## **APPLICANT'S INSTRUCTION SHEET**

SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION PART 1 (PAGE 1 AND 2) AND THE SIGNED CODE OF ETHICS IMMEDIATELY TO THE MEMBERSHIP CHAIRPERSON WITH YOUR APPLICATION FEE. YOUR APPLICATION WILL BE READ AT THE FIRST SCHEDULED GENERAL MEETING AFTER THE MEMBERSHIP CHAIRPERSON RECEIVES IT.

IN ORDER TO HAVE YOUR APPLICATION READ AND VOTED ON BY THE MEMBERSHIP, YOU WILL NEED TO ATTEND TWO GENERAL MEETINGS AND WORK AT ONE CLUB EVENT WITHIN SIX MONTHS OF THE TIME APPLICATION IS MADE (EXCLUDES ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP). IF EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES PREVENT YOU FROM COMPLETING THESE REQUIREMENTS IN SIX MONTHS, YOU MAY APPLY FOR AN ADDITIONAL SIX MONTHS. MAKE YOUR APPLICATION IN WRITING TO THE MEMBERSHIP CHAIRPERSON WHO WILL PRESENT IT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR APPROVAL.

USE APPLICATION PART 2 TO LIST THE MEETINGS YOU ATTEND AND THE EVENT YOU WORKED AT. YOU WILL NEED THE SPONSORSHIP OF TWO MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING OF MJLRC, INC. TO ENDORSE YOUR APPLICATION. HAVE THEM SIGN PART 2 OF YOUR APPLICATION.

RETURN YOUR COMPLETED APPLICATION PART 2 TO THE MEMBERSHIP CHAIRPERSON WHO WILL PRESENT YOUR APPLICATION FOR A VOTE BY THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP. THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP VOTES BY SECRET BALLOT ON NEW APPLICATIONS.

THE MEMBERSHIP CHAIRPERSON WILL INFORM YOU IN WRITING WHETHER OR NOT YOU HAVE RECEIVED SUFFICIENT VOTES TO BE ELECTED TO MEMBERSHIP.

IF YOU ARE ELECTED TO MEMBERSHIP, YOU WILL BE RESPONSIBLE TO PAY DUES FOR THE CURRENT YEAR WITHIN 30 DAYS OF YOUR ELECTION. DUES ARE SET BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 1. DUES ARE \$30.00 FOR AN INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP, \$50.00 FOR A DUAL MEMBERSHIP, \$20.00 FOR AN ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP AND \$10.00 FOR A JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP.

IF YOU ARE NOT ELECTED TO MEMBERSHIP AND WISH TO REAPPLY, YOU MAY DO SO AFTER SIX MONTHS HAVE ELAPSED. YOU'LL NEED TO SUBMIT A NEW APPLICATION FEE AND FORM.

## MID-JERSEY LABRADOR RETRIEVER CLUB MISSION STATEMENT

"THE MID-JERSEY LABRADOR RETRIEVER CLUB, ESTABLISHED IN 1972, IS AN AKC SANCTIONED CLUB THAT BRINGS TOGETHER BREEDERS AND OWNERS OF LABRADOR RETRIEVERS. OUR OBJECTIVE IS TO SERVE AS STEWARDS FOR THE LABRADOR RETRIEVER, PRESERVING THE BREED FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS. IT IS OUR GOAL TO BRING OUT THE NATURAL QUALITIES OF THE LABRADOR RETRIEVER TO PERFECTION; TO DO ALL IN OUR POWER TO PROTECT AND PROMOTE THE INTEREST OF THE BREED. ALL CLUB MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO BE MENTORS TO OTHER CLUB MEMBERS AND NON-CLUB MEMBERS IN ALL ASPECTS OF THE BREED. WE STRIVE TO ACHIEVE THESE GOALS BY CONDUCTING SANCTIONED MATCHES, SPECIALTY SHOWS, OBEDIENCE TRIALS, RALLY TRIALS, FIELD TRIALS AND ANY OTHER EVENT FOR WHICH THE CLUB IS ELIGIBLE UNDER THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB AND TO ENCOURAGE SPORTSMANLIKE COMPETITION AT SUCH EVENTS."