

THE LANGSHAN CLUB

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Sage Lonergan Best of Breed Large Fowl

Black Langshan Pullet, Resv. Champion of Show

Emerald Coast Poultry Show



Kelsey Orlando Junior RB Pullet CFPBA

Welcome New Members

Sage Lonergan - Christmas, FL Junior

Chance Brewer- Gosport, IN Open

Michelle Curtis- Tucson, AZ Open

Hannah Feuerborn- Edmond, OK Junior

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PRESIDENT- CHRIS MCGEORGE

The Spring of the new year is coming to an end here in Florida. We are starting to feel our Summer heat, and afternoon showers are starting. I hope everyone has had an excellent hatching season this far. My numbers are lower this year than normal for this time of year due to some incubator issues but we're getting there. Last Fall came to end with our 2017 National Meet in Norman, OK, put on by Richard Peters and his club. We had all three colors Black, White, and Blue showing in both LF and Bantam.

BB & RB LF went to two Black females shown by myself and James Frazier, BV and RV Blues went to Regina & Steven Androes, and BV White LF went to Peters Family. James and I had Resv Asiatic and Resv Champion LF of Show with the Black Hen.

In Bantams B.B. went to Camille Lewandowski with a Blue Pullet, and RB went to Steven and Regina Androes also with a White.

RV Black Bantam was a female from Regina and Steven Androes. RV Blue was from Camille as well.

We are gearing up for the 2018 National which will be held just weeks away in Wapakoneta, Ohio hosted by the Moon City Poultry Club. We have over [\\$600](#) dollars raised from members for this show plus lots of plaques for both Open and Juniors to be awarded.

As we gear up for our 2019 National which will be held in District 6, we ask all members to vote for the show of their choice. Thanks to Angie for recruiting all the show bids for us. We look forward to hosting such an event in that District and really representing the breed. James and I will be there!

It's with great sadness we had to say good bye to our VP Richard Hickman, also known as "Gramps" to me. Hickman and I met back in the early 2001 at a show in Richmond, Virginia. Richard has been a mentor, a friend, and true poultry fancier to me. He has earned many great accomplishments, and won several shows with both his Langshans and Rocks in both LF and Bantams. Hickman left me with several of his LF Langshans and a few of his Bant Langshans. I want to say thanks again to Hickman for all his encouragement, and phone calls!

The board elected a new VP to serve the remainder of this term. We had several great candidates and volunteers willing to step up. Tina was chosen to fulfill the role, and has done a great job stepping in and picking up where Hickman left off.

We have launched a new website. All members should have received an email with a temporary password to login in and create a profile. This new site will allow us to manage the memberships, assist with news and events, help with the point system, and all around organize the club in a fashion with operational excellence. If you have not received your email feel free let me know.

Thanks again and see you in Ohio! Chris

(2017 National Meet Award Table Canadian Valley Poultry Club)



Vice President- Tina Bergonzini

Good Day to all my Fabulous Fowl-Lovin' Friends,

For starters, let me offer my most humble and sincere 'Thank you' for giving me the chance to serve you as Vice President of this amazing club. The support and comradery I have witnessed in this group of folks is truly unique and one worth fostering! I am excited to see us grow and set an example of how much a breed can blossom when supported and promoted by such a dynamic group!

Down to business! Your VOTE matters! Please drop me an email and let me know your choice for the location of the 2019 Nationals. In case you missed the FB post, here are the options:

Wisconsin International, Portage, WI
Sept 28th and 29th
Trophies Open and Jr.
1\$ a bird refunded to the club.

Minnesota State Poultry Association, Hutchinson, MN
October 26th and 27th
Plaques for Champion and Reserve in LF and Bantam.
\$50 LF and 50\$ Champion in prize money

Eastern Iowa Poultry Association, Davenport, Iowa
November 30th and December 1st.
\$150 in award money to the club



Please email me at tina.puentes@yahoo.com with your preference.

In the meantime, I want to encourage all of you to be active on the FB page. Post those pictures, critiques, wins and challenges! Share the heck out of our new, amazing website, thelangshanclub.wildapricot.org (Thank You, Jonathon Stone!). We all grow and learn from each other and I love seeing all the new faces and the excitement they are bringing to the Langshan breed!

Happy Spring!

Tina Bergonzini

Vice President

Secretary/Treasurer- Tim Curts

Welcome all new and existing members! The membership is growing and we are looking forward to our Second National Meet. We have set up a PayPal account. The address is thelangshanclub@gmail.com. We have raised \$600 in funds for our National Meet at the Moon City Show in Ohio. See you there!

District 1 – Ryan Breen

Hello everyone from District 1. The weather still hasn't changed up here. The snow is still coming down on us. Thanks to all those who attended the Northeast Poultry Congress Show in January. The Langshans were shown in great depth and the competition was tuff. In Bantams we had 40 entries: 10 Blues, 30 Blacks. I had BV and RV in Blues, Todd Sensenig had BV and RV in Blacks. In Large Fowl 53 entered: 39 Blacks, 8 Blues, 6 Whites. Brittany S had BB&BV Black, Pilkerton had RV Black. RB & BV Blue was Todd S, RV Blue was Reese Rhodes, BV & RV White Todd S.

District 2 – Todd Sensenig

Hey! How are things going? Hope by now we have some chicks out and getting ready for the show season. Just thought I would give a little insight on the color blue. How to start? Well, we can always take a black male and a blue female and breed them and we would get 50% black and 50% blue in color. Now, to get a better blue color we can take a black male from that first cross (which is a black/blue male) and breed it to a splash which is from a (blue/white cross) and we will get 25% black 25% splash 50% blue. Now you can get excellent blues if you take the black male which came from the black blue cross and breed the male back to its mother if it was a blue. This gives you good color and good lacing. This is just a little information you may be able to use to get your blue color right. Looking forward to the National- hope to see a lot of good birds there. Feel free to ask me any questions you may have about Langshans. I will help if I can. See you in the show hall District 2 meet at Lebanon PA. and State meet at York, PA.

District 3 – Camille Lewandowski

Hello District 3! The 2017 National was a great success. Winning Reserve Feather Leg was a great accomplishment with the FL class being one of the largest classes represented. Many of our Spring shows are coming to an end. We have our 2018 National just around the corner, and then a full swing of Fall shows lined up. Our District Meet for 2019 will be held at the Caroline County Fairgrounds in Ruther Glen, VA through the Virginia Poultry Breeders Association. Hope see many of you there.

District 4 – Dustin Drake

District 4 is a very busy District this year in 2018. We have the APA Semi Annual just weeks away in Greenville, Ohio. The Dayton Feather Fanciers will also be hosting our District 4 Meet. Our 2018 National is in May hosted by Moon City Poultry Club. Matt L. has the honor to judge the National this year. This show is a double show, so one show will be our National, the other show will be a club meet. I'm hoping to see over 100 Langshans there, and have many members attend. We have an excellent line up of awards listed and ready to give out to our members.

Welcome New Members Continued

Glaze Family- Wausau, WI Junior

Chase & Patrick Austin- New Braunfels, Tx Open

Donna Hill- Abilene, TX Open

Michael Cunningham – Moberly, MO Open

Bret Kreifels – Springfield, NE Open



District 5 –Richard Peters

District 5 is looking more and more like Langshan country each and every show season and 2018 looks to be a banner year as well. We are looking forward to hosting the District 5 Show on November 3rd in Norman, Ok during our MEGA Show. This along with several great shows in other 6 states in this district should increase the numbers of new members and show quality birds dramatically.

There will be some attractive show incentives offered at the MEGA Show in November and hopefully this will help draw several new exhibitors to the show and more of their birds and bloodlines.

I want to remind everyone that to make the breed grow and expand it all starts on the State level. So jump into your State Shows and show your birds, create the interest and help new breeders get a start. Soon you will see a large State Show and this will make the District Shows and the National Shows even larger and better. It all starts on your farm!

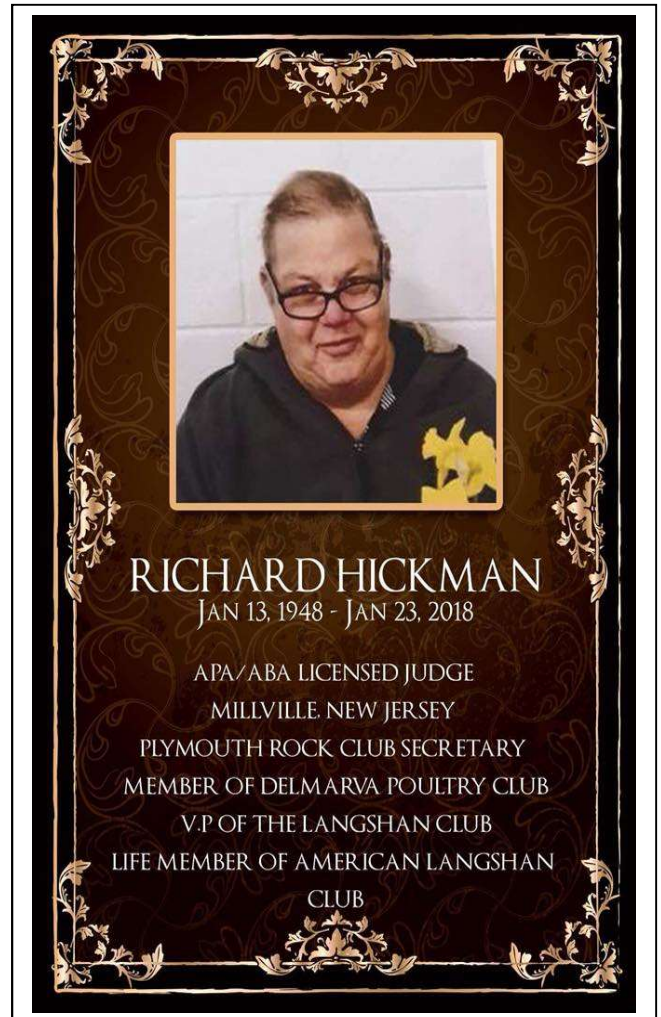
We also encourage all Langshan breeders/exhibitors to join and support ALFA, American Large Fowl Association, to add to their showing experience and ability to win more cash awards. For more info on the MEGA Show and ALFA simply go to our web site at www.poultryshowcase.com and get all the details. We also provide 2 ways to join ALFA, by mail in membership form and by paying through PayPal.

Unfortunately I will not be able to make the National Show in Dayton, OH because of business commitments but I wish all exhibitors a safe trip and a fun and exciting show at the Moon City Langshan National Show in May.

Respectfully,

Richard Peters

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District 6 –Angie Horning

Hello from frigid Wisconsin! My name is Angie Horning and I am the new District Director for District 6. My granddaughter Samantha and I are excited for Spring and the upcoming show season. We are planning our first show to be The Langshan Nationals at The Moon City Poultry Club show May 12th & 13th. We are very excited to see some very fine Langshans and meet other Langshan enthusiasts.

It's a bit challenging raising and showing Langshans here in Wisconsin. Since they are a slow maturing breed, we have to start hatching them in the fall to have them ready for the summer show season. With this cold weather, it has been a bit of a struggle, but we are persevering and my husband is getting used to our young birds in the basement! We have black Langshans and are dabbling with the blues.

The Wisconsin International Show held in Portage, WI September 29th and 30th will be our district meet and the Wisconsin State Fair held August 8-12th will be our State meet. If anyone would like any other meets placed in this district, please let me know. Angie Horning angie.horning88@gmail.com

2018 Delmarva Poultry Fanciers Langshan Winners



Tim Ballenger RB Black Cock Delmarva



Tim Ballenger BB Black Bant. Delmarva



Todd Sensenig RB Black Bant Delmarva

2018 North East Poultry Congress Langshan Winners



Brittany Shippee BB LF Black Pullet



Todd Sensenig RB LF Blue Pullet



Todd Sensenig RB Black Bant Delmarva

2018 Central Florida Poultry Breeders Spring Show



Chris McGeorge BB Resv LF of Show Black Pullet



Chris McGeorge RB LF Black Cockerel



Kelsey Orlando RB Black LF Junior Show

CLUB PATCHES & SHIRTS ARE NOW AVAILABLE

We will have them available at the APA Semi Annual in Dayton Ohio, National Meet at the Moon City Show, and have them available to ship. \$24.99 shipped, \$20 if wished to be picked up at the show. Patches are \$10. Polos are \$29.99.

Purchase the bundle \$45. Receive 1-year membership, 1 t-shirt, 1 club patch. Youth bundle price is \$35
Payment to PayPal. thelangshanclub@gmail.com

Members feel free to visit our
new website.

- Members only area.
- Access to Point Totals
- Show Results
- Stay up to date with upcoming meets!



IN BLACK PRINT ON LIGHT BLUE AND ICE GRAY
GILDAN 2000 TSHIRTS
LOGO IS 10 WIDE X 9.25 TALL



Sage L wins BB LF Langshan At Central Heritage Poultry Classic



Future Member wins Champion of Show .. Jacob Fipps Barnwell, SC

November 2017 National Meet Winners Canidain Valley Poultry Club



BB Bantam, Resv FL, Camille Lewandowski



BV Blue Steven Androes



BB LF, Resv Champ LF of Show Chris McGeorge



BB LF Junior Hannah Feuerborn



Chris McGeorge & James Frazier 2018 Photos



Peach State Poultry Fanciers Rev

Champ Large Fowl of Show



Chattahoochee Valley Poultry Fanciers

Best Breed, Reserve Asiatic



North East Georgia Poultry Fanciers

Champion Large Fowl of Show

Caleb Kretschmar 2018 Norman, OK Spring Show



BB Black Cockerel



Caleb K with Awards



BV & RB Blue Cockerel



Hannah Feuerborn
Canadian Valley Spring Show
BB & RB Bantam Langshans



Total Exhibitor Points for 2017

Open Large Fowl

Black

Tim Ballenger 259.5
Chris McGeorge 74
Eddie Dunlap 41
Michelle Klaes 37

Blue

Todd Sensenig 42.5
Reese Rhodes 10
Keith Lutz 4
Steven Androes 3

White

Todd Sensenig 127.5
Peters Family 1

Open Bantam

Black

Todd Sensenig 177
Camille Lewandowski 27
Ryan Breen 19
Michelle Klaes 5

Blue

Todd Sensenig 78
Camille Lewandowski 56.5
Ryan Breen 8
Keith Lutz 4

White

Todd Sensenig 34
Steven Androes 3

Juniors Points

Duncan Curts 15

Lane Atchley 4

Samantha Horning 3

Carolyn Taylor 2

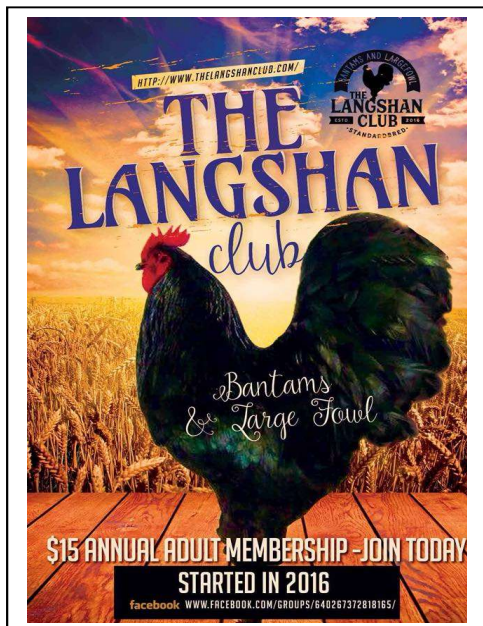
Sadie Cooper 1

Asilyn Davis 1

Hayden Willams 1

Caleb Kretschmar 1

Hannah Feuerborn 1



District 8 – Open

No news to report

**2018 THE Langshan
National will be**

May 12 & 13th, 2018

Moon City

Poultry Club

Wapakenota, OH

Matt L. Judge

Planting Herbs for Your Chickens

Oregano – [Oregano](#) is being studied as a natural antibiotic in commercial poultry farms. Planting some oregano in your garden and pinching back the leaves regularly to feed to your chickens can help them naturally combat e.coli, coccidiosis, salmonella, and avian flu by strengthening their immune systems. Dried oregano can also be added to their daily feed.

Best use: Provide fresh to be eaten as desired or add dried to their daily feed.

Sage – [Sage](#) is another herb with some amazing health benefits. Fed free-choice or dried in their feed, sage will help promote general health in your chickens and also act as an antioxidant. Sage is thought to help combat salmonella in chickens, so plant some sage in your chicken garden and offer the cuttings to them whenever the plants need to be cut back, to reduce the risk of salmonella in your flock.

Best use: Provide fresh to be eaten as desired or add dried to their daily feed.

Bee Balm – [Bee balm](#), like its name implies, helps attract beneficial bees to your garden. Fresh or dried bee balm petals added to your chickens' diet aid in respiratory and digestive tract health. Some petals scattered in your nesting boxes can be calming to laying hens and also act as an antiseptic and antibacterial agent, making for a healthier environment for your laying hens or hens hatching chicks.

Best uses: Provide fresh to be eaten as desired or add dried to their daily feed; place fresh or dried petals in nesting boxes.

Mint – [Mint](#) of all kinds is best planted in containers so it won't wander and take over your whole garden. Fortunately for those without bright green thumbs, it's easy to grow, a perennial in most areas of the country, and there are lots of uses for it. Try adding some fresh leaves to your chickens' nesting boxes. Mint helps repel mice and bugs and also has a calming effect on laying hens. If your chickens eat it, that's perfectly fine, and in fact mint naturally lowers body temperatures, which can be helpful in keeping your flock cool in the summer. You can float some fresh mint leaves in their water or freeze some mint leaves into ice cubes for them to peck at on hot summer days.

Best uses: Add fresh or dried to nesting boxes; feed frozen in ice cubes as a summer treat.

Thyme – Like most aromatic herbs, [thyme](#) is an insect repellent and therefore a great addition to your chickens' nesting boxes. Thyme also aids in respiratory health and has antibiotic and antibacterial properties, so adding thyme to your chickens' diet is also extremely beneficial. You can use thyme to make a natural fly spray for your coop by steeping a handful in white vinegar for several weeks and then straining the liquid into a spray bottle and spraying liberally around your coop and area where you feed.

Best use: Provide fresh to be eaten as desired or add dried to their daily feed.

Parsley – So much more than just a plate garnish, [parsley](#) is extremely high in nutrients. Added to your chickens' diet, it will give them a great vitamin boost and also aid in blood vessel development. As a bonus, parsley is a laying stimulant; it's best offered fresh free-choice (your chickens will love it!).

Best use: Provide fresh to be eaten as desired or add dried to their daily feed.



BONNIE
PLANTS



Members, if you wish to include pics please send to: chris2fordm@yahoo.com

Members, please print and cut this portion out of the newsletter or take a picture and send it to Tina Bergonzini either via email tina.puentes@yahoo.com, Facebook Messenger, or mail. Ballots must be submitted by 4/28/2017.

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Circle the Show you would like to host the 2019 National

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