

Otter Tales

Newsletter of the Labrador Retriever Club of Greater Boston - January/February 1998

From the Editor's Desk

This is the first issue of Otter Tails for which I will be your editor. I am asking for your assistance to make this an informative newsletter--the best Lab newsletter in the country; one which you all look forward to receiving. Please send me any articles you would like to share with other club members. I would like to receive an article or minutes of meetings from each committee chairperson for each issue.

Pattie Duddy has offered to supply us with and has sent a calendar of upcoming shows. Thanks, Pattie.

Articles, notes, letters, etc. can be sent to me by e-mail to Wendy.McNaughton@digital.com. Microsoft Word would be nice! or hard copy to 156 Barker Hill Rd., Townsend, MA 01469.

Litter ads (\$5.00) and brags (each brag \$1.00) will be accepted and I will try to get a newsletter out every 2 months starting with the first one in February. The deadlines for input to the newsletter will be 3/20, 5/20, 7/17, 9/18 and 11/20. This time frame will allow me time to set up and get the newsletter to the printer and mailed to you to be received around the 15th of the following month.

In order to defray the cost of the newsletter to the Club and also to give you the opportunity to advertise your dogs, dog related items you might sell, etc., I would like to offer you inexpensive advertising. Full page ads including a scanable picture will be \$25.00. (This may change depending on what I can get for printing prices.) Wording must be kept to approximately 6 lines or you may send a camera ready page of what ever you wish. Ads for dog related items would be by the inch - 2" of print for \$5.00. Business card - \$10.00/4-6 issues.

I would also like to have a special photo section each issue as we had in the past. Each special section will have a theme. The first special section will be to introduce our dogs to each other. Many members attend club activities such as breed matches or shows, hunt training sessions or tests, or obedience matches or shows but do not participate in more than one type of activity so many of us don't know what other members' dogs look like. So, here is a chance for you to show off your dog. He/she does not have to be a title holder to be included in this section. You can show off your pets; we all have one and some of us have more than one who does not participate in any of the above activities but

love to have the opportunity to share them with the rest of the members. I'd love to see some of the "Rescued" Labs included in this section.

Please send me any ideas for the special section which you would like to see in a future newsletter.

As your newsletter editor, I am going to take a couple of paragraphs and ask that more members of this club participate in club meetings--not the breed matches/shows, hunt training sessions/tests/wc's but the actual meetings which are held in Danvers. Yes, I have been remiss in not attending for the last couple of years but have made a commitment to myself to attend again. This club has a very large membership, very few workers, and fewer meeting attendees. It is not always convenient to drive after a workday to a meeting but if the club is to continue to exist, we need more members to attend the meetings and, also, to work at events. If more members offer to help at events, no one person will have to work long hours at an event.

After not attending many meetings or activities for the past couple of years and now attending meetings, I see the same people who have always been at meetings still there; not many new faces. I know that we need more members who are interested in showing in the breed ring to become more active in the club. I challenge you to make the effort to drive to Danvers, MA for a meeting. I'm sure that the other activities of the club also need members to join in and help and to also attend meetings. I will try to get committee chairs to give me a list of committee meetings and locations so they can be printed for all members to know where these meetings will be held and they can then attend.

Many of us live an hour or more away from Danvers but it is only one Wednesday every other month that you need to attend a meeting of the club--that's only 5 or 6 days out of the year. Maybe some of you who live or work in the same area could car pool to meetings. Something to think about. How about suggestions as to how to get more of you to attend meetings and give your input into the club. This club is yours and is only as good as you make it. Every member needs to participate.

Letters to the editor--pro and con will be published. I challenge all of you to send in a contribution to this newsletter. I look forward to hearing from you and receiving your input..

Wendy

The following story is printed with the permission for one time only and rights and ownership is retained by author . Copyright, John Arrington, 1998. The following must be complied with by all readers: "Everyone who reads the article must agree to give their Labs two hugs. Thanks for asking before using the story and best wishes to all in the LRCGB. John and Chamois " John strongly required the afore mentioned condition. Please comply.

Come Visit Again by John Arrington

Tweet-tweet. Tweet-tweet. Tweet-tweet. The yellow pup raised her head, wheeled in the direction of the sound, and accelerated to full speed. Ahead she could see him, standing and searching the dunes for a glimpse of her. She exploded from the cover of the dune grass and raced towards him. He saw the blur of yellow fur, smiled, and tooted the whistle again. The pup bounded across the beach towards him. When she was about 5 yards away, he raised his hand and blew a single blast. The dog lifted her head, dropped her butt, dug her feet into the sand and skidded to a stop in front of him. "Good girl," he said and handed her half of a small dog biscuit. She gazed intently into his eyes and remained motionless until he released her with an OK.

It was the kind of day he relished. The world outside his parka was almost entirely gray. It was cold and stormy and the wind driven rain stung his face. The wet sand, the ominous sky, and the forbidding ocean were defined by differing shades of gray. Formations of gray-brown Pelicans soared on the wind, peeled off and dove into the icy water in search of a meal. Only the foamy white surf, the dune grass, and the yellow pup were not gray. The pup explored the driftwood maze at the edge of the dunes, discovering and investigating the abundant and unfamiliar scents. She was a beautiful yellow Lab, barely six months old. She moved with grace and the athleticism born of youth and good breeding. It was difficult to take his eye off her.

In deference to a bad back, he walked at the ocean's edge where the sand was hard. As he walked, he remembered other wet and windy beaches and another Lab, a big yellow dog he called Cheddar. He'd lost her to old age almost 7 months ago. He no longer mourned her loss. Instead he relished his recollections of good times shared for nearly 16 years. On days like this her presence was nearly palpable. It was as if she were there at his side, enjoying the day and the antics of the yellow puppy he named Chamois.

He often indulged the fantasy that Cheddar was there with him and he talked with her. He didn't believe in ghosts. It was just a feeling he had sometimes that she was there watching and helping him with the pup. "She's a lot like you, you know. She does that lonely sad thing with her eyes when I leave her behind. Bet

you taught her that! And I know you taught her how to lean her head in the crook of my arm and stare at me when I'm driving. And how to catch popcorn with her mouth."

The weather was changing. The sky was mottled with gray and white and blue. Out on the ocean a dark rain squall moved on the wind. He watched it for a moment then shifted his thoughts to the yellow pup. She was no where to be seen. He knew she was close at hand, but just to make sure he put the whistle to his lips. Tweet-tweet. Tweet-tweet. Tweet-tweet. His eyes scanned the dunes ahead of him. Nothing! He turned and looked behind him. Tweet-tweet. Tweet-tweet. Tweet-tweet. Again, nothing. Without warning the pup crashed into the back of his legs at high speed nearly taking him down. "Cheddar, must have taught you that too, damn it!" he grinned.

The old man and the puppy turned and headed for home. The puppy bounded from scent to scent. She found an important stick, dropped her prize at his feet and wagged her tail proudly. He looked down and smiled. Goose bumps covered his body. It was the way Cheddar had told him she wanted to retrieve. In the same instant, the sun emerged and a rainbow suddenly bridged the space between the churning ocean and the sky. "Come visit again," he said to the rainbow. Drops of rain decorated his cheeks..and diluted a single tear.

John and Chamois
January 9, 1998

JUDGES/BREEDERS SEMINAR ON THE LABRADOR RETRIEVER SPONSORED BY THE NATIONAL LABRADOR RETRIEVER CLUB

Date: March 12, 1998 Time: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Place: Alameda Country Fairgrounds Jockey Club
Topics: Head/expression, Coat, Tail, Balance, Colors,
Movement, Structure, Temperament, Presentation in the
ring, Male/Female and the standard hands on work
shop. AKC Breeder judges and you will judge a class
of dogs and discuss the results. Breeders from around
the country will be our speakers.

SIGN UP: Deadline--February 25, 1998

NAME:

ADDRESS:

PHONE:

Lunch Choice: Roast Beef roll up __, Turkey roll up
__, Ham roll up __, Vegetarian roll up __

Price is \$40.00, mail check made out to NLRC to:

Mary Wiest, 11115 Gambrill Park Road, Frederick,
Maryland 21702 Questions: Call Mary at 301-293-

3636 ☐

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BENCH NEWS:

AKC approved -- LRCGB Specialty Show
June 11 and 12, 1998

Judges:

Breed: Regular & Intersex
Mrs. Margaret Marshall (Ranfurly),
Scotland

Sweepstakes: Mrs. Pat Woollaston (Southerly)
New Zealand

Jr. Showmanship: Ms. Marsha Clamp

Obedience: Mr. Anthony R. Cherubini

Location: The Lord Wakefield
Wakefield, MA

1998 Specialty Chairperson: Michael P. Courchaine
Home: 508-797-1745
Day: 978-443-6995
Fax: 508-755-3415

Co-Chair: Pattie Duddy

1998 Obedience Chairperson: Brucia Witthoft
781-862-0382

Any one interested in helping with any aspect of the show please feel free to contact Michael.

Please note change in Banquet: Banquet will be held on Thursday evening, June 11 instead of Friday.

Next specialty show meeting: Wednesday February 11, 6:30 PM at the Ground Round, Chelmsford, MA, snowdate February 18.

Trophies are doing well but there are still many classes left without trophies being offered. If you thought about donating a trophy, please send your donation request immediately to:

Judy Kay
138 York Woods Rd.
South Berwick, ME 03908

The absolute deadline for Judy to have all trophy commitments is February 11. After that, trophies will be added to the 1999 Specialty Trophy List. Judy may also be reached by phone for any last minute donations at (207) 384-5634.

Catalog Advertising for Specialty Show -- Absolute closing date for ads is April 23rd, 1998. Make all checks payable to LRCGB. Please send ad copy, photos and checks to:

Sue Huber
Box 37
Hamilton, MA 01936
(978) 468-1355

Advertising rates are the same as last year as follows:

Inside Front Cover:	\$75.00
Outside Back Cover:	\$100.00
Full Page:	\$35.00
1/2 Page:	\$20.00
1/4 Page (no photo):	\$12.50
\$8.00 additional for each photo	

UPCOMING SHOWS:

(submitted by Pattie Duddy)

Date/Super	3/25/98	Rau
Show/Loc.	Onondaga Kennel Assoc. Inc	N.Y. State Fairgrounds
Breed:	Mrs. B.L. Krause	Syracuse, NY
Novice A	C.A. Bush	
Novice B	Mrs. S.A. Redmer	
Open A	R.A. Strong	
Open B	C.A. Bush	
Utility A	Mrs. D. Rose	
Utility B	Mrs. D. Rose	
Date/Super	3/26/98	Rau
Show/Loc.	Finger Lakes KC	N.Y. State Fairgrounds
Breed:	Mrs. K.B. Ashe	Syracuse, NY
Novice A	Mrs. D. Rose	
Novice B	R.A. Strong	
Open A	C.A. Bush	
Open B	Mrs. D. Rose	
Utility A	Mrs. S.A. Redmer	
Utility B	Mrs. S.A. Redmer	
Date/Super	3/27/98	Rau
Show/Loc.	Kanadasaga KC	N.Y. State Fairgrounds
Breed:	Mrs. M.C. Czerwinski	Syracuse, NY
Novice A	R.A. Strong	
Novice B	Mrs. D. Rose	
Open A	Mrs. S.A. Redmer	
Open B	Mrs. N.G. Little	
Utility A	C.A. Bush	
Utility B	C.A. Bush	
Date/Super	3/28/98	Rau
Show/Loc.	Central NY Kennel Club	N.Y. State Fairgrounds
Breed:	F.J. Heal	Syracuse, NY
Novice A	Mrs. S.A. Redmer	
Novice B	C.A. Bush	
Open A	Ms. D.M. Sano	
Open B	R.A. Strong	
Utility A	Mrs. N.G. Little	
Utility B	Mrs., N.G. Little	
Date/Super	4/3/98	Crowe
Show/Loc.	Albany K Hudson Valley Comm. College	
Breed:	J.R. White	Troy NY
Date/Super	4/4/98	Crowe
Show/Loc.	Great Barrington KC Hudson Valley Comm. College	
Breed:	Ms. S.M. Petermann	Troy NY
Date/Super	4/10/98	Crowe
Show/Loc.	Providence County KC Wm. Thayer Arena & Hockey Ring	Warwick RI
Breed:	Mrs. R.C. Thomas	
Novice A	Mrs. S.K. Fulkerson	
Novice B	C.T. Fulkerson	
Open A	C.T. Fulkerson	
Open B	Mrs. S.K. Fulkerson	
Utility A	Mrs. S.K. Fulkerson	
Utility B	C.T. Fulkerson	
Date/Super	4/11/98	Crowe
Show/Loc.	Rhode Island KC Wm. Thayer Arena & Hockey Ring	
Breed:	Mrs. A. Thompson-Brown	Warwick RI
Novice A	E. Chase	
Novice B	Ms. D. Meade	
Open A	Mrs. C.M. Thompson	
Open B	D. Thornton	
Utility A	Mrs. C.M. Thompson	
Utility B	E. Chase	
Date/Super	4/17/98	Crowe
Show/Loc.	Pioneer Valley KC	Eastern State Expo Grounds
Breed:	L. Mathis	W. Springfield, MA
Date/Super	4/18/98	Crowe
Show/Loc.	South Windsor KC	Eastern State Expo Grounds
Breed:	Mrs. G. Bontecou	W. Springfield, MA
Date/Super	4/24/98	Peters
Show/Loc.	South County KC Wm. Thayer Arena & Hockey Ring	
Breed:	W.J. Newbill	Warwick RI
Date/Super	4/25/98	Peters
Show/Loc.	South County KC Wm. Thayer Arena & Hockey Ring	
Breed:	W.R. Russell Jr.	Warwick RI

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SPECIALTIES - 1998

LRC-Piedmont
Charlotte, NC
D/I: J. Borders
B/Non-reg: Ma. Weist
Sw(D)&Vet(D): Mi. Weist
Sw(B)&Vet(B): G. Gooch
O: T. Winn (Sat), P. Parillo (Sun)
February 13-14
FMI: Rita Powell

Hoosier LRC
Indianapolis, IN
D/I: E. Mjelde(Suprising)
B/non: W. Limbourne(Wingmaster)
Sw/Vet: P. Mortier(Lubberline)
O: V. Janek
Feb 28 - Mar 1

Golden Gate LRC
Pleasanton, CA
Mar 13-14
FMI: Vicki Blodgett

Reg: V&J Cole (Stajantor,UK)
Sw: G. Gooch (Ramblin)
O: S. Gomez

Dallas-Ft Worth LRC
Ft Worth, TX
Reg/Non-reg/I: J. Granneman(Janrod)
Swp: S. Eberhardt(Saddlehill)
O: D. Young
Mar 19 - 20

LRC-Potomac
FREDERICK, MD
April 9-10

LRC-Albuquerque
Las Vegas, NM
April 11

Hunt test LRC-So. California
Irwindale, CA
April

LRC-Albuquerque
Albuquerque, NM
May 8

LRC-Pioneer Valley
(in conjunction w/Springfield KC)
Springfield, MA
May

Miami Valley LRC
Dayton, OH
Reg: M. Lyons & B. Gomez
Sw: K. Perry & S. Grieves
O: M. Carlucci
May 8 - 9
FMI: L. Kaplan 937-274-2596

LRC-Manitoba
Winnipeg, Man
Reg: M. Nightingale (Boothgate)
Sw (pup, vet): S. Faulkner (Lewisan)
May 10

LRC of Canada Regional Specialty
Port Moody, BC
FMI: Cathy Tweeddale
May 31

Lab Owners' Club
Cambridge, Ont.
June

LRC-Hawaii
Honolulu, HI
Reg: L. Reidel
June 21

Winnebago LRC
Beloit, WI
B/I: M. A. Czerwinski (Labradors of Broadway)
D/Non-reg: B. Nowak (Boyhill)
Sw/Vet: L. Schiele (Linray),
O: D. Probst
June 13
FMI: Ann Kaszak (708)841-6035

Rose City LRC
Canby, OR
Jun

LRC-Alberta
Okotoks, Alb
July

LRC-Twin Cities
FMI: Cindy Lindeman
Jul

LRC-Canada National Specialty
St. John, NB
Lanctot
Aug
FMI: Michael

Island Pacific LRC
Victoria, BC
Shandley
August
FMI: Sylvia

LRC-Saskatchewan
Yorkton, SK
August

British Columbia LRC
Maple Ridge, BC
Matheson
August
FMI: Holly

Atlantic LRC
St. John, NB
Lanctot
August
FMI: Michael

Shawnee Mission LRC
Gardner, KS
homepage
D/I: M. Faulkner, B/Non-reg: M. Lyons (Chocurua)
Sw: C. Kofron (Valleywood),
O: E. Haas
September 25
FMI: SMLRC

LRC-Central Connecticut
Meriden, CT
FMI: Sue Ostermueller 203-256-9184
Sep

LRC-Southern Connecticut
Stamford, CT
Sept

Mid-Jersey LRC
Hightstown, NJ
October
Sec'y: Lynn Stahl

LRC, Inc. National Specialty
Gray Summit, MO
D/I: J. Borders
B/Non-reg: C. Howard
Swp: M. Foote, O: N. Pollack & D. Young
MH: J. Pecan & G. Anderson
SH: J. Borders & M. Foote
JH: J. Burr & L. Payne
WC: M. Howley & F. Kampo
Tracking: D. Meredith & A. Knoll
Agility: L. Schultz
Oct 12 - 17

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LABRADOR RETRIEVER CLUB OF GREATER BOSTON
Executive Board Meeting
Essex Aggie Field House
Danvers, MA
November 11, 1997

Members in Attendance: K. Mather, P. Duddy, P. Aylward, S. Willumsen, L. Oliver, D. McDonald, K. Kennedy, D. Kennedy, S. Garland, S. Noble, M. Mansfield, R. Solomon, J. Valentine, A. Domit

The meeting was called to order by President Karen Kase at 7:20 PM

Secretary's Report: The Secretary's Report from the Executive Board Meeting from October 8, 1997 was read and approved by those present. S. Willumsen made a motion to accept the minutes as written. The motion was accepted.

Treasurer's Report: Checking account: \$ 3645.02
Savings Account: \$ 3491.49
Donations to the Specialty: \$ 185.00

Corresponding Secretary: Cheryl Curtis
Canine Health Foundation looking for donations

Membership:

1st Readings

Sue Thibedeau Sponsor: Cheryl Curtis
114 Main St., Foxboro, MA 02035
508-543-5664

Michelle Tufts Sponsor: Margaret Mitchell
P.O. Box 1601, 59 Lisette Drive, Salem, NH 03079
603-893-4341

2nd Readings

Eric Benziger & Tammy Farrington Sponsor: Doris Aylward
8 Moore Drive, Sabatus, ME 04280
207-375-8455

Richard Cabral Sponsor: Paul Botelho
93 Thelma Ave., Somerset, MA 02726

Committee Reports:

Otter Tales - Ruth Solomon
Ruth continues to have "Technical Problems" with her computer. K. Mather stated that he had a computer that he would donate to LRCGB but the club would need to purchase additional RAM, hard drive and a printer. A motion was made to authorize \$ 600.00 to be spent on the hardware for this computer. The motioned carried.

Education - Anne Domit
Annual Meeting speaker to be Marge McMillian and her topic will be on caring for the Geriatric Dog.

Finance - Pat Aylward. Deferred

Obedience - Pattie Duddy. Deferred

Awards - Deferred

Conformation -

Chairperson for 1998 Specialty: Michael Courchaine (Otterbound)

Jan Johnson to Chair the Winter Match in Attleboro on Sunday, February 22, 1998

Looking for Spring Match Chairperson - Date May 3, 1998

Field - Karen Kennedy & Kevin Mather

HELDCA - proposed bylaw change- mostly for admittance of new members. Annual Meeting to be on December 14 and the 1998 Hunting Test dates will be selected at this time.

Public Affairs - Karen Kase - Deferred

Lab Rescue - Auction April 4, 1998 - location to be determined

New Business

1. A motion was made to do a 50/50 raffle at all LRCGB functions in 1998. After further discussion the motion was voted on and defeated.

2. Discussion regarding a Breeders Code of Ethics.... To be discussed at next meeting.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Kennedy, Recording Secretary

LABRADOR RETRIEVER CLUB OF GREATER BOSTON
General Meeting
Essex Aggie Field House
Danvers, MA
December 10, 1997

Members in Attendance: M. Lyons, S. Garland, W. McNaughton, P. Duddy, M. Mansfield, P. Aylward, S. Noble, S. Pica, K. & D. Kennedy, J. Kraasowski, J. Viator, S. Willumsen, K. Kase

The meeting was called to order by President Karen Kase at 7:05 PM

Secretary's Report: The Secretary's Report from the Executive Board Meeting from November 12, 1997 was read and approved by those present. A motion to accept the minutes as written. The motion was accepted.

Treasurer's Report: Checking account: \$ 3675.07
Savings Account: \$ 3500.05
Trophy Fund: \$ 295.00

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Corresponding Secretary: Cheryl Curtis

K. Kase received a letter from Anne Domit resigning her Board position and Chairperson of the Education Committee. Her letter was regretfully accepted. After much discussion, Lori Oliver has agreed to fill Anne's vacancy on the Board and Marion Lyons has agreed to become Chairperson of the Education Committee.

Membership:

1st Readings

Keith Marshall Sponsor: Edna Pillow
4 Hartson Circle, Hudson, NH 03051
603-880-8417

2nd Readings

Eric Benziger & Tammy Farrington Sponsor: Doris Aylward
8 Moore Drive, Sabatus, ME 04280
207-375-8455

Richard Cabral Sponsor: Paul Botelho
93 Thelma Ave, Somerset, MA 02726

Committee Reports

Ottertales - Ruth Solonon

Ruth's computer keeps crashing – Experiencing technical difficulties. Each Committee Chair to submit a report for the end year.

Wendy McNaughton has agreed to become Editor for Ottertales. Wendy's e-mail address is mcnaughton@mail.dec.com (or Wendy.McNaughton@digital.com *Italized words were added to minutes by editor.*)

Education - Anne Domit

Anne has submitted her resignation. Marion Lyons has agreed to fill in as Chairperson of this committee.

Finance - Pat Aylward

Discussion of moving \$1000.00 to a money market. Topic was deferred until further information was available.

Obedience - Pattie Duddy. Deferred

Awards Deferred

Conformation -

Chairperson for 1998 Specialty Michael Courchaine (Otterbound)

Sue Willumsen to Coordinate the Supported Entry on 12/7/97 in Boston

Jan Johnson to Chair the Winter Match in Attleboro on February 22, 1998

Looking for Spring Match Chairperson – Date May 3, 1998

Field - Karen Kennedy & Kevin Mather

1998 Events moving along.

Spring Hunt Test Chairperson: Sukie Noble

Secretary: Karen Kennedy

Working Certificate Chairperson: Gerrie Owren

Secretary: Brucie Witthoft

August Hunt Test Chairperson: Sukie Noble

Looking for a Secretary

Next Field Committee Meeting on January 7 at Pat Aylward's home.

Public Affairs - Karen Kase Deferred

Lab Rescue--Auction April 4, 1998 – location to be determined

With no further Business the meeting was adjourned at 7:36 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Kennedy, Recording Secretary

NEXT SHOW COMMITTEE MEETING:

Wednesday, February 11--Snow date: February 18

Location: Ground Rounds Restaurant, Chelmsford, MA

Time: 6:30 pm Directions:

From North -- Rte. 495 So. Take Rte. 110 exit.

Turn left at end of exit ramp. Ground Round on right just after first set of lights.

From South --Rte. 495 No. Take Rte. 110 exit. Turn right at end of exit ramp. Go under 495. Ground Round on right just after first set of lights.



**REMEMBER THE LABRADOR
RETRIEVER RESCUE INC.**

AUCTION - APRIL 4, 1998

VFW - IPSWICH, MA

Your donations and attendance are
needed. Help Labrador owners
help needy Labradors.

Labrador Retriever Rescue, Inc.

(Editor's note: The following is a portion of the letter sent to Friends of Labrador Retriever Rescue. As owners/breeders of Labradors, we all need to help with "Rescue." Hopefully, our dogs will never need this help but others do, now. Please help with donations of items, money and most importantly your time. I have attended the Auction for the past 3 years and have gotten great items.)

Dear Friends of Labrador Retriever Rescue,

Our Fifth Annual Benefit Auction is being held on Saturday, April 4, 1998 at the VFW in Ipswich, MA. You can make this auction successful in any of the following ways.

First, we need new or antique items! Please consider requesting donations from one or two businesses. Donations can be in the form of items (new or antique), certificates for services or checks. In previous years, we have received lovely artwork, children's items, books, dog items, tickets for sporting or entertainment events, tools, weekend get-a-ways, landscaping and certificates for all sorts of things. Cash donations will go towards the rental of the VFW, other auction expenses and the purchase of auction items.

Donations are tax deductible. We will acknowledge all contributions. Our auction catalog will list all contribution made by **individuals and businesses.**

Second, you can be an auction sponsor! Last year we were able to purchase items that were very popular. The sponsors will be listed in the auction catalog and announced during the auction. (If you would like to remain anonymous please indicate.) Please consider a \$20 donation.

Third, you can advertise in our auction catalog! This year we are making advertising space available: 1/4 page-\$15, 1/2 page- \$25, or full page-\$45. The auction catalog is 8 1/2" x 11". Artwork or business cards should be camera ready. Please mail ads with checks to Richard Villa, 6 Church Street, Manchester, MA 01944 along with the size page you wish to purchase. **The deadline is March 21, 1998.**

Fourth, you can volunteer for various tasks! We need people to help us with set-up, food, registration, delivery of items, check-out. Most of the work will take place during Saturday, April 4 and during the evening of the auction. Please call if you can help with any one of these jobs.

The search for auction items needs to be complete by **March 21, 1998.** Please fill in the enclosed donation/ sponsor form. Send all items to Carol Marvelley, 11 Berry Circle, So. Hamilton, MA 01982. 1-978-468-7178. Please let us know if you need assistance transporting items.

Please join us! There will be a cash bar, a free buffet dinner, free desserts, and a fun on-going raffle!

FOOD DONATIONS: Call Pattie Duddy 978-475-4318 (between 7:00p.m. and 9:00 p.m.) or weekdays email at Patricia.Duddy@LibertyMutual.com.

Make checks payable to LRR, Inc.

Thanks!
LRR, Inc.

Be an LRR Auction Sponsor

Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____
Amount donated: _____



The Fifth Annual
**BENEFIT
AUCTION**
April 4, 1998 at the
VFW in Ipswich, MA

**VIEWING OF ITEMS
AND BUFFET - 6:00 P.M.
AUCTION - 7:30 P.M.**

**FREE ADMISSION & FOOD BUFFET
CASH BAR**

Labrador Retriever Rescue, Inc. is a nonprofit organization dedicated to placing Labrador Retrievers in suitable, loving homes. Our Labs are purebred dogs who for various reasons are turned over to us in the hope that they will find a new home and life. The dogs are evaluated in terms of health, temperament, age and training. Our volunteers carefully screen all potential homes and attempt to match a person or family's needs and lifestyle to the particular needs of the Rescue Lab.

**SILENT AUCTION * LIVE AUCTION
RAFFLE**

DIRECTIONS:

FROM 95: Take exit 54. Take Route 133 East for 4 1/2 miles until you reach Route 1A in Ipswich. Turn right and go 3 3/4 miles. The VFW will be on the left.

FROM 128: Take Exit 20A in Beverly. Follow Route 1A North for 8 miles. The VFW will be on the right.

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