Dear Prospective Member,

Thanks for taking an interest in our club.

The Labrador Retriever Club of Greater Boston (LRCGB) is a community of dog lovers who care about the promotion and protection of the #1 Most Popular Breed in the American Kennel Club: the Labrador Retriever. Our non-profit organization was founded and licensed by the AKC in 1974 by a group of Labrador fanciers – many of whom are still members today. We’re scattered from Maine to New York and we breed, show, hunt, do therapy work, compete in obedience, tracking, agility, and field -- and mostly just *enjoy our Labradors as family pets.* Many of our members take our dogs to nursing homes, schools and hospitals to make someone’s day a bit brighter. We also support the non-profit Labrador Retriever Rescue, Inc. with funds and manpower.

We encourage members, guests and anyone curious about our versatile Labradors to come to the volunteer-run meetings, activities and events we host all year ‘round. So many of our members have been involved with Labradors for years and years, and love to talk dog and share their knowledge with newcomers. Please check our website (lrcgb.org) for up-to-date information on activities, topics, dates and locations – come and experience our community in action.

The LRCGB currently offers Full or Associate Membership options for newcomers to the club. Members who opt for Full Membership complete a modest work requirement – which helps our volunteer-run organization run, and have the richest experiences. Associate Members are included in all membership communications and get member privileges to most events; the work requirement is encouraged but not expected.

 Regardless of membership level, the applicant must be approved by our membership. Applications are presented as First Readings to the membership at the very next club meeting, and Second Readings are voted on at the following meeting. Once accepted, applicants will receive a formal notification along with a new-member packet – which includes, among other things, our Constitution and By-Laws and Working Rules and Policies of the club.

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|  | **Full Membership** | **Associate Membership** |
| **Requirements:** |  |  |
| Membership Dues | $30 | $30 |
| Working Hours | 10 | -- |
| **Privileges & Benefits:** |  |  |
| Voting rights | Yes | No |
| Eligible to serve on board | Yes | No |
| Committee membership | Yes | Yes, except as (co-) chair |
| New member sponsor | Yes, after 2 years  | No |
| Litter listing/referral service | Yes | No |
| Kennel listing on website | Yes | No |
| Membership Communications | Yes | Yes |
| Access to members-only website | Yes | Yes |
| Annual Awards  | Yes | No |
| Early registration  | Yes | Yes |
| Delaney WMA access under Club permit | Yes, with additional working requirements | No |
| Event registration fees | Full membership level | Non-member level |

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

*Please* ***PRINT*** *all information. If more space is needed for any item, list on a separate sheet of paper.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Telephone: Home \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Work:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Kennel Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Membership Level: ❑ Full Membership ❑ Associate Membership

Membership is open to persons 18 years or older who are in GOOD standing with the American Kennel Club. Do you meet both of these criteria?

* Yes
* No

Are you a pet owner with a Labrador Retriever and wish to learn more about this wonderful breed? The LRCGB very much welcomes pet owners to become members. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

How many Labrador Retrievers do you own? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Do you own other breed(s)?

* Yes
* No

If yes, which breed(s) and how many dog(s) currently owned?

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Are you a member of other dog clubs?

* Yes
* No

If yes, which other clubs? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Do you breed?

* Yes
* No

If yes, how many litters per year? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Are you active in these fancies? *(please check all that apply)*:

* Bench
* Obedience
* Field Trials
* Hunting
* Hunt Tests
* Tracking
* Agility
* Other \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

The LRCGB hosts many activities. Please tell us which areas you are interested in:

**Specialty Show**:

* Advertising
* Publicity
* Grounds
* Catalog Sales
* Trophies
* Stewarding
* Admissions
* Lunches
* Hospitality

**Match Show(s)**

* Publicity
* Entry Table
* Grounds
* Stewarding
* Lunch
* Fund Raising

**Hunting Test(s)**

* Administration
* Grounds
* Gunner
* Wingers or Planters
* Hospitality
* Fund Raising

**Other Club Committees**

* Hospitality Committee
* Education Committee
* Communications Committee
* Finance Committee
* Nomination Committee
* Field Committee
* Confirmation Committee
* Labrador Rescue
* Other (Please list)

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On a separate sheet of paper, please list any other information that you feel is pertinent to your application for membership in the LRCGB.

I hereby agree to abide by the rules of the American Kennel Club and the LRCGB.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor(1)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor (2)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

This completed application, along with letters from your sponsors and dues of $30.00 (payable to LRCGB) should be sent to the membership chairperson:

Barb Burri, 8 Ridgewood Road, Plaistow, NH 03865
bburri@comcast.net