



The Lab Report

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Huron River Labrador
Retriever Club, Inc.

President's Report, *by Pauline Mortier*

Did we miss you at our last General Membership Meeting? If so, you were not there to hear the nominations from the floor for our Board. Look into our newsletter to see the slate for this coming April meeting.

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Our meeting time in April has been rescheduled due to our meeting place being unavailable at the previous time. **NEW DATE: FRIDAY, APRIL 16, 2004 at 7:00 pm** for the Board Meeting & 7:30 pm for the General Membership Meeting and Elections! **PLACE: Hartland Education Bldg. on School St. just off Old U.S. 23 in beautiful downtown Hartland! Enter via the BLUE DOORS!** Cathy Culpert, our Vice President, will be making reservations and getting the key. See you there to vote! Remember: AKC regulations do NOT permit absentee ballots.

Are you going to Cobo Hall for the Detroit Kennel Club shows? We BARELY have majors again, so please do not be absent. If you did not enter, you may be jeopardizing us having breeder judges again. Please help support our Detroit Kennel Club benched shows. I have heard people complain about the difficulty in getting to downtown Detroit & the parking problem and the crowded venue at the DKC. NOT SO! If you have not been a spectator, much less an exhibitor, at the Westminster Kennel Club in New York City, then you need to go just to experience it and you will never again complain about anything connected with our benched shows at DKC! Did you see the Golden Retriever entry at DKC --- 95 on one day! Let's give the Golden a run for their money like we used to do in the old days. Encourage beginners in Labrador to enter as well. Best place to sit and talk with you old timers to learn about the breed and the conformation ring. And remember they have Agility & Obedience as well. If you missed your entry this year, make a point of not missing next year. And if not entered this year, come down to cheer on your Labrador fellow exhibitors and enjoy the vendor exhibits as well. For various reasons, I will not be an exhibitor this year, but you will see me in the stewarding ring for Labs & others. Hope to get some free time to see you at the benching area!

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Cathy Culpert

Recording Secretary

Jeanine Asch

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Mary MacLean

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Newsletter Editor

Michelle VeuCasovic

Membership Chair

Jeanine Asch

Next Meeting .. April 16th

At the Hartland Community Education Building

April Membership Meeting — April 16th at Hartland Community Education Building

The April Membership Meeting will be held on **Friday, April 16th, at 7:30 pm**, at the Hartland Community Education building in Hartland

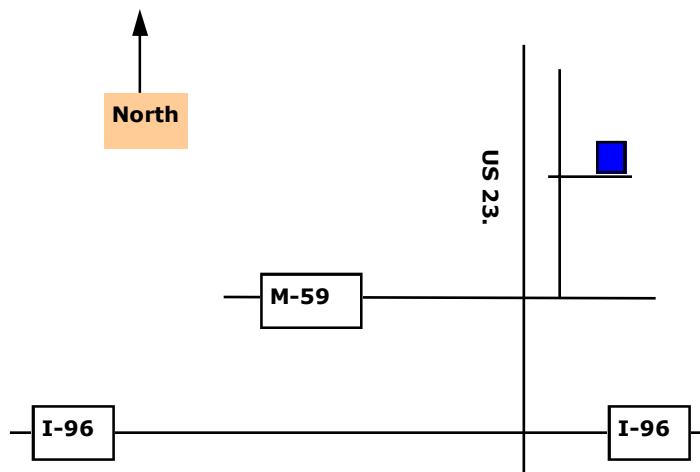
**School Ave.
Hartland, MI**

Directions:

From North/South: US-23 to M59. M59 east to Hartland Rd. To School Rd and turn right.

From East: I-96 west US-23 to M59. M59 east to Hartland Rd. To School Rd and turn right.

From West: I-96 east US-23 to M59. M59 east to Hartland Rd. To School Rd and turn right.



Club Meeting Schedule . . . Meeting Changes . . . Mark Your Calendars

**Membership Meetings begin at 7:30 pm.,
Board Meetings begin at 7:00 pm unless otherwise noted.**

April 16—General Membership Meeting & Elections
Hartland Community Education Building.

April 20—Board Meeting
Valley Family Restaurant (Miller and Linden Roads. in Flint)

May 14—General Membership Meeting
Hartland Community Education Building.

May 20—Board Meeting
Held at Cindy Skiba's Home

June 18—General Membership Meeting
Hartland Community Education Building.

July 10—Picnic, Fun Match, and Meetings

Held at Sheila Norgren's Home

August 13—General Membership Meeting
Hartland Community Education Building.

August—Board Meeting
Held at Cindy Skiba's Home

September 10—General Membership Meeting
Hartland Community Education Building.

October 1—Board Meeting
Held at Cindy Skiba's Home

November 5—General Membership Meeting
Hartland Community Education Building.

December —Holiday Party & Meetings
TBD

New 2004 AKC Point Schedule . . . Effective May 11, 2004

1 Point		2 Points		3 Points		4 Points		5 Points	
<u>Dogs</u>	<u>Bitches</u>	<u>Dogs</u>	<u>Bitches</u>	<u>Dogs</u>	<u>Bitches</u>	<u>Dogs</u>	<u>Bitches</u>	<u>Dogs</u>	<u>Bitches</u>
3	3	11	13	18	23	32	46	57	88

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3	3	12	13	21	23	34	46	57	81

Whelping Waggin', submitted by Laura Reich

Disclaimer Clause: This list is for litters of our members that are in good standing with our Club and the American Kennel Club and has been made available for your assistance in finding a new puppy. But: The Huron River Labrador Retriever Club, Inc., makes no warranties, expressed or implied as to the condition of any dogs being offered for sale, standards or practices of any breeder, the quality of their animals or the accuracy of any of the information contained within the HRLRC, Inc., newsletter listing, or within the HRLRC, Inc., website or any links from the website. HRLRC, Inc., does not endorse, recommend, or guarantee any kennel, breeder or dog listed.

Reminder: Send \$5 litter ad fee per month/per ad to Al Reich, 5558 Sunkist, Oxford, MI 48371. Please indicated in memo section of check the month that you are paying for. These litter ad fees go towards the HRLRC Rescue Account. Please call (248)969-6998 or email laura@lor-allabs.com to renew or update your ad. Deadline is the 15th of the month. **NEW POLICY:** No litter ad will be published without receipt of the fee. Also beginning July 1, 2001, for ACTIVE MEMBERS fee remains the same (\$5 per month/per ad). NON-ACTIVE MEMBERS fee will be \$100 per month/per ad. Refer to the Minutes in the March 2001 newsletter for detailed explanation of ACTIVE and NON-ACTIVE MEMBERS.

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BonaVenture Lubberline Viscount
Classiques Count on Me

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Dickendall Davaron Anslo
Banners Chestnuts Roasting
Banners Refried Beans

Born: January chocolates males
Nancy Chargo 810-686-0967

Ch. Withara's Brodies Souvenir
Sunrise Windfall Tailor
Windfall's Stormy Sunrise at Banner

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Ch Windfall's Pipe Major
East Hill RU Ready for This
Can. Ch. Easthill Land of Sun Konga

Born: 10 blacks
Sheila Norgren (517) 548-4037
Email: normcc@aol.com
Web: www.easthillabs.com

Dickendall Anslo JH
Can. Ch. Banners St. Nick at East Hill
Banner's Refried Beans

X

Bonaventure Lubberline Viscount
Banners Liberty
Banners Apple Brown Betty

Born: 5 chocolates
Sheila Norgren (517) 548-4037
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Ch. Dickendall Davaron Gable
Windfall Highlander Spirit
Sureshot Aim For The Stars

X

Ch East Hill Mountain Laurel
East Hill Marsh Marigold
Banners Windfall Sea Lion

Born: 4 blacks, 2 yellow
Sheila Norgren (517) 548-4037
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Adult Wanted!

We are looking for an adult black female Labrador. A dog that is between the ages of 2-5 years would be perfect. We take vacation trips in our RV and have a home with a pool and good size yard. Our grandchildren come to visit us often. We've had several Labradors (black females of course) in the past and can't imagine life without a friendly companion.

Please contact:

Joe & Colleen Solomon
(586) 779-5240

General Membership Meeting Minutes—March 12, 2004

Members in attendance were: : Pauline Mortier, Gary Cooper, Al & Laura Reich, Michelle VeuCasovic, Patty Wayne, Pam Nichols, Kim Bryson, Angela Ewald, Sheila Norgren, Mary McLean, Tom & Stacy Quake, Cindy Skiba. **Guests:** : None.

Meeting was called to order at 7:45 p.m. by president Pauline Mortier.

No minutes from the previous meeting were read.

President's Report: We need to determine new meeting dates due to scheduling conflicts or lack of scheduled dates. The following dates were selected: June 18 (board & membership), May 14 (membership), July 10 (picnic, match and meetings), August 13 (membership), September 10 (membership), October 1 (membership), November 5 (membership), December (TBD).

Corresponding Secretary's Report—Received paperwork from the AKC to update our Board and Officers information following elections..

Treasurer's Report—14 members have paid their annual dues.

Membership—Membership dues are due May 15th..

Fall Specialty—Judy Trevino informed Pauline that the obedience judge on Friday is Sue-Sellers Rose. Monroe Kennel Club has obedience on Friday too, so Labrador folks could show at both shows to earn 2 qualifying legs.

The proposed judges are as follows: Winnie Limbourne (Wingmaster) Intersex & Dog classes, Lori Isenhath (Dovetail) Bitch Classes, Betty Buelteman (Kayo) Sweeps.

Monroe KC—June Sasaki (Davaron), Trudy Rose (Talimar) Sweeps.

Field Report— No news to report.

New Business

The slate for elections is as follows: President—Pauline Mortier, Vice President—Cathy Culpert, Recording Secretary—Jeanine Asch, Corresponding Secretary—Laura Reich, Treasurer—Al Reich. Board Members are: Mike Merians, Annie Cogo, Mary McLean, Kim Bryson, Cindy Skiba, Nominations from the floor for the following: Sheila Norgren, Michelle VeuCasovic, Patty Wayne.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Michelle VeuCasovic, Volunteer
Note Taker

Board Meeting Minutes—March 12, 2004

Members in attendance were: Annie Cogo, Pauline Mortier, Al Reich, Cathy Culpert, Kim Bryson

The minutes of the November Board meeting were approved.

Corresponding Secretary: No report.

Treasurer's Report: Al gave the Treasurer's report. Kim Bryson approved the Treasurer's report and Cathy Culpert 2nd the motion.

Membership: No report at this time.

Specialty: Gail Shearer did not send the paper work to Al Reich, so that he could write a check for the upcoming fall specialty.

Judy Trevino is working on obedience.

Other Business: July 10th is the club picnic, Kim Bryson will do a demo about field work. Linda Bednarski accepted the invitation to judge at the match. Tom Shearer accepted the invitation to judge the parts match. Barb has not contacted the club as of yet.

Both the April Board and General Membership meetings will be held on April 16th at the Hartland Community Education Building. Board meeting will start at 7pm and the membership meeting will begin at 7:30pm. Elections will be held at this meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeanine Asch, Recording Secretary

Wins - n - Grins



**Yellow Dawg Krypto Doughboy
Nancy Manning**

*Gem City Agility Trial Day 1— 2nd Leg Novice Standard, 4th place
Gem City Agility Trial Day 2— 3rd Leg Novice Standard, NEW TITLE!*

**Infinity's Mustang Sally
Michelle VeuCasovic**

Detroit KC Day 2— ReserveWinners Bitch

**Infinity's Matinee
Michelle VeuCasovic**

Logansport KC Day 2— Winners Bitch, Best of Winners, Best of Opposite

**U-GRCH Infinity's Dalwhinnie Endeavor CGC
Jeanine Asche**

*MAPBTC Show 1 — Champion of Champions, New Grand Champion
MAPBTC Show 2 — Grand Champion, Best of Breed, Group 4
MAEDA Show 1—Reserve Champion of Champions
MAEDA Show 2—Champion of Champions*

**Can. Ch, UCD, GRCH Lubberline Endeavor Binnacle WC CD
CGC**

Jeanine Asche & Pauline Mortier

*MAEDA Show 1 — Grand Champion, Best of Breed, Group 4
MAEDA Show 1 — Grand Champion, Best of Breed
K9 Fanciers Show 2, Day 1—Grand Champion, Best of Breed
K9 Fanciers Show 1, Day 2—Grand Champion, Best of Breed
K9 Fancier Show 2, Day 2—Grand Champion, Best of Breed, Group 1*

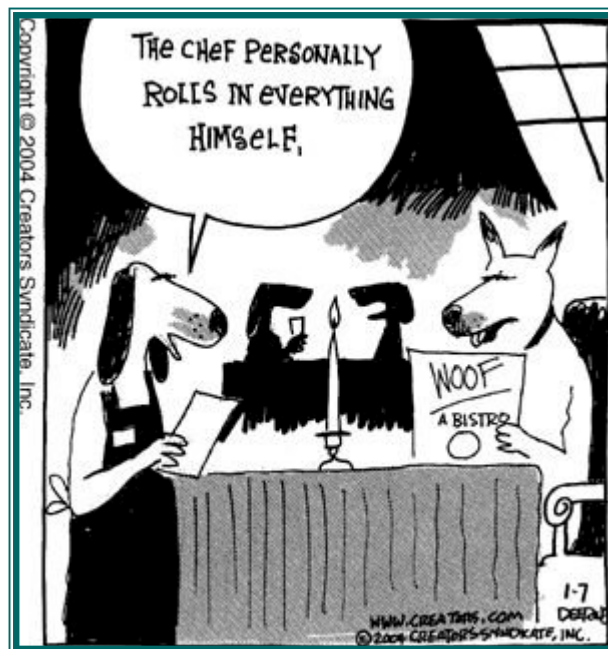


**East Hill Shasta
Sheila Norgren**

*International KC Day — Best in Sweeps, Reserve Winners Bitch at-
Winnebago LRC Supported Entry
Louisville KY Cluster— Winners Bitch, New Champion*

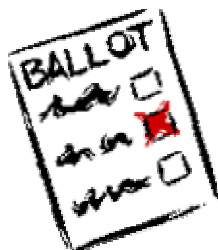
**East Hill Ferguson
Sheila Norgren & Franklin Zaydman**

Bogata Columbia — Best Puppy in Show (Two Times!), Best Puppy in Group



Nominations To Be Held on April 16th at the General Membership Meeting

Your Vote Counts
Your Vote Counts



The following individuals have been put forth to run for a position on the HRLRC board or club officer.

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| President | Pauline Mortier |
| Vice President | Cathy Culpert |
| Recording Secretary | Jeanine Asch |
| Corresponding Secretary | Laura Reich |
| Treasurer | Al Reich |

Board: Mike Merians, Annie Cogo, Mary MacLean, Cindy Skiba, Kim Bryson

The following individuals have been nominated from the floor for a position on the HRLRC board.

Sheila Norgren, Michelle VeuCasovic, Patty Wayne

Kennel Names and Copycats . . . Written By Laura Michagls

Lately there seems to be an epidemic of people copying other breeders' kennel names. I know of several people, including myself, who have had to deal with this lately. There is someone in another state who is using my own kennel name of Woodhaven despite the fact I have been using it for 30 years.

One breeder I know of has used a kennel name for many years. She recently found out someone else has recently taken that name. These people have only been in Labradors for a very short time. She was told, "They didn't care" when she asked the other breeder to change their kennel name. Another I know of has been receiving phone calls from someone else who has claimed her kennel name for their own. The phone calls haven't been nice. She had no choice but to change her name to something that AKC would register or be subject to these abusive calls for who knows how long.

Why is it that some new people feel they are entitled to do this? Ten, twenty or thirty years of using a name, having a history of using that name means nothing to them. My hopes for this article are to make someone think before they take something as personal as a kennel name from someone else who has been using it.

What's the importance of a kennel name? A kennel name is a trademark or brand name to a breeder. As one becomes more involved in the dog world your kennel name is usually recognized first before your actual given name is. A kennel name is sacred to the reputable breeder as one's reputation among your peers is based on that name and what you do with it.

It is understood when one is thinking of naming dogs or starting a breeding program that you research to make sure you are not encroaching on someone else's name. With today's widespread use of the Internet and breed specific email lists there is no excuse to use someone else's name. For instance there are sites that have listings of Labrador kennels, such as my own site <http://www.woodhavenlabs.com/labkennels2.html> and Wiscoy Labradors <http://www.wiscoy.com/kennellinks.html>. The owners of these lists will list any reputable breeder and their kennel name - not just North American kennels. That is one resource when deciding on what to call yourself.

Another resource is the AKC site. They have a search option to see if anyone has a dog that might be registered with the name you are thinking of using. If there are no hits when you search for a Labrador Retriever with that kennel name, then you're pretty safe on using it.

Ah, but the kennel name isn't officially registered with AKC so it can be used right?

Not necessarily. AKC won't register kennel names that have common words used in them. Part of the criteria for registering a kennel name is:

- The kennel name must be unique and unable to be found in any domestic or foreign dictionary.
- The kennel name may not have been used by anyone other than the applicant in the naming of any AKC registered dogs within 10 years prior to the date of the application.

Those two criteria can be difficult to get around. If even one other person has used that name within the last 10 years, you cannot register it.

That doesn't mean that the name is up for grabs. Someone else is still using it, but hasn't registered it with AKC. You can tell yourself that it's okay because of that reason so you can sleep at night, but reputable people do not do it.

There are numerous Labrador-related email lists with thousands of subscribers from all over the world. It would be quick and simple for a prospective breeder to subscribe to one or more lists, and ask about their proposed kennel name.

There is always the OFA (Orthopedic Foundation for Animals) site <http://www.offa.org> where someone can put in part of a name (like a kennel name) and the breed and check to see if there is anyone doing clearances with that kennel name. As with the AKC site, if the search doesn't produce any names then you're probably okay to use it.

Lastly, do a Google <http://www.google.com> search for the name you are considering. If you put in ***** Labradors *** Labs or **** Labrador Retrievers, if someone is using that kennel name it should show up. For instance, if you put in Woodhaven Labs or Woodhaven Labradors you get a lot of pages. That should be enough to tell you that the name is taken and its time to choose another.

If, by chance, you do choose one that you find out later is being used it's common courtesy to apologize and then find another. As someone so wisely said "Kennel names are extremely important to us and are used quite often as a way to link a dog with a certain breeding program and when it is used by more than one person, it can be confusing. Anyone wanting to build a reputation for breeding quality dogs would NEVER use another's kennel name - especially a kennel name with a long established reputation. It appears to people as if that person is trying to use the reputation associated with that kennel for their benefit to sell

Kennel Names and Copycats . . . Continued

puppies."

Which brings me back to my own situation. Even though this person agreed to change her name, she has not done so. Her last communication with me was not a pleasant one and she now refused to change it. I hate having my "name" associated with this person. I have no choice but to hope and pray she will go away; or I may have to change my kennel name to something I can register with AKC. Registering with AKC is not cheap. It costs \$150 and must be renewed every 5 years. However, it is the only way we can protect ourselves.

They say imitation is the sincerest form of flattery. Those that can, do. Those that can't, copy from someone else, I guess.

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AKC Coming Events - submitted by Jeanine Asch

Date	Name of Show	Judge(s)	Entries close:	Location	Comments
5/1	Crawford Co. KC	Lawerence J. Sinclair	4/14	Bucyrus, OH	
5/2	Crawford Co. KC	Rita A. Bell	4/14	Bucyrus, OH	
5/7-8	Miami Valley LRC	Barbara Gomez (Dogs & Intersex) Linda Vaughn(Bitches), Clare Senfield (Sweeps)	4/14	Hamilton, OH	Specialty Show
5/8	Ravenna KC	Patricia Trotter	4/21	Tallmadge, OH	
5/9	Cincinnati KC	Anne Katona	4/14	Hamilton, OH	
5/9	Ravenna KC	Charles Trotter	4/14	Tallmadge, OH	
5/8	Midland KC	Lawerence Stanbridge	4/21	Midland, MI	
5/19	Midland KC	Kathleen Steen	4/21	Midland, MI	
5/15	Genesee KC	Maudie Burke	4/28	Flint, MI	
5/16	Genesee KC	Ned Burke	4/28	Flint, MI	
5/21	Holland MI KC	Margretta Patterson-Kauffman	5/5	Kalamazoo, MI	
5/22	Grand Rapids KC	Mark Threlfall	5/5	Kalamazoo, MI	
5/23	Kalamazoo KC	Barbara Dempsey-Alderman	5/5	Kalamazoo, MI	
5/24	Battle Creek KC	George Heitzman	5/5	Kalamazoo, MI	
5/29	Toledo KC	Douglas Windsor	5/12	Maumee, OH	
5/30	Toledo KC	Edna Gonzalez	5/12	Maumee, OH	

CKC Coming Events - submitted by Jeanine Asch

Date	Name of Show	Judge(s)	Entries close:	Location
5/22	K-W Kennel Club	Bud Haverstock	5/4	Kitchener, ON
5/23		John (Fred) Peddie		
5/24		Ronald Krohne		
6/5	LOC	Janet Farmillette, Sweeps: Joyce Love Obedience: Paul Oslach	5/19	Cambridge, ON
6/18	Monarch KC	Thora Brown	6/1	Dorchester, ON
6/19		Council Parker		
6/20		Kathryn Grant		

CKC Coming Events - submitted by Jeanine Asch

April 24th

Dr. Robert Van Hutchinson Canine Reproduction Seminar for Breeders, presented by the Leader Dogs For The Blind. Contact the school at (248) 650-7114 for your registration. Cost is \$60 per person . Reservations must be made prior to April 16th. The seminary will be held from 8AM thru 4:30PM.

Board & General Membership Meeting Minutes—February 13, 2004

Members in attendance were: Kim Bryson, Sheila Norgren, Pauline Mortier, Mary MacLean, Cathy Culpert, Stacy Quake, Casandra Barrett, Bill Gardner, Judy Merians, Mike Merians, Gary cooper, Frieda Paison, Stella Blair, Dolores Richards, Michelle VeuCasovic, Nancy Chargo, Annie Cogo, Patty Wayne, Judy Trevino, Ron Cogo and Jeanine Asch. Guests: Juanita Pyles, Tom Quake, Kenny Barrett, Judy & Dan Matice and Nancy Anderson

The minutes of the January Board meeting were approved.

Corresponding Secretary: Mary reported she has received many inquiries about a spring specialty. Mary responded back to these individuals that we decided to combine our resources for an even better fall specialty. She has received correspondence from Al Stinson stating that pet guardianship legislation is making the rounds and has extended from Ann Arbor, to Detroit and is headed to Lansing. .

Treasurer's Report: Approved as read.

Membership: No report at this time.

Specialty: The judging panel is set. Winnie Limboun: Dogs & Intersex, Lori Isenhath Bitches. Betty Butelman will do sweeps. Saturday June Sasaki will be judging dogs and bitches. Saturday sweepstakes judge will be Trudy Rose. Monroe will pay one night stay and meals for June, we will pick up the second day expenses. The Labrador judge for Sunday is unknown at present.

Fun Match: We are going to try and have a parts match at the July 10 fun match. We need to find out who would be willing to judge this.

Rescue: Gary Cooper and an individual incurred expenses with a rescue dog. Receipts can be submitted to the treasurer for reimbursement.

Other Business: Slate for 2004 has been finalized:

President: Pauline Mortier

Vice President: Cathy Culpert

Treasurer: Al Reich

Recording Secretary:

Corresponding Secretary: Laura Reich

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeanine Asch, Recording Secretary

Following the meeting was a wonderful presentation on dog contracts given by Cindy Cooke.



*Westminster Kennel Club
Best of Breed Winner*

*Ch. Lubberline Martingale
Mauvice & Pauline Mortier*

Handled by: David Vollette

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