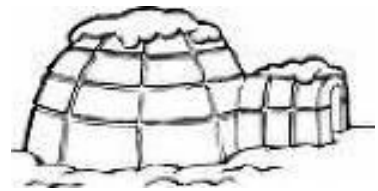




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**The Labrador Retriever Club of the
Pioneer Valley, Inc.**

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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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Newsletter Submissions

The Newsletter also welcomes articles for possible publication.

Please send submissions to

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5 Fawn Drive, Granby, CT 06035

E-mail Calsamlabs@cox.net

Deadline by the 10th of each month.

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Meeting Notice

March 7th - 6 PM at Suffield Veterinary Hospital, Suffield, CT

Agenda:

- *Presentation* - Supplements and OA in Labradors with Meagan from Nutramax
- *Regular Club Meeting*

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. Regardless, you must submit proof of eye, hip and elbow clearances to the Treasurer before your litter can be listed in the newsletter or on the website.

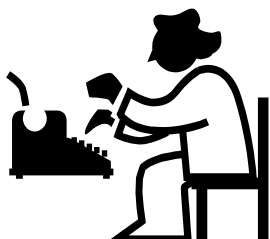
**Breckin Labrador Retrievers
Yellows and Blacks**

Please contact Gretchen for more information 413-736-5606

Chocolates Males & Females Born January 31
Sire Can CH Bittersweet's Bold Move JH CD RN WC
and
Dam Am/Can CH Bittersweet's Torch Song JH RN WC
Bittersweet Labradors bittersweet@nycap.rr.com 518-393-5572

For up-to-date information on puppies & adult dogs visit

WWW.LRCPV.ORG



Newsletter Needs Your Help!!

If you have any interesting news, articles, etc.
please e-mail them to Kelly Rome at
Calsamlabs@cox.net

Up Coming Club Events

March: 7th Meeting 6:00 pm Suffield Vet Hospital, Program: Supplements and OA in Labradors by Meagan from Nutramax. Regular meeting to follow

April 3: Awards Dinner Ann Huntington's Home

May 2: Meeting - Prep for Shows

May 14th & 15th: LRCPV Back to Back Specialties

LRCPV Logo Order

Our 3rd logo order will be submitted by March 5th. If you have any orders or suggestions for new items, please submit ASAP. We will be ordering some of the same items as well as some new, along with different colors. I did receive some request last year, but I'm asking for all orders to be confirmed so that nothing is omitted. Items will be received in April and will be on sale at our May Specialty. Pre-orders will be available for club members at a discounted price.

Let me know your ideas.

Lauren Simpson

laughinlab@comcast.net

413-734-7613

Annual Pot Luck Awards Dinner April 3rd Ann Huntington's Home

Laura will be sending out an e-mail to sign up to bring appetizers, salads, main courses, sides and desserts

Trophy Sponsors Needed

There are still several open conformation, obedience and rally classes that need sponsors. Deadline is March 26th. Please contact Annmarie Wilson for additional information at annmarie4cw@snet.net

REMINDER ---- LRCPV goes GREEN.

In keeping with the drive to eliminate unnecessary paper and save trees the LRCPV had decided all future newsletters will be send via email. (Those without email will continue to receive hard copy). This allows members to read the email on their computer and only print out pages they may need. As a Club this supports efforts across the nation toward a paperless society and helps reduce the waste in landfills. As an added benefit our dogs will appreciate us saving trees.

If you have any trouble with the newsletter attachment, please contact Annmarie Wilson at 860-668-4908

February Meeting Minutes



Meeting called to order 3:20 on Feb . 7, 2010

In attendance:

Kelly R., Andrea N., Laura C., Ann H., Doris A., Hazel H., Jan. L., Laura L., Merri M., Gretchen B.,
Guest - Joyce Hanosek

Treasurer report read. Motion made to accept.

Secretary report: Sent Application to AKC for supported entry 6/25/2010 in New Paltz. All set for trophies.

Judge Christine Pollender Calcinari

Sweeps judge: Need to confirm we asked someone to judge.

Nominating Committee: Jan Lemire & Laura Cook

Match: profit was made.

Trophies:

We bought out the last of all the Majilly pottery for our Spec. show. Majilly has no plans for reorder because availability has not been made clear to them.

Merri Mahoney showed us samples of engraved slate and tile that we can use for future trophies. She will be coming back with a sample of our Logo design with prices.

Merri was put on the trophy committee along with Annmarie.

Specialty: (Ann read off members positions. get that from her, I didn't try and keep up with writing it down.)

Danny Mahoney will be helping us out again with pounding stakes for the rings. Ann will be ordering pens with club name on it to handout with catalogs.

Awards Dinner - 1st Sat. evening in April. April 3. At Dr. Ann Huntingtons home. time ? (isn't it usually around 5:30ish.) check with Ann when she would be ready for us all.)

This is a potluck dinner. Please bring a dish to share.

email Laura Lafreniere with what you plan to bring. westhilllabs@aol.com

New England Canine Rehab & Fitness Ctr. sent information.

Screwworm Introduction to USA

Please cross post to other animal groups to provide info & be alert regarding any animals brought in from Haiti due to the possibility of **screwworm introduction to USA**.

The USDA - Veterinary Services has sent the following alert concerning pets coming into the US from Haiti. Since most of you are too young to remember - attached is information about screw worms. Notice to all veterinary practitioners!

Alert from the USDA Due to the disastrous earthquake in Haiti, there may be an increased number of pets coming into the U.S. The following USDA-Veterinary Service (VS) policy should take effect immediately and remain in affect for the next 10 days for animals arriving at U.S. ports from either Haiti or the Dominican Republic.

The USDA-VS has waived the requirements for health certificates for dogs.

Dogs will, however, require inspection and should be held by CBP and referred to USDA-VS for inspection of possible screwworm infestation. Dogs with open wounds should also be referred for additional exams and veterinary treatment as needed to prevent possible introduction of screwworms into the U.S.

Screwworms have been eradicated in the U. S. since 1982. The only 2 known cases in Texas in the recent past were caught and reported by *private* veterinary practitioners. (forwarders note: private veterinarians, not the USDA at the border)

Please see the following information sheet form the USDA-VS on the clinical signs of screwworms and reasons to avoid introduction of this dangerous pest.

<http://www.aphis.usda.gov/lpa/pubs/fsscworm.html>

Dawn D. Blackmar, D.V.M.
Harris County Public Health & Environmental Services
Director, Veterinary Public Health www.hcphe.org

Dated January 15, 2010 from the State of Washington
Department of Agriculture

"The recent earthquake in Haiti may result in an increase in the numbers of pets and other animals accompanying refugees which are coming into the US.

The following Veterinary Service (VS) policy should take effect immediately and remain in effect for the next 10 days for such animals arriving at US ports of entry by air or boat from either Haiti or the Dominican Republic:

Cont.

Dogs should be held by CBP and referred to VS for inspection for evidence of screwworm infestation. VS will waive requirements for health certificates for these dogs, but will require inspections and refer dogs with open wounds for further veterinary treatment or exams as needed.

We would like to remind practitioners to continue their vigilance for screwworm myiasis in any animal originating from any screwworm endemic area, including areas of the Caribbean and South America. A screwworm factsheet is available on the WSDA website
<http://agr.wa.gov/FoodAnimal/AnimalHealth> ."

Source:

<http://www.wsvma.affiniscap.com/associations/2620/files/Screwworm%20letter2>

Seminar A Weekend with Dr. Patricia McConnell and Ken Ramirez July 17-18, 2010

Eager Lecture Hall in the Sullivan Academic
Center
Worcester State College, Worcester, MA

For information or questions: Contact Dana Crevling at 508/529-3568 EST, or e-mail her at Crevling@dogsofcourse.com, subject line: **McConnellRamirez 2010** or visit the website at www.dogsofcourse.com

2010 Obedience Regulations at a Glance Effective January 1, 2010

Obedience Clubs will have the option of holding two all-breed obedience trials **concurrently** at the same site on the same day. This changed from clubs only being able to offer two trials of the same event type **consecutively**.

Trial Secretaries and Superintendents are now allowed to move a dog that has been entered in an "A" class for which it is not eligible to the "B" class at the same level.



Invites you to:

Back-to-Back Specialties!

May 14th & 15th, 2010
Westfield Fairgrounds, Westfield, MA

Unbenched - Outdoors

Class	Friday May 14 th	Saturday May 15 th
Sweeps & Veterans	Laura Witts <i>Minefall</i>	Jen Leitao
Bitches & Non-Regular	Beth Sweigart	Barbara Gilchrist <i>Blackthorn</i>
Dogs & Intersex	Barbara Gilchrist <i>Blackthorn</i>	Beth Sweigart
Junior	---	Barbara Gilchrist <i>Blackthorn</i>
Obedience	Tibby Chase	Susan King
Rally	Lynda Moore	Donna Blews-Pappas

Friday, May 14 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 (judge Evelyn VanUden) and rally (judge Stephanie Podejko) 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.

Canine Good Citizen Test Available Both Days 11-1

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CATALOGUE ADS FOR LRCPV SPRING SPECIALTY

DEADLINE: MARCH 26TH

The Labrador Retriever Club of the Pioneer Valley invites you to join us in celebration of our breed! Please consider placing an ad for your kennel or company in our Catalogue.

To place an ad, please fill out the information below. Mail form along with check to:

Gretchen Boss

24 Amherst Street

West Springfield, MA 01089

You can also email ad directly to Gretchen cgnbboss@yahoo.com and mail a check to her above address. Details on the ad requirements can be found on the next page.

Checks should be made out to LRCPV.

Questions? Please call Gretchen at 413-736-5606 or email at cgnbboss@yahoo.com

Catalogue ad prices are as follows:

Back Cover \$90

Inside Back Cover \$80

Full Page \$40.00

Half Page \$25

¼ Page \$20

Business Card Ad \$12.50

All Photos Add \$10.00

Trophy Donations for LRCPV Spring Specialty

Deadline March 26th

We still have a lot of classes open, please consider sponsoring a class for our specialty. Costs to sponsor a class for BOTH days follows:

BOB, BOS, High Combined, HIT, BOW:	\$50.00
Other 'Bests' excluding Sweeps:	\$40.00
All others, including Sweeps:	\$35.00
General Trophy Fund suggested amount:	\$25.00

For up-to-date information on class availability, please contact Annmarie Wilson at:

Wilann Labradors

annmarie4cw@snet.net 860-668-4908



Please number each ad.

Show # _____

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Show Date _____

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(4½ x 7½)

Half Page
(4½ x 3½)

Quarter Page
(4½ x 1½)

★ ADS ★
MUST BE RECEIVED BY
SUPT. 6 WEEKS BEFORE
SHOW DATE. (9 WEEKS
FOR NATIONAL
SPECIALTY SHOWS)

Signed _____ I Enclose \$ _____

Address _____ Bill Me Later

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PRINT PLAINLY OR TYPEWRITE ALL AD COPY TO AVOID TYPOGRAPHICAL ERRORS, GIVING SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO THE DOG AND OWNER'S NAME.

All Photographs and Artwork will be returned to the Advertising or Show Chairman on the day of the show by the Superintendent.

PHOTOGRAPHS ARE SCANNED FOR AD PLACEMENT. FOR BEST RESULTS PLEASE SEND ORIGINAL PHOTOGRAPH. NO SCREENED PHOTOS. NO NEGATIVES.

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For any additional artwork or outside work, an additional charge will be made.
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Be sure ALL PHOTOGRAPHS, ARTWORK, etc. are labeled. **DO NOT BEND, FOLD. TAPE OR STAPLE PICTURES. PLEASE ATTACH WITH PAPER CLIP.**

There will be a charge for each photograph.

UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED. ALL PHOTOS MAY BE CROPPED TO PUT EMPHASIS ON THE DOG.

If you have any questions, call or Fax MB-F Ad. Dept. at (336) 379-9352 Ext. 207 FAX (336) 272-0864

*If you desire special placement of your ad, specify here _____

2010 LRCPV Dues Notice

Fill in the following form **PLEASE HIGHLIGHT OR CIRCLE ANY CHANGES** and send it with a check payable to LRCPV and send to:

Laura Lafreniere
P. O. Box 131
Middlefield, MA 01243

Name(s): _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-Mail: _____

Phone Number: _____

Cell Phone Number (optional): _____

Single Membership (\$30) _____

Family Membership (\$35) _____

Activity Discount (\$5) _____ (2 Meetings & 1 Event)

Total Amount _____

....Do NOT send cash, send checks or M.O. only ...

Provide e-mail/website information here to be included in the Breeder Directory page of the LRCPV website.