

THE LANGSHAN CLUB



President – Chris McGeorge

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Sectary Tim Curts

District 1-Temporary (Todd Sensenig)

District 2-Todd Sensenig

District 3-Camille Lewandowski

District 4-Dustin Drake

District 5- Richard Peters

District 6-June W. Pending
Acceptance

District 7- Open

District 8-Open



Best of Breed Bantam Langshan,

Black Langshan Pullet, Reserve Feather Leg

Delmarva Poultry Fanciers Todd Sensenig



Todd Sensenig RB Ckl Delmarva

Welcome New Members

Tim Ballenger - Hedgesville, WV Open

Ketih Lutz -, PA Open



Tim Ballenger

Todd Sensenig- RB LF Delmarva White
Cock



PRESIDENT- CHRIS MCGEORGE

Hope everyone is doing well this summer and staying cool. We have been in the upper 90s for the past 5 months. It's that time of year that chicks are growing and should start showing some potential for your fall show birds. Many of us know it's hard to have cockerels ready for the fall shows, as they take 11 plus months to fill in. James and I are gearing up for our upcoming National in Norman, Oklahoma. We should have a nice group of females ready. We have been trying to keep them cool and in condition. This will be a show all members will want to make every attempt to attend.

Richard Hickman has been gathering votes to host our 2018 National. The clubs have submitted the bids and will be spoken about in this newsletter.

We should have our first Poultry Press write-up coming in the September issue. I would love to have any members willing to take on the task of publishing articles for the press to volunteer, as it would be greatly appreciated.

I'm sure many of you know the APA elections are right around the corner. As a member for nearly 19 years, I'm seeking to run for office of District Director. I strongly believe we can make the APA great again. With over 100 years in existence this organization has had some very committed, experienced, and nonpolitical members. It's time for change! I ask for your vote so we can continue to have a member first attitude organization, that promotes the poultry and juniors of our future. I strongly believe in communication and will attempt to be present, support, and assist with everything I possibly can for all annual members, life members, and the associate members who bring the poultry shows together. Everyone knows my motto, "It's not about winning a show, it's about enjoying the hobby"! I would appreciate your vote.

VICE PRESIDENT- RICHARD HICKMAN

Hello from New Jersey. I hope everyone is enjoying the Summer like we had here in the North this year. As we enter the fall, it's the best time of the year to decide on shows. It's SHOW TIME, just a few months away. It's about time we start selecting our second Club National in 2018. Our 2018 National is on the East coast. I have received the bids from the shows wishing to host our national. We have placed the bids in this news letter. Can you please have the bid submitted by Aug 30th. As we all know our 2017 National is going to be NOVEMBER 3 & 4th, 2017 at the Canadian Valley Poultry Club Norman, OK. We have the judge that will be judging both LF and Bantam. Members have selected Tom Cain.

Secretary/Treasurer- Tim Curts

Welcome all new and existing members! The membership is growing and we are looking forward to our first National Meet. We have opened up the official checking account and are in the states of obtaining the non for profit status. We will be posting the cash awards on our FB page, as they come in for our National. Please stay tuned.

District 1 & District 2 – Todd Sensenig

Hello from Delmar. I was doing pretty good until I messed up my knee but after 3 weeks I am finally off crutches and back in the chicken houses. I have chicks hatching everywhere. Plus, an incubator going at it. Should have some real nice birds ready for the fall shows. Going to go to 1 more- Connecticut and then take a break and wait for fall to start. I hope everybody has their chicks out and ready for the big show. See you all in the show halls. If you have any question feel free to call. I will help if I can.



Bantam Black Cockerel BB Asilyn Davis Jr.



Michelle Klaes- RV Black Pullet LF Delmarva

District 3 – Camille Lewandowski

Hello Everyone! I hope you are enjoying some of this warmer weather moving in. We have not had many shows here recently in the southern district to report on. With that said we will have a VA state meet at the Fredericksburg Agricultural fair in late July. I encourage everyone in the Delmarva area to come to the show. This year I decided to take on a new challenge and raise some blue bantam langshans. I hatched out about 75 langshan bantams and roughly 50 are blues. I plan to have a number of blue pairs for sale at our national in Oklahoma if anyone is interested. Again I encourage everyone to try and make it to our national in Oklahoma this year. We hope to make this the largest national we have held in years. Here on the east coast we are organizing a car pool/ caravan for the nationals to help members cut down on traveling expenses. If you think you may be interested in joining us please contact me so we can begin to get a head count. (Nonmembers are also welcome to join this car pool). I hope to see everyone at our upcoming shows.

Camille LewandowskiHello-- I am always looking for new pictures and information for our website. Please feel free to send me anything you have (cml5640@gmail.com). I look forward to meeting everyone at our upcoming meets.

District 4 – Dustin Drake

District 5 –Richard Peters

It is with great pleasure I make this report to The Langshan Club. I have been working feverishly to assure we have an absolute wonderful, exciting and fun 2017 Langshan Nationals in Norman, OK on November 4th. The pre-planning is complete, judges selected, awards designated and now all we need to do is get the Show Catalogs out on August 1st. I can assure all Langshan exhibitors that we will be doing our absolute best to host this event and make it second to none. With Special Cash Awards for the Top 3 Langshans (Large and Bantam) this along with our Mega Show Class Championship Awards and the Over-All Champion Awards should make a tremendous statement to all breeders of Langshans which I hope will encourage a huge turnout for our breed. I also want to remind everyone of our Free Meet and Greet on Friday night for the exhibitors and also our numerous seminars and educational meetings starting on Friday afternoon, November 3rd. We will also be hosting a MEGA Raffle on Saturday which will offer a 5' x 8' single axle cargo trailer with will make a great chicken hauler that even a car can pull. The exciting thing about this "Mega Raffle" is that

each and every individual exhibitor will be entered in this raffle simply by entering birds. For every multiple of 25 birds another FREE ticket will be added for that exhibitor. Additional Mega Raffle tickets can be purchased by the exhibitors and spectators alike for only \$10.00 each or 3 for \$25.00. Our regular Raffle will take place later which will feature Chicken Buildings, Breeding Pen, Incubators, Brooders and MANY other high end items. We have some tremendous raffles at our shows and we have a huge selection of raffle items. We also feature a Bake Show and Raffle which we use to raise money for our Junior Show Premiums which are some of the very best in the USA. As you can see, we have a busy weekend planned for the Mega Show on Nov. 4th in Norman, OK and we are really excited to make this one of the best shows in the country to attend. We will also be hosting the Marans Nationals, RI Red Nationals, Jersey Giant Nationals, Dutch Bantam Western Society National Meet along with The Langshan Nationals and several District and State meets. See ads on FB for more details. Our main web site with hotel booking information and discounts is www.poultryshowcase.com and the catalogs and entry forms will be posted on this site. PLEASE enter early and do not miss the entry deadline date.

Respectfully,

Richard Peters

Canadian Valley Poultry Club

Norman, OK.

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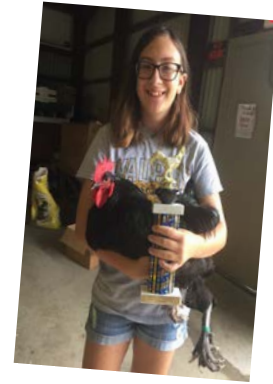


Chris McGeorge – Cockerel for Fall



Todd Sensenig White Pullet RV

Meet Junior Member of the Quarter



Samantha Horning

Age 12 From Wisconsin

My passion for Langshans started when my grandma brought home two beautiful Langshan pullets Those were her first two chickens and always favorites. As my grandma brought a few new chicks each year I loved helping her raise them and eventually joined 4H and began to show them. I showed various breeds for the past two years at our local fair buying whatever chicks we could from our local feed store and I actually did quite well with them, but after the last fair we decided that we would take a step up and buy some exhibition quality chicks for this year's show season. We also decided that we would focus on showing and breeding my favorite breed - Langshans. This year is my first year that I am eligible to show at our state fair so I am excited about showing there. I am also going to two local county fairs and the Wisconsin International. The Langshan breed is pretty hard to find in Wisconsin, so I am proud to show and breed these birds and eventually make them available for others to enjoy.



Members Pics



Duncan Curts Dunlap BB Black Hen



Duncan Curts BB Cockerel



Lane Atchley- Resv Champion of Show



Junior –Lane Atchley Champ LF



Samantha Horning – Best of Show

District 6, 7, 8 – Open

No news to report

**2017 THE Langshan
National will be**

**NOVEMBER 3 & 4th,
2017**

**Canadian Valley
Poultry Club**

Norman, OK



Tina Bergonzini – Meet Wilt



Total Exhibitor Points 2017

Open Large Fowl

Black

Tim Bowlinger 157.5

Michelle Klaes 37

Chris McGeorge 13.5

Eddie Dunlap 12

Blue

Todd Sensenig 33.5

Reese Rhodes 10

keith Lutz 4

White

Todd Sensenig 86

Open Bantam

Black

Todd Sensenig 111

Michele Klaes 5

Blue

Todd Sensenig 51

White

Todd Sensenig 34

Juniors Points

Lane Atchley 4

Carolyn Taylor 2

Asliyn Davis 1

2017 Show Meets

District 1 Meets

Maine Central Maine bird fanciers 5/28/17 Special Central Maine bird fanciers 10/1/2017 State

New Hampshire New Hampshire poultry fanciers 10/8/17. State

Vermont Green Mountain poultry 5/13/17 State

Rhode Island Little Rhode poultry fanciers 5/15/17 Special Little Rhode poultry fanciers 10/16/17. State

Connecticut Connecticut poultry breeders society 6/19/17 District

Massachusetts Northeast poultry congress 1/14-15/17. State Boston poultry expo special New England Bantam club 5/1/17. Special

8/7/17. Special 11/20/17. Special

District 2 Meets

Pennsylvania Union town 4/16/17. Special Union town 10/14-15/17 Special Lebanon Valley 10/14/17. State

New Jersey Sussex 5/20/17. Special Sussex 10/16/17. Special Central New Jersey poultry fanciers 9/17 State

Delaware Delmarva poultry fanciers 4/1-2/17. District

Maryland Maryland State fanciers. 11/17. State

New York Twin Tier poultry club 9/9-10/17 State Finger lakes 6/4/17. Special Eastern New York State 9/24/17 Special

Rochester poultry association 10/1/17. Special Northern New York poultry fanciers 9/17 Special Yankee Fall Classic 10/17. Special

District 3 Meets

Arkansas- State Meet- Heart of the Ozarks 11/4&5

Louisiana- State- Central Louisiana Poultry Club 3/18

North Carolina- Meets Pending Cape Fare 3/11 Forysth Fowl Fanciers Spring 3/25

South Carolina- State- Ten Governors Classic 2/25 Show A Special- Ten Governors Classic 2/25 Show B

Georgia- State- Chattahoochee Valley Poultry Assoc. 2/18

Florida- State - Central Florida Poultry Breeders Association Spring Show 3/4 Show A Special- Central Florida PBA 3/4 Show B

Alabama- State-Heart of Dixie Anniston AL, 10/14

Mississippi-

Virginia- Virginia Poultry Breeders Assoc. District Meet

Tennessee- State- Tennessee Valley PBA 12/2&3 Special- Tennessee Valley PBA 4/1 Special- Something to Crow About 5/6

District 4 Meets

Michigan

Wisconsin

Ohio -Moon City State Meet / Special Meet, Dayton Feath Fanciers Regional Meet, Columbus Ohio Special Meet

Illinois

Kentucky

Indiana

District 5 Meets

Canidan Valley- National Meet November 3&4th

Oats in Show Poultry Rations, by Kraig Shafer

I have spent a considerable amount of time researching poultry diets in hopes of finding a ration that would help condition birds for the show pen. Various grains, seeds and blends have been researched, primarily by those seeking performance for economic ventures. That is not my motivation; but rather to create the healthiest, most robust bird I can. Excellent health allows the genetic potential to be realized. The first six weeks, our chicks can handle a 20% protein feed that gives them quick feathering and adequate energy for a quick start. After that, many have settled on an 18% Game bird breeder that is fortified with many trace elements and vitamins intended to make our breeder game birds and their eggs prepotent for good hatchability. These are also traits we want in our show birds. So what can the showman and breeder do to keep his fowl productive and healthy? A good case for letting fowls select at least a part of their own ration can be made from trials made by others. Many breeders use a breeder pellet with all the fortification and adequate protein and carbs, but provide in separate feeders a source of whole grains and occasionally calcium in the form of oyster shells. The birds will feed at their own discretion, driven by what the body requires. Here's where I think we can supply something to aid in good general health that our show fowls need to compete. Fiber in the digestive tract serves a very functional purpose as it moves through the intestine. It absorbs fluids and allows more exposure to the intestinal villa for absorption of nutrients. As it moves through the intestinal tract, it cleanses the interior lining and helps it thicken and remain healthy. Some would claim that fiber would impede intestinal function. In recent years, there is increasing evidence to suggest that coarse, structural materials consisting largely of insoluble fiber enhances gut development in poultry (Choct, 2006; Hetland et al).

We have at hand a very valuable source of fiber in whole oats. The fibrous husk of the oat grain is easily consumed by all poultry. Many claim that their birds refuse to eat whole oats when provided. My thoughts are to let the birds decide. Lewis Strait of Cornish fame often told me he fed his Cornish breeder birds a diet of whole oats to keep them in breeding condition. They did not become overly fat, yet held excellent flesh and condition. I've taken that concept to heart and provided a separate feeder containing whole oats for my growing Plymouth Rocks, bantam and large. This year I hatched around 150 head, and I'm on my second ton of oats. The birds now seem to relish them and will flock to the feeder when I fill it. They also receive an 18% game bird breeder pellet free choice and are free ranged all day long. I've noticed a nice difference in feather development along with voracious appetites for all my birds. Oats have a protein level of 11 to 12%, and the fiber is definitely doing its job. The droppings are much larger, well-formed and there is evidence that high fiber in chicken diets helps alleviate worm infestations as well. I also provide whole oats to my breeder birds and those being fitted for shows. If we keep the inside healthy, the outside is going to show it. The old-timers will tell you of the value of oats in show poultry diets. Believe them!

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 Richard Hickman either via mail, Facebook Messenger, or via a picture message to 609-435-7321. Ballots must be submitted by 8/30/2017.

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Circle the Show you would like to host the National Meet in 2018

Tennessee Valley Poultry Association Knoxville, TN Dec 2&3rd

\$200 plus awards Open & Jr Show

Dayton Fancy Feather Club Dayton, Ohio

April 28/29 \$100 plus awards Open & Jr Show

MOON CITY Poultry Club - Lima, Ohio

March \$100 plus awards Open & Jr Show

Members Name: _____ Phone Number: _____