

1. The name of the Club shall be EAST ANGLIAN LABRADOR RETRIEVER CLUB.

The objects of the Club being:

a) To promote the breeding of sound pure bred Labradors.

b) To foster the natural working abilities of the breed.

c) To encourage the novice breeder, exhibitor, handler and judge.

d) The Club shall be non profit making and not be a trading

business. After deducting expenses, all income shall be used for the benefit of it's members, further education, support of veterinary research and game conservation.

2. The Club shall consist of an unlimited number of members. The Club must send a list of members and their addresses and those of branch members where appropriate, to The Kennel Club with their annual returns and, if so requested, make an up to date list of members available for inspection by the members of the Club, or by The Kennel Club.

3. The election of members shall be invested solely in the Committee and be made by ballot. Each candidate to be proposed by a fully paid up member and seconded by another.

4. The affairs of the Club shall be managed by a Committee, all of whom must reside in the counties of Essex, Norfolk, Suffolk or Cambridgeshire. The Committee shall consist of a Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary and Field Trial Secretary and twelve members, two of whom shall retire annually but shall be eligible for re-election at the Annual General Meeting. Any member of the Committee failing to attend three consecutive Committee meetings shall automatically cease to be a member of the Committee unless such a member shall give the Honorary Secretary a written explanation which is satisfactory and accepted by the Committee. A quorum shall be five members. Any member of the Club can propose a member of the Club as a candidate for the General Committee, provided that the name of any new candidates is notified, in writing, to the Honorary Secretary, together with the name of his proposer and seconder on or before the 1st October and circulated on the agenda paper before the Annual General Meeting. The Chairman, Vice Chairman, Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer shall retire annually but shall be eligible for re-election by the Committee. No person whilst an undischarged bankrupt may serve on Committee of, or hold any other office or appointment, within a Kennel Club Registered Society. The Committee shall have the power to co-opt to fill vacancies on the Committee.

5. The committee shall, at the Annual General meeting, recommend the subscriptions, single and joint, for the following year. A joining fee of £8 single membership and £10 joint membership shall be charged. The financial year being from October 1st to September 30th. The liability of a member ends with the yearly subscription. No member shall be entitled to privileges of

membership unless the subscription has been paid for the current year. Should a member fail to pay the annual subscription by January 1st, then the committee shall have the power to erase his or her name from the list of members. If the Committee be given a satisfactory explanation as to the failure to pay subscription by a member, then the said member may, at the discretion of the Committee, be readmitted to membership on payment of such subscription as the Committee may deem appropriate.

6. A Banking Account in the name of the Club shall be opened into which the revenue of the Club shall be paid. Withdrawals shall only be made on the signature of two of the officers, one of whom shall be the Honorary Treasurer. The accounts to be audited before presentation to the Annual General Meeting, at which meeting the auditor for The following year shall be appointed.

7. The control and management of the Club to be vested in the Committee who are empowered to make bye-laws and deal with disputes subject to final appeal to The Kennel Club. The Committee shall have power to set up sub-committees and have power to co-opt thereto.

8. The Annual General Meeting shall be held early in the Club's year at a date fixed by the General Committee. A special general meeting must be called by the Committee whenever the written request to hold such a meeting is made to the Honorary Secretary signed by 20 members. Such written request must state the purpose for which such a meeting is to be called, and no other business than that which is stated on the agenda shall be permitted at any Special General Meeting. Only paid up members may nominate or vote. At least 14 days notice shall be given by the Honorary Secretary of the time, place and business of such a meeting.

9. In all matters of dispute, The Kennel Club shall be recognised as the final court of appeal. Any member who shall be suspended under kennel Club Rule A42j(5) and/or any member whose dog(s) are disqualified under Kennel Club Rule A42j(9) shall ipso facto cease to be a member of the Club. If the conduct of any member shall, in the opinion of the Committee of the Club be injurious or likely to be injurious to the character or the interests of the Club, the Committee of the Club may, at a meeting the notice convening which includes as an object the consideration of the conduct of the member, determine that a Special General Meeting of the Club shall be called for the purpose of passing a resolution to expel him/her. Notice of the Special General Meeting shall be sent to the accused member, giving particulars of the complaint and advising him of the place, date and hour of the meeting that he/she may attend and offer an explanation. If at that meeting a resolution to expel is passed by a two-thirds majority of the members present and voting, his/her name shall forthwith be erased from the list of members, and he/she may within two calendar months from the date of such meeting appeal to The Kennel Club

upon and subject to such condition as The Kennel Club may impose. Should the Club expel any member for discreditable conduct in connection with dogs, Dog Shows, Trials or Competitions, the Club must report the matter in writing to The Kennel Club within seven days and supply any particulars required.

10. Should the Society cease to exist, then the cups and any other assets of the Society shall be at the disposal of the Committee to deal with as they deem fit.

11. Any member may withdraw from the Club by giving written notice to the Honorary Secretary provided that such a member shall be liable for the subscription for the current year in which such notice is given, and shall have no further claim following resignation on any of the property or funds belonging to the Club.

12. The rules of the Club may not be altered except at an Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting and such alterations shall, not be brought into force until The Kennel Club has been advised and given its approval of the alterations. New rules or amendments introduced specifically to meet Kennel Club requirements shall be adopted immediately.

13. The Club shall not join any Federation of Societies or Clubs.

14. The officers acknowledge that, during the month of January each year, the Maintenance of Title fee will be forwarded to The Kennel Club by the Secretary for continuance of Registration and that by 31st July each year, other returns, as stipulated in Kennel Club Regulations for the Registration and Maintenance of Title of Societies and Breed Councils and the Affiliation of Agricultural Societies and Municipal Authorities be forwarded to The Kennel Club. If returns cannot be forwarded by 31st July the officers acknowledge their duty to inform The Kennel Club accordingly.