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&
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Retrievers
present



The Dog Breeder's Workshop: A Canine Reproduction Seminar

Saturday, May 8 (9 AM – 7 PM) and Sunday, May 9, 2010 (9 AM – 4 PM)
40 Walmer Lane, Cold Spring, NY 10516

They're back by popular demand! Dr. Mary Stankovics and Debbie Leach of **Straws To Paws, LLC** will be presenting their breeder's workshop for all dog breeders who want to expand their knowledge of canine reproduction and learn skills useful to their breeding programs.

Straws To Paws believes that any solid breeding program should be a "team effort" between you and your veterinary repro team! This workshop will teach you methods to increase your breeding success rate by learning and practicing skills taught by respected professionals in canine reproduction. You will learn how to:

- Obtain, prepare & interpret vaginal cytology
- Use progesterone values and LH testing to fine tune your breedings
- Collect a male stud dog and prepare the sample for AI or Fresh-Chilled semen shipment
- Perform vaginal artificial insemination
- Interpret semen motility

This two-day workshop has gotten rave reviews from all attendees, whether they are seasoned breeders who wish to expand their knowledge or those just starting out. This workshop will empower you with the knowledge and skills to take an active role with your breeding program and create the repro team that will work with your breeding program! Each 2-day participant will receive a full-color text as well as an extensive "breeders kit."

On **Saturday**, Mary Stankovics, DVM and Debbie Leach of Straws to Paws LLC will teach you about the ins and outs of canine reproduction, including stud dog management, ovulation timing and breeding methods. You will have the chance to observe collections and AIs.

On **Sunday**, you will have the opportunity to practice taking, staining and interpreting vaginal slides; collecting males; doing AIs; using microscopes and more. If you join us for both days, you will receive your own **breeding kit**, valued at over \$150, to take home.

Dr Mary Stankovics, DVM, a member of the Society for Theriogenology, has practiced general and emergency medicine for 20 years, including serving as a full-time veterinarian for The Seeing Eye for nine years. She now specializes in the study of canine reproduction and neonatology, as well as general medicine at her private practice, Pleasant Valley Veterinary Service, Pleasant Valley, NJ.

Debbie Leach's career as a Veterinary Technician has focused on canine reproduction, with training at the University of Pennsylvania in Canine Reproductive Management. She managed The Seeing Eyes' breeding program in Morristown, NJ for 13 years, where she handled all aspects of reproductive management of their breeding colony of 90 dogs and a yearly production of 700 puppies.

Location: The workshop will be held indoors at 40 Walmer Lane, Cold Spring, NY (Putnam County).

Participants: Participation is limited to **15 participants** and **15 auditors** so send your reservation and payment in quickly.

Meals: Morning coffee, lunch and afternoon snacks will be provided. There are many restaurants in the area for dinner.

Logistics: Bring your own chairs, crates and a microscope, if you have one.

Participating Dogs: We need bitches in season and stud dogs to use during the workshop. Owners providing stud dogs will receive a \$50 coupon for semen freezing at a later date. Owners providing bitches in season will receive \$50 refund off their registration fee and a \$50 coupon for semen freezing. Due to space constraints, only dogs that will be used in the workshop can be crated inside.

For more information, e-mail Gayle Watkins at Gaylans@optonline.net, call 845-265-2045, or visit our website at <http://www.gaylans.com/workshop.html> for directions and hotel information.

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Name: _____

Street: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

E-mail: _____

Phone: _____

Breed(s): _____

___ 2-day participant (Sat & Sun) \$350

___ 1-day auditor (Saturday only) \$125

I plan to bring: (write the number of animals)

___ dog(s) for collections*

___ bitch(es) for smears/AIs (bitches must be in season at the time of the workshop)*

*all workshop animals must be cooperative and have a negative *brucella* test within 6 months. See webpage for more info.

Return form with full payment (payable to "Gayle Watkins") to:

Gayle Watkins
40 Walmer Lane
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