Ducks

Out of courtesy to our judges, please be sure that your dog is
prepared for situations he will encounter in the test, such as
gunshots, live birds, bird boys, long swims, boats and
moderate cover.

ENTRY FEE: WC: \$40.00 WCI:\$40.00 WCX:\$40.00

Send entries (payable to LRCGB) to: Pattie Duddy WC
Secretary 22 Drake Hill Rd. Strafford, NH 03884

Phone: 603-664-6945 E-Mail: LABRK9@metrocast.net

DIRECTIONS TO HEADQUARTERS

From the North: Int. 89 South to Exit 6. At the end of the ramp
take a right. Take a left onto Cressey Brook Rd. Follow up and
over the dike.

From the South: Int. 89 North to Exit 6. At the end of the ramp
take a left. Take a left onto Cressey Brook Rd. Follow up and
over the dike.

Amount enclosed \$ _____

Circle one: WC WCI WCX

Triple Crown Yes No

DOGS REGISTERED NAME: _____

AKC#: _____

SEX _____

DOB _____

CALL NAME: _____

OWNER'S NAME & ADDRESS: _____

SIRE: _____

DAM: _____

BREEDER: _____

HANDLER/AGENT: _____

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Looking for Mr. Good Dog

Weimaraner breeder **Judy Colan** discusses the art and science of selecting a stud dog.

A dog is capable of producing hundreds of puppies, but a bitch is limited in the number of puppies she can produce. Choosing the right stud dog is of the utmost importance and can make or break a breeding program. Courtesy J. Colan

Accentuate the Positive

Making the right choice is based on your ability to study and evaluate dogs and bitches of your breed. First, honestly evaluate your bitch. Where would you change her? Once you have determined where you need to improve her, go out and look at all the dogs and bitches in the ring.

Look for those who have what you want to improve. If several of these have the same sire, that is the dog to consider. This dog is prepotent for producing that attribute.

Another consideration is evaluating the pedigree. Does the pedigree of the dog you are considering "click" with yours? Look at similar breedings, pedigree-wise, to see if quality puppies resulted from these breedings. It has been my experience that linebreedings have produced not only quality puppies but puppies that can produce.

One of the hardest issues to face is that your bitch is not a good producer. You can have two litter-sisters that are both exceptional examples of the breed. One may be a good producer and the other may not.

Whether it is evaluating puppies or evaluating a stud dog, I like to focus on the positives, not the negatives. There are a good many cynics out there who love to blame everything on the stud dog. If you listen to knowledgeable and successful breeders, you are headed in the right direction.

Quick and Not-So-Quick Fixes

I was very fortunate to have as a mentor Dorothy Remensnyder, of Shadowmar Kennels. My foundation bitch was from Dorothy, and many a night and weekend were spent discussing the breed and the dogs that came before my time. One statement that Dorothy made that has stuck in my mind was, "If you see a dog you like, breed to the dog who produced that dog."

Another issue to be aware of is what is easy to fix in one generation and what is not. I think if you talk to breeders of any breed the one thing most will say is the biggest problem in their breed is shoulders.

Why are shoulders such a problem? There are several parts that make up a shoulder: Length ratio of scapula to humerus, angle of scapula and humerus, set-on of shoulder. If one is not correct, the shoulder is incorrect.

The easy things to fix are rears, tail-sets, toplines, and heads.

The Producers

You must have a plan if you are going to be a successful breeder. You have to know the dogs that are behind your dogs and know what they have produced. You have to focus on a line you admire.

My breed has a Bench Register of Merit. If you study the BROM, you will find that some dogs produce dogs that produce and other dogs produce bitches that produce. Do your homework and study your breed. These tools will lead you to success as a breeder.

Judy Colan was the American Kennel Club 2006 Sporting Group Breeder of the Year. She has bred Colsidex Weimaraners for over 40 years.

FEEDBACK PLEASE!

Hi everyone,
I would like to hear feedback from you as to how you felt things went at this year's Specialty: comments, suggestions and/or recommendations for next year are most welcome.

Please send them to me as soon as possible so we can start working on next year's Specialty.

Thanks again.
Robin Magee
mageeJandR@aol.com

Thank You Thank You!

I would like to send a big THANK YOU to all the folks that helped out at the LRCGB Spring Hunt Test on April 28 and 29. Without you these events would not be possible. Also, thanks to my co-chief marshall, Marsha Wilcox, and all the non club members that pitched in to help. Last, I want to give special acknowledgement to Nancie Frietas, our hunt test chair, who went beyond the call of duty to find us a site to hold the test!!!

Joey Edsall,
Field Committee Chair

I would also like to thank everyone, members and non members, who helped Nancy and the Field Committee for again organizing a successful event. KUDOS.....

Karen Kennedy, President

I want to thank everyone who volunteered to steward at the specialty. In obedience, we had a great group with Sue Niewiera, Pat Bartlett, Maria Corrigan, Sandy Madden and Gale Sheehan, who stewarded all day Friday and doesn't even have a lab. Special thanks to Barb Burri and her excellent organization of the obedience events. Kudos to everyone who helped everywhere. It was a great specialty. The banquet Thursday night was spectacular. Looking forward to next year.



Fran Masters MEd, CPDT



Publication Information

Otter Tails is published quarterly. Contributions of brags, articles, or event information are very welcome.

Email submissions to:
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Publications deadlines are:

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Fall	August 15
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Braggs and In Memoriam

Free of Charge for members. Please include name of dog, owner, breeder, pertinent dates, and a high resolution photo.

Litter Listings:

Members may list litters for \$5 per litter. Please include all information: Name of parents, clearances, and contact information.

Advertising:

Full page: \$25
 Half page: \$15
 Quarter page: \$10
 Business Card: \$5

Camera ready art is preferable, but not required. Submit your ads on CD or email to grampianlabs@comcast.net. No floppy disks please.

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The Labrador Retriever Club of
 Greater Boston's web site had a face lift.
www.lrcgb.org
 Have a look!

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Contact Karen Kennedy
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Do you have something to contribute to this
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grampianlabs@comcast.net

**September 22nd/23rd
LRCGB Hunt Test James Dean
– Woodstock, CT**

Contact: Audie Gould:
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Events Calendar

Date	Event	Location	Opens/Closes
July 14, 2007	Flyer Day	High Rdge WMA, Gardener MA	
	(contact Jim Pickunka: pondviewretrievers@comcast.net)		
July 22, 2007	Working Certificate	Hopkinton, NH	closes July 11,2007
September 21-23, 2007	LRCGB Fall Hunt Test	Woodstock, CT	
	Contact: Audie Gould: ARGOULD5@aol.com or Scott Shaw: scott.shaw@tufts.edu		
Oct 6– 12, 2007	The LRC, Inc.2007 National Specialty	Washington County Fairgrounds, Hillsboro, Oregon	
	http://www.thelabradorclub.com/national/		

I'd like to again thank ALL the Club members who have helped at our events..... If it were not for your continued support, we could organize and run these events.

As always, the LRCGB depends on YOU to make these events possible. Please be sure to contact the Chairperson of any of the events and offer to help in anyway. Just a couple of hours can be a HUGE help.

Karen

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