

**LABRADOR RETRIEVER CLUB**  
**of the Potomac**  
**NEWSLETTER**

June, 1974



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LRCP to Host Nat'l Specialty  
in '75 See Parent Club News

LABRADOR RETRIEVER CLUB OF THE POTOMAC

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CONTRIBUTIONS TO NEWSLETTER

The deadline for the September newsletter will be August 1. If you have suggestions or news (show or field trial wins, new litters, etc.) please try to submit the items by that date. Ideas for feature stories should be received by mid-July.

Obedience news, suggestions and ideas should be sent to Betty Graham, Obedience Chairman, 11817 Waples Mill Rd., Oakton, Va. 22124. Tel. (703)385-8339.

Send all other material to Louise Marsh, 606 Vierling Dr., Silver Spring, Md. 20904. Tel. (301)384-1910.

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## NEWS FROM PARENT CLUB

(The following information has been extracted from a summary of the Annual Meeting of the Labrador Retriever Club written by Mrs. Helen Ginnel, chairman of the bench show committee. The March issue of this newsletter outlined the plan for regional specialties with one designated each year as the National Specialty on a rotating basis between the three geographical zones.)

At its Annual Meeting in Southampton on April 27th the Labrador Retriever Club adopted the proposals regarding regional and national specialties made at the Westminster meeting in February. The new plan goes into effect in 1975 with the National Labrador Specialty at the Rock Creek Kennel Club Show in October to be sponsored and put on by the Labrador Retriever Club of the Potomac.

It is hoped that the 1976 National Specialty will be sponsored by the Labrador Retriever Club of Southern California. The Mid-west has already made a bid for 1977. The Labrador Retriever Club of Southern California has been holding a regional specialty each year, and the parent club hopes that the LRC's in each area will follow that example.

The Club will contribute \$300.00 for trophies for each National Specialty besides the BOB and BOS and Hiwood Mike F.T. Trophy.

Mrs. Ginnel went on to say that the Club welcomes new members who are interested in showing their dogs but hopes that all members will work to keep and improve the field abilities developed in the Labrador over the last 40 years in their bench dogs.

The gamebird qualification in the Working Certificates was discussed with the conclusion to permit the use of pigeons. Certificates may be awarded by any director of the Club or any person who has judged licensed trials, but they will not be issued until the Championship has been won.

Any change in the standard would be in the hands of the Bench Committee. A proposed change would first have to be submitted to the AKC and then be approved by a two-thirds majority of every member in good standing of the Labrador Retriever Club. The vote would be conducted by mail.

## NEW CLUB FORMED

The Winnebago Labrador Club has been formed in Rockford, Illinois. The Club will represent many of the Labrador fanciers in the Middle West and includes such notables as Sally McCarthy and other well known to Labrador people in the area.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: THE FIRST YEAR

I would like to make a summary of our first year's operation which, I hope, may establish the precedent for an annual report by future club presidents.

During the past year the club, which began on Preakness Day, 1973, held 5 conformation and obedience matches (3 sanctioned by AKC), sponsored 2 field training days, held a forum with three English judges, sponsored a week's trip to Crufts and visits to English Labrador breeders' kennels, conducted 6 general meetings and 3 board meetings. We also established a newsletter under the editorship of Louise Marsh and thus established communications with the 7 other Labrador Clubs known to us.

And we have grown too. We had 48 charter memberships on the list first submitted to AKC. For the coming year we have 69 household memberships representing 110 individuals plus juniors.

Not bad for a first year's operation. All members can be justly proud of our successes and not too abashed by our mis-fires.

On the negative side of the ledger, our handling class had to be postponed until May. The gas shortage forced delays in the start of tracking work as well as field work, but hopefully this too will be rescheduled in the near future. Also we have not been as successful at attracting people to business meetings as we have been at getting them to dog events. Some of this has been due to lack of a regular meeting place and, after a meeting place was obtained, to the gas shortage. The last meeting, held in conjunction with the March match, was a notable success, and more dual-purpose meetings may prove helpful.

In summary, The Labrador Retriever Club of the Potomac has progressed markedly in the past year due to the generous and diligent efforts of the members. The Board hopes that in the coming year the membership will respond as enthusiastically as in the year past. Please let us know of your views so that the Club may continue to meet the needs of the Labrador people in our area.

Respectfully submitted,  
George Bragaw, President.

ACCIDENT IN TRENTON, MAY 5

Mrs. Kenneth Nagler, who with her husband judged obedience at the LRCP match in November, suffered a broken pelvis, ribs and shoulder in an automobile accident on Route 1 outside of Trenton on May 5. With her in the car were Helen Biggs, who received a broken wrist, and Phebe Ladd, who was not injured. The dogs--Mrs. Nagler's Dalmatian bitch, Helen Bigg's Tara and Phebe's Black Bev--were unharmed in their crates. Although she missed her own class Phebe went into the ring with Tara later in the morning.

Mrs. Nagler's address is 3912 Longfellow St., Hyattsville, Maryland 20781.

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O. F. A. POLICY CHANGE  
(September, 1973 release)

Based upon the professional recommendations of the Canine Hip Dysplasia Symposium and Workshop held in St. Louis, Mo., on October 19-20, 1972, the Board of Directors of the OFA have suggested the following change in the procedure followed by the Dysplasia Control Registry effective January 1, 1974.

THAT THE MINIMUM AGE FOR THE RADIOGRAPHIC CERTIFICATION OF NORMALITY WITH RESPECT TO CANINE HIP DYSPLASIA BE 24 MONTHS OF AGE AT THE TIME THE RADIOGRAPH WAS TAKEN.

Although severe types of hip dysplasia can be identified radiographically at a relatively early age, there is evidence that some dogs which appear normal at 6-18 months of age will show radiographic signs of HD at a later age. The OFA radiologists will continue to evaluate pelvic radiographs of dogs at a young age, however only those dogs that are two years of age or older at the time of radiography, with no radiographic signs of hip dysplasia, will be eligible for the assignment of a breed OFA number.

It is felt that the best time for a definitive evaluation of hip joint status is that period of time between two and six years of age. In some breeds, dogs older than six years of age will show normal age related hip joint changes which may interfere with a judgment with respect to hip dysplasia.

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Xrays for evaluation must be sent to:

OFA Dysplasia Control Registry  
817 Virginia Avenue, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Labrador Club O. F. A. Representative

Mrs. Sally B. McCarthy  
Shamrock Acres Kennels  
Rt. 1, Waunakee, Wisconsin 53597

BULLETIN BOARD

The Labrador Retriever Club of Southern California will hold its Fourth Licensed Specialty Show and Obedience Trial on Saturday, September 21, 1974, at the Hyatt House Hotel in Anaheim, California. Mrs. James Edward Clark will judge the Breed Classes, Mrs. Marianne Foote will judge the Sweepstakes Event, Mrs. Donna Ward will judge Junior Showmanship, and Mr. Mervan Silverman will judge Obedience.

I wish to thank the members of the LRCP for their help with and enthusiasm for the newsletter. This is really an outstanding group of people. Could it be that we take after our cheerful Labradors? Editor

COMMAND PERFORMANCE Betty Graham

Ch. Zipper Hustlin' Wahoo, owned by Martha Lee Voshell, finished his CD on November 4, 1973, at Oriole OTC in Pikesville, Maryland, by winning 4th in a class of 54 with a 193½.

Debbie Kotilis' Shookstown Brush Master won his CD in three straight matches in March.

There must be more obedience news to report. Please send it to me so that your triumphs can be included in the next issue.

DEAR LABBY ANSWERS --

Dear Labby,

My owner claims I am the oldest Labrador Retriever that ever walked this earth. I'll be 19 years old July 2nd. Is he right? Happy Jack

Dear Happy Jack,

You definitely are in an elite class of few, but according to the Guinness Book of World Records you have another 8 years and 3 months to go to meet the current world record holder's age. "Adjutant," the longest-lived dog on record was a Labrador Retriever. Labby

Dear Labby,

Is there anything one can do for coprophagy? Concerned.

Dear Concerned,

Try to keep the stools picked up, and you might consider changing dog foods. Reports indicate that the feeding of some dog foods caused an increase in this tendency. Try a highly digestible food which will decrease the amount of stool. Also check with your vet about using digestive enzyme tablets. Labby

Mrs. Sally B. McCarty  
8840 Rock Acres Kennel  
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LRCP THIRD B-OB SANCTIONED MATCH, March 2

Bill Metz and Ray Murphy weathered the storm at the Gaithersburg Agricultural Center on Saturday, March 2, as Potomac Lab's third AKC sanctioned match triumphed over both gas shortage and rain.

Diana Beckett's and Liz Clark's Kimvalley Kenbara Mr. Softee was Mr. Metz's Best of Breed choice in a breed entry of 59. Phebe Ladd's Haverhill's Black Bev was Best Opposite. Phebe was the day's overall big winner, picking up firsts in Novice Bitch, Junior Showmanship and scoring a very respectable 147 for second place in novice obedience.

Janet Churchill's and Elizabeth Derr's Spenrock Anthony Adverse was Best Puppy in Match for the second straight match.

Highest scoring dog in obedience was Pat Megregian's Shamrock Acres Genesis with a hard to 197½ mark. Paul Hancock's Kelley of Greenbridge scored 194 her first time out in Utility. The lone entry prompted Judge Murphy to quip that it was very satisfying to have his entire Utility entry qualify. Other good scores in obedience included Betty Graham's Birchgreen's Abigail and Dr. I. L. Brisbin's Spokesman with 188 and 185 respectively in the Novice Class.

The Club was privileged to have AKC field representative J. Monroe Stebbins in attendance during the day.

A brief business meeting closed out a very successful day.

SUMMARY

OBEDIENCE

Judge: Raymond E. Murphy, Gaithersburg, Md.

Utility

1 - Paul N. Hancock's Kelley of Greenbridge 194 pts.

Open

1 - Dennis & Martha Stephens' Forecast Scripps non-qualifying

Novice

1 - Pat Megregian's Shamrock Acres Genesis 197½ pts.

2 - Betty Graham's Birchgreen's Abigail 188 pts.

3 - Dr. I.L. Brisbin's Baroke Spokesman 185 pts.

4 - Carolyn McCreesh's Kelly of Montgomery - -

Sub-Novice

1 - Carolyn McCreesh's Kelly of Montgomery 151 pts.

2 - Phebe Ladd's Haverhills' Black Bev 147 pts.

3 - Ann W. Higgins' Robin's Sassafras Harvey 146 pts.

4 - Dr. I.L. Brisbin's Baroke Spokesman 142½ pts.

March 2 Match, cont.

BREED

Judge: William A. Metz, New City, N.Y.

3-6 Puppy Dog

- 1 - Martha Tower's Rocky of Millgrove
- 2 - Mr. & Mrs. Richard Clark's Knowbar MacNab

9-12 Puppy

- 1 - Janet Churchill & Elizabeth Derr's Spenrock Anthony Adverse
- 2 - Mr. & Mrs. J.F. Thompson's Jamar's Punkin Wilke

Novice Dog

- 1 - Robert Cromwell Jr.'s Cromwell's Mr. Bojangles
- 2 - Louise Marsh's Rick's Bright Shadow
- 3 - George & Eliz. Bragaw's Shookstown Shera Khan
- 4 - Carol Ladd & Worthey Gance's Mahogany Puppet

Open Black Dog

- 1 - Doreen & Ken Anderson's Curnafane Bouy
- 2 - Greg Bartoshuk's Monsev Ask an Architect
- 3 - George Bragaw's Kimvalley Coachmaster
- 4 - Col. H.I. Stern's Holton Dauphin

Open Chocolate

- 1 - Georgeanna Matson's Red
- 2 - Col. H.I. Stern's Brits Abi
- 3 - Newby Roper's Haverhills' Mahogany Mocha

Open Yellow

- 1 - Diana Beckett & Elizabeth D. Clark's Kimvalley Kenbara/  
/ Mr. Softee
- 2 - Joe & Sharon May's Heatherbourne Brandybuck
- 3 - George & Eliz. Bragaw's Shookstown Genghis Khan
- 4 - Diana Beckett & Eliz. D. Clark's Kimvalley Maverick

3-6 Puppy Bitches

- 1 - Allen & Bev Mushinsky's Inverness Best Bette
- 2 - Janet Churchill's Spenrock Jolly Good
- 3 - J.K. Gilden's Inverness Birthday Banquet
- 4 - Robert J. Reynolds' Inigoes Dame Helen Maude

6-9 Puppy Bitch

- 1 - Dr. Edwin Churchill's Spenrock Peppermint
- 2 - Dennis & Martha Jo Stephens' Spenrock Penelope
- 3 - Ann Higgins & Margaret Corothers' Brownlines Syncopated Rhythm

Novice Bitches

- 1 - Phebe Ladd's Haverhills' Black Bev
- 2 - William J. Ashline's Sullivan of Mummocks
- 3 - Martha Tower's Haverhills' Merry Martha
- 4 - Pat Megrigan's Shamrock Acres Genesis

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Open Black Bitch

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- 2 - Robert J. Reynolds' Shookstown Dame Margaret

Open Chocolate

- 1 - Helen Biggs' Donlen's Super Tara Suzanne

Open Yellow

- 1 - James Russell's Springfield's Mimi
- 2 - Mr. & Mrs. Donald Beckett's Sandylands Viscount Honeysuckle
- 3 - Martha Jo & Dennis Stephens' Forecast Scripps
- 4 - Greg Bartoshuk's Shookstown Pumpkin Seed

Veterans

- 1 - Mrs. Elizabeth D. Clark's U.S., Eng. Ch. Kenbara Jill

Junior Showmanship Mr. Murphy, judge

- 1 - Phebe Ladd, Poolesville, Md.
- 2 - Martha Tower, Silver Spring, Md.
- 3 - John Bragaw, Frederick, Md.

Best of Breed

Diana Beckett & Elizabeth D. Clark's Kimvalley Kenbara / Mr. Softee

Best Opposite Sex

Phebe Ladd's Haverhills' Black Bev

Best Puppy

Janet Churchill & Elizabeth Derr's Spenrock Anthony Adverse

Highest Scoring Obedience Dog

Pat Megregian's Shamrock Acres Genesis

Total entry	80
Breed	59
Obedience	16
Jr. Showmanship	3
Veterans	1
Parade of Ch's & Obedience Title holders	1



PROPOSED DESIGN FOR CLUB EMBLEM

Approximation of design submitted by Deborah Kobilis.  
Crummy art work by editor.

#### AREA SHOW DATES

The star (\*) indicates that an Obedience Trial will be held in conjunction with the show. The name of the Labrador judge is included in cases where that information was available.

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- \*June 16 Burlington Co. KC, Doughboy Field, Ft. Dix, N.J. (unbenched), Keller.
- \*June 29 Upper Potomac Valley KC, Cumberland Fairgrounds, Cumberland, Md. (unbenched) Crowe. Judge: Clark Thompson
- July 14 Twin Brooke Kennel Club, The Mall at Short Hills, Rt. 24 & Kennedy Pkwy., Short Hills, N.J. (unbenched), Fernandez.
- \*July 21 York KC, Rose Tree Fox Hunt Club, Wellesville, Pa. (unbenched), Fernandez.
- \*July 28 Bald Eagle KC of Williamsport, Pa., Sportsmen's Memorial Grounds, Rt. 87, 9½ miles NE of Williamsport, Pa. (unbenched), Fernandez. Judge: Mrs. Cass.
- \*Aug. 2 Perkiomen Valley KC, North Penn High School, 1340 Valley Forge Rd., Rt. 363, Lansdale, Pa. (unbenched) Fernandez.
- \*Aug. 4 Hunterdon Hills KC, Flemington Fairgrounds, Flemington, N.J. (unbenched), Crowe.
- \*Aug. 10 Gloucester County KC, Gloucester County College, Sewell, N.J. (unbenched), Fernandez.
- \*Aug. 17 Talbot KC, Elk's Club Grounds, Dutchmans Lane, Easton, Md. (unbenched), Fernandez.
- \*Aug. 18 Annapolis KC, Sandy Point State Park, Annapolis, Md. (unbenched), Fernandez.
- \*Sept. 7 Somerset Hills KC, Rt. 202, Far Hills, N.J. (unbenched), Fernandez.
- \*Sept. 14 New Castle KC, Lawrence County Farm Show Grounds, Rt. 108, New Castle, Pa. (unbenched), Crowe.
- \*Sept. 15 Berks County KC, Kutztown Fairgrounds, Kutztown, Pa. (unbenched), Keller.
- \*Sept. 21 James River KC, Timberlake Concert Hall, Lynchburg, Va. (unbenched), Crowe.
- \*Oct. 5 Devon Dog Show Ass'n, Radnor Hunt Club, Providence Road, Whitehorse, Pa. (unbenched), Fernandez.
- \*Oct. 6 Montgomery County KC, Temple University, Ambler, Pa. (unbenched), Crowe.

#### OBEDIENCE TRIALS

- Sept. 22 Hyattsville Dog Training Club, Adelphi Manor Recreation Center, University Blvd. & West Park Dr., Hyattsville, Md. (unbenched); Mrs. John L. Morris, Trial Sec'y., 3909 Holly View St., Olney, Md. 20832

OBEDIENCE TRIALS, cont.

- Oct. 6 Capitol Dog Training Club of Washington, D.C.,  
Montgomery Co. Cooperative Agricultural Center,  
16 Chestnut St., Gaithersburg, Md. (unbenched),  
Crowe.
- Oct. 20 Portsmouth-Chesapeake Obedience Training Club,  
Tidewater Community College, Frederick Campus,  
Portsmouth, Va. (unbenched), Mrs. Cynthia Lee  
Hussey, Trial Sec'y., 110 Sandpiper Dr., Ports-  
mouth, Va. 23704
- Nov. 16 Dauphin Dog Training Club, Pennsylvania State Farm  
Show Bldg., Cameron & Marclay Streets, Harrisburg,  
Pa. 17120 (unbenched), Keller.

TRACKING TESTS

- Oct. 13 Berks County Dog Training Club, Tulpehocken Farms,  
Sinking Spring, Pa., Mrs. Leroy D. Behney, Sec'y.,  
Schoffers Rd., R.D. #3, Box 393, Reading, Pa.
- Oct. 19 Town & Country Dog Training Club, Laura Harding's  
Bayonet Farms, Holmdell, N.J., Mrs. Dorothy Mikus,  
Sec'y., 14 Harold Johnson Place, Cranford, N.J.

FIELD TRIALS

- Aug. 17 James River Retriever Club, Bowling Green, Va.,  
Lewis W. Brothers, Jr., Sec'y., 4100 Bremmer Blvd.,  
Richmond, Va. 23228. (Qualifying)
- Oct. 4-6 Maryland Retriever Club, Rock Hall, Md., Dr. Paul  
Kiernan, Sec'y., 5401 Western Ave., Washington, D.C.  
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- Oct. 18-20 Del Bay Retriever Club, Smyrna, De., Kenneth D.  
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MAY CLUB ACTIVITIES

(Not completed by deadline)

The Club's Show Handling Class was held on May 5, 15,  
22 and 29 at the Navy Elementary School in Fairfax, Virginia.  
Mrs. Constance Barton, a Club member and professional handler  
whose skill is well known to us all, was the instructor.

The LRCP held a Sanctioned B-OB Match on Sunday, May  
26, at Springfield Farms in Middleburg, Virginia. Mr. Jerry  
Weiss of Huntington, L.I., N.Y. judged conformation. Mrs.  
Katherine Blair of Sterling, Virginia (sub-novice and novice)  
and Mr. B. Nolan Dale of Gaithersburg, Maryland (utility,  
graduate novice and open) were the obedience judges. A  
report on the match will appear in the next issue.

SAFE SWIMMING FOR YOUR LAB Deborah Kobilis

Hot weather, water (from puddles to oceans) and Labs are a natural combination which can spell disaster if a few simple precautions are overlooked. The adage, "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure," certainly applies to the Lab owner taking his dog swimming.

Safety starts even before leaving the house. Necessities include first aid and snakebite kits, plenty of fresh water and towels. Also advisable is an extra set of dry clothes for the owner who may find himself obliged to play the I-WANT-TO-SEE-YOU-GO-OUT-AND-FETCH-THE-DUMM game our Labs sometimes play.

Many times the only available water hole for swimming will be a pond or dammed up stream. Such a seemingly serene haven for Labs probably contains more potential dangers than any other kind of water. The most obvious menaces are usually man-made. Broken glass, tin cans, fishing lines and hooks, contaminated garbage and nails protruding from boards are common sights. The list is almost endless. An area heavily littered with such debris should, of course, be avoided. If your or your dog, however, discover a fishhook unexpectedly it can be easily removed by pushing down firmly and pulling out. Should the point of the hook nearly protrude opposite from where it entered, cut the shank of the hook and push it through. Seek medical treatment immediately if any injury to the eye area occurs.

Although not as easily seen as the man-made ones, the natural dangers must not be ignored. Water snakes pose less of a threat than most people realize, and fortunately most of our Club area is too far north for the poisonous water moccasin. Park naturalists in the Washington area maintain that the water moccasin does not extend north of Richmond; occasionally one may be released further north in the summer by someone who trapped it in the south. The only snakes you are likely to encounter in the water in most of our area are the brown water snake, Natrix taxispilata, or the glossy water snake, Natrix rigida. You can recognize the brown water snake by his rather heavy body, yellow belly with crescent-shaped dark spots and the square markings on the back. The glossy water snake will have a yellow belly also but with two rows of black spots. He differs on the top from the brown snake in that he has two parallel brown stripes. Unless you frequent an extremely muddy area you are not likely to find the secretive mud snake, Farancia abacura. Black back, red belly and sharp, spine-like tail distinguish this fellow from his cousins.

While your dog waits in the car for you to check the swimming hole you will probably scare off any snakes and other wildlife nearby. If in spite of this precaution your dog encounters a snake and is bitten, simply clean the wound and don't let him go back into the water until you are sure the snake has left. Few dogs are allergic to non-poisonous snake bites. Should your dog, however, be allergic to the



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identify the snake and then get to the vet quickly. While it is not a water snake there is a possibility of finding a copperhead cooling itself near the water on a hot day. This, of course, is a poisonous snake.

Not nearly as wary of intruders as the snakes and inflicting an even more serious wound is the snapping turtle. You may never find one reaching the maximum weight of 35 pounds, but don't let the 3 or 4 pound fella fool you. His bite can be painful. One other point is worth mentioning. They are extremely hard to spot. As the years pass their shells become covered with algae, and they are almost indistinguishable from rocks in the water until they spot their prey or you step on them. They prefer quiet, muddy water.

Lucky is the Lab whose master provides the comfort of a backyard swimming pool. The dogs seem to enjoy and use a pool just as much, if not more, than their masters. Remember, however, that a dog can't escape from a straight-sided pool. Unless he can use the ladder it is a death trap for him. Caution should be exercised in showing the dog how to climb out of the pool when first introducing him to it. This is easily accomplished by g-e-n-t-l-y guiding the dog towards the ladder and letting his fore paws come to rest on the top step. Once he quits paddling he will naturally try to climb out of the water. You are there to tell him he's a good boy and guide him as he becomes accustomed to the ladder.

If one could poll the Labs as to their favorite place to swim, I would guess that the unanimous vote would go to the ocean. There is something about the salty air and incessant sound of the breakers that seems to excite the dogs. I personally don't believe in taking young puppies to the ocean for their first encounter with water. Whereas an experienced swimmer might find the rushing waters challenging, a puppy quite possibly would be terrified out of his wits. Also you must consider the undertow, which can easily overpower and drown a young pup. Even if the pup survived such an ordeal, he might never want to go near moving water again.

The only real threat to my dogs' safety I've come across at the beach has been dead fish. They are sure to attract a dog interested in anything that smells edible, but a fish bone lodged in the throat can spoil the whole outing. To avoid the unpleasant experience of removing a wedged bone I simply cover the fish with enough sand to help mask the odor and avoid that particular spot. If there are too many dead fish, I move out altogether. I have heard of one rare instance of a dog that would seek out and catch crabs! Surprisingly enough he was never bitten. Should your dog be bitten by a crab, treat it as you would any other puncture unless, of course, it is very serious. It should then be treated as any serious wound should--by a veterinarian.

Have a happy and safe summer!

CRUFTS TRIP: INNOCENTS ABROAD George Bragaw

The 12-member contingent of the Labrador Club of the Potomac blew into Heathrow outside London on the heels of a 150 mph gale just after 8:00 on a bright, sunlit Sunday morning, February 3, ending an overnight flight from New York. It was nearly 11:00 by the time we had cleared customs, retrieved missing bags and wound our way by chartered bus to our hotel. Our group included a couple of Ladds, Martha Tower, some Bragaws and some Weiss for spice. Also along was a Chesapeake type, Susan Souther, and PeaWee, who needs no introduction.

Shortly after arrival we had our first hint of the fantastic hospitality we were to receive from the English Labrador breeders. Minutes off the bus, we received word that Mims and Leo Kinsella (Brentchase) were waiting for us in the lobby. "What would you like? Mr. Kinsella began, spreading his hands. "We are at your disposal." They and others were to prove these words throughout the week to a hardly to be credited.

Mims immediately launched us on a two-car lightning tour of London that left little to be discovered on our scheduled tour of that city's fabulous sights later in the week.

What made our trip was that we had lined up a series of visits to some of England's best known Labrador kennels with the Cruft's show--the world's largest with some 11,824 entries over two days--as the finishing touch. Our first visit was to the northwest of London through the rolling English countryside which was surprisingly green and balmy at 60°. We had left Washington in the rain in the high 40's and New York in snow and sleet perhaps another 10 degrees colder.

We arrived at Sandylands cottage in a misty rain, and Gwen Broadley graciously produced a parade of dogs with names familiar in many American pedigrees: Ch. Sandylands Tands, Mark, Gary and a number of stunning young males and bitches, mostly yellow, and a handful of well bred puppies. Over Mrs. Broadley's cozy fireplace hung a lovely Maud Earl Pointer, which reminded us that Gwen numbers some Pointers among her 50 English champions--a tremendous feat in a nation which has less than two dozen championship shows in the course of a year. We lunched that day at a country inn dating perhaps from the 15th century. For those who remember their nursery rhymes, we had Banbury buns by Banbury Cross--hot cross buns offer little competition to these.

Our next visit was to Harold and Margaret Clayton (Ardmargha) near Oxford. Mr. Clayton is best known in the U.S. as editor of the English version of the Labrador pedigree book, The 1972 Labrador Book. His Ch. Ardmargha Goldkrest of Syrencot, owned by Liz Clar, has been highly successful in the Eastern shows. Likewise, Ch. Faith of Ardmargha is currently one of the more successful dogs in England.

Tuesday morning found us on the moors of East Anglia near Sudbury at Lawn House, the lovely home of Major and Mrs.

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Aikenhead. Mary Aikenhead, a descendent of Pocohantas, has the Powhatan kennels and has been very successful in eliminating dysplasia and PRA from her lines. (She raises her puppies in four separate environments, never giving the young ones the opportunity to leap on their hind legs or slip on tractionless floors.) Her dogs, including Ch. Powhatan Solo, like those in all the kennels we visited are hunted heavily and run in local gun dog trials.

Next we visited Mrs. Peggy Rae near Braintree, Essex (Cornlands), where we saw Ch. Cornlands Kimvalley Crofter, a hard-going type who, despite his 11 years, was frisky as a puppy. Crofter can probably be best identified by most American as a full brother to Ch. Kimvalley Crispin, a Best-in-Show import owned by Mrs. Clark. He is also the sire of Ch. Cornlands My Fair Lady, another yellow of whom Mrs. Rae is justly proud.

Last, but by no means least, on our agenda was the Kinsella's. They are to be found near Colchester, the oldest town in England, where they have the largest all-bitch yellow kennel in England. Mims judged on the New England circuit last summer, and our Potomac Club was privileged to have Leo judge a match for us last summer during their American visit. (Mrs. Broadley also did a sanctioned match for us in November.) Unfortunately, we arrived at the Kinsella's at night. Mims triumphed over this by inviting 10 full grown Labrador bitches to join us for a gourmet buffet in the Kinsella living room. Amid chicken coronation, creamed brocolli and other culinary delights the most well behaved group of dogs I've ever seen made our acquaintance.

We had scheduled a visit to Mrs. Bridget Docking (Ballyduff) near Norfolk, but the length of time required for a long trip from London forced cancellation. It was who judged the Labrador entry of 302 at Crufts that next Saturday.

In all, those of us on the tour learned a great deal and saw a large number of superior specimens of the breed. Some comments are obvious; others require more thought and are probably subject to disagreement. The English, for example, keep their dogs differently than we do. They keep fewer animals and are very bitch conscious. The typical American kennel I think of has 6' X 4' X 15' or longer runs attached to a building or containing separate dog houses. The runs rest on a large concrete or stone apron. In the English style kennel we saw dogs in box stalls adjacent to large outdoor (sometimes partially covered) runs of 20' X 40' or longer. This was supplemented by fenced fields of an acre or so. The dogs are then exercised a few at a time so every one gets a chance to romp free every day. The dogs are seldom fed a complete dog ration, which most English breeders will tell you is not sufficient for a working dog. Cooked organ meats, vegetables, and whole grains are mixed according to recipes favored by the owners. The "big" kennels in England are small by comparison to some of our large breed-

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ing kennels in this country. Gwen Broadley, for example, probably didn't have more than 30 and that included the puppies. "If you have the quality," one breeder sagely put it, you have no need for large numbers."

That brings us to quality and the reason we took the trip in the first place. I, for one, found the quality exceptionally high, especially in the bitches. Our best dogs, I believe, compare favorably with theirs, not surprisingly because almost all of our top producing show lines stem from English lines either directly or via Australia. Beyond the top dogs, however, I can't see our dogs fairing too well. Quality puppies are much less expensive in England than in the U.S., and stud fees for top dogs are a fraction of ours. These people breed closely within their lines, and when they go out, they go out to closely bred lines as well. And they talk about their failures! Faults in specific dogs and lines were discussed openly, and while the English are probably no more immune to political pitfalls than we are, I didn't see much evidence of it--at least in the breed judging.

Sandwiched in between the kennel hopping and the show there was time for shopping, more sight seeing, theatre going and the hoisting of a glass or two. While it rained a bit most every day, it was usually clear by 11 (except the day we went to the changing of the guard, naturally). The temperature was in the 60's, and we weren't affected by the energy shortage although we heard considerable talk of the abbreviated train schedule and saw the dimmed lighting and the hurricane lamps the shops used in the afternoon. In all, our trip was filled with good people, good dogs, good food and good times.

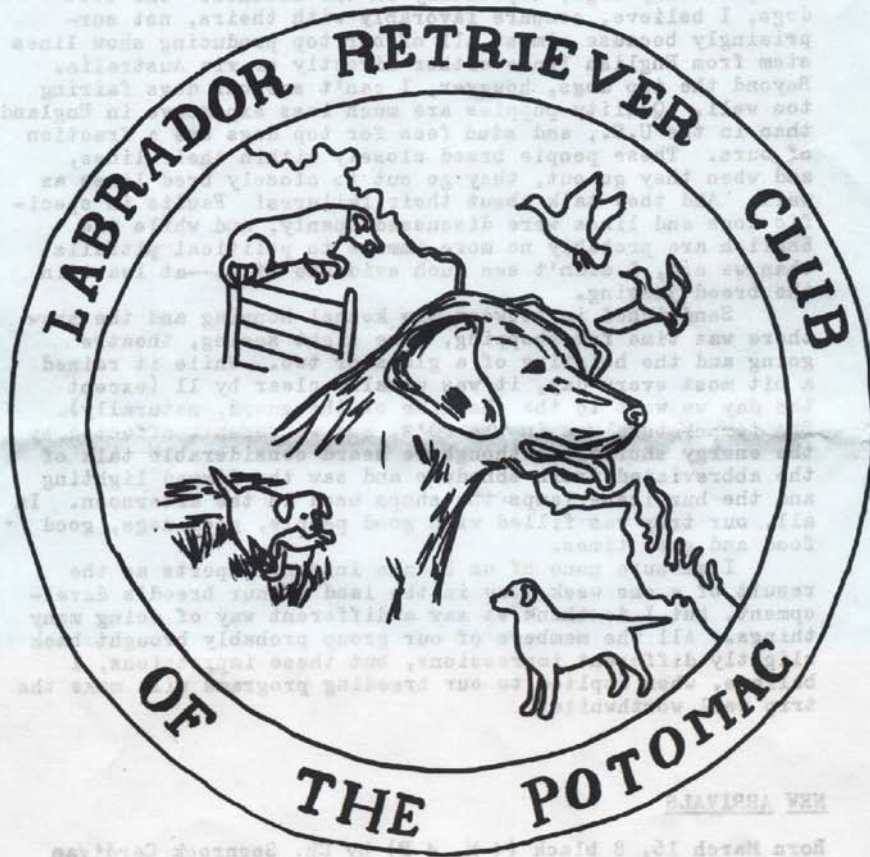
I am sure none of us became instant experts as the result of a one week stay in the land of our breed's development, but I do think we saw a different way of doing many things. All the members of our group probably brought back slightly different impressions, but these impressions, I believe, when applied to our breeding programs will make the trip well worthwhile.

NEW ARRIVALS

Born March 16, 8 black (4 M, 4 F) by Ch. Spenrock Cardigan Bay--Ch. Shenandoah Spritely Diana. Kenneth and Doreen Anderson, 822 Copley Ave., Waldorf, Md. 20501.

Born May 8, 6 yellow (4 M, 2 F) by Ch. Rivermist Tweed of Spenrock--Cedar Misty Dawn. Ready after June 19. Ned and Irma Spencer, 10410 Crossing Creek Drive, Potomac, Md. 20854. (301) 299-4895.

Born February 12, 11 black (5 M, 6 F), 1 yellow (F) by Ch. Dickendall's Flip Flop C.D.--Baroki's Tara Tiptoe C.D. Sylvia R. Fisher, 1902 Ranson St., Staunton, Va. 24401



PROPOSED DESIGN FOR CLUB EMBLEM  
Submitted by Mary Jane Stephens

LRCP MATCH, July 6, 1973

(The following is a story which was scheduled for the August, 1973, newsletter but which did not reach the editor until this issue was being composed. In spite of the delay the account of that match may still be of interest to members, since the judge, Mr. Leo Kinsella, has included his comments on the entries.)

I was thrilled to be invited to judge your match on Friday, 6th July, 1973, at the beautiful Springfield Estate. The weather and set were perfect.

It must have been most gratifying to the people who worked so hard to have such a good turn-out. There was no doubt in my mind that the breed will be well served by your Club. It was a pleasure for me to go over such a grand entry, so truly representative of the breed.

Best of the Match was Mrs. Janet Churchill's Lawnwoods Tamatar Trust. To me she is a lovely bitch and typical of the breed. Best Opposite Sex was Mrs. Sylvia R. Fisher's black dog Bravo's Ebony Trooper CDX. Best Puppy was Miss Linda L. Anderson's Joallamar's Churchill.

May I also express my sincere thanks to my two very able stewards, Mrs. Deborah Kobilis and Mrs. Connie Barton.

SUMMARY

- 3-6 Puppy dog (12 dogs shown)
- 1 - Joe & Sharon May, SHARIKIL'S ACE OF SPADES. A substantially built puppy, good confirmation, moved well.
  - 2 - Margaret H. Crother & Margery Brainard, BRIARY BRACKEN. This dog had not the substance of the first.
  - 3 - Mary & Sherwood Black, BRAVO BLACK MAGIC OF WORWILD.
- 9-12 Puppy dog (1 dog shown)
- 1 - Joe & Sharon May, SHARIKILL'S MATTAPONI MONK. Well-boned puppy, kind expression.
- 9-12 Puppy dog (2 dogs shown)
- 1 - Linda L. Anderson, JOALLAMAR'S CHURCHILL. Good boned, excellent condition, and should develop well. I made this dog Best Puppy of the Match.
  - 2 - Patricia D. Whitlock, PAT'S TAWNY JUDGE
- Novice dog (2 dogs shown)
- 1 - George Bragaw, SHOOKSTOWN SHERE KHAN. A soundly built dog, moved well, but sadly out of coat.
  - 2 - Herbert I. Stern's chocolate dog. Not moving too well. Also out of coat.
- Open chocolate dogs (none entered)
- Open black dogs (2 dogs shown)
- 1 - Sylvia R. Fisher, BRAVO'S EBONY TROOPER CDX. A good type of Labrador, well built, excellent boned. Short coupled, good level top line and set of tail. I made this Best of Opposite Sex.

Summary of July 6, 1973 Match cont.

- 2 - Herbert I. Stern, HOLTON DAUPHINE
- Open yellow dogs (4 entered, 3 shown)
- 1 - George Bragaw, SHOOKSTOWN GENGHIS KHAN. A good short-backed dog with a pleasing head.
- 2 - Sharon & Joe May, HEATHERBORN BRANDYBUCK. A little longer in the back than the first. Nice reach of neck.
- 3 - Barbara B. Starkey, GATHER GAME KYLE.
- 3-6 Puppy bitches (8 entered)
- 1 - Helen Warwick & Margaret H. Crothers, LOCKERBIE TORBELLINA. Well proportioned bitch with kindly eye, good top line and well set tail.
- 2 - Hary Babbitt & Sylvia Fisher, BRABO RAVEN OF BRIARWOOD. Lighter in bone. Head not so good as the winner.
- 3 - Sharon & Joe May, SHARIKIL'S BAG OF TRICKS.
- 6-9 Puppy bitches (1 entered)
- 1 - Mrs. Robert D. Clark, Jr., SPRINGFIELD PLUM PUDDING. Full of substance. Compact. Good expression and top line. Should develop well.
- 9-12 Puppy bitches (2 entered)
- 1 - Mrs. W. R. Dinwiddie, HY ACRE SEA MIST. Won its place on being the better balanced of the two entries. Failed in shoulders.
- 2 - George Bragaw, SHOOKSTOWN PUMPKIN PIE. Sadly out of coat.
- Novice bitches (5 entered)
- 1 - Kenneth Anderson, SHENANDOAH EBON EMPRESS. A deep bodied bitch. A little short in leg which inclined to spoil the balance.
- 2 - Robin Garwood, KIMVALLEY ROWENA ROBBIE. Another well-bodied black. Good set of tail and in good over-all condition.
- 3 - J. F. Gerhold, WITCHES SPOOK.
- Open chocolate (1 entered)
- 1 - Helen H. Biggs, DONLEN'S SUPER TARA SUZANNE. In good coat but lacking bone.
- Open black (1 entered)
- 1 - Kenneth Anderson, SHENANDOAH SPRITELY DIANA. A well-bodied bitch with a pleasing head.
- Open Yellow (5 entered)
- 1 - Janet Churchill, LAWNWOODS TAMSTAR TRUST. A lovely quality bitch, good top line, legs and feet, moved well. I made this bitch the Best of Match.
- 2 - Mary Cook & Mrs. R. V. Clark, Jr., SPRINGFIELD APRICOT WHIP. Lighter in bone than the winner. Nice level top line.

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3 - Barbara B. Starkey, **KELHATCH TABITHA OF POWHATAN.**

Veteran

A grand show of veterans, all a credit to the breed and carrying their years very lightly. I favored Mrs. Carolyn Bacon's **CH. KIMVALLEY BRENTCHASE ANITA**, bred by my wife, so therefore had to fight extra hard for her place.

L. S. Kinsella

TOP DOGS

Dr. and Mrs. Edwin A. Churchill report the following wins:  
B.O.B. Harford County K.C. **CH. SPENROCK'S CARDIGAN BAY**  
B.O.S. Virginia K.C. **CH. SPENROCK'S CARDIGAN BAY**  
WD National Capital K.C. **SPENROCK ANTHONY ADVERSE**  
RWD Harford County K.C. **SPENROCK ANTHONY ADVERSE**  
RWD Shawnee K.C. **SPENROCK ANTHONY ADVERSE**

Martha Lee and Buddy Voshell report that their **BROAD REACH'S ENGLISH MUFFIN** had 14 points with 3 majors by April 21. Her wins are as follows:

RWB Spartanburg K.C. 2/15  
WB, BOS Piedmont K.C. 2/16  
BW, BOS Tallahassee K.C. 2/23  
WB, BOS Thronateeska K.C. 2/24  
WB, BOS Tidewater K.C. 3/17  
WB Roanoke K.C. 3/18  
WB, BOW, BOS Warrenton K.C. 4/17

In addition the Voshell's **CH. ZIPPER'S HUSTLIN' WAHOO CD**, went Best of Breed at the Valdosta K. C. sho in Valdosta, Georgia and the Thronateeska K. C. show in Albany, Georgia.

In the James River Retriever Club's Licensed Field Trial two of the Voshell's dogs, **MOUNT'S TAR BABY & BROAD REACH KISS N' TELL**, performed well. One of ten dogs out of 39 starters, **TAR** went to the last series in the Open stake. **KISSY** in this, her third licensed Derby, completed 5 series from 49 starters and received a Judge's Award of Merit.

SEPTEMBER ISSUE

How should you respond if you believe you are being harrassed by local authorities enforcing anti-dog laws? A recent issue of the American Dog Owners' Association bulletin tells you what your rights are. This information will be reprinted in the next Newsletter.



LAMENT OF A LADY WHO'S GONE TO THE DOGS  
from Waggin' Tales, bulletin of the Fox  
Valley Dog Training Club

There was a time, there really was,  
When I was sweet and tender;  
When Dog meant a Disney Star  
and Bitch was not a gender.

I went to bed at half past ten;  
I went to church on Sunday;  
On Saturday I baked the beans,  
and did the wash on Monday.

But then I got a certain pup,  
an erstwhile friend said, "Show"  
and so I did and so I do.....  
Oh, what I didn't know!!!

I used to dress with flair and style  
That was the life, don't knock it.  
But now each dress from bed to ball  
must have a good bait pocket.

I used to have a certain air,  
I wallowed in perfume.....  
I used to smell of Nuit d'Amour,  
Now it's Mr. Groom.

My furniture was haut decor,  
My pets a tank of guppies.  
Now I've furniture unstuffed  
snf erll sfjudyrf puppies!

Once I spoke in pristine prose,  
In dulcet tones and frail....  
But now I'm using language  
that would turn a sailor pale!

I was taught to be well groomed  
No matter where I went.  
Now all the grooming I do  
is in the handler's tent.

I used to long for jewels and furs  
and a figure classed as SUPER,  
Now the thing I yearn for most  
is a nice new POOPER SCOOPER!

I adored a man who murmured verses,  
through intimate little dinners,  
But now the words I thrill to hear  
are just three: "Best of Winners!"

LAMENT OF A LADY, concl.

I rise at dawn and pack the car,  
The road ahead's a long one.  
The one I routed on the map  
invariably's the wrong one.

I really love the doggy life  
I wouldn't care to change it.  
But when I get that best in show  
I plan to rearrange it.

When my time on earth is done....  
I'll go without much nudging....  
Just give me a 3-week closing  
date and let me know who's judging!

... I really love the baby life  
I wouldn't care to change it  
But when I get that post in your  
I give to someone else.  
When my time on earth is done  
I'll go without any mourning  
Just give me a few weeks staying  
Here and let me know who's judging

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