

Membership Application Form

Name

Address

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Telephone :

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Details of Stock kept (large or bantam, black or white)

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Where did your original stock come from ?

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Age (if Junior under 16)

Subscription £7.50 per year (Juniors £4.00).

Please make cheques payable to the Croad Langshan Club.



The Croad Langshan Club

The club aims to promote this magnificent but rare breed. Members receive regular newsletters. Each year there is a club show and several area club shows. As well as this we offer special rosettes at local shows which put on classes for Croads. The club does its best to put new members in touch with breeders of good quality stock. A breed book was produced in 2005 and is packed with information on the breed. It is available from the Secretary and costs £10 to members, and £15 to non-members). New members paying their first year's subscription receive a copy of the book to welcome them to the club.

If you are interested in helping to preserve this beautiful old breed – why not keep some Croad Langshans? For further information contact the secretary:

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CROAD LANGSHANS A Brief History of the Breed

The Croad Langshan is an ancient breed that originates from the Langshan region in the north of China. They were imported into this country by Major F.T. Croad in 1872. Langshans still exist in China today.

Both in Britain and in America, where the breed was imported in 1878, there was a great deal of argument between Langshan and Cochin breeders and it was some time before the Langshans were recognized as a distinct breed.

In 1904 the Croad Langshan Club was formed, the name Croad having been added as a tribute to Miss Croad, Major Croad's niece, who had worked hard in support of the breed. The name Croad also distinguished the original type of Langshan, imported by Major Croad, which was a useful utility fowl, from the tall Modern Langshans developed for the show pen.

Between the wars the Croad's utility properties made them popular and they did well in laying trials. The distinguished early 20th-century poultry breeder W. Powell Owen considered them to be a good utility fowl. As with so many other breeds, numbers declined after the Second World War and eventually the breed was left without a breed club. It was rescued by the Rare Poultry Society until in 1979 the club was reformed.

The original Croad Langshans were black and that is the main colour today, although whites have been bred from the blacks. Egg colour is a pinkish plum.

Bantam Croad Langshans have been created by breeding down from the large fowl and the use of other breeds. They are now of good type but many of them do not lay the required coloured egg.

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If you DO NOT wish to allow the Club to make your contact details available to third parties such as other Croad Langshan Club members, other poultry societies or clubs, or individuals interested in buying stock or eggs, please sign and date this page where indicated and return it to the secretary. Thank you.

I DO NOT AGREE to my contact details being made available to the organisations and individuals as set out above.

Signed _____

Date _____

Print name _____