



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

March 2013

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## *ANNUAL MEETING and AWARDS NIGHT*

*Saturday, April 6, 2013*

*6:00pm*

*Ann Huntington's home  
2800 Mountain Road, West Suffield, CT*

*Pot Luck Dinner*

*Please contact Laura Lafreniere at*

*[westhilllabs@aol.com](mailto:westhilllabs@aol.com)*

*to let her know what you are bringing*

*Some items on the agenda:  
Election of Officers and Board Members  
LRCPV Specialty*

**MEMBERS, GUESTS AND PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS  
ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND**

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The purpose of this newsletter is to give members of LRCPV an overview of club activities and to keep them informed on breed related issues. The newsletter is published monthly.

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## CANDIDATES

Nominations were accepted from the floor at the LRCPV March meeting, as defined in our bylaws. No further nominations are allowed. Candidates for office are:

Co-Presidents: Laura Bauver & Gretchen Boss	
Vice President	Annmarie Wilson
Treasurer	Laura Lafreniere
Recording Secretary	Tina Stone
Corresponding Secretary	Pam Burek

As is customary, the slate of candidates for officer positions will be accepted by the Recording Secretary casting one ballot at the Annual Meeting.

There were six candidates for the four Board Member positions:

Deb Brunell  
 Laura Cook  
 Judi Dorsett  
 Jan Lemire  
 Andrea Newman  
 Lauren Simpson

Following the meeting, Laura Cook has withdrawn due to work commitments. A ballot vote will be taken at the Annual Meeting to elect four of the remaining five candidates for Board Member. The membership at the March meeting also agreed to allow absentee ballots. They have been collected by Ann Huntington and will be opened and counted at the time of the election.

We thank all of the nominees for their interest in serving LRCPV.

Hazel Holman, Chair - Pam Burek, Lois Engel



## PUPPY PEN

Black boys available!

Born February 17, 2013

Sire: CH Stonecrest Cabin's Moonraker  
 "Caper"

Dam: Bittersweet's Mischief Maker "Annie"

Contact Susan Brownell 518-393-5572

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If you have a litter of Labrador Retriever pups you would like to list in our newsletter and/or on the website, please review Rule 11 in the club Rules & Policies (available in the member section of the website). Laura Lafreniere must receive confirmation of required clearances prior to publication.

If you have any further questions, please contact Laura Lafreniere, Laura Bauver, or Annmarie Wilson.



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## ADVERTISING

The Board of Directors has established advertising opportunities for members of our Club. Ads may not be political, but do not have to be dog related.

### Newsletter:

Business Card\* (2"X3.5") \$25/Club Year  
Fee will be prorated for partial Club Year  
(\$2.50 per remaining month)

\*You may also purchase larger ads  
4'X3.5 for \$50/yr. 6" X 3.5" for \$75/yr. etc.  
There will be a minimum of 10  
newsletters/year

Contact Laura Bauver for more information

### Website:

\$100/Club Year

\$50/Club Year for members in good standing who  
have worked at least four (4) hours each at two  
events in the prior Club Year, as verified by the  
event chairperson

Fee will be prorated for partial Club Year  
(\$10/\$5 per remaining month)

Contact Annmarie Wilson for more information

**Labrador Retriever Club of the Pioneer Valley,  
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and services advertised in the club's newsletter  
or on the website.**



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## LRCPV SPECIALTY

WHAT: 34<sup>th</sup> & 35<sup>th</sup> Independent Specialty Shows, Sweepstakes, Veteran Sweepstakes & Obedience Trials and 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> Rally Trials

WHEN: Friday & Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>  
7 am – 7 pm each day

WHERE: Westfield Fairgrounds  
Russellville Road, Westfield MA

### Conformation Events/Judges:

Friday May 10<sup>th</sup>

Puppy & Veteran Sweeps: Leslie Plank  
Bitches & Non-Regular: Linda Bednarski  
Dogs & Best of Breed: Linda Vaughn

Saturday May 11<sup>th</sup>

Puppy & Veteran Sweeps: Wendy Ernst, DVM  
Bitches & Non-Regular: Linda Vaughn  
Dogs & Best of Breed: Linda Bednarski  
Junior Showmanship: Mrs. Karen Whitfield

### Obedience Trials:

Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup> All Breed (Collies excluded)

All Classes: Dr. Ellen Adomelis

Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup> Labrador Retrievers only

All Classes: Dr. Ellen Adomelis

### Rally Trials:

Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup> All Breed (Collies excluded)

All Classes: Karen Wrey

Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup> Labrador Retrievers only

All Classes: Karen Wrey

### Beginner Puppy 4-6 Month Class:

Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup> Dr. Tom Davies

Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup> Mrs. Karen Whitfield

***AS A MEMBER, HOW CAN I HELP?***

To be successful, the Specialty requires participation by many members before, during and after the event. Please contact the following committee chairmen to offer to help or for further information

**SET UP:** Laura Lafreniere

Several members will be needed to assist in setting up the rings, etc. on Thursday afternoon, May 9<sup>th</sup>

**ADVERTISING:** Gretchen Boss**TROPHIES:** Annmarie Wilson

Members are requested to sponsor trophies for the Specialty. Additional opportunities are still available, however the deadline for publication in the Judges' Program has passed.

**HOSPITALITY:** Rick Burek and Laura Bauver  
Rick will be preparing and serving lunch for our judges on both Friday and Saturday.

Laura will be preparing and delivering (on Thursday) hospitality bags to the hotel for our judges who will be staying overnight. She will also be putting together the gift bags for all of the judges. The theme for both is "made in Massachusetts (or Connecticut)". If you have any suggestions or would like to assist, please contact Laura.

**CHIEF STEWARD:** Gretchen Boss

Gretchen will be overseeing stewards in the Breed Ring

**STEWARDS – OBEDIENCE & RALLY:**

Annmarie Wilson

Please contact Annmarie if you will be available to assist in the Obedience and Rally Rings. She is also looking for individuals who are willing to stop by and offer short term coverage for breaks, etc.

**VENDORS:** Laura Bauver

Please let Laura know if you are interested in being a vendor at the Specialty or if you know of someone who might be interested. The

vendor "fee" is one raffle prize for each day the vendor participates

**LOGO SALES:** Lauren Simpson  
Lauren will need assistance in the Logo Sales Tent during the Specialty.

**RV PARKING:** Laura Lafreniere  
Laura is taking reservations for people who wish to set up RVs at the fairgrounds. The fee is \$25/night

**RAFFLE:** Tina Stone

***All members are asked to donate prizes for our raffle.*** This year we will hold two separate raffles – one on Friday and one on Saturday, so we will need a variety of raffle prizes for each day.

We will also need volunteers to help sell raffle tickets during the event.

You may bring your raffle donations to the Annual Meeting if you will not be able to attend the Specialty.

***ADDITIONAL THOUGHTS*****BREAKFAST & LUNCH:**

Light breakfast foods and assorted lunch items will be available for purchase both Friday and Saturday from our caterers, North Elm Butcher Block of Westfield.

**FRIDAY EVENING BUFFET:**

North Elm Butcher Block will provide a delicious barbeque buffet on Friday evening at the close of the show. ***Pre-paid reservations must be made in advance.*** Information is in the Premium. The dinner is open to members, participants, workers and guests for a fee of \$22 each.

**HOLYOKE KENNEL CLUB:**

On Friday HKC will hold obedience and rally trials following our Rally and Obedience Trials at the fairgrounds. They are limited to 75 entries so if you are interested in registering (and the possibility of getting three legs in one weekend) – be sure to register early!

**CGC TESTING**

Friday & Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>  
Westfield Fairgrounds

Leslie Pirnie will test dogs who wish to  
earn the CGC designation

Pre-registration is not required  
Sign up and pay the fee at the LRCPV  
catalog and trophy tent

**MEMBERSHIP**

Welcome to our new members who were  
accepted into membership at the March  
meeting: Lyn and Keith Blanchard of

Please add this information to your  
membership list:

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**DATES TO REMEMBER**

May 10-11 LRCPV Specialty, Westfield MA  
June 2 LRCPV Meeting  
July LRCPV River Swim  
August LRCPV Rally Fun Match, Suffield CT  
Sept 8 LRCPV Meeting  
Sept 15 LRCPV Well Dog Clinic, Suffield CT

**JOIN US FOR DINNER**

*Friday, May 10, 2013*  
*Westfield Fairgrounds*  
*Following the Specialty*

*Menu:*

*BBQ Ribs*  
*BBQ Bone-in-Chicken*  
*BBQ Pulled Pork*  
*Ziti*  
*Macaroni Salad*  
*Tossed Salad*  
*Rolls & Butter*  
*Apple Crisp*  
*Beverage*  
*\$22/person*

*Pre-paid reservation required*  
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*JUDGES' DINNER*

*Following close of Specialty*  
*Saturday, May 11*  
*THE TAVERN in Westfield*  
*Please let Laura Lafreniere know by*  
*noon on day of event!*

**SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR CONTRIBUTORS**

**Laura Bauver, Editor**  
**Hazel Holman**  
**Ann Huntington**

We welcome articles from all members for possible  
publication.

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