



UNLEASHED

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Next Meeting

Date: Wednesday, February 6

Time: 6:30

Location: Animal Hospital
Of Worthington Annex
5758 North High Street
Worthington, OH 40385

(People are encouraged to bring dogs/puppies for socialization)

2013 Meeting Dates

March 14 Health Clinic

April 3-Sally Bell's Home

May 5 Puppy Match

June 5 - Jan Eichensehr's Home

September 4 - Linda Bednarski's Home –
Show Planning

October 2 - Lori Bentine's Home – Show
Planning

November 6

December Christmas Party

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"Old dogs, like old shoes, are comfortable. They might be a bit out of shape and a little worn around the edges, but they fit well."

- **Bonnie Wilcox** 'Old Dogs, Old Friends'

Prez Notes

I think I am getting philosophical in my old age. As the year ends I, as do many others this time of year, give some thought to successes and failures in what we do. What is a successful dog breeder? Perhaps there is no such thing. Shall we measure success in the number of champions bearing our kennel prefix? No, too many champions live lives of quiet desperation in a handler's crate and then a kennel run. I get calls from those with "retired Champions" looking for places for them to go ; they no longer are earning their keep. Pet, then! Yes we say with satisfaction, as the family exists with happy child and round puppy. But there are seventeen ads in the paper for "pet" – are we only contributing to the end result of more Labradors in pounds and shelters? Well then, the "sport"! The sport of purebred dogs is what this is all about – competition and the betterment of the breed. Perhaps, but we have seen the "sport" take a kindly little companion dog, the Cocker Spaniel, and turn it into an overly coated, short-tempered biting machine. The sport at times teaches us not to breed better dogs, but to learn how to better cover a dog's faults and fool the judges, many of whom don't know enough about the breed they judge. Okay, performance! We are endeavoring to keep the traits the dog was developed for. Fine, we have created a dog that no longer resembles the double coated retriever that recovers our downed waterfowl. We now have a dog competing in nearly
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impossible tests and being pushed to that level by an electronic collar.

It is indeed an imperfect world. As our lives get more complicated, so do those of the creatures we share our lives with, and the decisions we make for them. It seem there was a more simple world even twenty-five years ago when my first Labrador litter was born. And on a positive note, I give more thought to all aspects of dogs and their futures than years ago.

This is only food for thought, not meant to discourage, only to point out the depth of responsibility of breeders and owners. Perhaps you will be a positive force with your actions, more than I with my reflections.

Fondly, Sally

Zinc Toxicity

Animal Clinic Northview



This is an x-ray of a dog who sadly lost her life to zinc toxicity. We hope that through education this tragedy and heartbreak can be avoided for others.

Zinc is an important mineral for maintaining good health, but excessive levels can be toxic. Zinc toxicosis is caused by the ingestion of zinc containing objects including, staples, galvanized wire, screws, nuts, bolts,

metal board game pieces, zippers, jewelry, galvanized food and water dishes, powder coated cages (made outside of the USA), and pennies minted after 1983. Pennies are the most common source of zinc toxicity in dogs. However, zinc toxicity is also one of the most frequently diagnosed toxicities in pet birds. Birds are much more vulnerable due to the lower consumption levels necessary. Zinc toxicosis can cause severe gastrointestinal irritation, anemia, weight loss, and multiple organ failure. Radiographs and blood zinc levels may be used to diagnose a patient suspected of zinc intoxication. As you can see from the photo, metal is easily detected by an x-ray. questions or concerns.

2013 Membership Renewal!

Dues are \$30 annually for a single membership and \$50 for a joint membership.

**Steve LaVelle
6015 Carters Corner
Sunbury, OH 43074**

Also Business cards will be placed on the COLRC website for the year at a cost of \$50 for members and non-members.

2013 Health Clinic

Plans are in place for the 2013 Health clinic and appointment requests started flooding in the same day I emailed out the flier. I have to admit, even being somewhat technologically inept, that emailing the fliers is sure more expedient than addressing and licking all those envelopes!!

The clinic is once again time change weekend, March 10th, at Refugee Canyon West (thank you Rich) and we once again have Dr. Metzler and Dr. Schober doing the CERF and heart exams and we are offering the discounted OptiGen testing again.

I already have some volunteers in place to do drops, keep people moving in the right direction, etc but have a couple more folks to contact. You should have received an e-copy of the flier from Christine, which lists all the pricing etc.

If you need to schedule your dogs, please let me know as soon as possible. When we get closer to time, scheduling gets tight!

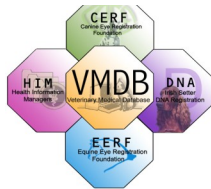
~ Jennifer

Dog License Renewal

Don't forget it is time to renew your dog license!!
The last day to purchase a 2013 dog tag/license without penalty is January 31st! Ohio law requires every dog to be licensed.



The Association of Veterinary Medical Data Program Participants
(The Veterinary Medical DataBases)
(The Canine Eye Research Foundation)
Suite 15, 1717 Philo Road
Urbana, IL 61803-6007



January 18, 2013

Dear valued CERF client,

As you may already know, OFA's new registry went live on November 1st. CERF is **NOT** affiliated with their new system, nor have we partnered with them or been acquired by OFA. There is no "transition plan" in place. CERF and OFA are two different systems, and we are now competing for your valued business.

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CERF will continue to operate independently as we have done in the past. We're not planning on closing the doors anytime soon. We have the longest history and greatest experience with operating an established canine eye registration database.

You still have the right to use a CERF form and submit your data to CERF, if you so choose. I sincerely hope that you continue to do so. If you sign an OFA "release form", they will attempt to add your information into the new, unproven OFA registry. It will **NOT** be added to CERF if you sign this form. There is no "combined registry" or "transition" from one registry to the other.

I urge you to request an original CERF form, make your check payable to CERF, and avoid signing any type of "release form" from OFA.

CERF is now accepting forms via email and fax for your added convenience. Please contact CERF and let us know your email address to facilitate future communications.

If you have any suggestions for how we can serve you better, please feel free to contact me at any time. Thank you for your continued support of CERF.

Sincerely,

Robert Malinowski, DVM, MA, PhD
President, VMDB/CERF

Coming Events

Medina Co. CPE	Agility	Wadsworth, OH	2/16 & 17/2013	Closes: Mon 02/4 (DOS entries)
Detroit Kennel Club	AB/O/JSHW	Detroit, MI	Sat 03/02/2013	Closes: Wed 02/13
Detroit Kennel Club	AB/O/JSHW/RLY	Detroit, MI	Sun 03/03/2013	Closes: Wed 02/13
Cleveland All-breed Training Club, Inc.	O/RLY	Brooklyn Hts, OH	3/09 & 10/2013	Closes: Wed 02/20
Fulton County Ohio Kennel Club	RLY	Holland, OH	Fri 03/15/2013	Closes: Wed 02/27
Louisville Kennel Club, Inc.	AB/O/JSHW/RLY	Louisville, KY	Fri 03/15/2013	Closes: Wed 02/27
Fulton County Ohio Kennel Club, Inc.	O	Holland, OH	3/16 & 17/2013	Closes: Wed 02/27
Evansville Kennel Club, Inc.	AB/JSHW	Louisville, KY	Sat 03/16/2013	Closes: Wed 02/27
Louisville Kennel Club, Inc.	AB/O/JSHW/RLY	Louisville, KY	Sun 03/17/2013	Closes: Wed 02/27
Finger Lakes Kennel Club, Inc.	AB/O/JSHW/RLY	Syracuse, NY	Thu 03/28/2013	Closes: Wed 03/13
North Country Kennel Club, Inc.	AB/O/RLY	Syracuse, NY	Fri 03/29/2013	Closes: Wed 03/13
Western Pennsylvania Kennel Association, Inc.	AB/JSHW/RLY	Monroeville, PA	Sat 03/30/2013	Closes: Wed 03/13
Central New York Kennel Club, Inc.	AB/O/JSHW/RLY	Syracuse, NY	Sat 03/30/2013	Closes: Wed 03/13
Western Pennsylvania Kennel Association, Inc.	AB/JSHW	Monroeville, PA	Sun 03/31/2013	Closes: Wed 03/13
Onondaga Kennel Association, Inc.	AB/O/JSHW/RLY	Syracuse, NY	Sun 03/31/2013	Closes: Wed 03/13
Youngstown All Breed Training Club, Inc.	RLY	North Jackson, OH	Fri 04/05/2013	Closes: Wed 03/20
Youngstown All Breed Training Club, Inc.	O	North Jackson, OH	Sat 04/06/2013	Closes: Wed 03/20
Saginaw Valley Kennel Club	AB/O/JSHW	Birch Run, MI	Sat 04/06/2013	Closes: Wed 03/20
Youngstown All Breed Training Club, Inc.	O	North Jackson, OH	Sun 04/07/2013	Closes: Wed 03/20
Saginaw Valley Kennel Club	AB/JSHW	Birch Run, MI	Sun 04/07/2013	Closes: Wed 03/20

March 14 Health Clinic

May 5 Puppy Match



COLRC All-Breed OptiGen, CERF & Heart Clinic

Sunday, March 10, 2013

**Refugee Canyon West
Boarding Kennel/Veterinary Clinic
9077 National Road (State route 40, east of Columbus)
Pataskala, OH 43063**

******For questions, directions or cancellations day of clinic, call Jennifer Stotts at 740-819-1607 or the clinic at 740-964-2401. If you are not coming, be considerate of others and let us know!!!******

CERF Clinic

Anne Gemensky Metzler, DVM, MS, Diplomate ACVO (OSU)

NOTE: Scheduling by appointment only: 8:00-4:00

Exam cost: \$35 per dog/

There is a discount for litters – call or email for info on pricing.

Contact: Jennifer Stotts – shannonlabradors@yahoo.com or 740-828-2657

OptiGen Clinic

On-site blood draw times – 9:30 A.M. -2:00 P.M.

CONTACT: Jennifer Stotts – shannonlabradors@yahoo.com or 740-828-2657

Please register your dog in advance online at www.optigen.com for a 5% discount and to get paper work. There is an additional 20% discount for participating in this clinic, if you use the discount code below. Bring the confirmation form to the clinic to be shipped with the blood sample. There will be a \$10 charge for the on-site blood draw.

Clinic discount code: COLRC13 – active from February 26 – March 10

HEART Clinic

Karsten Schober, DVM, PhD, Associate Professor (Cardiology), Diplomate ECVIM (Cardiology) OSU

Note: Scheduling by appointment only: 9:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.

Auscultation Exam cost: \$40

The doctor will bring OFA forms for owners to submit if desired.

CONTACT: Jennifer Stotts – shannonlabradors@yahoo.com or 740-828-2657

NOTE: COLRC can accept credit cards with a \$3 fee.

This health clinic is sponsored by The Central Ohio Labrador Retriever Club.
www.colrc.com

INTRODUCTION TO FREESTYLE WITH JAN MAYR

March 30, 2013

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Medina Swarm Indoor Facility

251 Pine Street • Wadsworth, Ohio



Jan Mayr and her Border Collies are some of the busiest teams in the dog world today. Jan successfully competes in numerous dog sports with her own dogs, but has also handled other's dogs as well. She shares her expertise by instructing classes (both group and private), by giving workshops/seminars and sharing her dogs with the community by doing demos and appearances at schools, community events, expos and more... Jan's dogs compete in agility, canine musical freestyle, obedience, rally and herding.

Jan has been involved in competition obedience in the capacities of competition and instruction for 23 years. She also has 16 years of experience in canine musical freestyle and 8 years in agility. Her award winning Border Collies are well-renowned for their happy attitudes and willingness to please in any venue. Jan has owned, bred, trained and exhibited Border Collies for 25 years.

Working Spot: \$50 Audit Spot: \$30

Limited Privates afterward - 1-2 people - \$60/hr

For More Information Contact Cindy Wilmoth, gsindy@wadsnet.com, (330) 351-3134



Mail Registration and Payment, made out to: Medina Swarm, c/o Cindy Wilmoth, 433 Red Rock Drive, Wadsworth, OH 44281

Name _____ Email _____

Address _____ Phone _____

Workshop ☐ Private ☐ Second Person? _____ Dog's Name/Breed _____

Have you done freestyle previously? ☐ yes ☐ no Other training/activities _____

Release

I hereby agree to participate in activities of, and hereby agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the Medina Swarm educational and training division of IRO, Inc. (the Swarm). In consideration of the acceptance of this application and participating in Swarm activities, I hereby agree to hold the Swarm, its members, directors, governors, officers, agents, superintendents, committees and/or members thereof, and all employees of said Swarm and any and all persons connected with or associated with said Swarm, in whatever capacity, harmless from (1) any loss or injury which may occur to any person or thing and/or which may be caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by any biting by or to, or any other act of, any animals in my charge, while in or upon the premises or grounds, or in, or at or near any entrance or entrances or exits thereto, whether or not and when the said dog or dogs is or are being delivered or removed or otherwise handled, and personally to assume full responsibility and liability therefore, and (2) the disappearance and/or loss by theft or otherwise, and/or the death of said animals caused by the negligence or carelessness of the Swarm, its members or any person or persons connected with the Swarm in any manner, or by any other person or persons and/or by any other cause or causes directly or indirectly operating while such person or persons and/or animal or animals is or are on the premises of any Swarm activities. I agree that any animal may be barred from activities if, in the opinion of Swarm, such animal is physically incapacitated or otherwise unsuited for such activities.

Owner/Student Signature _____

Parent/Guardian Signature (If Owner/Student is a Minor) _____

J & B FUN SHOW



**2 Times The Fun!!!!
2 Conformation Fun Shows
2 Obedience & 2 Rally Shows**



WHERE: Medina Kennel Club Training Building, 6162 Wooster Pike, Medina OH 44256

WHEN: Saturday, February 16, 2013

Morning Show Registration: 8:30 - 9:30 AM..... Judging begins at 10:00 AM

Afternoon Show Registration: 11:30 - 12:30 PM..... Judging begins at 1:00 PM

Pre-registration \$8.00 Day of Show Entry \$10.00 Per Show

50 - 50 RAFFLE
\$25 Gas Card for Best Junior & Best Senior Puppy

Food available at the show (donations only)

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J & B FUN SHOW ENTRY FORM

Name: _____

ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL: _____

Dog's Name _____ **Arm Band** _____

Breed _____ **Sex** _____ **Dog's Birthdate** _____

GROUP: (Circle One)

Herding Sporting Working Toy Non-Sporting Terrier Hound

CLASS and/or JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP: (Check One)

[] JR PUPPY 3-6 mos [] JR PUPPY 6-9 mos [] SR PUPPY 9-12 mos [] ADULT over 12 mos

[] JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP: (Circle One) NOVICE OPEN SENIOR

[] OBEDIENCE: (Circle One) PRE-NOVICE NOVICE OPEN

[] RALLY: (Circle One) NOVICE ADVANCED EXCELLENT

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Mail Pre-registration to:

Shamron Anderson, 3552 Huffman Rd, Medina, OH 44256.

Phone inquiries [330-952-0282](tel:330-952-0282)

General COLRC Information



The **UNLEASHED!** is a publication by and for the members of the **Central Ohio Labrador Retriever Club** and others interested in the betterment of the sport and advancement of cooperative communication within the Labrador community and the dog fancy.

The articles and information contained in this publication have been deemed by the editor to be of interest to our readers but do not necessarily reflect the beliefs or the opinions of the editor or COLRC members. Reader input is actively solicited.

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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.

Meetings General meetings shall take place the first Wednesday of every month unless otherwise noted.

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