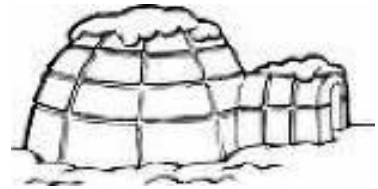




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The purpose of this Newsletter is to give members an overview of Club activities and to keep them informed on breed related issues. The Newsletter is published 10 times per year, or whenever the editor can manage it.

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Newsletter Submissions

The Newsletter also welcomes articles for possible publication.

Please send submissions to

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E-mail Calsamlabs@cox.net

Deadline by the 10th of each month.

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Meeting Notice

L.R.C.P.V Monthly Meeting -- March 6, 2011

6:00 at WEU Store at 526 College Highway, Southwick MA.

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.

Chocolate Pups born January 6, 2011

Males and Females available

Sire: Can CH Cedarwoods Signature Browning Copied, JH, WC, SR52861603

Dam: Silverado's Miracles Can Happen, RA, CGC, SR48359002

Sire and Dam have required clearances.

Please contact Tina Stone chritinestone@comcast.net

or Lauren Simpson laughinlab@comcast.net

for more information.

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

WWW.LRCPV.ORG

LRC, Inc Connecticut 2011



Show Your Colors

Save the date!

October 9—16, 2011

**The Labrador Retriever Club, Inc. 2011
National Specialty Event Week
Brooklyn Fairgrounds, Brooklyn, Connecticut & the James Dean property, Woodstock, Connecticut**



Member Brags

From Gretchen Boss:

A puppy I bred and co-own with Hyspire went WD out of the 6-9 Month Puppy Dog Class for a **4 POINT MAJOR** at the Arizona Specialty. The puppy is out of Ch Breckin Hyspire Promiscuos Girl and Ch Wits End Jacks or Better at Blackwing.

Up Coming Club Events

March 2011

March 6, 2011: L.R.C.P.V Monthly Meeting, 6:00 Westfield Water Sports

April 2011 - ANNUAL MEETING & Awards Dinner

April 9th - Check website for additional details

May 2011

May 13-14, 2011 - L.R.C.P.V. Back to Back Specialty Westfield Fairgrounds, Westfield, MA

June 2011

June 5, 2011: L.R.C.P.V Monthly Meeting, 6:00 Suffield Veterinary Hospital

L.R.C.P.V. Supported Entry, Shawangunk Kennel Club, New Paltz, NY

July 2011

Labrador Fun Swim - details coming.

L.R.C.P.V. Supported Entry, Holyoke Kennel Club

August 2011

Rally Fun Match: Suffield Veterinary Hospital
577 East Street South, Suffield, CT

September 2011

Health Clinic at Suffield Veterinary Hospital

Labrador Demo and Education, Big E Fairgrounds

L.R.C.P.V. Supported Entry, Carroll County Kennel Club

October 2011

October 2, 2011: L.R.C.P.V Monthly Meeting, 6:00 Suffield Veterinary Hospital
577 East Street South, Suffield, CT

October 10-16, 2011: LRC National Specialty, Brooklyn Fairgrounds, Brooklyn, CT

November 2011

November 6, 2011: L.R.C.P.V Monthly Meeting, 6:00 Suffield Veterinary Hospital

NEWS FLASH!!!

We will be piloting the new AKC **4-6 month puppy class** - see premium for details



Invites you to:

Back-to-Back Specialties!

May 13th & 14th, 2011
Westfield Fairgrounds, Westfield, MA

Unbenched - Outdoors

| Class | Friday May 13 th | Saturday May 14 th |
|----------------------------------|--|---|
| Sweeps & Veterans | Linda Farquharson Fhinnonlach, Scotland | Bob Robotham Canada |
| Bitches & Non-Regular | Sue Willumsen Willcare, USA | Margaret Brown Ramsayville, Scotland |
| Dogs & Intersex | Margaret Brown Ramsayville, Scotland | Sue Willumsen Willcare, USA |
| Junior | --- | Sarah Crepeau |
| Obedience | Nancy Withers | Patricia Hess |
| Rally | Patricia Hess | Nancy Withers |

Friday, May 13 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 Patricia Hess) and rally (judge Nancy Withers) 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

Show Chairman

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L.R.C.P.V. MEMBER DUES AND SPONSORSHIPS

Make checks out to LRCPV and mail to Laura Lafreniere, PO Box 131, Middlefield, MA 01243

DATE: _____ NAME: _____

EMAIL: _____

MEMBERSHIP DUES: (DUE May 1 annually): _____

\$30.00 Individual, \$35.00 Family.

Members who have worked a minimum of 4 hours at two events may deduct \$5.00

L.R.C.P.V. TROPHY SPONSORSHIP - DEADLINE MARCH 25, 2011

Make checks out to LRCPV and mail to Annmarie Wilson, 6 Dara Lane, Suffield, CT 06078

DATE: _____ NAME: _____

AMOUNT _____ EMAIL: _____

BOB, BOS, High Combined, HIT, BOW: \$50.00;

Other 'Bests' excluding Sweeps: \$40.00

All others, including Sweeps: \$35.00

General Trophy Fund (suggested): \$25.00

Please be sure to email Annmarie with your desired sponsorship and how you want the catalog entry to read.
 Questions: Contact Annmarie Wilson at annmarie@wilannlabradors.com

L.R.C.P.V. CATALOG ADVERTISING - DEADLINE MARCH 25, 2011

Make checks out to LRCPV. Mail to Gretchen Boss 24 Amherst Rd, W. Springfield, MA 01089

DATE: _____ NAME: _____

AMOUNT _____ EMAIL: _____

Back Cover \$90.00 Inside Back Cover: \$80.00 Full Page: \$40.00 Half Page: \$ 25.00

Quarter Page: \$20.00 Business Card: \$12.50 Pictures, add an additional \$10.00

Please be sure to email Gretchen with your ad specifications as well as ad copy if possible. Alternatively you can mail the information to Gretchen at the above address.

Questions: Contact Gretchen Boss at cgnbboss@yahoo.com

Please number each ad.

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Date Received _____

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Club Name _____

Show Date _____

Full Page

(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

IMPORTANT!

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

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(Revised 1/2005)

The genetics of injury to the cranial cruciate ligament in Newfoundlands and related breeds of dog (includes Labrador Retrievers)

Current Status: Active and enrolling Labrador retrievers

Principal Investigator: [Vicki Wilke](#), DVM, PhD, DACVS

Contact: Amber Winter, study technician: 612-624-1352, e-mail: alwinter@umn.edu

We are studying an orthopedic condition, cranial cruciate ligament rupture (CCLR), that causes hind limb lameness in nearly 20% of dogs. The study hypothesis is that mutations may exist in genes predisposing some dogs to CCLR. Newfoundland dogs and related breeds (labs) are the focus of this study because they are at high risk for CCL injury, and previous study has shown that this is a hereditary condition.

Currently looking for Labrador Retrievers, with and without CCLR

We are collecting blood samples for DNA from these breeds which are affected and unaffected with CCLR. These samples will be searched for genetic markers that may serve as disease predictors. These markers will then allow identification of carriers of CCLR, and potentially the reduction or elimination of CCLR from the dog population.

For more information or to enroll your pet, contact Amber Winter (see above).

Now accepting samples from other clinics for Labradors with surgically confirmed CCLR!

[What we need and how to send in samples](#)

Guide to collecting and shipping Labrador DNA samples to the Clinical Investigation Center

- Obtain one 10ml whole blood sample from patient and place into EDTA (purple) top tube(s)
- Fill out Canine History Form and Consent Form
- **In order to comply with DOT Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, please package as follows:**
 - Place blood tube(s) in a ziplock plastic bag- each dog's sample in a separate plastic bag.
 - Place completed forms in a separate plastic bag.
 - Place the separate plastic bags in a small box and fill the space with absorbable material (e.g. paper towels).
 - Seal tightly (no ice or freezer pack needed if 2-3 day shipping is used). Add newspaper to fill space and cushion samples.
 - Write "Exempt animal specimen" on the outside of the box.

Mail sample to:

Dr. Kari Ekenstedt
University of Minnesota
295 AS/VM
1988 Fitch Avenue
St. Paul, MN 55108

(If you are sending a sample from outside the United States, please see the USDA guidelines for importation)

For questions on sending samples please contact any of the following persons:

Sara Pracht: prach011@umn.edu (612)626-3574

Amber Winter: alwinter@umn.edu (612)624-1352

Kari Ekenstedt: eken0003@umn.edu (612)625-5750

Here is the slate decided on by the Nominating Committee for 2011:

President: Lois Engel

Vice President: Gretchen Boss

Treasurer: Laura Lafreniere

Corresponding Secretary: Judi Dorsett

Recording Secretary: Laura Bauver

Board Of Directors: Tina Stone, Lauren Simpson, and Annmarie Wilson

*past president will also be a board member

New AKC iPhone App *

Ever want to lookup a breed standard at ring-side? Try just download the new AKC App. Serving as a portable encyclopedia for all AKC-recognized dog breeds, the application provides the AKC Meet the Breeds® profile, breed standard, a breed illustration, photos, and fun facts and history for each AKC breed. Navigating the app is easy: users can search for breeds by Group using the Group Preference Panel, add breeds to their "Favorites" list or share breeds with friends via e-mail or Facebook.

New Conformation Events*

There was a motion by Mr. Kalter, seconded by Mr. Davies, and it was VOTED (unanimously) to not approve any additional All-Breed or Group shows for existing clubs while the AKC studies the issue of the increase in the number of shows accompanied by declining entries. Thus an All-Breed or Group club that has been holding one show a year will not be approved for more than one show a year.

Proposed Dog Show Rule Changes*

In January the Board approved amendments which would have created a Reserve Best in Show Placement and fifth and sixth placements in the Groups. It was to have been read in March for a vote in June 2011. However, the Board agreed to postpone the read until June, with a vote in September.

* Source AKC website

Did you know ...*

According to the AKC, during the month of January the DNA program resulted in the correction of 219 litter registrations, affecting 356 registered dogs. Additionally, the registrations of 139 litters, including 258 registered dogs, were converted to conditional registration and the registrations of 7 litters were canceled, affecting 8 registered dogs. 1 litter was canceled as a result of impure breeding affecting 3 registered dogs and 1 litter was canceled as a result of an inquiry. (Note: this is all breeds not just labs)

Upcoming Health Clinics at Suffield Vet Hospital

3/6/11 Yankee Alaskan Malamute Club (Hips, Elbows, Microchips) - Contact: Kristin Morrison, telephone 860-803-0639, email kristinlmorrison@gmail.com; or Ruth Levesque, telephone 860-565-7783, email malsakita@comcast.net

3/13/11 Southern Berkshire Golden Retriever Club (Heart, Optigen, Microchip, Tattoo) website sbgrc.org Contact: Barb Biewer, telephone 860-668-6143, e-mail sunfirefb@yahoo.com

5/22/11 Connecticut River Valley Golden Retriever Club (Heart, & Eyes) Contact: Kathy Mehmet, telephone 203-598-0445, email broadwaygoldens@aol.com; website crvgrc.org