



# UNLEASHED

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## Meeting

**Date:** April 6, 2016

**Time:** 6:30 p.m.

**Location:** Firehouse Tavern  
38 N. Vernon Street  
Sunbury, OH. 43074

## 2016 Meeting Dates

May 11

June 1

July 6

September 7

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December Christmas Party

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## 2016 Health Clinic Report ~Jennifer Stotts

Another successful health clinic! It was a madhouse at times, but Dr. Metzler examined 190 dogs' eyes and Dr. Schober examined 72 hearts. It was our first year utilizing PawPrint Genetics for genetic testing, and we are sending off 25 tests, which is up from our usual numbers with Optigen. The club is simply providing the service and gets no income from the genetic testing, but it does create a significant discount for those participating. Preliminary reports show that the club will likely profit around \$2000 from the clinic, which makes it one of our best years. As luck would have it, it was also the most miserable weather we have ever had, raining steadily through the morning. I arrived in the rain at 7:00 and left in the rain at 6:30.

I absolutely could not do this clinic without the help of key players. First, Chris Bell handles every check and dollar that comes through and has to fight with the Square for credit card transactions and then balance it all when we are done. Having her manage that aspect is key to success because it is a full time job the day of the clinic and takes a significant amount of time to balance afterward. Dennis and Brian Tipton worked in pouring rain during the morning hours to do eye drops. Then when Dennis left, Brian took over that job, assisted by Angela Ewald and Si. Cindy Gerhan managed traffic in the exam area for the morning. Sue Frazier helped customers with their paper work, and helped get everyone started upon arrival up front. Christian DiSabato was Mr. on the spot wherever he needed to be to help out. Several others volunteered, but too many workers is almost worse than not enough. Most importantly, we could never even do this clinic without Rich Boucher kindly hosting us and allowing us to trash his place with mud and dog hair while

supplying us with the best cookies ever!

When things got extremely backed up in the afternoon, which they always do, I appreciate, more than they know, those club members (Angela) and non club members (Brian and Christian, Charlie Fippin and Karen Bolten especially) who graciously volunteered to forego their appointment times and let others go in front of them to try to keep things moving. I also appreciate those who were just a pleasant, smiling face to customers who may have been frustrated with the wait. Our regulars know what to expect and as one non club member regular client put it...."if you want to be assured of getting in at an assigned time, either schedule at 8:00, or go to Med Vet or OSU. You're paying a fraction of the price at one of these clinics and the trade off is that you can expect to wait." Hard as I try to schedule and keep things moving to avoid back up, there are just factors I can't control....exams that run long, folks that bring more dogs than they requested times for, and the occasional person I forget to get on the schedule somehow. But I have attended other clinics, and if they see as many dogs as we do, they experience the same issue. As always, we learned some things that will help us for next year. We are considering

moving the heart exams to a quieter area. Anne has suggested that she start at 7:00 and anyone who is working at the clinic and has dogs to get done can get them done between 7-8 to avoid conflict, which I think is a good idea. That would leave the 8-5 time for others because I turned people away this time and put them on a waiting list. I still had people emailing and calling at 8:00 Saturday night for appointments. I think we need one specific person to man the cheek swabs for genetic testing, who organizes the paperwork and assists clients with the swabs. We also plan to modify our record keeping a bit, and I have learned that I need to record breeds when taking appointments because that would help our workers.

I hope I haven't forgotten anyone because honestly, as is usually the case, the day is kind of a blur in my mind. It was chaotic, but successful and I couldn't do it without outstanding help and a great location.





## **Litterbox Listings**

**BISS CH Wit's End E-Z Pass to  
Borador x Tremont's Sister Golden  
Hair Surprise**

**All Black litter born 3/9/16**

**Contact: Lori or John BENTINE 614-579-  
3990 or labwriter@aol.com**

**Epoch's Jolly Prankster  
x Wit's End Black Pearl at Ellsworth**

**Black and yellow litter born 2/5/26**

**Contact: Angela Ewald acewald@aol.com  
Phone: 810-814-3491**



# General COLRC Information



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Club members who wish to utilize the Litter Listing Column of the newsletter and website will be required to pay \$50 per litter listing unless they have worked at two of our three club events during the course of the year.

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