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Next Meeting

Date: Wednesday, September 5, 2012

Time: 6:30

Location: Joe's Firehouse Tavern

38 South Vernon Sunbury, OH

Meeting Dates

October 3 November 7

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The one absolutely unselfish friend that man can have in this selfish world, the one that never deserts him, the one that never proves ungrateful or treacherous, is his dog.

~ George Graham Vest

It's Not All About Showing Dogs Susan Moseley

Once upon a time, around 11½ years ago, a couple in South Carolina purchased a female pup--a beautiful red, curly-haired, sweet and loving, Golden Retriever. They named her Sadie. They thought that perhaps she'd be less persistent with demanding attention so approximately 6 months later they purchased a black, male Labrador retriever to be her best bud. They called him Tucker. The two grew up together, grew old together.

On Thursday, August 2, 2012 the couple decided that 11 to 11 ½ years was old enough and they took the pair to a crowded, high kill shelter in the northern part of South Carolina. Sadie and Tucker's PTS date was set for early Monday morning, August 6th. The volunteers at the shelter thought it was a terrible situation. Here were the most adoptable dogs they had ever seen go through their shelter but the dogs were old, everyone wanted a young dog if they wanted any dog! There was nothing that could be done.

A volunteer from a neighboring shelter heard about the Labrador and called a Labrador breeder in Mills River, North Carolina. Anne was struck by the story. She put the tale of Sadie and Tucker on a Labrador Friendly Yahoo group. Two more people from different states began a rush

to save them. The two old dogs were pulled from the shelter on Saturday, August 4th, 36-hours before the scheduled deaths.

Today they are in foster care in Columbus, Ohio-- leading the life of Yankees. Tucker and Sadie are looking for a home. Someplace where they can rest easy, meet you at the door when you get home lay a few feet away from you while you watch television. Go for slow strolls around the neighborhood, end the day sleeping at the foot of the bed. They're looking for a commitment to be loved.

Each dog is healthy. Well behaved. Easy. Sadie and Tucker are like an old married couple. Comfortable with each other, close even as they seem to pay no attention to the other, inseparable. They come as a set.

It's my hope that if I tell 100 people the story of Sadie and Tucker that maybe 50 of those people will tell 1 person and maybe someone will want these 2 to come and live with them. I hope you'll help.

Specialty Notes 2012 Susan Moseley

Wow! It's almost September, less than 2 months until the Specialty. Is there anything we should be doing? Anything that can be done now so that the end of October tasks don't seem overwhelming?

Please come to the September meeting to give your suggestions, offer your help. And be thinking about tasks you'd like to help out with.

Thanks so much, see you the first Wednesday in September.

Central Ohio Labrador Retriever Club

Specialty Shows

October 27 & 28, 2012

Delaware Co. Fairgrounds

Delaware, Ohio

Saturday October 27

Judges:

Mary Cox, Lenches Labradors

Tony Ciprian, Lake Pine Labradors (Sweeps)

Sunday October 28

Judges:

Jim Bowron, Fortune Labradors

Fabian Negron (Sweeps)

Closing Date October 10

Show Chair

Susan Moseley

614-203-5700

Down 'n Back

Lobuff Brookstone Tremonts Paper Moon

Marion OH KC 7/30/12 **WB, BOS**

owner: Jennifer Stotts

Shalane Knightingail

Dan Emmet KC 7/24/12 WB/BOS

Owner: Deb Lewis

Shalane Strangers in the Knight

Dan Emmet KC 7/25/12 RWD

Owner: Deb Lewis

Shalane Knightingail

LRC of Ontario 8/12/12 WB/ Best Puppy 5point major

Owner: Deb Lewis

Captain Nick's Winch Grinder

Medina Swarm Agility 8/4/12

CPE Level 1 S

Owner: Christine Nickerson

Litter Listings

Ashway's Triple Back Flip MH X
Bellmark Ice by Fire MH
Whelped July 12, 2012
Chocolates and Blacks
2 females & 5 males
Contact Martin and Christine Bell
614-889-5871
bellmark5871@att.net

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.

Breeder Rant

Jennifer Stotts

When I wrote the column for the newsletter about kennel cough, I really didn't intend for the breeder rant to be a regular column, but it seems apparent that there are a number of issues that provoke my ire and/or cause me to cock my head like dogs when they hear a strange noise, and go "huh?" I recently overheard a Labrador breeder question the purpose of doing heart exams on our Labradors. I mean, after all, Labradors don't have heart problems, so what's the point, right? WRONG! Now, I am imagining that back in the day, before I got "into" dogs, the same discussion may have taken place with regard to x-raying hips, which seems almost ridiculous to consider in this, 2012, where it is common practice amongst "reputable" breeders to xray hips and elbows and submit them to OFA for evaluation, but it hasn't always been that way, I am sure.

Anyway, back to hearts. I didn't used to do echoes or annual auscultations on my dogs either. However, after breeding to a dog that was later diagnosed with tricuspid valve dysplasia, I felt compelled to check the progeny I had kept. Once the club started bringing in a cardiologist to our annual health clinic, I began having my stud dogs examined via auscultation annually. Then, my general practitioner vet picked up on something that didn't sound quite right to him when listening to a six month old puppy's heart. There had only been two puppies in the litter and I kept both, so I took them to the health clinic and low and behold, both were diagnosed with grade

three heart murmurs, long term prognosis not good. Subsequently, I began checking every dog we breed, every year.

Although I know that auscultation is not as precise a diagnostic tool as an echocardiogram, it has to date detected three dogs with TVD. I believe that a skilled cardiologist can pick up many, if not most irregularities in the heart by auscultation.

I really don't understand the mode of inheritance of TVD in Labradors, and I don't know if the veterinarians completely agree either. What I do know is, had I not done those exams, there would be three dogs in my breeding program with a genetic heart condition and I would unknowingly be passing this disease on to their progeny.

I know as a breeder, I sometimes feel overwhelmed by the expense involved in doing hips, elbows, hearts, optigen, CERFs and now EIC tests. However, my puppy buyers trust me to provide them with the healthiest puppy possible and I can't in good conscience stick my head in the sand and pretend heart problems don't exist in Labradors. There are no perfect dogs....I know that and have often said that if genetic tests were developed to determine carriers for the major heritable diseases and defects in Labradors, there would be no Labradors left to breed. But I do think that those of us who define ourselves as responsible breeders, have an obligation to do whatever we can to ensure that the animals in our breeding program are as disease and defect free as science has made possible.

Conning Events				
Kennel Club Of Columbus, Indiana	AB/O/JSHW/RLY	Edinburgh, IN	Sat 09/22/2012	Closes: Wed 09/05
Kennel Club Of Columbus, Indiana	AB/O/JSHW/RLY	Edinburgh, IN	Sun 09/23/2012	Closes: Wed 09/05
Finger Lakes Kennel Club, Inc.	AB/O/JSHW/RLY	Romulus, NY	Fri 09/28/2012	Closes: Wed 09/12
Monroe Kennel Club	O/RLY	Monroe, MI	Fri 09/28/2012	Closes: Wed 09/12
Elmira Kennel Club, Inc.	AB/O/JSHW/RLY	Romulus, NY	Sat 09/29/2012	Closes: Wed 09/12
Monroe Kennel Club	AB/JSHW	Monroe, MI	Sat 09/29/2012	Closes: Wed 09/12
Onondaga Kennel Association, Inc.	AB/O/JSHW/RLY	Romulus, NY	Sun 09/30/2012	Closes: Wed 09/12
Monroe Kennel Club	AB/JSHW	Monroe, MI	Sun 09/30/2012	Closes: Wed 09/12
Fulton County Ohio Kennel Club	AB/JSHW	Wauseon, OH	Sat 10/06/2012	Closes: Wed 09/19
Fulton County Ohio Kennel Club	AB/JSHW	Wauseon, OH	Sun 10/07/2012	Closes: Wed 09/19
Mad River Valley Kennel Club, Inc.	AB/JSHW	Urbana, OH	Sat 10/13/2012	Closes: Wed 09/26
Mad River Valley Kennel Club, Inc.	AB/JSHW	Urbana, OH	Sun 10/14/2012	Closes: Wed 09/26
Delaware Ohio Kennel Club	AB/JSHW	Delaware, OH	Sat 10/27/2012	Closes: Wed 10/10
Delaware Ohio Kennel Club	AB/JSHW	Delaware, OH	Sun 10/28/2012	Closes: Wed 10/10

Temperament Test (ATTS)

Clarion Canine Obedience Club, Knox, PA September 8 beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Clarion County Park, Shippenville - I-80 exit 60, Route 66 North (Paint Blvd) to Doe Run Road (turn left)

COST: \$40

CONTACT: call 814.354.6387 for registration information or contact Mary Housholder mahousholder@gmail.com

Lake Erie Labrador Retriever Club

September 9, 2012: Eye, Heart, & Microchip Clinic CGC Testing Clinic Medina Kennel Club Training Facility 6162 Wooster Pike Road (Ohio Route 3)

> Rubber City KC Northeast Ohio Puppy Match Sunday, September 30

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. 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 \$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.

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2012 ALL BREED EYE, HEART AND MICROCHIP CLINIC AKC Canine Good Citizen Testing

SPONSORED BY THE LAKE ERIE LABRADOR RETRIEVER CLUB

DATE: Sunday, September 9, 2012 PLACE: Medina Kennel Club Facility

6162 Wooster Pike Road (Rt. 3)

TIME: 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM Medina, Ohio 44256

The Lake Erie Labrador Retriever Club (LELRC) will sponsor an <u>ALL BREED</u> Eye, Heart, and Microchip Clinic as well as AKC CGC Testing at the Medina Kennel Club's Training Facility. The eye exams will be performed by Dr. Anne Gemensky-Metzler, DVM, MS, Diplomate ACVO, Associate Professor-Clinical Comparative Ophthalmology. Dr. Robert Hamlin, DVM, PhD, Diplomate ACVIM, Cardiologist/Internal Medicine will conduct the heart exams. Both doctors are from The Ohio State University. Please bring your own grooming brush/comb for CGC testing. The cost of these exams as well as CGC testing is detailed below. PRE-REGISTRATION IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED. Please contact Judy Segedi (information below) to schedule your appointment and then send your check, payable to the LELRC, and registration form to Judy Segedi. Sorry, no refunds.

\$32 per dog

HEART EXAMS \$25 per dog MICROCHIPS \$25 per dog \$10 per test

Contact Information: Judy Segedi

2787 Marks Road Valley City, OH 44280

330-764-9717

LELRC@zoomintemet.net

If you need additional eye/heart forms, please go to www.I.FI.R.C.net

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OWNER				PHONE NUMBER	
ADDRESS (Street/City/State/Zip Code)				Email Address	
CANINE'S REGISTERED NAME					
BREED/VARIETY	COAT COLOR/TYPE		TATTOO or MICROCHIP NUMBER		
CANINE'S REGISTRATION NUMBER CAN		CANINE'S BIRTH DATE	DOG OR BIT	CGC - YES / NO	
PLEASE CIRCLE ONE	PLEASE CIRCLE ONE		PLEASE CIRCLE ONE		
HEART EXAM – YES / NO	EYE EXAM – YES / NO		MICROCHIP - YES / NO		
PLEASE CIRCLE ONE					
WOULD YOU PREFER - MORNING APPT. / AFTERNOON APPT. ?					

NORTH EAST OHIO PUPPY MATCH

Sponsored by

Rubber City Kennel Club, Inc. & Agathon Kennel Club, Inc.

AKC SANCTIONED B-OB OUTDOOR MATCH

Pending AKC Approval
Sunday, September 30, 2012
Summit County Fairgrounds, Tallmadge, Ohio
229 East Howe Rd., Tallmadge, OH 44278

Entries taken from 9:00 a.m.
Fee: \$6.00 per dog, \$4.00 for additional entry of same dog
\$2.00 Junior Showmanship

Conformation Class entries close at noon Judging begins at 12:30 p.m.

Classes divided by sex: 3-6 month, 6-9 month, 9-12 month, Adult

Dogs with major points may show for exhibition only. Handlers may only exhibit dogs owned or co-owned by them or an immediate family member. Dogs must be in proper show trim, no weights or tapes.

Group Judge

Herding Artt Chapa, Windham, Ohio

Hounds Mary Lou Kniola, Delaware, Ohio

Non-Sporting Nancy Gallant, Battle Creek, Michigan

Sporting Anthony Disiena, Valley City, Ohio

Terrier Artt Chapa, Windham, Ohio
Toy Mary Lou Kniola, Delaware, Ohio

Working Dean Perry, Akron, Ohio

Junior Showmanship entries close at 11:00 a.m.
Judging begins at 11:30 a.m.

Judge: Anthony Disiena, Valley City, Ohio Classes

8-12 years of age: Novice Junior and Open Junior 13-16 years of age: Novice Senior and Open Senior

Canine Good Citizen testing will be administered by Pat Smith, Brewster, Ohio. Fee: \$10.00 per dog. Testing begins at 9:30 a.m.

Obedience entries close at 11:00 a.m. Judging at 11:15 a.m. (NEW TIME) Dogs with obedience titles, may enter the class in which they are titled for exhibition.

Dogs may compete in obedience beyond their degree held. Exhibitors must declare competitive classes at time of entry.

Mixed Breeds Are Permitted to Enter Obedience and Rally ONLY

Class

Pre-Novice, Novice A, Open A, Novice B, Open B, Utility Rally Obedience

Judge

Sue Winick, Canton, Ohio Sue Winick, Canton, Ohio

Sherri Augustine, Massillon, Ohio

FOOD - RAFFLE Directions

From

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Exit Route 8. Go South on Route 8 to the Howe Road exit.

Youngstown

Take I-76 West to Route 8 and head North to Howe Road.

Columbus

Take I-71 North to I-76, go East to Route 8 North, exit at Howe

Road.

Toledo

Take Ohio Turnpike East to Exit 180 and take Route 8 South to

Akron, Exit at Howe Road.

Howe Road

Exit Route 8 at Howe Road, go East approximately 3 miles to the

fairgrounds.

This is an AKC Sanctioned Match. All AKC rules apply. Rubber City Kennel Club and Agathon Kennel Club reserve the right to change or appoint additional Judges as needed.

> Match Chairperson: Greg Brown 486 Wolcott Avenue Kent, OH 44240 330.673.0356 Website - www.rubbercitykennelclub.com