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Time: 6:30 P.M.

Location: TBA

2020 Meeting/Event Dates

March 4
April 1
May 3 Health Clinic
June 3
July 1
September 2
October 7
November 4
Christmas Party—TBA

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CHECK OUT CENTRAL OHIO LABRADOR RETRIEVER CLUB
ON FACEBOOK

[HTTPS://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/GROUPS/575516432535825/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/575516432535825/)

Due to many club members' winter schedules, there will be **NO COLRC MEETING FOR FEBRUARY.**

Health Clinic

We just received confirmation that this year's annual health clinic will once again be located at the veterinary clinic of Dr. Don Mann (same location as the last two years) the first Sunday in May (May 3) and will once again have Dr. Anne Gemensky Metzler doing eye exams and Dr. Karsten Schober doing heart exams.

I have not yet confirmed that we will offer DNA testing through one of the companies that we have worked with in the past.

I will be putting the finishing touches on the flier and sending it out to our previous clients, the newsletter, the website and Facebook pages.

Please spread the word!!

~Jennifer

Litter Listings

**Ellsworth's Jobu Rum X
Wit's End Hidden Destiny at
Ellsworth**

Whelped 12/28/2019

**Available: one yellow male, one
yellow female and one black female**

**Contact Angela Ewald @
810-814-3491 or
angelaewald14@gmail.com**

2020 Membership Dues are due!

Dues are \$25 annually for a single membership and \$40 for a joint membership.

Business cards will be placed on the COLRC website for the year at a cost of \$50.

Please mail your check to Linda Bednarski.

If you have changes from last year please be sure to include those also.

**Dues unpaid by March 1 will
be dropped from the
membership list!**

Any questions, please contact Linda at Linda@tullamorelabs.com

Down 'n Back

**Captain Nick's The Ship's Belle
Medina Swarm Agility Club
12/10/19**

**ACT 1 (Agility Course Test 1)
And
Act 2 (Agility Course Test 2)
Titles**

Owner: Christine Nickerson

**ClearCreek Second to None
Columbiana KC
1/3/20**

Major RWD

Owner: Jennifer Stotts

**ClearCreek Second to None
Rubber City KC
1/4/20**

Major RWD

Owner: Jennifer Stotts

**ClearCreek Second to None
Rubber City KC
1/5/20**

WD BOW

Owner: Jennifer Stotts

**ClearCreek Second to None
Oakland Co KC
1/18/20 & 1/19/20**

Major RWD

Owner: Jennifer Stotts



AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB

GOVERNMENT RELATIONS DEPARTMENT

January 22, 2020

<https://www.akc.org/legislative-alerts/u-s-department-transportation-proposes-new-rules-define-service-dogs-purpose-air-travel/>

New proposed rules from the United States Department of Transportation (DOT) that seek to clarify Air Carrier Access Act (ACAA) regulations regarding the transportation of service animals by air and that are intended to ensure that America's air transportation system is safe for the travelling public and accessible to individuals with disabilities, are expected to be published in the Federal Register by the end of this week.

SUMMARY OF PROPOSAL:

- Defines a "service animal" as a dog that is individually trained to do work to perform tasks for the benefit of a qualified individual with a disability.
- Allows airlines to recognize emotional support animals as pets rather than as service animals.
- Allow airlines to require all passengers with a disability traveling with a service animal to complete forms attesting to the animal's training and behavior, certifying the animal's good health, and confirming that the animal has the ability either not to relieve itself on a long flight or to relieve itself in a sanitary manner; and submit completed forms to the airline.
- Clarifies existing prohibitions on airlines' imposing breed restrictions on service animals.
- Allows airlines to set policies to limit the number of service animals that one passenger can bring onboard an aircraft.
- Requires service animals to be harnessed, leashed, or otherwise tethered.
- Addresses the safe transport of large service animals in aircraft cabins.
- Clarifies when the user of a service animal may be charged for damage caused by a service animal.
- Addresses the responsibilities of airline code-share partners.

[The American Kennel Club \(AKC\)](#) strongly supports public accommodations that allow individuals with disabilities to use service dogs. The AKC also strongly condemns characterizing dogs as service animals when they are not, or attempting to benefit from a dog's service dog status when the individual using the dog is not a person with a disability.

BACKGROUND:

In May 2018, DOT published an Advanced Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ANPRM) seeking comment on amending the Department's ACAA regulations on transportation of service animals. This was published in response to concerns expressed by individuals with disabilities, airlines, flight attendants, and other stakeholders about the need for a change in the Department's service animal requirements. THE ANPRM asked for comments on ways to ensure and improve access to air transportation for individuals with disabilities, while also deterring the fraudulent use of animals not qualified as service animals and ensuring that animals that are not trained to behave properly in public are not accepted for transport.

Then, in August of 2019, [DOT issued interim guidance](#) to help travelers understand their rights regarding the use of service animals and emotional support animals. This clarification came after the number of animals traveling with passengers in cabin has significantly increased since 2016 (from 481,000 to 751,000 the following year, according to Airlines for America, an industry trade group) and a significant increase in the number of bite and other safety incidents involving ESAs. [Click here to read AKC's August 2019 post on DOT's interim clarifications.](#)

Read [Misuse of Service Dogs Hurts the Disabled and Responsible Dog Owners.](#)

WHAT YOU CAN DO:

AKC Government Relations Department (AKC GR) encourages all interested parties to review the proposed updates, which are available for consideration [here](#).

Concerned parties are encouraged to provide comment to U.S. Department of Transportation during the update's public comment period, which will run for 60 days after the proposal's official publication in the Federal Register (i.e., through late March).

Individuals may file comments identified by the docket number DOT-OST-2018-0068 by any of the following methods:

Federal rulemaking Portal: go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

- Mail: Docket Management Facility. U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590-0001.
- Hand Delivery or Courier: West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SW, between 9AM and 5PM E.T., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.
- FAX: (202) 493-2251.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

AKC's Government Relations Department will provide additional commentary and talking points on the proposal after fully analyzing the proposal.

Did you know that AKC GR recently redesigned and continues to update its Regulatory Resource Center, which provides information on regulatory proposals and requirements from both the federal and state governments? For more information, access the Regulatory Resource Center at <https://akcgr.org/regcenter?1>, or contact AKC GR at doglaw@akc.org.

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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. Unleashed is published ten to twelve times per year. Closing for each issue is the 20th day of the month prior to publication.

Dues are \$25 annually for a single membership and \$40 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.

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