



UNLEASHED

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2021 Meeting/Event Dates

Meeting: Wednesday, Oct. 6, 2021
6:30p.m.
"Senor Antonio's" Restaurant
8617 Columbus Pike
Columbus, OH. 43035

Meeting/Event Dates

October 6
November 3
December TBA

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The 2021 COLRC Fall Specialty is "full on" with a few changes due to COVID. Learn how you can help by attending this meeting. The areas of decorations, trophies/ribbons, judges' hospitality are nailed down; assistance is still needed with raffle donations. Money donations gladly accepted.

The margaritas are cold and the food tasty at this central location.

Come and join the fun!

Adios!

- Lori



Clinical Trial at OSU Featuring Labrador retrievers - call for participants

Hi there,

My name is Ashley Potts, and I am one of the Neurology Residents at the OSU College of Veterinary Medicine. I wanted to reach out in regards to an ongoing clinical trial through the Neurology Service involving Labrador retrievers as well as other large breed dogs, with the goal being to help us better understand MRI and CT (CAT scan) findings in dogs with and without degenerative lumbosacral stenosis (DLSS), also known as cauda equina syndrome. This is a disease that commonly affects the low back of large breed dogs, and it's similar to the low back disc herniations seen in people. I was hoping that you may be able to include the study information in your newsletter/group facebook page or other avenues, if you think that pet owners in your group would be interested in enrolling their pets in this study.

At this time, we are currently looking to enroll dogs in both the clinically affected and the unaffected (clinically normal) groups for our trial. Patients that are qualified to participate in the study will have an MRI and a CAT scan of their low back performed under general anesthesia, with the costs for the imaging (MRI and CAT scan) and the general anesthesia being covered by the study (over 2,500 dollars in cost is that would be covered). In order to enroll, owners call to schedule an initial consultation through the OSU Neurology service (which is \$190) to determine whether they qualify for the study. If they qualify for the study in the unaffected (clinically normal) group, all costs (including examination, blood work, x-rays and imaging) will be covered by the study. If they qualify for the study in the affected group, all imaging costs are covered other than x-rays of the lumbar spine (needed to rule-out other diseases) and pre-anesthetic blood work. The study does not cover the cost of any treatments (medications or surgery, if indicated). This study will be very beneficial in helping to better characterize the imaging findings of this disease, to help with its diagnosis and treatment options in large breed dogs in the future. It could also help us understand why some people with low back pain will go on to develop debilitating signs while others do not.

If anyone is interested in discussing this study further or getting an appointment to determine whether their pet would qualify for the study, they are welcome to email me at potts.367@osu.edu, or to call 614-292-3551 to get on our schedule! If they are interested in getting scheduled for an evaluation for study enrollment, please ask that they call during business hours (8am-4pm Monday-Friday) and ask to talk to Amanda or Heather in the neurology department to get scheduled for Dr. da Costa's lumbosacral (DLSS) study. This will ensure that the appointment is scheduled when both myself and Dr. da Costa (the clinician overseeing the study with me) are in clinics.

Thank you so much for passing this information along, and have a great rest of your week!

<https://vet.osu.edu/vmc/cto/clinical-trials/spine-disease-labrador-retrievers-and-other-large-breeds>

Spine disease in Labrador retrievers and other large breeds | Veterinary Medical Center <<https://vet.osu.edu/vmc/cto/clinical-trials/spine-disease-labrador-retrievers-and-other-large-breeds>>

Purpose and Brief Explanation of Study: Degenerative lumbosacral stenosis (DLSS), also known as cauda equina syndrome, is a common disease affecting the lower spine of dogs, primarily large breed dogs.

Best,
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Down 'n Backs

Shannon's Beau Tie

Muncie Kennel Club

8/19/21

Reserve Winners Dog

Owner : Jennifer Stotts

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BOB Puppy

Sporting Puppy Group 1

Owner : Jennifer Stotts

GCH ClearCreek Second to None

Muncie KC, Anderson KC, Muncie KC

8-19-21, 8-20-21, 8-21-21

BOB, BOB Owner Handler

Owner: Jennifer Stotts

Captain Nick's Rogue Wave

Carnation City Kennel Club

9/19/21

WD, BOB, 3rd place Group 3

Owner: Christine Nickerson

Handler: Quinn Nickerson



Three littermates, living in different homes, got together for a play date and it looks like they all had fun!!

~ Jennifer Stotts



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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