### Labrador Retriever Club of Greater Boston



#### Issue 2, June 2002

### **Elbow Dysplasia**

#### Upcoming Events

- Field Committee Meeting on June 8
- Puppy Stakes on June 9
- Working Certificate on July 21

Don't forget the Annual LRCGB Specialty on June 13th and 14th!

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Ibow Dysplasia is a term that has 🗳 gained much attention over the last decade. Elbow Dysplasia is actually not a

distinct disease process, but a groups of three diseases that may occur alone or in combination with one another. These disease are osteochondritis (OC), fragmented medial coronoid process (FCP), and ununited anconeal process (UAP). Fragmented medial coronoid process and OC are the most common forms of elbow Dysplasia and will make up the

These three bones are the humerus, radius, and ulna (fig. 1). The surfaces of these bones that are in contact with one another are covered with very smooth cartilage. A combination of this cartilage and joint fluid provide a smooth, nearly frictionless surface for movement. Normal function of the joint requires

#### **Diet and Environmental Factors**

Diet and environmental factors can hasten the onset of elbow dysplasia. According to Ann L. Reed. DVM, MS, Dipl. ACVR: "Overweight, excess of protein and energy rich food, rapid growth rate, excess exercise or lack of exercise, high calcium intake and other dietary influences have been suggested. Without genetic predisposition, however, environmental factors alone will not create hip or elbow dysplasia.

weight-bearing force to squeeze joint fluid out of the cartilage, carrying waste products out of the cells in the cartilage. When the force is relieved, the cartilage absorbs joint fluid, which carries nutrients to the cells. If thought of in this way, joint cartilage is much like a sponge, absorbing joint fluid out during weight-bearing periods. This circulation of joint fluid is

focus of our discussion. The anatomy of the elbow is very complex because of the movement required for normal function. Three

bones come together at the elbow, and it is this trio of bones that allow the hinge and rotational movements seen in normal elbows.

dependent on weight bearing and necessary for health of the joint.

Bone normally forms in the long bones of a

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### **President's Corner**

#### **Ruth Solomon**

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It is almost June and we have already seen ahost of LRCGB events: the beginner retrieving class, our spring hunt test, Addieville East and HELDCA work days, the spring match, and our Agility trial co-hosted with the Colonial Shetland Sheepdog Club. Thank you to all the volunteers who worked hard to make all these events so successful! All these events were well attended. and are a true testament to the dedication of our members.

This spring has also been a period of change. The AKC requires us to review the Club's By-Laws periodically. The Board of Directors has

been working hard to have our by-laws reflect the needs of the club and significant changes are in the works.

The proposed revision will be available for review at both the Specialty and the Working Certificate. Once the AKC approves the new bylaws, we will also mail them to our club members for approval. Please take the time to review and comment on the changes.

I look forward to seeing you at the Specialty!



## 2002 Officers & Board of Directors

he following is the new list of LRCGB Officers and Directors. Voting took place at the annual meeting on March 24, 2002.

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### **Otter Tales Publication Info**

tter Tales is published quarterly The next issue will be published September 1. Contributions of brags, articles or event information are very welcome! The deadline for submissions to the next issue is August 15. Send your contributions via email to:

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#### Brags & In Memoriam

We will publish brags and In Memoriam articles free of charge. Please send your submissions to h2olab@charter.net by the deadline noted above.

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We are happy to publish litter announce-

ments for \$5 per litter. You may submit your announcement on diskette to the address below or via email to h2olab@charter.net. Note that we reserve the right to edit announcements as necessary. Please mail your payment (made out to LRCGB) to:

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#### 2002 Publication Schedule

Publication Date	Deadline
Q3 - September 1	August 15
Q4 - December 1	November 15

#### **LRCGB** Website

Please visit our website at:

http://www.geocities.com/lrcgb/

If you are interested in information about adopting a Labrador, please contact Lab Rescue:

http://www.labrescue.com or

(978) 356-2982

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puppy from a cartilage model. Osteochondrosis is a disturbance in this bone development resulting in a thickened area of cartilage at the joint. As the cartilage continues to thicken, the cells at the bottom eventually are unable to absorb nutrients from the joint fluid and die. This results in an area of cartilage on the weight-bearing surface of the humerus. Forces exerted on this area of cartilage during normal weight bearing may

eventually crack the thickened cartilage, resulting in a flap pf cartilage. If

the thickened area completely breaks free, a full thickness defect in the cartilage will occur.

When complete fracture of the cartilage occurs, OC becomes Osteochondrosis dissecans (OCD). Nerve endings deep in the cartilage flap become inflamed, resulting in discomfort. Loose fragments act as constant irritants in the joint, resulting in increases of lameness and rate of development of arthritis.

The medial coronoid process is at the bottom of the semi lunar notch of the ulna and is in close contact with the humerus. There

are two theories as to why fragmented medical coronoid process occurs. One theory suggests that detachment is a result of OC at the point of attachment of the medial coronoid process onto the ulna, resulting in weakness and subsequent failure at this point. The second theory suggests that the reason the detachment occurs is due to abnormal formation of the semi lunar notch in the ulna. If this notch is too small, excessive force is applied to the medial coronoid process resulting in detachment or fracture. Regardless of which theory is actually true, the resulting loose fragment causes constant irritation and discomfort. Additional injury may also occur due to the inability of this loose fragment to transmit weight-bearing forces, which means the cartilage in the humerus overlying the FCP is not healthy and may die. This is called a "kissing" lesion and is often indistinguishable from OC.

The end result of elbow Dysplasia is formation of arthritis in the elbow. Severity of the arthritis is related to the It is important to check both elbows in affected dogs due to bilateral affliction in over 30 percent of cases. An OC lesion shows up just as a defect in the bone just below the joint. An FCP can be more challenging to diagnose and often requires looking for evidence of arthritis. Sometimes the diagnosis may be difficult to make from regular X-rays. In this instance, advanced X-rays from CAT scans could be used to make the diagnosis.

Treatment of elbow dysplasia varies with the individual case. Factors to be considered include degree of arthritis,

Elbow Dysplasia				
Breed Number of Percenta Evaluations Dysplas				
Brittany (47)	175	0.6		
Chesapeake Bay Retriever (25)	332	5.4		
English Setter (13)	768	16.4		
English Springer Spaniel (10)	241	16.6		
Flat-coated Retriever (43)	298	1.3		
German Shorthaired Pointer (42)	222	1.35		
German Wirehaired Pointer (28)	135	4.4		
Golden Retriever (18)	3,312	11.1		
Gordon Setter (16)	166	12.7		
Irish Setter (38)	84	2.4		
Labrador Retriever (15)	11,115	12.7		
Vizsla (34)	125	4.0		
Weimaraner (46)	173	0.6		
NOTE: The number in parentheses is the overall rank among all breeds evaluated.				

age, and degree of lameness. In general, any immature dog with lameness secondary to FCP or OC(D) is considered a surgical candidate. Best results for future use are seen in patients less than one year of age with minimal arthritis. Rarely, some patients do make a spontaneous recovery; however, the rarity of this occurrence supports an aggressive surgical approach. Arthroscopy offers an excellent method for surgical treatment of elbow dysplasia; however, the surgeon should have significant experience because the learning curve for this type of surgery is steep.

degree of instability, which usually e means that FCP results in more severe arthritis than OC. Arthritis often limits nt range of motion in the joint and can produce lameness, ranging from mild

range of motion in the joint and can produce lameness, ranging from mild and intermittent to severe and constant. This is an extremely frustrating disease because debilitation can be severe, and there is no medical or surgical treatment that can significantly alter the progression or cure the disease.

Diagnosis requires a good history, thorough physical examination, and X-rays. When I am speaking with owners regarding surgical intervention in elbow dysplasia, I feel it is extremely important to make it clear that their dog's elbows are abnormal before and after the surgery. The goal of surgery is to provide relief of discomfort due to loose fragments of cartilage. Arthritis will continue to progress and, although improvement may be seen, it is unlikely normal function will be achieved. In many instances, the dog's athletic career is over, and he may be fortunate to become a comfortable pet.

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Karen Kase



#### This article was published in the last issue and is included again as a reminder!

RCGB has made arrangements for its members to train from April 15 through September 15, 2002 at Addieville East Game Farm, a year-round licensed hunting preserve. This provides members access to grounds in Rhode Island to shoot farm-raised game birds for training their retrievers throughout the year within state regulations. The grounds at the Cooper Farm property will be available to members every Monday and Thursday and two weekends a month. The property is available on a first-come, first-served basis at a fee of \$5 per dog per day. This is a great opportunity to get your dogs out to train!

#### Remaining Weekend Schedule

Jun 8-9 (Class flyer	s & Puppy stakes)
Jun 22-23	Jul 13-14
Jul 20-21 (WC/I/X	on the 21 <sup>st</sup> )
Aug 3-4	Aug 17-18
Sep 7-8	Sep 14-15

#### **Training Procedures**

Up to three groups can train cooperatively on the preserve. Each person in the training party must sign a release form. Releases, a log and an envelope for payments are in a binder in the lodge kitchen. Maps of the Cooper Farm training areas are also in the binder. Professional trainers need to provide their Certificate of Insurance coverage to Addieville East and LRCGB.

If you use birds for training, all training birds must be handled within Rhode Island regulations:

- ABSOLUTELY NO PIGEONS PERMITTED
  ON THE GROUNDS DEAD OR ALIVE!
- If you bring training birds, the dead birds must be tagged upon arrival.
- Any birds shot at the preserve must be

identified with tags obtained from Addieville.

 Non-toxic shot shall be used at the Cooper Farm property.

Please remember that this is private property being used jointly with other members, be considerate and follow these guidelines:

- Take care driving: minimize ruts & engage 4WD to avoid tearing sod
- Do not cut vegetation
- Pick up all shells and trash
- Remove all marking tape
- Coordinate with other users: Geoff Gaebe, Owner; other Addieville members (sporting clay shooters, fishers, etc.) and other LRCGB users

#### Directions

From the north:

- Route 146 South to Route 146-A South – N. Smithfield exit (exit at Hood Construction/ Baker Boy Donuts on food sign) for ~1 ½ mi. to lights at Cumberland Farms.
- 2. Right onto Route 102 South for ~3 mi. to second lights.
- 3. Left onto Route 7 South for ~ <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> mi.
- 4. Right onto Smith Hill Road to top of hill.
- Bear right at end [onto Tarklin Rd]; bear right at Y [@ country club sign]; for ~1 mi.
- 6. Left at granite rock sign for Addieville

#### From the south:

- 1. From Route 295, take Route 7 North for 6.2 miles.
- 2. Left onto Smith Hill Road to top of hill.
- 3. See #5 above

Contact Karen Kase (gypsybog@aol.com, 978.422.0053 or 508.878.9024) or Gerrie Owren (gerrie@uri.edu or 401.874.7635) for more information.



### Calendar of Events

#### June

- 8 Beginner Retriever Training graduation session with flyers Addieville East Farm Mapleville, RI
- 8 Field Committee Meeting Addieville East Farm Mapleville, RI Contact: Sukie Noble, 603.887.2307 or sukien@my.mailstation.com
- 9 Puppy Stakes Addieville East Farm Mapleville, RI Contact: Nancy Patterson, 781.271.9009 or shawsheenlabs@mindspring.com.
- 12 Board Meeting Lord Wakefield Hotel Wakefield, MA
- 13-14 LRCGB Specialty Lord Wakefield Hotel Wakefield, MA Chair: Jeff Snyder, 508.865.5824 or riverlinlabs@qnci.net

#### July

21 WC/WCI/WCX Addieville East Farm Mapleville, RI Contact: Karen Kennedy, 978.774. 8458 or pleasantpine@aol.com

#### August

- 11 General Membership Meeting HSA Clubhouse, Hopkinton, MA
- 11 Deadline for Q3 Otter Tales
- 24-25 Fall Hunt Test Hopkinton Everett Lakes Hopkinton, NH Chair: Audie Gould. Secretary: Roxanna Gould, 207.846.7337 or argould@aol.com. Double Junior & Senior stakes.

#### October

7-14 LRC Inc. National Specialty & Hunt Test Sturbridge, MA & South Woodstock, CT

#### November

15 Deadline for Q4 Otter Tales

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Multiple studies support an inherited basis for elbow dysplasia, though the incidence varies by breed, type of dysplasia, and population studied. It is likely multiple genes are involved in the development of elbow dysplasia as well as environmental factors such as diet. The Orthopedic Foundation of America (OFA) has a database of elbow dysplasia statistics by breed (see sidebar) and may represent a useful tool in decreasing the overall incidence of elbow dysplasia.

In summary, elbow dysplasia can be an extremely debilitating disease. Early aggressive surgical intervention may offer the best results in dogs that re showing clinical signs of lameness associated with FCP or OC(D). Lack of universally good results increases the importance of decreasing the prevalence of elbow dysplasia through selective breeding programs and control of environmental factors.

Editor's Note: Figures included in the original article have been omitted.



#### Useful Medications in Easing Your Dog's Pain

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The goal of any medication used in the treatment of arthritis is to relieve pain associated with movement of the joint. Two classes of medications are commonly used to relieve this discomfort in dogs with arthritis secondary to elbow dysplasia. *Nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs* (NSAIDs) include aspirin and aspirin-like medications, and they provide both pain relief and reduce inflammation. These medications act by blocking pathways that can lead to the release of substances that result in inflammation. Aspirin can provide a very effective and inexpensive choice when selecting an NSAID; however, it is much more likely to result in stomach upset. When the stomach lining is evaluated in dogs that have received aspirin, there is a very high frequency of ulcers, ranging in size from very small to large.

A new class of NSAID medications is no available that result in much less stomach upset than plain aspirin and are specifically manufactured for dogs. These medications are *carprofen* (Rimadyl) and *etodolac* (Etogesic). These medications, like all meds, should be used under the supervision of a veterinarian. If there are any signs such as vomiting, diarrhea, loss of appetite, or other gastrointestinal problems, the medication should be stopped immediately and your veterinarian contacted. Other medications, such as *ibuprofen*, should be avoided because of high toxicity levels seen in dogs.

The second medication is *glucosamine* and *chondroitin sulfate*. These are marketed as food supplements and therefore do not need to prove efficacy to the Food and Drug Administration. These substances reportedly enhance cartilage health by providing precursors to maintain and repair cartilage. IF cartilage injury has already occurred, it is unlikely that these agents will reverse the damage; but they may slow or stop future damage by enhancing positive events in cartilage (improve cartilage matrix and *proteoglycan* production), and inhibiting negative (catabolic) events in the joint. Further research is needed to determine why positive effects are seen; however, it does appear that these effects do occur in many patients. The bottom line on glucosamine and chondroitin sulfate is that they may be beneficial in the treatment of arthritis and are associated with few if any side effects.

ongratulations!

### **Member Accomplishments**

e like to recognize our members for the hard work they and their dogs do. If you know of an LRCGB member who recently accomplished something to brag about, please email the information to h2olab@charter.net no later than August 15.

#### Danbridge Kathryn The Great CGC, CD

"Katie" completed the 3rd leg for her CD title at the Potomac Specialty. Before Potomac, Katie was busy training and taking care of babies. Thanks Katie, for being such a great dog! Marilyn Dufresne Meewes - Danbridge

#### Burri's Lofty LadyHawke

"Hawke" earned her CGC on March 23rd in Quincy, Mass. Hawke is owned by Barb Burri.

#### Gypsybog Brazos Deluge JH

Gypsybog's Brazos Deluge, JH, "Buster", owned by Karen Kase & KR Pruitt, earned two legs toward his CD at LRC Potomac's Specialty, placing third and fourth!

#### Whipowil's Wood Duck Isabellah

Congrats to "Izy" who took Winners Bitch at Vacationland Dog Club of Maine for her first points. Izy is proudly owned by Jeanne Charest.

### Nightwind's Leap of Faith, JH, NA, NAJ, WC

Congratulations to Bonny Griffith for her Qualifying score in the Open Jumpers class at the LRCGB/CSSC Agility Trial!



# On the Making of Labrador Retrievers

Peggy Eastman-reprinted from "The Cape Cod Times"

Our Chevy pickup truck is ... her

magic carpet to the wider world

of wonders beyond our yard...

'm convinced that Labrador Retrievers are the result of crossing a dolphin and a dog. All the Labs I have ever known have considered wetness a blessing to be diligently sought—and they seek it everywhere: in the ocean, in creeks, brooks, rivers, ponds, lakes, at the end of garden hoses, and, of course, in mud puddles.

These days, our family dog is a yellow Lab named Lady.

Her dark brown eyes are deep, mysterious and full of questions.

Lady wasn't the

name I chose. My husband insisted on it. And, as it turned out, he made a good choice.

Years ago, our first female black Lab was named Lady, and during her 14 years she gave us so much love and pleasure that I had little hope of ever matching her. To name another dog Lady seemed an unfair burden to place on a dog.

But Lady II, now going on 12 years old, doesn't know we ever had another Lady, so she has just been herself. And in different ways, as well as in some of the same ways, she has been wonderful and has given us love and brought us pleasure just like our first Lady.

In the morning there are two things for which Lady listens with impatience. One is the opening of my closet to take out my walking sneakers and the other is the scrape of the coat hanger on the metal pole in the hall closet.

Of course, closet sounds don't always mean "going for a walk," but they do often enough so that she never fails to check them out. Going for a walk is obviously a heady experience—a foray into a world of marvels I can only try to imagine. My perceptions, I've decided, are very limited. I can barely perceive what makes up her world, her reality. We travel a single path together, but neither of us really know the other's way. I try, though, and I think she does too, as much, as she can.

Our walks together are for her, not me. Oh, of course, I get exercise too, and the benefits of clear air and the inspiration of the beauty of the woods, the

water and the sky in the early morning. The woods are nearby and we always go to walk where there is ocean, river or

pond. But I wouldn't want to go alone without her.

Our Chevy pickup truck is also for her, as far as she's concerned. It's her magic carpet to the wider world of wonders beyond our yard and the usual places where we can walk from the house. When we take the truck we find a road that ends at a beach or that leads to trails bordering the upper reaches of nearby Bass River or one of the many ponds and lakes of Cape Cod.

In her younger days, we often made trips to the Crowe Pasture conservation area in East Dennis and walked where the beach stretches for miles along Cape Cod Bay. At low tide the bay almost disappears out beyond the horizon and acres of sand flats are exposed.

For Lady, the flats were wondrous. Sitting sea gulls were silhouetted against the sky far out on the flats and these forms triggered a response that sent her out over the sand and through tidal pools. As she approached, the birds rose rhythmically into the air just ahead of her.

Racing across the flats, she followed the dips and rises like a ship sailing the sea. Probably it was not the birds she wanted at all, but the joy of chase. The soft, wet sand gave gently under her feet and the splash of sea water accentuated her passage as the corps of gulls went rippling upward.

Rising a few feet in the air, the gulls settled down again just beyond her reach, or they circled around behind her to land again. When she returned to me on the beach, she ran up to me shaking the water from her coat and looking at me inquiringly.

"Yes, I'm still here," I'd say, and take a breath to say something more, but she was off again in a wink. A dolphin, a dog- maybe a deer- is what it takes to make a Labrador Retriever.

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### HELDCA Workday

Sukie Noble-Field Committee Chair

any thanks to Patty Duddie, Sharon Pica and Billy Bergeron who participated in the annual HELDCA workday on April 12<sup>th</sup>. Participating in the HELDCA workday is a requirement LRCGB has to meet in order to hold our August hunt test on the property.

Patty and Sharon removed downed ported the water were seen. Many the ver seen. Many the v

After they finished, they spent some time training their puppies. Patty re-

ported the water was the highest she's ever seen. Many thanks again to this hard working trio!



## April Hunt Test & Singles Stakes

Terry Johansson-Hunt Test Chair

The April Hunt Test & Singles stake took place at Addieville East Farm in Mapleville, Rhode Island on Saturday April 27 & Sunday April 28.

This was the first time we offered a Master stake at our Spring Test, and also the first time we offered Singles Stakes. Though the rain didn't let up for a minute Sunday, I hope everyone had a good time!

I want to thank the many workers who gave up their personal time, in some cases preparing their own dogs, to help plan and work the test. Even though we had a larger entry than expected, things ran smoothly and the stakes got started on time thanks to the number of volunteers present at the event.

Also, a huge thanks to Dan Young who drove to New Jersey to pick up the birds!

Finally, a large amount of effort went into preparing Sarah Lake for the test. Thanks to the following people for taking time to help: Doris Aylward, Roger Bennett, Paul Brin, Paul Gale, Terry Johansson, Karen Kase, Eric LaMontagne, Eric Madson, Mary-Jo Mansfield, Sukie Noble, Jeff Patterson, Nancy Patterson and Jeff Snyder.



Megan Young and "Gully" won the Non-steady Singles stake.



# **LRCGB Event Results**

#### April Hunt Test Qualifiers

The April hunt test was held at Addieville East Farm in Mapleville, RI on April 27 & 28, 2002. The qualifiers in each class are listed below. LRCGB member-owned dogs are in **bold type**.

#### Junior - 35 Starters, 22 Qualifiers

Judged by Doris Aylward and Corey Trafton

Adaducks Raging Brook Scott Tweedie AM/CAN Ch Quillquest Etched in Stone WC Sharon McLean

Beth's Morning Cocoa James Nanof Birchangreen Blue Plowshare Vincent Kay Candlewood's Time will Tell Cathy Shea Chucklebrook Silvercreek Tessa CD Joey & Alex Edsall Claridge's Shooting Star Therese Johansso Flat Castle's Brown Cole George Smith Gypsy Bog Brazos Deluge JH Karen Kase & Rar Gypsy's Cherokee Moon Shadow Roger & Sheila Be

Hareswith Beachcomber Highland's Tiger Lily

Just Molly Kallisto of Gunning Island PHK's Bad Seed Pinecrest Round Trip Ticket Riverbank's Mesa Girl Riverbenz Burlap to Cashmere Rock N Fox Cape Arago Light Sirius's Bacchanalian Victory Sunfire's Jasmine of Notch Hill Trifecta Thanewood Rebekah James Nanof Vincent Kay **Cathy Shea** Therese Johansson George Smith Karen Kase & Randy Pruitt **Roger & Sheila Bennett** & Karen Kase Jean Deresienska **Donna Mages** & Arline Buchanan Joseph & Lisa Perreault Korrie Peckham **Daniel & Ann-Marie Young Margaret Stubbs** George Olsen David Sears/Lois Munroe Patricia W Carlson Samuel Mitchell Laurie & Chris Reynolds Carol White & Barbara Sawtelle

#### Master - 38 Starters, 11 Qualifiers

Judged by Paul Botelho and Bunny Milliken

Birchangreen Plowshare Jonah MH Birchangreen Sweet Willyum SH Champagne's Midnite Marauder Choctaw Magnum Maggie MH *** Killabuck's Rebel Honey Bear SH M	Tara Yohan & Nona King Wayne & Cathy Forsyth Brenda J Lokey
	Jeff & Tammy Carr
Maranathas Pilgrim of Kerale MH W	/CX
_	June & Stephen Cawood
MHR Montana Ace II MH	Geoff Gaebe
Naiad's Wiser Streak SH	Lois Munroe
	& Doris Aylward
Porjay's Blazing Sunrise MH CD WC	X
	Andrew & Sandra Sonntag
Snowbounds Wrangler	Lisa Pavone
Sugarfoot's Rascal MH	Terrence Thomas

#### **April Singles Stakes Placements**

The singles stakes were held in conjunction with the hunt test at Addieville East Farm in Mapleville, RI on April 28, 2002. The placements for each class are listed below. LRCGB memberowned dogs are in **bold type**.

#### Puppy - 8 Starters

Judged by Doris Aylward.

- 1. PHK's Bad Seed, "Nigel"
- Owner: Daniel & Ann-Marie Young. Handler: Dan Young. 2. Bear Creek's Scarlet of PHK. "Scarlett"
- Owner: Daniel & Ann-Marie Young. Handler: Megan Young.
- 3. Mink Hills Another Magic, "Annie" Owner/Handler: Dick Fisher
- 4. Mink Hills Fourth Generation, "Genna" Owner/Handler: Dick Fisher

#### Non-Steady - 26 Starters

Judged by Rebecca Whitmeyer.

- 1. Island Creek's Lil Buddy JH, "Gully" Owner: Ann-Marie Young. Handler: Megan Young.
- 2. Candlewood's Time will Tell, "Teller" Owner/Handler: Cathy Shea
- 3. Puddleducks Kyla O'Fairview JH WC, "Kyla" Owner: David & Cheryl Palmer. Handler: Cheryl Palmer
- 4. Leeshore Crescent Highland Caper CDX JH TD NA, "Caper" Owner/Handler: Ellen Brinker
- JAM Sunset Full Monty, "Monty" Owner Handler: Nancy Patterson
- JAM Riverbenz Backseat Baby. "Baby" Owner/Handler Dave Sears & Lois Monroe
- JAM Just Molly, "Molly" Owner/Handler: Lisa Paeroult
- JAM Riverbenz Burlap to Cashmere, "Cashmere" Owner/Handler: Dave Sears & Lois Monroe
- JAM Gypsybog Brazos Deluge JH, "Buster" Owner/Handler: Karen Kase

#### Steady - 10 Starters

by Paulette Swartzendruber.

- 1. Someday Famous Brown Eye Devil SH, "Cooper" Owner/Handler: Daniel Young.
- 2. Talgrafth Hog Wild, "Bunz" Owner/Handler: David Sears & Lois Monroe
- Highland Sunswick Ripcord, "Cory" Owner/Handler: Eliza Bowman
- 4. Bennett's Chocolate Thunder JH, "Hampton" Owner: Roger & Sheila Bennett. Handler: Roger Bennett

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### Labrador Retriever Club of Greater Boston

### Working Certificate, Working Certificate Intermediate, and Working Certificate Excellent for Labrador Retrievers

Sunday, July 21th, 2002 Addieville East Farm in Mapleville, RI starting at 8:30am JUDGES: WC – Dick Kennedy WCI/WCX – Nancy Baker & Lois Munroe

#### **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, onlead honor, not gun shy, boat, 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 \$30.00 WCI: 35.00 WCX: 40.00

CLOSING DATE FOR TEST: Saturday, July 13th, 2002 (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 MARSHAL AT STAKE IF YOUR BITCH IS IN SEASON.

Send entries (payable to LRCGB) to :

Karen Kennedy, WC Secretary 343 Locust Street Danvers, MA 01923 Pleasantpine@aol.com

Directions to Addieville Mapleville, RI Proprietor: Geoffe Gaebe 401-568-3185

From the North:

- Route 146 South to Route 146 A South N. Smithfield Exit (the exit at Hood Construction/Baker Boy Donuts on food sign)
- Turn left and go  $\sim 1 \frac{1}{2}$  miles to lights at Cumberland Farms.
- Right onto Route 102 South for ~ 3 miles to second light.
- Left onto Route 7 South for  $\sim \frac{3}{4}$  mile (bear left to stay on Route 7 at the split)
- Right onto Smith Hill Road and follow to end at top of hill
- Right onto Tarklin Road, bear right at the Y. (at Country Club sign) for ~ 1 mile.
- Left at granite rock sign for Addieville.

From the South:

- From Route 295 Take Route 7 North for 6.2 miles
- Left onto Tarklin Road for ~ 2 miles.
- Left at granite rock sign for Addieville.

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Karen Kennedy Working Certificate Secre 343 Locust Street Danvers, MA. 01923-120				

#### RELEASE AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK

I hereby expressly assume any and all risks associated with hunting, shooting or fishing on Addieville East Farm, Mapleville, Rhode Island. I know hunting, shooting and fishing is considered by many to be dangerous, and I hereby assume the risk of any and all injuries I may suffer due to the physical condition of Addieville East Farm, the acts or omissions of other hunters, shooters, or fishermen who may be on or near Addieville East Farm, whether with or without permission, equipment failure, acts of God and/or for any other reason.

I have been advised that there will be other persons hunting, shooting, carrying firearms and fishing on Addieville East Farm, and I agree to act prudently and carefully to avoid causing them any injury. I certify that I am familiar with the use and operation of the firearm(s) I will be using while on Addieville East Farm and that I am familiar with the rules of hunting, shooting, and firearm safety.

I release Morris, J. Gaebe and Addieville East Farm, Inc., together with all their employees, agents and representatives including, without limitation, Geoff Gaebe, for any and all claims for personal injury, wrongful death, and/or property damage which may arise in my favor and which may occur during or as a result of my presence on Addieville East Farm as referenced above regardless of the cause of any such injury and including those which may be caused by negligence and/or any other cause.

I give this release and assume all the risks attendant thereto in consideration of being allowed to enter into and shoot at Addieville East Farm.

This "release and assumption of risk" will be binding on my heirs, executors and assigns.

#### I HAVE READ THE ABOVE DOCUMENT.

Name (print)		
Signature		Date
Address		
City	State	Zip
Home Phone		and the second
Work Phone		
Email		

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#### Spring Match

The annual LRCGB Spring Match was held at Winnikinni Castle in Haverhill, Mass on May 9. The weather was beautiful and we had a great turnout. Sweeps and Regular winners, as well as individual class placements are listed below.

#### Best Adult

Milens Ebbitde "Leo" owned by Carole Barnhart

#### **Best Opposite Adult**

Diva owned by Beth Robillard

#### Best Puppy

Wassookeag's Smoke Jumper owned by David and Susan Robichaud

#### **Best Opposite Puppy**

Majestx MOJO owned by Lois Engle

Best in Sweeps Majestx Bewitched owned by Lois Engle

#### Best Opposite in Sweeps

Windfall Integritys Sea Banner owned by Brenda LaRoche

#### REGULAR CLASSES-DOGS

#### 2-4 Months

1. Sue Willumsen, Chester

#### 4-6 Months

- 1. #517
- 2. Marilyn DuFresne, Willie

#### 6-9 Months

- 1. Lois Engle, Majestx MOJO
- 2. Robin Magee, Windy Ridge Winning Hand

#### 9-12 Months

- 1. Sue Willumsen, Parker
- 2. Brenda LaRoche, Windfall Integritys Sea Banner
- 3. Sue Willumsen, Myles
- 4. Pam Bouchard, Duggan

#### 12-18 Months

- 1. Beth Robillard, Hazen
- 2. Sue Willumsen, Jackson

#### Novice

- 1. Margaret Mitchell, Meadowmere's Coastal Buoy
- 2. Sharon Pica, Prospect's Breakin All The Rules

#### Bred By

1. Carole Barnhart, Milens Ebbitde

#### Am Bred

- 1. Marianne Rousseau, Dickens
- 2. Brenda LaRoche, Integritys Abraham of Ashfield

#### Open

1. David and Susan Robichaud, Tabatha's Wassookeag Guns Up WC, CGC

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- 2. Carol Barnhart, Milens Jet Setter
- 3. Karen Kase, Buster
- 4. Greg Abrams, Candy Acres Mighty Sampson

#### Pointed Dog

1. Cynthia Abbott, Chucklebrook Gleniscraig Angus, JH, CGG Angus

#### Hunting

1. Karen Kase, Buster

#### Altered

- 1. Mary-Jo Mansfield, Steamer
- 2. Nancy Patterson, Sunset's Full Monty

#### **REGULAR CLASSES-Bitches**

#### 2-4 Months

- 1. Sue Willumsen, Lydia
- 2. Peggy Lands, Nightwind's Divine Intervention
- 3. Eileen Perez, Sapprena
- 4. David and Susan Robichaud, Wassookeag's Phoebe

#### 4-6 Months

- 1. Robin Magee, PridenJoy at Windy Ridge
- 2. Laurie Tyler, Popcorn
- 3. Marianne Rousseau, Miranda
- 4. Gayle Abrams Candy Acres Choc Chip Muffin

#### 6-9 Months

- 1. David and Susan Robichaud, Wassookeag's Smoke Jumper
- 2. Lois Engle, Majestx Bewitched
- 3. Ann McCall, Woodloch's All That Jazz
- 4. Marie Walls Broadway's Magical Moment

#### 9-12 Months

- 1. Wendy McNaughton, Kazorp's Black Signet
- 2. #516
- 3. Pam Bouchard, Vonnie
- 4. Lois Engle, Wilcare Majestx Rememberance

#### 12-18 Months

- 1. Peggy Lands, Nightwind's I Love A Parade
- 2. Marie Walls, Broadway's Showboat
- 3. K. Maloney, Zinnia
- 4. Nancie Freitas, Provinces W'deland Mitsy Morn

#### Novice

- 1. Harriett Hope, Sunset Winter Willow
- 2. Sheila Bennett, Reba

#### Am Bred

- 1. Laurie Tyler, Nouchie
- 2. Sukie Noble, Nor'land Naiad Spring Ceilidh,

#### Bred By

- 1. Beth Robillard, Diva
- 2. Marianne Rousseau, Truffles

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#### Open

- 1. Johanne Ferguson, Luna
- 2. Marie Walls, Broadway Necessities MS LOGAN
- 3. Lois Engel, Winnie
- 4. Pattie Duddy, Prospect's Corbett Magic Storm, CD, WC, CGC Stormy

#### Hunting Retriever

- 1. Marie Walls, Broadway Necessities MS LOGAN
- 2. Karen Kase Mati

#### Spayed

1. Barbara Burri Burris Lofty Lady Hawke

#### Pointed

1. Michael O'Rourke, Hamilton Lane's Daisy Mae

#### Veterans

- 1. Carole Barnhart, CH Tabatha's Ebonetta Ebby
- 2. K. Maloney, Kiwi
- 3. Nancy Dolce, Cricklewood Imonarainbeau Mona
- 4. Laurie Tyler, Raisin

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- 4. Pam Bouchard, Vonnie

#### 12-15 Months

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- 2. Sue Willumsen Meadow
- 3. Laurie Tyler, Waterbug

#### 15-18 Months

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#### Veterans

- 1. Laurie Tyler Raisin
- 2. Nancy Dolce, Cricklewood Imonarainbeau
- 3. Carole Barnhart, CH Tabatha's Ebonetta

#### 2002 Triple Crown–Current Standings

The Triple Crown is a LRCGB competition designed to promote overall working performance and versatility in Conformation, Obedience and Hunting Abilities in Labrador Retrievers. All participants competed in Conformation and Obedience at the Spring Match, and will compete at the Working Certificate at Addieville East Farm in Mapleville, RI on Sunday, July 21. Points are awarded as follows:

- Conformation according to placement
- Obedience the total score

• Working Certificate - according to the number of retrieves For more information regarding the Triple Crown, contact Karen Kennedy at 978-774-8458 or Pleasantpine@aol.com.

#### 1st Place

Chucklebrook Gle Cynthia Abbott Conf: 200	eniscraij Obed:		l, CGC (Angus) WC:	387 pts
2nd Place				
Meadowmere's C Margaret Mitchell		uoy (Buoy)		385 pts
Conf: 200	Obed:	185	WC:	
Gypsybog Brazos Karen Kase & K.F	R. Pruitt			385 pts
Conf: 200	Obea:	185	WC:	
<i>3rd Place</i> Ashfield Naiad P. Mary Jo Mansfield		ed, JH, WC,	CGC (Steamer)	371.5 pts
Conf: 200	Obed:	171.5	WC:	
4th Place Prospect's Breaki	in All Th	e Rules (Br	eaker)	347 pts
Sharon Pica Conf: 150	Obed:	197	wc	

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				Standard Op	en - 20 Inch - Qualifying 1
Participants				Woodduck Sa	mantha HoneyBee CDX OAJ NA
Sunset's Full M Nancy Patterso	• • • •		330 pts	Owners: Danie	el Fenno, Gretchen Rich & Jeanne Charest
Conf: 150	Obed: 180	WC		Handler: Danie	el Fenno
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•	N It Clean (Pebble	es)	199 pts	Handler: Pame	ela Kimel
Pattie Duddy Conf: 50	Obed: 149	WC:		Score: 95	Time: 56.03
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Conf: 75	Obed: 99	WC:		Owners: Gretc	hen Rich, Daniel Fenno & Jeanne Charest
LRCGB & CS	SC Agility Tria	l		Handler: Greto	hen Rich

Score: 99

The Labrador Retriever Club of Greater Boston and Colonial Shetland Sheepdog Club co-hosted their first annual joint agility trial in Wrentham, MA on May 18th and 19th. LRCGB members who qualified are listed below.

#### Saturday, May 18

Standard Novice A - 20 Inch - Qualifying 3 Wood Duck Hannah Honeybee

**Owners: Gretchen Rich, Daniel Fenno & Jeanne Charest** 

Handler: Gretchen Rich

Time: 37.9

### 2002 Spring Match

Gail Conway-Match Chair

would like to thank all of the volun-L teers who graciously took the time from their busy day to help at this year's pared to the work that was done. Spring Match in Haverhill. I would name them personally, but space and time is limited.

rookie out on my first "official" chair job. the day of fun. Heck, I may even try my

I learned an enormous amount about AKC shows! My thanks seem little com-

The weather turned out to be a gorgeous spring day which only added to the overall success of the match. I Everyone seemed to pitch in and help a hoped everyone who turned out enjoyed

hand at this chair thing next year.

Thanks! Gail Conway and Boru



# Help Needed at the LRC National Specialty!

he Labrador Retriever Club, Inc. is holding its National Specialty in New England this October. This is the first time in recent history a Field Trial has been held in conjunction with the field events. The field events will be held in S. Woodstock. CT on October 12 through 14, 2002.

Field Event Schedule

Saturday, October 12 Working Certificate & Derby & Qualifying Field Trial Stakes

#### Sunday, October 13

Master Hunt Test and Junior Hunt Test

Monday, October 14 Master Hunt Test continued and Senior Hunt Test

We need marshals, stewards, poppers, hosts, throwers, & gunners! If you can help, please contact:

Jack Cassidy at 508.760.8250 or cassidy@capeonramp.com for the Field Trial

Karen Kase at 978.422.0053 or gypsybog@aol.com for the Hunt Test

Gerrie Owren at 407.874.7635 or Gerrie@uri.edu for the Working Certificate.

New England has a great reputation from the last Specialty we hosted please help us keep up the good work!



# Thank you!

Karen Kase

big "Thank You" to Sue Garland for donating a freezer to the field committee! This means that we now have somewhere to keep birds for both the beginner class and the singles stakes. Also, thanks to Sue and Vinnie Simeone for moving the freezer to my house.



# 2002 LRCGB Agility Trial

Bonny L. Griffith-Agility Trial Chair

#### 2002 LRCGB Agility Trial **Becomes New England Mudfest!**

he Labrador Retriever Club of L Greater Boston and Colonial Shetland Sheepdog Club co-hosted their first Both days of the show went smoothly annual joint agility trial at Crackerbarrel Fairgrounds on May 18th and 19th.

Saturday was LRCGB's official day, while Sunday was CSSC's. Workers were shared by the clubs on both days.

More than 500 runs were scheduled for Saturday, but Mother Nature had other things in mind. Driving rain, gusty winds, and unseasonably cold temperatures kept many teams at home or huddled under their tents. Only about half the exhibitors braved the wet weather and muddy rings to run challenging courses designed by Judge Debbie Hunt and Judge Pam O'Day. Fortunately, Sunday's Running an agility trial smoothly re-

weather turned out warmer and sunny, allowing dogs and handlers to enjoy their runs without being draped in Gore-Tex.

thanks to our partnership with CSSC and the tireless efforts of many LRCGB members. Huge thanks go out to Nancy and Jeff Patterson, Mary Jo Mansfield, Jeff Snyder, Gail Conway, Ruth Solomon, Peggy Lands, and Karen Kase who gave up part (or all) of their weekend to make this event happen.

Congratulations to all the LRCGB dogs and handlers that qualified or placed at our event!

#### The Agility Committee Needs Your Help!

quires countless hours of pre-trial coordination, site setup, and many hardy volunteers the day of the show.

The Agility committee is desperately seeking people to assist with grounds, awards, ring stewarding, registration, and worker hospitality at next year's event.

If you are interested in helping with next year's trial or would like to learn more about what's involved, please contact Bonny Griffith at 978-568-1022 or bonny@wordsatwork.net.



# Litter Announcement

#### All yellow litter expected around June 25th

Sire: Ch Ocean Spray Rembrandt Dam:Beauport's sweet-nite Dakota UD

Sire from proven show lines. Hips good and eyes cleared on both parents.

Contact Beth Chapman at (603) 382-2742 or Westwindlabs@aol.com

# LRCGB Committees

Terry Johansson

ave you ever wondered about how you can become more involved in our club? Well, here's the answer! LRCGB has several committees charged with planning our events. To help you decide where you would like to help, below is a description for each committee. Please review the list and contact the chair to volunteer or to find out more.

Remember, if it wasn't for the incredible amount of work done by a few dedicated members, we wouldn't be able to pull off all the great events that we do.

#### Agility/Obedience Committee

The Agility & Obedience Committee is responsible for planning the Agility trial as well as LRCGB obedience events.

Chair: Bonny Griffith 密 978.568.1022 어 bonny@wordsatwork.net

#### **Field Committee**

The Field Committee is responsible for planning all LRCGB field events, including the Spring and Fall AKC Hunt Tests, the Beginner Retrieving Class, the Working Certificate, the Singles Stake and training days at Addieville East Farm.

Chair: Sukie Noble ﷺ 603.886.2307 ⅓ sukien@mymailstation.com

#### Show Committee

The Show Committee is responsible for planning all show events, including the Spring Match and the Annual LRCGB Specialty. The show committee does not currently have a chair-if you are interested in chairing, please let Ruth know!

Contact:	Ruth Solomon
	🕾 978.549.0951
	A SealCve@aol.com

#### Specialty Subcommittee

The Specialty Subcommittee is part of the Show Committee. Due to the complexity involved in planning the annual LRCGB Specialty, it is coordinated through this subcommittee.

Chair: Jeff Snyder ☎ 508.865.5824 ♪ riverlinlabs@qnci.net







# **Puppy Stakes**



# Join us on at 9am on June 9 for a friendly competition for beginning handlers and dogs!

Your dog does not have to be steady to compete. All retrieves will be for dead birds. The entry fee of \$10 is payable the day of the puppy stakes.

### **Classes:**

- 4-8 month old puppies
- 8-12 month old dogs
- Adult dogs (over 12 months)

Please note that food will not be available on the grounds; you will need to bring your own lunch.

### **Directions to Addieville East Farm**

From the north:

- 1. Route 146 South to Route 146-A South N. Smithfield exit (exit at Hood Construction/ Baker Boy Donuts on food sign) for ~1 ½ mi. to lights at Cumberland Farms
- 2. Right onto Route 102 South for ~3 mi. to second set of lights.
- 3. Left onto Route 7 South for ~ 3/4 mi.
- 4. Right onto Smith Hill Road to top of hill
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- 6. Left at granite rock sign for Addieville

From the south:

1. From Route 295, take Route 7 North

- 2. Left onto Smith Hill Road to top of hill
- 3. Bear right at end [onto Tarklin Rd]; bear right at Y [@ country club sign]; for ~1 mi.
- 4. Left at granite rock sign for Addieville

## For more information, contact Nancy Patterson at (781) 271-9009 or shawsheenlabs@mindspring.com

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# Jhe Labrador Retriever Club Inc. 2002 National Specialty October 9–14, 2002

### Held at the Sturbridge Host Hotel Sturbridge, Massachusetts

Come see all the colors in New England! Join us for a week of Labrador fun and autumn color in beautiful Sturbridge, Massachusetts!

#### Schedule of Events

Wednesday, October 9:	Tracking Test, Judges' Study Group, Search & Rescue
	Demonstration & Silent Auction
Thursday, October 10:	Conformation, Sweepstakes, Obedience Trial #1 (Bob Peters, Supt) &
	Educational Seminar
Friday, October 11:	Conformation, Obedience Trial #2 (Bob Peters, Supt.),
•	Banquet & Auction
Saturday, October 12:	Agility Trial #1, Field Trial (Derby & Qualifying),
	CGC & TDI Certifications & Working Certificate
Sunday, October 13:	Agility Trial #2, Hunting Retriever Test (Master/Junior),
• •	CGC & TDI Certifications & Conformation Certificate
Monday, October 14:	Hunting Retriever Test (Master cont'd/Senior)
wonday, October 14:	Functing Rechever Test (Muster Cont d/Senior)

Followed on October 17 and 18 by back-to-back specialties in Hightstown, NJ (five hour drive from Sturbridge) hosted by the Mid-Jersey LRC (Jim Rau, Supt.).

Premium lists, judging information, hotel information, individual event chair contact information, catalog advertising and trophy sponsorship opportunities are available online at: http://www.thelabradorclub.com/national/

Show Chair: Dotte McDonald David, 813-996-7690 Co-Chair: Jody Thomas, 781-784-6292

Purina is the official sponsor of these events

### Please Contribute to Otter Tales!

Otter Tales is published quarterly. If you have an article to contribute, something to brag about or a litter to announce please submit your information to Terry Johansson (h2olab@charter.net) no later than August 15.

### The deadline for the next issue is August 15



LRCGB c/o Therese Johansson, Otter Tales Editor 16 Christian Hill Road

Email: h2olab@charter.net

### **Meeting Notice**

#### Wednesday, August 11

The next LRCGB membership meeting will take place at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, August 11 at the Hopkinton Sportsmen's Association in Hopkinton, Mass. The program will be announced in a separate mailing.

#### Directions

95 Lumber Street, Hopkinton, MA (508) 435-3838

- I-495 to Exit 21A, W. Main Street -Hopkinton (south of the Mass Pike)
- Turn right onto Lumber St. after about 200 yards (just after The Golden Spoon restaurant)
- Follow Lumber Street for just under a mile
- Turn left at HSA sign into parking lot
- Meeting will be in the clubhouse

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