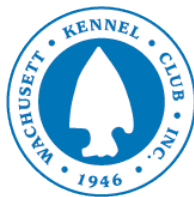


WACHUSETT KENNEL CLUB, Inc.



All-Breed Genetic Health Clinic: Sunday, March 12, 2017

Wachusett Kennel Club will offer a genetic screening clinic on Sunday, March 12, 2017 from 10am-4pm. We are offering this clinic to encourage our exhibitors, members, and friends to do more genetic screening on their breeding stock to improve the genetic health of our purebred dogs.

Pre-registration is required prior to March 1, or earlier if appointment times fill. We will email your appointment time approximately 5 days prior to the clinic.

If you are interested in participating in our clinic, here is what you need to know:

Location:

DogStar Activity Center, 310B School Street, Acton, MA 01720. Phone 978-429-8396. The facility is just south of Route 2 less than one mile west of the Concord rotary. Directions can be found on their website: www.DogStarActivityCenter.com. Click on location. Park in rear of building and enter through their back door.

Testing Offered/Preparation Instructions:

Participants must bring copy of dogs' AKC registration and information about any permanent ID, either tattoo or microchip:

- **Optigen DNA Tests--Review the available tests for your breed at:**

www.optigen.com

Click on "tests" on their home page to see what is available for your breed.

For 25% Discount on ALL OptiGen Tests

Participants can pre-enter their test requests online by using the CODE "WKC317" required before you start your online request. This code will remain active until the day of our clinic. After participant has pre-registered their test(s) request, they must remember to PRINT OUT their confirmation and bring it along with the dog they will test the day of the clinic. Pre-payment IS REQUIRED at that time with a credit or debit card to get the 25% discount.

Walk-in participants also accepted day of Clinic for 20% discount on all OptiGen Tests. We will have forms that can be filled out that day. For tests requiring blood, there will be an additional \$20 fee for the blood draw and shipping. For tests requiring only a cheek swab, there will be no additional fee.

- **Blood Analysis—Full Blood Profile CBC, Titers, Thyroid Panels, Etc.** By Dr. Jean Dodds of Hemopet in California. **For 15% discount on all Hemopet services**, download the test request form from our website and fill it out—it includes our 15% off price on each of their services. Bring it and a check made out to "Hemopet" with the dog you want tested to the clinic.

- **Blood Draw** -- Dr. Cynthia Schaefer of Apple Country Animal Hospital in Stow will draw and prepare the blood for shipping and Dr. Dodds' analysis or the Optigen DNA tests that require blood. There will be a charge of \$20 for the blood draw.
- **CERF Exams**—**Dr. Ruth Marrion, DVM, DACVO.** \$30 per dog including forms required for OFA listing (or CERF if you prefer). **This test requires pre-payment with reservation.** In addition to a copy of the dog's AKC registration papers and any microchip or tattoo, please bring a copy of the previous eye exam report if abnormal.
- **Patella Exam** – Dr. Schaefer will conduct patellar luxation examinations and provide the results—normal or Grades 1-4 luxation. Cost of the exam is \$30 and OFFA registration forms will be available to submit the results for an additional cost of \$15 payable to OFFA.
- **4DX SNAP Test** for heartworm, lyme, erlichiosis, and anaplasmosis. The charge for this test will be \$45—only \$35 when added to one of the other blood draw-required tests. A copy of the results will be provided to give to your regular veterinarian for your records.
- **Rabies Clinic**—Only \$15. Bring the dog's current original rabies certificate (not just the rabies tag). If no current proof of rabies is provided, the shot will only be good for a one year, not a three year period.
- **Microchip Implant** – Includes lifelong registration and first year membership to the service. Price of \$35 includes the chip and implantation fee. If you bring your own chip, it will be implanted by Dr. Schaefer at a cost of \$10.

Checks (made out to the Wachusett Kennel Club) or cash are the only form of payment accepted the day of Clinic for the blood draw. Bring additional blank checks or credit card (MC, Visa, Amex; Hemopet does not accept Discover) to accompany your Hemopet, Optigen form and blood samples, CERF testing.

If you have other questions, please email our Clinic organizers, Linda Shea, Cara Armour, and Terry Sadler at WKCEduSeminar@aol.com.

If you are ready to pre-register:

- Download the Clinic Reservation Form and fill it out, save it and email it to WKCEduSeminar@aol.com Make sure you include your name, mailing and email address, and phone number if we need to contact you for further information.
- You'll receive an email confirmation that we received your testing request within a week of submission.
- About five days prior to the clinic, you'll receive another email with the appointment time for your tests. We'll do our best to schedule testing so that you will not need to be waiting at the clinic for multiple hours.
- Make sure you bring a copy of each dog's AKC registration, prior eye check report if there was a problem found, your credit card and several blank checks or cash.
- Plan to arrive about 30 minutes prior to your scheduled appointment to make sure all your testing forms are filled out properly. If you are having eye checks done, drops will be required 30 minutes prior to the scheduled time for your exam as well.

PLEASE LEAVE YOUR DOG IN THE CAR UNTIL YOU HAVE CHECKED IN AND CONFIRMED THE TIME OF YOUR APPOINTMENT