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The purpose of this Newsletter is to give members an overview of Club activities and to keep them informed on breed related issues. The Newsletter is published 10 times per year, or whenever the editor can manage it.

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The Newsletter also welcomes articles for possible publication.

Please send submissions to

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**Deadline by the 10th of each month.**

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**Meeting Notice**

**Sunday March 1, 2009 6:00 pm**

**at Suffield Veterinary Hospital**

**Guest Speaker: Jennifer Hellerman from Merial**

**Topics are Ticks, Lyme, and other Tick Borne Diseases**

***Puppies Available***

*Note: In order to list a litter you must be in good standing with the club and work at a minimum of 2 club events during the current calendar year. Members who are unable to meet this requirement may list a litter after paying a \$50 litter listing fee.*

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Breckin Labradors Black Boys  
 DOB 11/22/2008  
 Sire CH Maritime Play It Off The Wall  
 Dam Breckin's Phoebe  
 contact Gretchen Boss [cgnbboss@yahoo.com](mailto:cgnbboss@yahoo.com)

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**For more information on puppies & adult dogs  
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**AKC Updates**

From the February 2009 Board Meeting

**AKC Proposes Group Realignment**

Group Realignment Proposal

The Board reviewed the proposal submitted by the Group Realignment committee. The committee proposes adding three Groups. Following a motion by Mr. Gladstone, seconded by Dr. Battaglia, it was VOTED to amend *Rules Applying to Dog Shows*, to provide for ten groups, and to provide a Q & A outlining the impact on clubs and shows. (Affirmative: Mr. Menaker, Mr. Gladstone, Dr. Battaglia, Dr. Davies, Mr. Marden, Mrs. Strand, Ms. Scully, Dr. Newman, Mrs. Schaefer, opposed: Mr. Merriam, Dr. Haines, Dr. Garvin; abstaining Mr. Goodman.) The amendment will be read in June 2009 for a September 2009 vote by the AKC Delegates.

**AKC Studying Feasibility of a new  
 Conformation Ranking System**

The AKC Board is considering offering a new conformation ranking system. AKC staff has been directed to continue development of the system. Additional discussion will occur at the April board meeting.



**Club Logo  
 Items**

We will be placing another order for Club log items. If you are interested in purchasing something, contact Lauren Simpson [laughinlab@comcast.net](mailto:laughinlab@comcast.net)

Additional Conformation Titles

The Board reviewed a staff proposal to create a pilot program to introduce additional AKC conformation titles. The pilot will be introduced through the Miscellaneous Class and if successful will be expanded to include the offering of the new titles at other events. Without objection, the concept will be presented to the Dog Show Rules Committee at the March Delegates meeting. This will be discussed again at a future meeting.

## Up Coming Club Events

**March 1, 2009** - Suffield Vet - Program "Ticks" with Jennifer Hellerman

**April 1, 2009** - Annual Awards Dinner, Ann Huntington's Home

**May 8th & 9th 2009** - Back-to-Back Specialty Shows



### Braggs

**From Sally Leary:**

My puppy girl "Tallmadges Say it ain't so" also known as Joe Pye went best puppy in match show at the Greater Boston LRC under Heather Johnson Lemarche.

**From Deb Brunell:**

Holly Farm Jack's Tootsie finished this January. Tootsie is by my Ridge View Frosted Winter Sky and out of Borodors By George. I'm proud to say I put each and every point on this lovely bitch owned by Scott Trainor.

My 6 month Piper got her first point in breed and her brother won a 3 point major and a Best Of Breed by 12 & 13 months. I bred both this pups. They are by my Gracie out of Lois Engel's Mick. A rebreed gave me 8 beautiful pups in December of which I kept a black boy and yellow girl. Oliver, the grandparent of these pups will soon be competing in Utility. He is also an AKC Champion and has his CDX, RE, and CGC titles. He's a well rounded guy.

**From Lois Engel**

OK Mick finished his Championship and on a non-Lab BRAD Moira Erinhill Morning Has Spoken my English Setter went Best Of Winners at the Hudson Valley English Setter Specialty and is now a CHAMPION I have been blessed this past year. Think Spring

**From Kelly Rome:**

"Ditto" Casbar's Déjà Vu completed her Rally Novice title in three straight shows and also received a 2nd & 3rd placement.

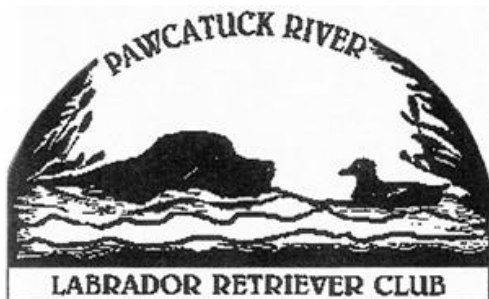
### Legislative Update

The New Hampshire House Environment and Agriculture Committee is scheduled to hear House Bill 337 on Wednesday, February 11. This measure would prevent any dog owner from selling more than one dog or cat per year without a temporary license, which expires after 60 days.

The provisions of House Bill 337 are as follows:

- Any dog or cat owner not engaged in the business of selling animals may not sell more than one dog or cat per year without a \$25 temporary license.
- The temporary license expires after 60 days.
- No more than two temporary licenses may be issued in a year.
- Any owner that violates this section must pay a fine between \$50 and \$200.
- Persons and entities engaged in the business of selling animals, including commercial kennels (10 or more litters or more than 50 puppies per year) are exempt.
- Fees from the temporary licenses and violations will be deposited in the Companion Animal Neutering Fund.

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## **Pawcatuck River Labrador Retriever Club**

**AKC Sanctioned B Breed Match**

**Show and Go Obed (Labs only)**

**Sunday March 8, 2009 - K9 Connection**

**Warwick, RI 02888**

### **Labrador Retriever Conformation Match**

**Judge: Laura Witt (Minefall Labs)**

Best Puppy and Best of Opposite Puppy    Best Adult and Best of Opposite Adult

Classes: Puppy 3-6 mo.    Puppy 6-9 mo.    Puppy 9-12 mo. 12-18 mo. Am-Bred.    Open.

Veterans 7-over

No dogs with Majors. Professional Handlers may show their own dogs only    Wins carry no AKC points

### **Labrador Retriever Sweeps**

**Judge: Julie Quigley-Smith (Hollyridge Labs)**

Puppy Sweeps classes: 3-6 mo; 6-9 mo; 9-12 mo; 12-18 mo;    Best in Puppy Sweeps; Best of Opposite in Puppy Sweeps

Veterans Sweeps classes: 7-over;    Best in Veterans Sweeps; Best of Opposite in Veterans Sweeps

To enter sweeps must also be entered in a regular class

PRLRC to retain 35% of sweeps entry fee to go towards expenses; remaining 65% paid back in prize money

### **Obedience Show and Go**

**Judge: Anne Hassett**

*Classes: Pre-Novice, Novice, Open, Utility*

**Entries taken: 9:00 AM – 9:45 AM**

**Judging starts at 10:00 sharp**

**Entry fee: \$8.00 per class (\$6.00 for sweeps and addtl obed class)**

### **Free Breed Handling Class//Obedience Demo**

**9:15 – 9:45**

Pizza, chips & soft drinks will be available for lunch for a small donation



**Invites you to:**

**Back-to-Back Specialties!**

*Unbenched - Outdoors*

May 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009

Westfield Fairgrounds, Westfield, MA

Class	Friday May 8 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday May 9 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Sweeps</b>	Nancy Brandow <i>Cedarwoods</i>	Nancy Rudgers <i>Heybern</i>
<b>Bitches &amp; Non-Regular</b>	Kirsi Luomanen (Finland) <i>Tweedledum</i>	Hannele Jokisilta (Finland) <i>Palabras</i>
<b>Dogs &amp; Intersex</b>	Hannele Jokisilta (Finland) <i>Palabras</i>	Kirsi Luomanen (Finland) <i>Tweedledum</i>
<b>Junior Showmanship</b>	---	Sarah Crepeau
<b>Obedience</b>	Sandra Walker	George Davis
<b>Rally</b>	Lynda Moore	Denise Lacroix

On Friday, May 8 the obedience and rally trials will be held from 8 am until noon. At 12:30, the Holyoke Kennel Club will hold all-breed obedience and rally trials on the same site. Labradors may enter both trials, potentially earning two legs in their event in a single day, with a third leg available on Saturday.

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