

# Otter Tales

Newsletter of the Labrador Retriever Club of Greater Boston - May/June, 1998

## From the Editor's Desk

A successful spring match was held on May 3. Weather was not as cooperative as we all would have liked but we survived. The dogs, however, did enjoy the slight dampness. Thanks to all of you who volunteered. It was nice to see many new faces helping out.

The hunt test ran well and was successful for many members. This was run the day before the spring match. A real Labrador weekend for those who enjoyed both gatherings.

My message this month is regarding a Labrador breeder and friend, Anne Mugglestone. In April, Anne's home burned to the ground. Not only did Anne lose every material possession, she and her children were left with only the clothes they were wearing. Devastating to an animal lover was the loss of Labradors including a mother and her a litter of puppies. Anne, also lost her cats and her birds, all her dog records, photos, etc. These pets and photos and show trophies, etc. can never be replaced.

Anne had no home insurance. Many dog people, especially those who are self employed, often do not have insurance--fire or health.

As a community--the Labrador community, we have the opportunity to help out one of our own. If every member of this club were to send a \$5.00 donation to the trust which has been established for Anne and her children, we could easily raise \$1500.00; and if every club in the US and Canada did the same, WE--the Labrador Community CAN rebuild her home.

So, here's my challenge. I'm starting the donation with my \$5.00 as a club member and I challenge all Labrador breeders to also donate \$100.00. Let's see if we, our membership, can donate \$3000.00.

Send your donations made out to "Ann Mugglestone in Trust" and mail to Peggy Land, 26 Theodore Drive, Leominster, MA 01453. Peggy will then forward our donation onto the Trust which has been established in Canada to help Anne.

From me, thank you to all who choose to help. Hopefully, we will never be asked to have to help another Labrador family member.

*Wendy*

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

Litter ads (\$5.00) and brags (each brag \$1.00) will be accepted and a newsletter will be sent out every 2 months. The deadlines for input to the newsletter are 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 or sooner if I have everything earlier.

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 of your dog including a scanable picture will be \$25.00. 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.

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.

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## 1997 Title Statistics for Labrador Retrievers

CH	CD	CDX	UD	UDX	TD	TDX	OTCH
209	472	137	49	5	23	8	3

FC	AFC	JH	SH	MH
46	30	1074	423	268

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***HELP! LRCGB Specialty is June 11 & 12, Lord Wakefield Hotel, Wakefield, MA. We need people to host the hospitality table for short periods during the show. Please call Carole Barnhart at 603-878-3780 if you can give her 1/2 hr. of your time***

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# Otter Tales - March/April 1998

## BOARD MINUTES

LABRADOR RETRIEVER CLUB OF GREATER BOSTON  
Executive Board Meeting  
Yankee Golden Rescue  
Ruth Solomon's home  
Hudson, MA  
January 14, 1998

**Members in Attendance:** J. Viator, C. Curtis, M. Courchaine, S. Garland, B. Witthoft, P. Duddy, K. Kase, K. Pandolfi, K. Kennedy, D. Kennedy, P. Aylward

The meeting was called to order by President Karen Kase at 7:50 PM

**Secretary's Report:** The Secretary's Report from the General Meeting from December 10, 1997 were read and approved by those present. A motion to accept the minutes as written. The motion was accepted.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Checking account: \$ 3062.57

Savings account: \$ 2507.39

Trophy Fund: \$ 465.00

**Corresponding Secretary:** Cheryl Curtis  
Deferred

### **Membership - 2nd Reading**

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

### **Committee Reports**

**Otter Tales** - Wendy McNaughton

1st issue will be going in mail shortly. Quarterly issues. Deadlines for info will be listed in this edition.

**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** -

a) Winter Match all set.

b) Sue Garland has agreed to chair the Spring Match in May.

c) Specialty -

1. Motion to purchase medallions to be given out to the winners of Perpetual trophies. Motion was approved.
2. Motion was made to accept 2 new Perpetual Trophies; Best of Opposite Sweepstakes and Brood Bitch. Motion was approved.
3. Motion was made to have Executive Board approval for people offering Perpetual Trophies. Motion was approved.
4. Motion was made recommending whomever donates a perpetual trophy to donate funds for medallion and engraving. Motion was accepted.
5. Discussion regarding Specialty Show site for 1999. No decision reached.
6. Next Show committee meeting Wednesday, February 11, site to be determined.

**Field** - Karen Kennedy & Kevin Mather  
1998 Events moving along.

1) Spring Hunt Test Chairperson: Sukie Noble  
Secretary: Karen Kennedy

2) Working Certificate Chairperson: Gerrie Owen  
Secretary: Brucie Witthoft

3) August Hunt Test Chairperson: Sukie Noble  
Secretary: Evelyn Cummings

4) A motion was made requesting \$ 375.00 for new blinds. Motion was approved.

Next Field Committee Meeting on March 8th at Scott Baum's home.

**Public Affairs** - Karen Kase

**Lab Rescue**

Auction April 4, 1998 - Ipswich, MA

**Nominating Committee**

President: Karen Kase

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Secretary: Beth Chamberlain

Corresponding Sec: Cheryl Curtis

Treasurer: Pat Aylward

Board of Directors: Doris Aylward, Michael Courchaine, Sue Huber, Peggy Lands, Karen Kennedy, Kevin Mather, Sukie Noble, Lori Oliver

**Membership Committee**

Ruth Solomon, Karen Kennedy, Mary-Jo Mansfield, Pattie Duddy, Sue Garland and Dick Kennedy to meet and come up with ideas for membership to LRCGB.

With no further Business the meeting was adjourned at 9:40 PM..

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Kennedy, Recording Secretary

LABRADOR RETRIEVER CLUB OF GREATER BOSTON

General Membership Meeting

Canine Training Center

Attleboro, MA

February 22, 1998

Members in Attendance:

The meeting was called to order by President Karen Kase at 12:30 PM

**Secretary's Report:** The Secretary's Report from the Executive Board Meeting from January 14, 1998 were read and approved by those present. A motion to accept the minutes as written. The motion was accepted.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Checking account: \$ 3072.90

Savings Account: \$ 3523.77

**Corresponding Secretary** - Cheryl Curtis  
Deferred

Membership - 1st Reading

**Kristen Maloney** Sponsor: Michael Courchaine

3 Buxton Court

Andover, MA 01810

978-475-0019

**Susan Myshrall**  
R1 Box 140A  
Center Harbor, NH 03226  
603-259-8327

Sponsor: Edna Pillow

**Becky Minard**  
23 Everett St  
Sherborn, MA 01770  
508-651-2464

Sponsor: Sukie Noble

**Carolyn Harvey**  
RR #1 Box 897  
Phillips, ME 04966

Sponsor: Nancy Brandow

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**Education** - Marion Lyons

Next General Meetings topic will be on the Iditarod, from a Vet's Point of View by Denise Albert, DVM

**Obedience** - Pattie Duddy

Top Dog is May 3, 1998. A motion was made for LRCGB to sponsor entries as they have done in the past. Motion carried to sponsor Lab teams representing LRCGB. Jan Johnson is the contact person if your interested in participating.

**Awards** - Awards & Annual Meeting scheduled for March 22, 1998 at the Essex Aggie Field House beginning around 11:00 am. Lunch will be at 12:00. Marge McMillian and Leah Postman will speak on the Geriatric Dog.

**Show Committee** -

- Thanks again to Jan Johnson and her committee for another GREAT Winter match.
- Spring Match is May 3rd at Winnikinni Castle in Haverhill. Sue Garland is the Chairperson and she needs your help. Please call her to offer your support and assistance.
- Specialty: Rebecca Hallisey is looking for raffle items  
Next Meeting; April 29th at Skip's Restaurant in Chelmsford, MA (right down the street from the Ground Round)

**Field** - Karen Kennedy & Kevin Mather

- All set for the Spring Hunt Test on May 2nd at Lisivegeen Sporting Club. See Sukie Noble if your interested in helping out.
- Working Certificate plans are moving along. See Gerrie Owren, Chairperson
- August Hunt Test plans are well underway. See Sukie Noble, Chairperson if interested in helping out.  
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With no further Business the meeting was adjourned at 1:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Kennedy, Recording Secretary

## **BRAGS -**



### NEW CD TITLES

"Windsor's Me & Molly McGee" successfully completed, in three consecutive trials, her CD with scores of 187 on April 4, at the New England Dog Training Club, Manchester, NH and 189 1/2 and 196 at the South County Kennel Club shows, Warwick RI on April 25 and 26. "Really proud of our little Girl!!!" writes Joan Sullivan of Reading, VT

Congratulations to Karen and Dick Kennedy on Megan receiving her American CD on her 3rd birthday. Megan (Wilcare's Pleasant Pine Dream Am/Can CD, JH, WC, CGC, TDI) finished her AKC CD on 5/9/98 in Springfield....in three straight shows with an overall average of 193. Megan obtained her Can. CD this past November. Megan was trained and shown by Karen. Nice job, Karen and Megan!



### NEW AKC CHAMPIONS!

Tabatha's Ebonetta finished her conformation championship at Springfield Kennel Club on May 9. She is very proudly owned by Michael Courchaine and Carole Barnhart.

Can. Ch. Kazorp's Scrabble finished his American conformation championship at Merrimack Valley Kennel Club on May 23 handled by his owner/breeder Wendy McNaughton.

Scrabble wishes to congratulate Elinor owned by Sue Willumsen on Elinor's conformation championship and Sassy (Birchangreen's Nightwind Sass CD) on her 2 points at MVKC, owner handled by Peggy Land.

## Letters to the Editor!

Hello All,

As the new field season starts kicking into high gear, I took a moment and reflected back on the past. I'll warn you that I'm not a good writer and thank heavens for spell check.

First of all I want to thank all of you for the training help and time you gave me. The training sessions with Karen Kase, Dave McDonald and Buck, as well as, other club members were excellent. The many, many questions that Karen and Dick Kennedy answered. Sukie's advice and guidance; and, of course, Mary Jo.

Last year was a fantastic year with emotions running the full range from:

High--Casey getting his JH including back to back perfect (40 point) scores.

Low--At another test, standing there--on the last retrieve with a pheasant at my feet and Casey refusing to pick it back up resulting in disqualification.

Embarrassing--Wanting to find out about the WC and finding a name in the entry form (Doris Aylward). I called her and asked, "Would you happen to know anything about the WC?" She replied, "Well, considering I'm the judge for that event, how can I help?"

Rewarding--Watching my 5 yr. old son (Michael) walk up and accept every ribbon Casey earned. The memory of the smile on his face as he proudly turned and held each ribbon up over his head is more valued to me than any ribbon or title we could ever achieve. Also, sharing with my wife (Kathy) her transition from "I'm not touching that dead bird" to becoming an excellent and supportive training partner.

Every field event was a family affair with my own and the extended (LRCGB) family. We enjoyed all the people we met and had the pleasure of spending time with.

The experiences encountered have been a learning experience and have helped me to become a better handler and person.

Thanks, again, to all of you; and I look forward to seeing and working with you in this and future seasons to come.

Best of Luck,  
Bill Swartz



## SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP FOR PUPPIES & NOVICE ADULTS

**Dates:** Stake 1--June 9, 1998 at Delaney; 5:30 pm till dark

Stake 2--June 30, at Delaney; 5:30 pm till dark

Stake 3--July 26, HELDCA, Hopkinton, NH; immediately following the WC

**Courses and birds:** Dead ducks, pheasants, chuckars, or pigeons in all stakes. Starter pistols and calls will be used; bird throwers in white. A holding blind will be used at line. Delivery to hand and steadiness not required.

**Divisions:** Jr. Puppy (4 to 8 months) no legs or titles

Sr. Puppy (8 to 12 months) no legs or titles

Novice adults (12 months & over) no legs or titles

Dogs growing out of a division will move up taking any points earned.

**Scoring:** Each division will be scored separately--5 pts. for 1st., 4 for 2nd., 3 for 3rd, 2 for 4th., 1 for JAMS\* A champion in each division will be determined by the cumulative score earned over the three stakes, though entry in all stakes is not required. Dogs earning a leg/title prior to the final stake are no longer eligible for the championship. (Dogs earning a WC on the DAY of the final stake will remain eligible for the championship.)

**Retrieves:** Singles--two on land and two in the water

Jr. Puppy--25 to 40 yards, light cover. Puppy may be released while the bird is in the air.

Sr. Puppy--40 to 75 yards, light cover. Puppy may be released on the word "dog" as the bird lands.

Novice Adult--60 to 90 yards, light to moderate cover. Dog must be released after the word "dog" after the bird lands.

A retrieve is successful if the bird is brought to an area designated by the judge.

**Entries:** Fee: \$5.00--may be paid the day of the stake signing up with judge/marshall for the appropriate stake

**Prizes:** Ribbons in each stake; a trophy for the champion in each division

**Workers:** All handlers are expected to assist in the running of the stakes--throwing, marshaling, etc.

**ALL STAKES WILL RUN RAIN OR SHINE EXCEPT IN THE CASE OF SEVERE THUNDERSTORMS.**

**FMI:** Contact Sukie Noble 603-887-2307



## LRCGB SPECIALTY

Thursday & Friday, June 11 & 12, 1998

Lord Wakefield Hotel, Wakefield, MA

Carole Barnhart (603-878-3780) needs help with hospitality during the day on Thursday & Friday. She also needs food donations for Wed. evening and Friday during the BOB. If you have a Raffle donation, please call Rebecca Hallisey at 603-382-9383.

HELP!

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## Labrador Specialty Match - May 3, 1998

Judge: Dr. Tony Dinardo (Judge's comments in italics)

Novice dogs: (none)

Bred by exhibitor dogs:

- 1 (37) Chocorua Seafarer O'Gypsy Bog (Captain) - *Head pleasing--correct size; topline off - good tail, overall average quality* owner: Karen Kase

American Bred dogs: (none)

Open dogs:

- 1 (13) Arthur - *Size; feet, tail, substance underline good; good temperament; movement needs improvement* owner: Martin Morasse

Veteran dogs:

- 1 (33) BZB Nyleve Lord Bulfinch, CD, CGC  
- *Head pleasing, size & temperament, tail good, topline has softened slightly*  
owner: Mary-Jo Mansfield

- (41) Kazorp's Toad Prince (Warlock) - *Head needs improvement; good substance, feet and temperament*  
owner: Wendy McNaughton

Hunting Retriever dogs:

- 1 (59) Erinhill's Nichodemus JH (Nick) - *Good rear movement; topline and tail; front somewhat restricted*  
owner: Scott Bamm

Novice bitch:

- 1 (78) Scarlet - *Good substance, underline and tail; head and temp. need improvement* owner: Brucie Witthoft 2  
(74) La Musique de Jazmin - *Good temperament, tail; needs more foreface and outline too long* owner: Andra Gladu

Bred by bitch:

- 1 (20) Kazorp's Color Me Yellow (Ellie) - *Head pleasant, good temperament, strong rear, good underline and tail; somewhat long* owner: Wendy McNaughton

American Bred bitch:

- 1 (24) Naiad Nightmist of Beauport, WC  
- *Bite good; eye color, tail ok; outline, body long; false pregnancy* owner: Joan M. Viator

Open bitch:

- 1 (86) Hally - *Good overall dog; bite and teeth good, sound specimen* owner: Cynthia Pondrette  
2 (84) Star - *Good substance and underside; head slightly coarse* owner: Sue Thibedeau  
3 (42) Naiad Ashfield Orient Express - *Good expression, topline soft, good temperament* owner: Mary-Jo Mansfield

Veteran bitch: (none)

Hunting Retriever bitch: (none)

*Best Adult - Open Bitch - Good overall specimen*

*Best Opp - Open Dog - Good bone, substance, and temperament*

2-4 months dogs:

- 1 (19) Chester - *Good head type, angles and movement*  
owner: Kevin Mather  
2 (21) Beauport's Buccaneer Shedow - *Good substance, cobby and underline* owner: Joan Viator  
3 (51) Boru - *Good head, overall nice* owner: Gail Conway  
4 (27) Daiichi - *Lot of bone and substance* owner: Cynthia Pondrette

**Total Entries in Conformation: 41**

4-6 months dogs:

- 1 (17) Kazorp's Bonnavista Bay (Wit) - *Good bone, head and substance* owner: Wendy McNaughton  
2 (45) Willcare's Glance at Majestyx - *Pretty, nice head, out of control* owner: Sue Willumsen

6-9 months dogs:

- 1 (47) Willcare's Touch of the Master - *Good and sound overall* owner: Sue Willumsen

9-12 months dogs:

- 1 (35) Ashfield Naiad P. T. Limited - *Head and body standard, good bite and teeth, wavy coat, back slightly soft*  
owner: Mary-Jo Mansfield  
2 (15) Parker - *Average dog, prop. long in body, good bone and substance* owner: Martin Morasse

12-18 month dogs:

- 1 (55) Dewey - *Overall good type, proportions and soundness*  
owner: Sue Willumsen  
2 (23) Willcare's Friday the Thirteen - *Sound, slightly long, good specimen* owner: Sharon Farrington  
3 (7) Willcare's Malachy - *Sturdy, good bone and substance*  
owner: Lori Kelly  
4 (39) Gypsy Bog Willcare Yukon Jack (Jigger) - *Attractive head and expression, body too long in proportion*  
owner: Karen Kase-4 months bitches:

- 1 (36) Muddler - *Good bone and substance, best mover, good proportions* owner: Cynthia Pondrette  
2 (80) April - *Good mover and overall balance* owner: Sue Thibedeau  
3 (32) Daisy - *Attractive head, long in proportion to height*  
owner: Julie Jussaume  
4 (52) Willcare's Colors of the Wind - *Needs more bone and substance, pretty head, slightly long in body* owner: Sue Willumsen

4-6 months bitches:

- 1 (38) Derry - *Good bone, substance and balance*  
owner: Cheryl Curtis  
2 (48) Nor'land Naiad Old Squaw (Gabby) - *Pretty head, good angulation* owner: Susan Noble  
3 (18) Blackdux Rave Review (Gleam) - *Good mover, head could be better* owner: Linda Flaherty  
4 to 6 months bitches (continued):  
4 (34) Pebble - *Out of control, attractive* owner: Cynthia Poudrette

6 to 9 months bitches

- 1 (82) Glory - *Head okay, slightly long in proportion, back could be tighter* owner: Sue Thibedeau

9 to 12 months bitches:

- 1 (46) Annie - *Good combination, type and soundness*  
owner: Ruth Solomon  
2 (64) Jessie - *Average, needs to improve topline* owner: Kerry Brickett  
3 (16) Katherine - *Overweight, good bone* owner: Martin Morasse

12 to 18 months bitches:

- 1 (40) Kelsey - *Attractive head, free mover, good overall*  
owner: Jenna Curtis  
2 (54) Willcare's Stellar Attraction - *Head attractive, topline soft* owner: Sue Willumsen

*Best Puppy - 9-12 bitch - Good type and angles*

*Best Opp. Puppy 0 9-12 dog - Good bone and substance, wavy coat*

Judge: Mrs. Sheila Dinardo

Sweepstakes: (*Judge's comments in Italics*)

**2-4 months dogs:**

- 1 (25) Dawson - *Good bone, substance, coat, tail; too light ground color* Owner: Julie Jussume
- 2 (27) Daiichhi - *Good bone, coat, tail* Owner: Cynthia Pondrette
- 3 (29) Kazorp Napoleon Owner: Socrates Rosenfeld
- 4 (19) Chester Owner: Kevin Mather

**4 to 6 months dogs:**

- 1 (17) Kazorp's Bonnavista Bay - *Great bone, coat, tail* Owner: Wendy McNaughton
- 2 (45) Willcare's Glance at Majestyx - *Less bone than #1, good topline coat* Owner: Sue Willumsen

**6 to 9 months dogs:**

- 1 (47) Willcare's Touch of the Master - *Nice moving, good coat* Owner: Sue Willumsen

**9 to 12 months dogs:**

- 1 (35) Ashfield Naiad P. T. Limited - *Very good bone, nice head, good coat and tail; he's a little soft on topline, probably age related* Owner: Mary-Jo Mansfield
- 2 (15) Parker - *Good bone, nice head, good tail and coat* Owner: Martin Morasse

**12 to 15 months dogs:**

- 1 (49) Milens Sam I Am - *Wonderful mover, nice topline, good head* Owner: Keri Cedrone
- 2 (39) Gypsy Bog Willcare Yukon Jack (Jigger) - *Nice topline, coat* Owner: Karen Kase

**15 to 18 months dogs:**

- 1 (23) Willcare's Friday the Thirteenth - *Nice moving, good coat, muscular* Owner: Sharon Farrington
- 2 (7) Willcare's Malachy - *Good head, bone, coat* Owner: Lori Kelly

**2 to 4 months bitches:**

- 1 (32) Daisy - *Good bone, topline, coat* Owner: Julie Jussaume
- 2 (36) Muddler - *Heavy boned, coat, nice tail* Owner: Cynthia Pondrette
- 3 (10) Paddington Sweet Nothings - *Pretty girl, good coat* Owner: Lois Engel
- 4 (52) Willcare's Colors of the Wind - *Pretty head, good bone* Owner: Sue Willumsen

**4 to 6 months bitches:**

- 1 (34) Pebble - *Nice puppy with good bone, pretty head* Owner: Cynthia Poudrette
- 2 (38) Derry - *Nice puppy, good bone, nice tail and coat* Owner: Cheryl Curtis
- 3 (18) Blackdux Rave Review (Gleam) - *Wonderful puppy* Owner: Linda Flaherty
- 4 (48) Nor'land Naiad Old Squaw (Gabby) - *Nice puppy, good bone, nice coat* Owner: Susan Noble & Doris Aylward

**6 to 9 months bitches:**

- 1 (26) Wolvercote Galaxy Girl of Kimvalley - *Very nice, balanced and good bone* Owner: Leslie Williams

**9 to 12 months bitches:**

- 1 (46) Annie - *Nice balance, good bone* Owner: Ruth Solomon
- 2 (16) Katherine - *Pretty face, good bone, coat* Owner: Martin Morasse

**12 to 15 months bitches:**

- 1 (54) Willcare's Stellar Attraction - *Nice bone, substance, coat* Owner: Sue Willumsen
- 2 (40) Kelsey - *Balanced, good coat* Owner: Jenna Curtis

**Best Puppy in Sweeps - 9-12 dog**

**Best Opp in Sweeps - 4-6 months bitch**

**8 to 10 yrs. dogs:**

- 1 (33) BZB Nyleve Loard Bulfinch, CD GCG Owner: Mary Jo Mansfield

**Over 10 dogs:**

- 1 (41) Kazorp's Toad Prince (Warlock) Owner: Wendy McNaughton

**Best Veteran: Over 10 dog**

**Total Sweeps Entries: 31 Total Junior Show Entries: 6**

**Junior Showmanship:**

**Novice Jr.**

- 1 (82) Child's name not given
- 2 (31) Brian Curtis
- 3 (49) Child's name not given
- 4 (28) Child's name not given

**Novice Sr.**

- 1 (40) Jenna Curtis
- 2 (29) Socrates Rosenfeld

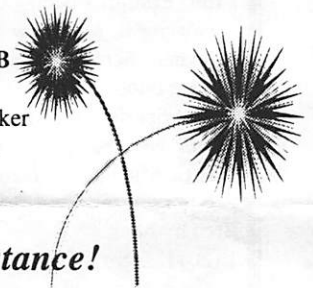
**Best Junior: #82 - Novice Junior**

**Total Obedience Entries 29**

**High in Match: #191 - Novice B**

**Novice B:**

- 1 (14) Caper Owner: Ellen Brinker
- 2 (11) Majestx Come By Chance Owner: Lois Engel



**Thanks for your assistance!**

For the record there were some people that, as Mary Jo says, "Just appear."

When I first got to the match grounds, I didn't know how big to make the rings. As the members showed up, I was busy and "bingo" the rings were up. thank you. I know there were the Kennedys, the Mathers, Patty, April, and Sharon. They were doing their thing with the ring set up. I so appreciated that. Anyone I might not have named, thank you too.

Although the raffle was a bust, the food table was busy and a friend of mine from work was there minding the store--shall we say with the aid of Jane Atwell and her husband, Scott Baum.

Also, thank you everyone for stewarding

Of course, the match would not have worked without the entries and I thank Wendy so much for a smooth job with that. But, of course, if Mary Jo and all her tubs of things that she totes all over was not there, where would we have found all our goodies.

But the real back bone was Joan Viator and her handling of "That Trailer." I think I would have been there 'till midnight if it weren't for Joanie.

Thank you all for everything. Hope everyone had a great day and congratulations to our winners. Good job.

Good luck to all at our specialty and show season.

Sue Garland, Chairperson, Match Specialty, May 3,



## UPCOMING SHOWS: (submitted by Pattie Duddy)

<b>Date/Super</b>	<b>May 30</b>	<b>Crowe</b>
<b>Show/Loc</b>	Ladies Dog Club	Wrentham, MA
<b>Breed:</b>	Miss D. M. MacDonald	
<b>Obedience</b>	Nov. A, Open A	Ms. P. Scully
	Nov. B, Util B	A. Weiss
	Open B, Util A	Mrs. S. King
	5/31	<b>Crowe</b>
<b>Date/Super</b>	Framingham District KC	Bolton, MA
<b>Show/Loc.</b>	Mrs. E. M. Ketcham	
<b>Breed:</b>	6/13	<b>Crowe</b>
<b>Date/Super</b>	North Shore KC	Boxford, MA
<b>Show/Loc.</b>	R. Cuneo	
<b>Breed:</b>	Nov A, Open B, Util A	G.H. Davis
<b>Obedience</b>	Nov B, Open A, Util B	Mrs.DM Connolly
	6/14	<b>Crowe</b>
<b>Date/Super</b>	Middlesex County	Lexington, MA
<b>Show/Loc.</b>	Not listed	
<b>Breed:</b>	Not listed	
<b>Obedience</b>	Not listed	
<b>Date/Super</b>	6/20	<b>Mary Gay SHW</b>
		Sec. Rte. 2
		Box 104b
		Gardiner, ME 4345
		Augusta, ME
<b>Show/Loc.</b>	Central Maine KC	
<b>Breed:</b>	Mrs. G.M. Brewin	
<b>Obedience</b>	Nov A, Open B, Util B	A. R. Cherubini
	Nov B, Open A, Util A	R. H. Mullen
	6/21	<b>Mary Gay SHW</b>
		Sec. Rte. 2
		Box 104b
		Gardiner, ME 4345
		Augusta, ME
<b>Show/Location</b>	Central Maine KC	
<b>Breed:</b>	Dr. A. Mays	
<b>Obedience:</b>	Nov A, Open B, Util B	R. H. Mullen
<b>Date/Super</b>	6/27	<b>Crowe</b>
<b>Show/Location</b>	Hockamock KC	Wrentham, MA
<b>Breed:</b>	Ms. E. Muthard	
<b>Obedience:</b>	Nov. A, Util B	Mrs. M.E. Diesem
	Nov. B, Open A.	D. Thornton
	Open B, Util A	J. M. Ashton
	6/28	<b>Crowe</b>
<b>Date/Super</b>	Wampanoag KC	Lakeville, MA
<b>Show/Location</b>	P.S. Jennings	
<b>Breed:</b>	Nov. A, Open B	D. Thornton
<b>Obedience:</b>	Nov. B, Util A	J. S. Glazman
	Open A, Util B	Mrs. L. Scanlan
	7/4	<b>Crowe</b>
<b>Date/Super</b>	Farmington Valley KC	W. Springfield, MA
<b>Show/Loc.</b>	Dr. K. Anseim	
<b>Breed:</b>	Nov A	Mrs. K. Withers
<b>Obed</b>	Nov B	H. E. Whitney
	Open A.	Mrs. V.L. Kinion
	Open B.	C. D. Maurer
	Util A.	K. H. Delaney
	Util B.	R. A. Strong
	7/10	<b>Crowe</b>
<b>Date/Super</b>	Woodstock Dog Club	No. Haverhill, NH
<b>Show/Loc</b>	J. G. Reynolds	
<b>Breed</b>	Nov. A, Util A & B	F. J. Washabaugh
<b>Obedience:</b>	Nov B, Open A & B	Mrs. P. Broderick
	7/11	<b>Crowe</b>
<b>Date/Super</b>	Champlain Valley KC	Essex Junction, VT
<b>Show/Loc</b>	W. E. Dean, Jr.	
<b>Breed:</b>	Nov A, Util A & B	Mrs. P. Broderick
<b>Obedience</b>	Nov B, Open a & B	T. Walsh
	7/12	<b>Crowe</b>
<b>Date/Super</b>	Green Mountain Dog Club	Stowe, VT
<b>Show/Loc</b>	D. Windsor	
<b>Breed:</b>	Nov. A, Util A & B	T. Walsh
<b>Obedience</b>	Nov. B, Open A & B.	F. J. Washabaugh

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Lab Owners' Club	June
Cambridge, Ont.	
LRC-Hawaii	June 21
Honolulu, HI	
Reg: L. Reidel	
Winnebago LRC	June 13
Beloit, WI	FMI: Ann Kaszak (708)841-6035
B/I: M. A. Czerwinski (Labradors of Broadway)	
D/Non-reg: B. Nowak (Boyhill)	
Sw/Vet: L. Schiele (Linray),	
O: D. Probst	
<b>LRCGB Specialty</b>	<b>JUNE 11 &amp; 12</b>
<b>Wakefield, MA</b>	
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Rose City LRC	Jun
Canby, OR	
LRC-Alberta	July
Okotoks, Alb	
LRC-Twin Cities	Jul
FMI: Cindy Lindeman	
LRC-Canada National Specialty	Aug
St. John, NB	FMI: Michael Lanctot
Island Pacific LRC	August
Victoria, BC	FMI: Sylvia Shandley
LRC-Saskatchewan	August
Yorkton, SK	
British Columbia LRC	August
Maple Ridge, BC	FMI: Holly Matheson
Atlantic LRC	August
St. John, NB	FMI: Michael Lanctot
Shawnee Mission LRC	September 25
Gardner, KS	FMI: SMLRC
homepage	
D/I: M. Faulkner, B/Non-reg: M. Lyons (Chocurua	
Sw: C. Kofron (Valleywood),	
O: E. Haas	
LRC-Central Connecticut	Sep
Meriden, CT	FMI: Sue Ostermueller 203-256-9184
LRC-Southern Connecticut	Sept
Stamford, CT	
Mid-Jersey LRC	October
Hightstown, NJ	Sec'y: Lynn Stahl
LRC, Inc. National Specialty	Oct 12 - 17
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	

## Library / Wingshooting

Snakes, Skunks and Porcupines by Philip Bourjaily  
(Submitted by Bill Swartz)

Dog training season has begun and early season hunting is close at hand. That means that gun dogs will once again be face to face with threats from skunks, snakes, and porcupines. **Snakes**--In the worst case, a bite in the muzzle from a large rattlesnake can kill a dog in as little as 30 minutes. Anti-venom is available from vets in snake country; carry it with you at all times. Treat the dog, then take him to a vet immediately.

The best protection against snakes is prevention. An electric collar will cure your dog of any curiosity towards snakes. Control your training situation carefully so that the dog associates the shock only with the snake, not with you, a particular spot on the ground, or the basket holding the snake. The shock should be delivered at full intensity, and you should give no command; the idea is for the dog to believe that snakes will shock him, not that you will shock him for sniffing snakes.

If you're not experienced with electronic dog training, proceed very carefully or enlist the aid of someone who knows the score.

**Skunks**--A skunk's spray will not blind dogs, as you may have heard, but it is a powerful irritant. Rinse your dog's eyes with boric acid eyewash or water as soon as possible to relieve the pain. As for the getting rid of the smell, I've always used a tomato juice bath. Some people swear by a tuh-ful! of cold coffee.

If you happen to see a skunk walking out in the open in broad daylight, give it an even wider berth than usual; it may be rabid.

**Porcupines**--When your dog winds up with a face full of quills, use a hemostat or pliers to pull them out. Some hunters carry a bandanna or length of gauze to muzzle their dogs while they work. The ends of some quills may remain inside the dog and become infected. Treat those with an antibiotic like amoxicillin.

Dr. Martin Smith, a veterinarian from the heart of porcupine country, tells me there is absolutely no truth to the myth that cutting the ends off quills makes them easier to pull. **Traps and Wire**--Leghold traps in themselves will rarely injure a dog badly, but Dr. Smith told me about a phenomenon that can occur in very cold weather. If a dog is caught in a leghold trap in sub-freezing weather for a long period of time, you may see a small crease around the leg when you get him out. If you do, consult a vet. Left untreated, the foot may suddenly develop gangrene 12 to 15 days later and be lost below the crease due to constriction of the blood vessels.

The larger sizes of Conibear, or bodygrip, traps can kill a dog instantly. Fortunately, most states require them to be used in or under water. Smaller Conibears, however, may be legally set on dry land where your dog might just stick his nose into one. Loops at the ends of the springs effectively lock Conibear traps shut; you cannot pry the jaws apart. Instead, you have to compress the spring. Some models have two springs, in which case you have to use the wire latch you'll find on the spring to

hold it while you work on the other. It takes strength and some practice to open Conibears quickly. You might want to do what I've done and borrow one from a trapper to learn how to open it.

Hunting dogs are forever tearing themselves up on barbed wire, so I help my dog over or under fences whenever possible. Dogs are naturally resistant to tetanus, but even a deep scratch from barbed wire should be treated with an antibiotic.

Don't tie your dog to a fencepost when you stop to take a break in the field. Unlikely as it sounds, dogs have been known to try to jump the fence they're tied to, accidentally hanging themselves.

**Burrs and Thorns**--Sand burrs, cactus spines, and locust thorns may lack the deadly glamour of rattlesnakes and Conibear traps as hazards in the field, but they are much more likely to ruin your hunt. If you hunt in an area where burrs are a problem, consider a set of rubber dog boots. Be sure, though, to accustom the dog thoroughly to wearing boots before the season begins.

Check your dog's feet carefully after every hunt for burrs and thorns, taking special care to look between the pads. Pull out the entire thorn; pieces of thorns will migrate readily once inside your dog. If necessary, a vet can open up the wound and remove the remaining bit of thorn.

The author would like to thank Drs. Martin Smith and Race Foster for help in preparing this article. Smith and Foster produce an informative mail-order catalog of dog supplies and will also answer questions about dog health over the phone. For more information call 800-323-4206.

## Thanks! Thanks! Thanks!

I would like to thank the following people for their help in making the winter match a great success.

Caryl Crouse, Beth Teixeira, Sue Thibedeau, Nancy Freitas, Barbara Gallwan, Sue Baggesen, and Gerri Owren for giving me the day to steward and take entries. A special thanks to Brent Upchurch who ran the breed ring like a pro all day long (including clean up); and to Pam Kimell for hanging in and helping with clean up after a long day's work.

Also, thanks to Sue Willumsen again for giving of her time and to all who aided her, and to Cheryl Curtis and Mary Jo Mansfield for helping me with flyers, gifts, and answering any questions I had.

I'm sure I missed someone but thanks to you too and to Everyone for coming and making it a great day. And a grand thank you for my tote bag. I love the color.

Jan Johnson

Editor's note: Your name could be listed here in the next newsletter for helping at the May Match. Volunteer and work and you'll be in print.





## Labrador Retriever Rescue Inc.

Each issue this column will feature a rescued Labrador. These dogs' owners are very proud, as they should be, of the progress their dogs had made in becoming members of their new families. If you have a Labrador which you got through LRR, Inc. and would like to share your dog's story, please send it to me for publication.

Following is the story of "*Muldoon Break.*"

We adopted Muldoon, a yellow Lab, one and a half years ago when he was two years old. Both he and his brother, a black Lab, were given up by a family who could no longer take care of them because of their small children. But, we think there may have been more to the story.

Muldoon was very skittish and jumpy at first. He seemed wary of everything and everybody. He was never fully house-broken--having been left out of doors all day or in a basement. We are still working on the housebreaking and accidents are less frequent now. He was very apprehensive of strangers and we were never too sure how he would react when people would want to pet him.

Muldoon has come a long way. His personality shines. He is very affectionate, perky and full of energy. He loved to play hide and seek in the house and is so proud when he finds you. He possesses lots of charm and warmth and he communicates with his eyes, tail, paws, and even his voice. He tries to imitate whatever sounds you make. How many animals do you know who can bark and banter in different octaves? Muldoon can and does.

We adopted Muldoon four months after our black Lab of nearly fifteen years passed away. While there are similarities between the two dogs, Muldoon is unique and special. Just as no two people are alike, the same is true for Lab-a-dogs." He filled a big void in our hearts

We are extremely grateful that he is a vital part of our lives. He is our best friend. He accompanies us on morning runs and evening walks. We would never think of putting him in a kennel when we go away. My sister volunteers to take vacation time from work to dog sit and my folks look forward to our going away so Muldoon can stay with them. He is an important part of all of our lives and we love him. We think he loves us too!

**Date/Super** 8/1/98 Lori Carver SHW SEC c/o P.O.  
**Show/Loc** Box 22107 Greensboro, NC 27420  
**Breed:** Pioneer Valley K.C. Greenfield, MA  
**Obedience:** J.R. White  
Nov A, Rev. T.V. O'Connor  
Nov B, Mrs. E.L. Rotman  
Open A, Rev. T.V. O'Connor  
Open B, Mrs. E.L. Rotman  
Utility A, Mrs. E.L. Rotman  
Utility B, Rev. T.V. O'Connor

**Date/Super** 8/2/98 Crowe  
**Show/Loc** Cheshire Kennel Club Keene, NH  
**Breed:** R. W. Wilson  
**Obedience:** Nov A, R.J. Ambrosio  
Nov B, J.S. Glazman  
Open A, J.S. Glazman  
Open B, R.J. Ambrosio  
Utility A, R.J. Ambrosio  
Utility B, J.S. Glazman

**Date/Super** 8/7/98 Crowe  
**Show/Loc** Mohawk Valley K.C. Ballston Spa, NY  
**Breed:** W.B. Garvey  
**Obedience:** Nov A, P. Scully  
Nov B, Miss G. Blatt  
Open A, A.L. Cartwright  
Open B, P. Scully  
Utility A, Miss G. Blatt  
Utility B, A.L. Cartwright

**Date/Super** 8/8/98 Crowe  
**Show/Loc** Southern Adirondack Dog Club Ballston Spa, NY  
**Breed:** Mrs. P. Nykiel  
**Obedience:** Nov A, A.L. Cartwright  
Nov B, Ms. P. Scully  
Open A, Miss G. Blatt  
Open B, A. Cartwright  
Utility A, Ms. P. Scully  
Utility B, Miss G. Blatt

**Date/Super** 8/9/98 Crowe  
**Show/Loc** Bennington County K.C. Ballston Spa, NY  
**Breed:** No information listed

**Date/Super** 8/14/98 Antypas  
**Show/Loc** Wachusett Kennel Club Fitchburg, MA  
**Breed:** D.J. Murphy  
**Obedience:** Nov A, Ms S.J. Like  
Nov B, J. Blenkey  
Open A & B, Ms S.J. Like  
Utility A & B, J. Blenkey

**Date/Super** 8/15/98 Crowe  
**Show/Loc** Oakland County K.C. Fitchburg, MA  
**Breed:** Mrs B.E. Sandberg  
**Obedience:** Nov A, Mrs S.A. Redmer  
Nov B, Ms. D.E. Tessmann  
Open A, Mrs S.A. Redmer  
Open B, Ms D.E. Tessmann  
Utility A, Mrs S.A. Redmer  
Utility B, Ms D.E. Tessmann

**Date/Super** 8/16/98 Crowe  
**Show/Loc** Greater Lowell K.C. Fitchburg, MA  
**Breed:** Mrs. K.B. Ashe  
**Obedience:** Nov A, G.T. Feeley  
Nov B, D. Thornton  
Open A, D. Thornton  
Open B, G.T. Feeley  
Utility A&B, D. Thornton

**Date/Super** 8/22/98 Crowe  
**Show/Loc** Newtown K.C. W. Springfield, MA  
**Breed:** Miss D.H. Maltz  
**Obedience:** Nov A, R.G. Westby  
Nov B, S.D. Hodgens-Wood  
Open A, Mrs. P. Kasten  
Open B, M.O. Chester

## Are you hopelessly into dogs?

(author unknown) Submitted by: Karen Kennedy

Count up how many of these fit you and then score yourself to see how deeply you really are into dogs.

1. You own more leashes than belts.
2. You can't understand why heads snap around at work when you discuss your "bitch."
3. All your clothes have plastic bags in the pockets.
4. Your dogs have more --and better!-- toys than you do.
5. You think it's completely normal to discuss your dog's stools at the dinner table.
6. You select a new vehicle solely on its suitability for carrying your dogs and their gear.
7. Your mattress is old enough to vote, but your dogs get brand-new beds every Christmas.
8. You watch "Letterman" only on Stupid Pet Trick night.
9. You have no photos of your spouse in your wallet -- just the dogs.
10. Your dog's shampoo: \$18.00 a bottle, plus \$5.00 for second-day air shipment. Your shampoo: Whatever's on sale.
11. You never bother to wash you hands after petting the dog even before eating.
12. You expect to find a little dog hair in each meal and think of it as "added fiber".
13. You wake up instantly when your dog whines, but never wake up when someone calls your name or your alarm goes off.
14. You will rush your dog to the vet at the smallest injury or cough, but wait to take yourself to the doctor unless it is really severe.
15. You are willing to get up and walk the puppy at any time of night with a cheerful "good dog", but grumble and complain when someone calls you in the middle of the night.
16. You know peoples' dog's names before you know theirs. And when you talk about someone it goes like this: "You know the person that owns the sable German Shepard really got some good advice from the person with the corgi..."
17. Your entire wardrobe is covered in dog hair. You still find dog hair even when you have been away from dogs for months.
18. You notice the breed of someones dog, but don't even notice if the person who had the dog was male or female.
19. New puppies cause "oh isn't he so cute. He sure has grown recently. How adorable!" while human children only get "What a cute new puppy in the family."
20. You talk to people in short phrases: "Billy come", "Joe Sit", "good boy!"
21. When someone does something that pleases you you are inclined to reach in your pocket for a peice of food as a reward.
22. You feel the urge to put choke chains on people when they misbehave.
23. You ask old friends about their dogs before you ask about the family.
24. You send out Christmas pictures of the dog, not the family.

25. When you are away from home, you call to ask about the dog.
26. You ask pregnant women when they are due to whelp.
27. When you are talking you have the urge to spell out que words, that your dog reacts to like "W\_A\_L\_K" and "O\_U\_T" whenever they are used in a sentance, even if the dog is not around
28. You open all doors cautiously to make sure the dog doesn't run out, even at other peoples houses.
29. Dog related activities dicate your weekends and evenings
30. You own more dog training videos than all other videos combined.
31. You own more dog training books than all other books combined.
32. Your dogs brushes and combs sit next to your own
33. Your dog has a wardrobe as large as your own.
34. You have more pictures of your dogs on the walls of your house than of your human family, or the dog is included in all family photos.
35. Wet slippers are to be expected each morning when you get up.
36. Your dog's food costs more in one month than your own.
37. You ccelebrate your dogs birthday by giving your dog presents, cake and have their "friends" come over for a party.
38. Your dog receives a stocking at Christmas.
39. Your favorite stores to go to are pet stores, because your dog is welcome to come in.
40. You hate people that beg, because they just can't get that innocent look like your dog.
41. Your dog has more toys than your children.
42. Your phone bill is full of calls to your dog's groomer, breeder, trainer, show-handler, hotel-reservations-for dog shows, dog show friends, other dog people, etc.
43. Every conversation you have tends to turn to the topic of dogs.



## Great Expectations!

Chucklebrook Chilly Willey x Kanga's Chocolate Kiss  
Litter due: Approx. June 8  
Chocolates and possibly Yellows  
Marilyn Hayes, Rowley, MA 978-948-7056

Otterbound Tide Water x Allegheny's Designing Woman  
Due the end of June -- Blacks and Yellows  
Carole Barnhart, Milens Labradors,  
New Ipswich, NH 603-878-3780

Scrimshaw hard To Be Humble x Milens Magic Marker  
Due July 4 -- all Yellows  
Carole Barnhart, Milens Labradors  
New Ipswich, NH 603-878-3780

Am/Can. Ch. Banner's Dreamboat x Can. Ch. Westwind  
Saila of Cedarwood JH, Am/Can WC, Am/Can CD  
Due June 8 -- all black (By)  
Susan Robichaud - Wassookeag Kennels  
Dixmont, Me 207-234-4092

44. If you had a choice between living with your spouse and your dog, you would choose the dog.
45. You spend more time at work reading dog related e-mail than you do actually working.
46. The innitials DHLP, AKC, CHD, PRA, CERF, ARBA, BOB, BIS, BOS, BOV, CD, CDX, OTCH, EDX, JH, MH, LCX, etc. are common abbreviations in your vocabulary.
47. You can recognise more than 100 breeds of dogs on sight.
48. Westminster Dog show on TV takes all presidence over any other program during the dates it is on.
49. You are subscribed to two or more dog related magazines and eagerly await their arival.
50. You feel the urge to neuter or spay anyone who mistreats there dogs, or allows their dogs to run loose.
51. In the middle of the night when you're asleep in bed, you wake up slightly, roll over to change positions, and hug one of your dogs that is sound asleep, laying on his back with his head resting on a pillow. You give him a kiss, snuggle closer, and go back to sleep. Your S.O., who is snoring away on the opposite side of the bed, gets nothing.
52. When you feel romatic, the first thing you worry about is where are all the dogs and how can you keep them out of the bedroom for a few moments.
53. You can't imagine leaving your dogs with someone else, so all your vacations include a few dog shows along the way or at the point of your destination.
54. You hate going to the mall to buy clothes and shoes for yourself; however, just love to "cruise the vendors" after your breed has been judged.
55. You have more clips, clamps, and bungee cords for your dogshow set up than you have silver ware and plates at home.
56. Your keep meticulous records and schedules for your dogs'health check-ups and shots; however, you can't remember if it's been 7 or 9 years since your last visit to the dentist.
57. You are willing to spend 100's of dollars to save an abandoned and injured puppy, but won't fork out the cash to buy yourself a new pair of glasses.
58. Your workday schedules are well planned so you are home in time to exercise the dogs.
59. Your car's trunk is full of dog equipment, yet, you can't find the jack to change a tire.
60. On the weekends, you go to the grocery store dressed in sweats and tennis shoes and have a lanyard around your neck with 2 or 3 whistles, collars attached to your belt, training pouch with treats, etc.

61. All of your sweatshirts have "dog-related" designs or messages.
62. You can't remember the last time you socialized with anybody that wasn't into (fill in your breed).
63. You have no friends that don't love dogs.
64. Your dogs receive cards in the mail congradulating them when they complete their championships or other titles. You receive only bills.
65. Your dogs receive "junk mail" and are on mailing lists!

#### Scoring:

0-10: Get rid of your dog, you really must not enjoy them much.

11-20: You are amused by your dog

21-30: You really enjoy the company of dogs

31-40: You are hooked to dogs

41-50: You are begining to resemble your dog

51-65: Your dog lives a better life than you do

#### LABS SHINE AT "TOP DOG"!

submitted by Pam Kimel  
LRCBG members and  
their dogs had a successful  
day at the annual "Top Dog"  
Obedience Competition held



in Fitchburg on May 2, 1998. Clubs and schools field teams made up of a Novice, an Open and an Utility dog so participants compete for a team prize as well as an individual score. LRCBG did not do well in the team competition but individual members had very successful performances. Cheryl Palmer and Chewey returned to Obedience Work from the field with a 191 in Novice. Sue de Aguiar and Crystal won a runoff in Open and came in second place with a 198+. Jan Johnson and 12 year old Bree won the Sun City class with a score of 198 1/2!

LRCBG members representing other clubs also had a great day. Merrilynn Hill and Tobey placed third in Novice with a 196 and Nancy Droukas and Abby won the Open class with a score of 198 1/2.

The LRCBG Quartette placed first with a score of 779 out of a possible 800. Quartette Members were Sue De Aguiar with Crystal, Nancy Droukas with Abby, Jan Johnson with Spirit and Pam Kimel with Sprite.

Also representing LRCBG were Fran Masters with Kachina in Utility and Pam Kimel with Magic in Sun City. It was a fun day for all and a great chance to show off our wonderful labs.

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### LRCGB Activities Calendar June -- December 1998

**June 3** Conformation Meeting  
Location: Skip's Restaurant  
Rte 110, Chelmsford, MA  
**Chair:** Wendy McNaughton  
**June 9** Fun Singles Retriever Stakes  
Location: Delaney MA, Stowe, MA  
**Chair:** Suki Noble  
**June 11-12** Independent Licensed Specialty  
Location: Wakefield, MA  
**Chair:** Michael Courchaine  
**June 27** HELDCA work day/training  
Location: Hopkinton, NH  
**Chair:** Suki Noble  
**June 30** Fun Singles Retriever Stakes  
Location: Delaney WMA, Stowe, MA  
**Chair:** Suki Noble  
**July 8:** Show Committee Meeting  
Board Meeting  
**July 26** Working Certificate  
Location: Hopkinton, NH  
**Chair:** Gerry Owen  
**July 26** Fun Singles Retriever Stakes  
Location: Hopkinton, NH  
**Chair:** Suki Noble  
**Aug. 29-30** Licensed Hunting Test  
Location: Hopkinton, Nh  
**Chair:** Suki Noble  
**Sept 9** Membership Meeting  
**Oct 7** Field Committee Meeting  
Board Meeting  
**Nov. 11** Membership Meeting  
**Nov. 28-29** Supported Entry-Worcester Co. KC  
**Dec. 6** Supported Entry-Eastern DC  
**Dec.9** Membership Holiday Party

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