



# UNLEASHED

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## Next Meeting

**Date:** Wednesday, February 5, 2014

**Time:** 6:30

**Location:**

"Puppy Socialization"  
The Animal Hospital of Worthington  
5756 N. High Street  
Worthington, OH 43085

## 2014 Meeting Dates

### \*Tentative

- March 9 Health Clinic
- \*April 2
- \*May 4 Puppy Match
- \*June 4
- \*July 2
- \*September 3
- \*October 1
- \*November 5
- \*December Christmas Party

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*From February 1991 but the importance of clearing our breeding stock is still relevant today.*

## Prez Notes

I read with interest the letters published between newsletters. Those written by self-proclaimed "Labrador Breeders" who burn their Julie Brown Directories and demand attendance to their seminars. They hope to go down in history as saviors of the breed. Who are these people? And what sense does it make to destroy volumes of pedigrees that we should be using as information. There are always those who rally to a cause; what the cause is varies from time to time.

Crises in animal husbandry is ongoing. It is not new in dog breeding in general or Labrador breeding in particular. It does however, separate the men from the boys.

At least 15 years ago we were coping with suspected PRA carriers. Then, as now, some chose to spay their breeding stock, sure that the demise of the breed was at hand and not wanting to be involved. At least 50% of those kennels advertised 15 years ago are now nonexistent. Those of sturdier stock who possessed more common sense, utilized the information and persevered. Right or wrong, they remained dedicated enough to the breed to weather the storm; those same people to a great extent are the ones who will persevere now.

There are no easy answers and as my phone rings itself to death, I am disappointed that so many Labrador Folks are choosing to make loud and empty proclamations rather than dedicating themselves to realistically coping with the problem. Ophthalmologists don't seem to agree on much, but one fact remains universally accepted: the incidence of PRA in

Labradors will not be reduced until a simple blood test is developed. Percentage-wise, those with any knowledge at all of hereditary defects are in the minority compared to the number of people producing puppies. Just call of few of those ads in Sunday's paper. It is a sad state of affairs. Could it be that to some extent our breed will not only survive this but also benefit in the same sense that it must make caring breeders even more aware of the importance of clearing our breeding stock, and hopefully, send those not dedicated enough screaming into the sunset? Good riddance.

What would be most unfortunate would be if we lowered our standards in other areas for the sake of clear eyes. Hips and seizures remain with us. Perhaps most importantly, we should be aware of increasingly atypical temperaments in our breed. What good is a gorgeous bitch with all the appropriate clearances if she eats you and your stud dog!

I'll get off my soapbox but please remember: if you are not part of the solution, you're part of the problem.

Fondly, Sally

## Health Clinic

Sunday March 9 — See FLIER

### Litter Listings

Available

**6 month old yellow male**

Contact Linda Bednarski

[linda@tullamorelabs.com](mailto:linda@tullamorelabs.com) or 740 936-5171

**12-month-old, black female**

Lead & crate trained; housebroken

Contact Lori Bentine @ 614-579-3990 or

Email at [labwriter@aol.com](mailto:labwriter@aol.com)

*At this time, COLRC Unleashed! Does not require listing of CERF or OFA information for Litter Box Listings. All breeders are encouraged to have hips and eyes certified on all breeding stock and to provide this information in litter listings. COLRC Unleashed! does not represent any litter listing as meeting any type of breeder's code or standard. Ask the breeder when inquiring about dogs listed*

### 2014 Membership Renewal!

Family membership \$50

Individual membership \$30

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

Mail to

**Christine Bell  
5585 Wilcox Rd.  
Dublin, Ohio**

### Dog License Renewal

Don't forget it is time to renew your dog license!!

The last day to purchase a 2014 dog tag/license without penalty is January 31st! Ohio law requires every dog to be licensed.

## Check out Central Ohio Labrador Retriever Club on Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/575516432535825/>

**Thank you Andrea Fitch!**



### Coming Events

Central Indiana Kennel Club, Inc.	AB	Indianapolis, IN	Thu 02/06/2014	Closes: Wed 01/22
Hoosier Kennel Club, Inc.	AB	Indianapolis, IN	Fri 02/07/2014	Closes: Wed 01/22
Central Indiana Kennel Club, Inc.	AB/JSHW	Indianapolis, IN	Sat 02/08/2014	Closes: Wed 01/22
Hoosier Kennel Club, Inc.	AB/JSHW	Indianapolis, IN	Sun 02/09/2014	Closes: Wed 01/22
Hamilton Dog Training Club, Inc.	O	Fairfield, OH	Fri 02/14/2014	Closes: Wed 01/29
Medina Swarm Agility Club	CPE	Wadsworth, OH	Sat 02/15/2014	Closes: Wed 01/29
Hamilton Dog Training Club, Inc.	O	Fairfield, OH	Sat 02/15/2014	Closes: Wed 01/29
Hamilton Dog Training Club, Inc.	RLY	Fairfield, OH	Sun 02/16/2014	Closes: Wed 01/29
Medina Swarm Agility Club	CPE	Wadsworth, OH	Sun 02/16/2014	Closes: Wed 01/29
Cleveland All-breed Training Club, Inc.	o/RLY	Brooklyn Hts, OH	Sat 03/08/2014	Closes: Fri 02/21
Cleveland All-breed Training Club, Inc.	o/RLY	Brooklyn Hts, OH	Sun 03/09/2014	Closes: Fri 02/21
Mid-kentucky Kennel Club, Inc.	AB/O/JSHW/RLY	Louisville, KY	Thu 03/13/2014	Closes: Wed 02/26
Louisville Kennel Club, Inc.	AB/O/JSHW/RLY	Louisville, KY	Fri 03/14/2014	Closes: Wed 02/26
Evansville Kennel Club, Inc.	AB/JSHW	Louisville, KY	Sat 03/15/2014	Closes: Wed 02/26
Louisville Kennel Club, Inc.	AB/O/JSHW/RLY	Louisville, KY	Sun 03/16/2014	Closes: Wed 02/26
Onondaga Kennel Association, Inc.	AB/O/JSHW	Syracuse, NY	Thu 03/27/2014	Closes: Wed 03/12
Finger Lakes Kennel Club, Inc.	AB/O/JSHW	Syracuse, NY	Fri 03/28/2014	Closes: Thu 03/13
North Country Kennel Club, Inc.	AB/O/JSHW	Syracuse, NY	Sat 03/29/2014	Closes: Thu 03/13
Central New York Kennel Club, Inc.	AB/O/JSHW	Syracuse, NY	Sun 03/30/2014	Closes: Wed 03/12



# COLRC All-Breed OptiGen, EIC, CERF & Heart Clinic

**Sunday, March 9, 2014**

**Refugee Canyon West**  
Boarding Kennel/Veterinary Clinic  
9077 National Road SW (State Route 40, east of Columbus)  
Pataskala, OH 43062-9019  
Link on Yahoo Maps: <http://yhoo.it/K83KLH>

**\*\*\*\*For questions, directions or cancellations DAY OF CLINIC ONLY, 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!!!\*\*\*\***

## Eye Exam Clinic

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

NOTE: Scheduling by appointment only: 8:00-4:00; OFA forms will be provided which are accepted by CERF and OFA  
Exam cost: \$35 per dog/

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

Contact: Jennifer Stotts – [shannonlabradors@yahoo.com](mailto:shannonlabradors@yahoo.com) or 740-828-2657

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## OptiGen Clinic

On-site blood draw times – 9:00 A.M. -3:00 P.M.

**CONTACT:** Jennifer Stotts – [shannonlabradors@yahoo.com](mailto:shannonlabradors@yahoo.com) or 740-828-2657

Please register your dog in advance online at [www.optigen.com](http://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:OHLRCx4 active: 2/23/14 through 3/10/14**

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## HEART Clinic

**Karsten Schober, DVM, PhD, Associate Professor (Cardiology),Diplomate ACVIM (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](mailto:shannonlabradors@yahoo.com) or 740-828-2657

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## Exercise Induced Collapse Blood Draws

On-site blood draw times – 9:00-3:00

Please register for the test in advance <http://www.vdl.umn.edu/ourservices/canineneuromuscular/eic/home.html> or you can download the form at [www.cvm.umn.edu/vdl/prod/groups/cvm@pub/.../cvm\\_93648.pdf](http://www.cvm.umn.edu/vdl/prod/groups/cvm@pub/.../cvm_93648.pdf) or simply search EIC testing. There is no discount for the test, but the tests will be shipped together, saving on shipping costs.

There will be a \$10 charge for the on-site blood draw. You can pay for the test online with a credit card or submit a check (to: U of MN Diagnostic Lab) with the form and blood sample.

**NOTE:** if also doing OptiGen testing, one blood draw fee will cover both tests

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

# ***ANIMAL CLINIC NORTHVIEW, INC.***

***ADVANCES IN CANINE REPRODUCTION:***

***SATURDAY JANUARY 25, 2014***

- 7:45-8:30 A.M.            REGISTRATION & CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST***  
***8:30-8:45 A.M.            INTRODUCTION: BY DR. ROBERT HUTCHISON***
- 8:45-10:00 A.M.         DR. BRIAN GREENFIELD:***  
***HEALTH CLEARANCE TESTING AND GENETIC SCREENING***
- 10:00-11:00 A.M.        DR. REBECCA PENTECOST:***  
***POST WHELPING COMPLICATIONS***
- 11:00-11:15 A.M.        BREAK***
- 11:15-12:15 A.M.        MR. JOHN LICHTY: MINITUBE OF AMERICA***  
***REPRODUCTIVE PRODUCTS & TECHNOLOGY***
- 12:15-1:15 P.M.         LUNCH***
- 1:15-2:15 P.M.          DR. ALLISON REIDL:***  
***NEONATAL SURVIVAL***
- 2:15-2:30 P.M.          RAFFEL DRAWING & BREAK***
- 2:30-4:00 P.M.          DR. ROBERT HUTCHISON:***  
***PEDIATRICS, 4-8 WEEKS***
- 4:00-4:30 P.M.          GROUP PANEL DISCUSSION***

*The above program has been approved by the Ohio Veterinary Medical Licensing Board for 7 hours of CE credit for veterinarians and veterinary technicians.*

## 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.

Please address or email all articles, announcements, comments and suggestions to [newsletter@colrc.com](mailto:newsletter@colrc.com). Unleashed is published ten to twelve times per year. Closing for each issue is the 20<sup>th</sup> day of the month prior to publication.

Dues are \$30 annually for a single membership and \$50 for a joint membership. Business cards will be placed on the COLRC website for the year at a cost of \$50 for members and non-members.

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.

### OFFICERS

President.....	Sally Bell	(Term expires Dec 2015)
Vice President.....	Lori Bentine	(Term expires Dec 2015)
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### COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

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Newsletter.....	Christine Nickerson
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Show Chair.....	Susan Moseley
Eye Clinic.....	Jennifer Stotts

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