

Premium List for

SilkenFest 2007

Sponsored by:



and



Friday, May 18th ~ Sunday, May 20th

at

Purina Farms
200 Checkerboard Drive
Gray Summit, MO
www.purinafarms.com



Officers of the ISWS

President.....Chris Swilley
Vice President.....Karen Sanders
Recording Secretary.....Vickey Patridge
Corresponding Secretary.....R. Lynn Shell – Whitlock
Treasurer.....Alison Brendel, DVM

<http://www.silkenwindhounds.org/>

Silkenfest 2007 Planning Committee

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Sandra Moore, ISWRA Race Meet Coordinator, ISWRA Race Meet Secretary

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Catering Coordinator.....Lydia Jorgenson

Companion Day Coordinator.....Vickie Patridge

OFA/CERF/CGC Coordinator.....Michelle Haneysmith

Photographer/On-site Vet Coordinator.....Michelle Haneysmith

Purina Liaison.....Victoria Lichtman

Race Meet Coordinator.....Sandra Moore

Rental Coordinator.....Victoria Lichtman

RV/Hotel Coordinators.....Don Brown, Greg Jones, Karen Sanders

Vendor Coordinator.....Bridget D'Amico

Web Mistress.....Bobbie Deis

Welcome Committee.....Barbara Franklin, Victoria Lichtman, Crystal Buckey

www.silkenfest.com

Official Photographers

Kemp Photography - Lee & Don Kemp
Friday and Saturday Only

Shot on Site - Dan Gauss

Sunday Only

<http://shotonsite.us>

Champion photos will be taken directly after the conformation show and ISWRA meet. As a courtesy to our photographer, no personal photography will be allowed at this time.

Judge for all Classes

Gwen Post, *Mutzko Borzoi*

<http://www.borzoi.net/mutzko/>

Area Veterinarians

Eureka Veterinarian Clinic 1415 W. 5th St. 636-938-5070	Pacific Animal Hospital 220 N. Columbus 636-257-2100
My Vet Animal Clinic 300 W. 4th St., Eureka 636-938-5070	Washington Veterinary Clinic 5585 Hwy 100 Washington 636-239-5445

Exhibitors should follow their veterinarians' recommendation to assure their dogs are free of internal and external parasites, any communicable diseases, and have appropriate vaccinations.

ISWRA Race Meet

Secretary

Sandra Moore, *Avalon Borzoi*

http://www.geocities.com/avalon_borzoi/

Notice to Exhibitors

The ISWS, its officers and directors and the Silkenfest Committee will not be responsible for dogs or personal property, nor do they assume responsibility for a wrong entry.

Entries: Exhibitors are advised to print all unusual words when filling out entry forms. Entries will be put in the catalogue EXACTLY as they are listed on the entry forms. Owners are responsible for errors in the entry forms. No dog wrongly entered in a class may be transferred to another class after close of entries. No entry may be changed or canceled unless notice of the change or cancellation is received in writing or via email by the Show Secretary as listed in this premium. Entries will not be accepted without the proper signature and fees. Entries must be submitted on approved entry forms, unless they are approved by the Show Secretary as listed in this premium.

No entry fee will be refunded in the event a dog is absent, disqualified, excused by Veterinarian or Judge, or barred from competition by action of any member if the ISWS Board, the Show or Meet Secretary, or any member of the Silkenfest Committee. No entry fees will be returned if the show cannot open or be completed by reasons beyond the control of the management. Extreme weather conditions, such as, but not limited to, snow storms, hurricanes, lightning, extreme heat or cold, must be considered for the health and safety of the dogs, exhibitors and spectators. The well-being of dogs, exhibitor and spectators is of paramount importance and, in the event it is necessary to cancel or stop the show before completion, no refund of entry fees will be made.

Declination of Entries: The International Silken Windhound Society and the Silkenfest Show Committee reserve the right to decline or remove any dog due to disease, viciousness, or other cause and no one shall have any claim against the aforementioned club, committee, or any official thereof. No refund of any entry fees will be made.

Exhibitor Responsibilities: All dogs present must be held on leash or confined to their crates while on the premises. It is expressly understood that the exhibitors alone are responsible for the behavior of their dogs and/or children. **Each Owner and Agent** listed on the entry form and/or individual responsible for the dog at a show is bound by the [Agreement](#) below as well as the [policies Purina Farms](#) has set forth for the use of their facilities and found on [page 5](#) of this premium regardless of who may have completed and submitted the entry form. **The Club, Show Secretary, their Agents, and Employees** assume no responsibility for injury to dogs or attendees. **The ISWS, its officers and directors and the Silkenfest Committee will not be responsible for any loss, damage or injury sustained by exhibitors, handlers, attendees' dogs or property.**

Judges will not wait for any dog holding up a class. Owners or agents alone are responsible for the presence of their dogs in the ring when their classes are called to be judged.

No Smoking under any show tent. Crates are not allowed under judging tents, nor or spectators, attendees, or photographers. Please remember to turn off cell phones and/or pagers before entering the ring.

Agreement

I/we agree that the club holding this event has the right to refuse this entry for cause which the club shall deem sufficient. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry and of the holding of this event and of the opportunity to have the dog judged and to win prizes, ribbons, or trophies, I/we agree to hold the ISWS, their members, directors, governors, officers, agents, superintendents, event secretaries and committee members, as well as the owner/lessee of the premises and any provider of services that are necessary to hold this event and any employees or volunteers of the aforementioned parties, including judges, secretaries, and stewards, harmless from any claim for loss or injury which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of this dog while in or about the event premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto, and I/we personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claim; I/we further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss, injury or damage to this dog.

Additionally, I/we hereby assume the sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify, defend and save the aforementioned parties harmless from and all loss and expense (including legal fees) by reason of the liability imposed by law upon any of the aforementioned parties for damage because of bodily injuries, including death, at any time resulting therefrom, sustained by any person or persons, including myself/ourselves, or on account of damage to property, arising out of or in consequence of my/our participation in this event, however such injuries, death or property damage may be caused, and whether or not the same parties or any of their employees, agents, or any other persons. **I/we agree that any cause of action, controversy or claim arising out of or related to the entry, exhibition or attendance at the event between the ISWS and the Silkenfest Committee, and myself/ourselves or as to the construction, interpretation and effect of this agreement shall be settled by arbitration pursuant to the applicable rules of the American Arbitration Association.**

I also agree to abide by the [policies Purina Farms](#) has set forth for the use of their facilities and found on [page 5](#) of this premium.

Your signature on the [Registration and Entry](#) form indicates your agreement to abide by all the statements set forth on the “[Agreement](#)” and “[Notice to Exhibitors](#),” as well as the [policies Purina Farms](#) has set forth. If you are submitting electronically, your X on the signature line stands in lieu of your written signature. [Registration and Entry](#) forms without a signature will not be considered valid entries.

Purina Farms Policies, Map and Directions

Parking

Parking is permitted on black top and gravel lots. During large events, grassy areas may be authorized for parking and will either be marked or someone from the host club will direct guests to an authorized area.

Canopies and Tents

Canopies and tents are permitted on and around parking areas outside the fenced-in show field. Canopies can also be set up on gravel areas inside the show area. During large events, we ask that exhibitors be considerate of others and use only the minimal space they require. Please no tenting or exercise pens on the show fields.

Crating

Crating is allowed ringside 15 minutes prior and 15 minutes after the scheduled class in which handlers and their dogs are competing. Exercise pens are allowed on all parking areas. Grassy areas outside the show field can also be used.

Vendors

Vendors should check-in with the organizing club when they arrive on the grounds. At that time, vendors will be given directions on set-up and parking.

Waste

Containers are placed throughout the grounds. White barrels are for paper trash and brown barrels are for pet waste. Complimentary plastic gloves are provided for your convenience at these locations. There is also designated relief areas set up for dogs to use. PLEASE PICK UP AFTER YOUR PET.

Show Field

The show field is designated as all grassy areas inside the green fence.

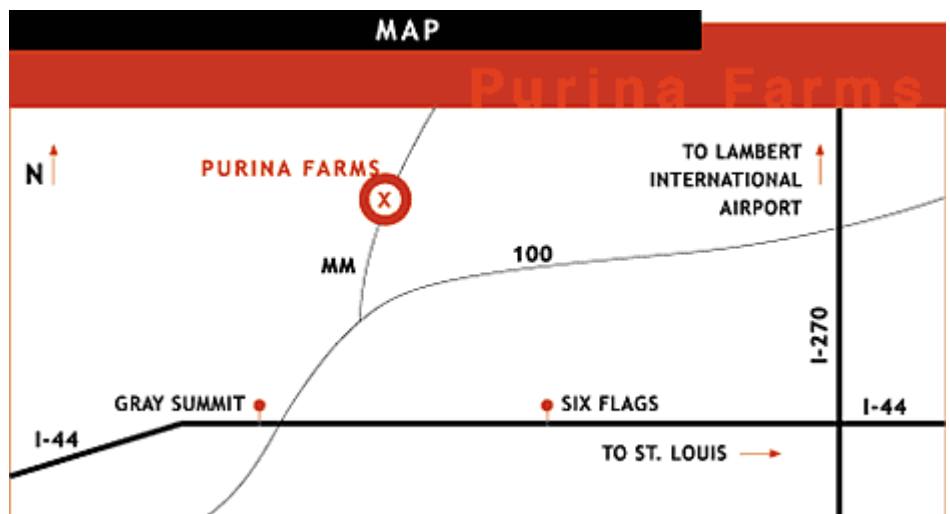
Rules and Regulations

Please follow all directions on posted signs. Your cooperation is appreciated!

Directions to Purina Farms

Located 45 miles s.w. of St. Louis in Gray Summit, Mo., Purina Farms is handy to reach from Interstate 44.

Turn north at the Gray Summit exit (#253) on Interstate 44, and travel two blocks on Missouri Highway 100. Go left on County Road MM. The entrance to Purina Farms is one mile on the left.





Four Square Drive

Checkerboard Drive

County Road MM

Entrance

Guardhouse

Auxiliary Show Site

Parking

Parking

Exhibitor Parking

Main Show Field

Grooming Vendor Area

Agility Field

RV Parking

Entrance

Parking

Lighted A Course

Round Pen

Sheep and Cattle Barn

Legend

- A. Visitors Center
- 1. Reception Area
- 2. Offices
- 3. Exhibits
- 4. Conference Room
- 5. Food Service
- 6. Gift Shop
- B. Indoor Theater
- C. Animal Barn
- D. Outdoor Amphitheater
- E. Patio/Food Court
- F. Pet Center
- G. Demonstration Area
- H. Canine Activity Center
- I. Canine Competition Center
- Restroom
- Dog Relief Area
- W Water
- E Electric
- T Show Tent



Accommodation Information

It is the Exhibitor's responsibility to contact the hotels/RV Sites/KOAs directly for reservations, pet policies, fees, and restrictions. **PLEASE clean up after your dog and be courteous to other hotel guests so that we may use these facilities for future events.**

A list of area hotels and campgrounds provided by Purina Farms can be found here:
<http://events.purina.com/dogs/farms/AreaLodging.aspx>

Hotels

The Silkenfest Committee has reserved a block of rooms at the following hotels:

Diamond Inn Interstate 44 & hwy 100 Gray Summit, MO 63090 1-800-782-8487 or 636-742-3501	Holiday Inn at Six Flags 4901 Six Flags Road Eureka, MO 63025 1-800-782-8108 or 636-938-6661
\$74 per night, king bed, 4 people max \$69 per night, 2 double beds, 4 people max \$25 one-time pet fee, up to 4 dogs Large grassy grounds, ground-floor rooms, dog grooming area 1 ½ miles from Purina Mention you're with the Silken Windhounds	\$94 a night (up to 5 people per room) \$25 per night for up to 4 dogs Large grassy grounds, ground-floor rooms, Xpens allowed on 70 acre grounds, dog grooming area 10 miles (6 minutes) from Purina Mention you're with Silken Windhounds

For other hotels in the area, please visit:

<http://events.purina.com/dogs/farms/AreaLodging.aspx>

RV Parking

There are over 40 RV sites with 50amp service. Water is limited to hooking hose only during filling of tank. There is no sewer connect. X-pens and RV's are on gravel only. Please fill out the RV Parking Reservation form at the end of this premium.

You may erect a tent, but there are no showers or facilities of that kind. Toilet facilities are available on the Purina grounds.

For other locations you can park your RV, please visit:

<http://events.purina.com/dogs/farms/AreaLodging.aspx>

KOAs and Local Campgrounds

For cushier camping, try the KOA West: <http://www.koa.com/where/mo/25135/> KOA does allow dogs. There is a dog rule sheet on their website, with more specific info at time of reservation. They are concerned more for barky dogs and dogs that look like fighting dogs.

For other Campground locations, please visit:

<http://events.purina.com/dogs/farms/AreaLodging.aspx>

Advertising

Full page	\$35.00
Half page	\$20.00
Business Card	\$10.00
Please submit your ads in Word, PDF, or Photoshop format. Ads are due April 15, 2007. This is a firm deadline, THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS.	
We will also be accepting Kennel Biographies . These can be a short history of your kennel, your goals, breeding ethics, etc. These are free of charge, can contain one picture or logo, and must be no longer than half a page, approximately 300 words. If you had a kennel bio in a previous catalogue, it will be run –as is- unless you send me revisions or ask that it be pulled. Biographies are due April 15, 2007. This is a firm deadline. THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS.	
Please send all ads and bios to larae@catklaw.com , along with your payment. Ads will be held until payment is received. If payment is not received by midnight on April 15, 2007, the ad will NOT be included in the catalogue. No refund will be given.	

You can pay for your ad on page 15 of this premium.

Vendor Information

Vendor Hours: 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.; 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.; 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Vendors will be charged a fee of \$25 (in cash or merchandise - Silkenfest Committee to judge value) for the entire event. Please contact Bridge D'Amico at woofwoofwagger@aol.com with any questions.

You can RSVP for your vendor space on page 15 of this premium.

Food

On-site Lunches

(These are your responsibility. Please bring cash.)

Sample Menu Items: BBQ Riblet Sandwhich, Burgers, Chicken, BBQ, Pork Steaks, Chicken, Tuna, Egg Salad, Subs, Chicken Wraps, Chili, Grilled Jumbo Franks, Chili Franks, Brauts, Chips, Slushees, Soda, Water, Tea.

Menu items run from \$3.00 to \$7.00. Drinks are \$2.00.

Welcome Dinner, May 19th at 5:30p

(caterer to be announced – a menu will be posted on the silkenfest website: www.silkenfest.com)

Please RSVP before April 15, 2007 for our Welcome Dinner on page 15 of this premium.

Agenda

(This agenda is tentative. Final Agendas will be posted at the site.)

Friday - Companion Day

9:00-10:00 - *Obedience with CGC practice*

10:00 – 5:00 – Thyroid Test, Dr. Ann Branscum

10:30 - 11:30 - Rally O

12:30 - 4:00 - Eye Exams, Dr. Ben Johnson

1:00 - 2:00 - Agility

2:30 - 3:30 - CGC Testing

3:00 - 4:00 - Freestyle

Saturday – Show Day

9:00 – *Conformation Show*

12:30- 4:00 – Heart Exams, Dr. Fine

Clinics to be announced

Sunday – Racing Day

8:30 – *Roll Call*

9:00 – *ISWRA Racing*

Clinics to be announced

Conformation Classifications

Regular Classes, dogs and bitches

(Puppy classes are for those puppies that will be of age at the time of the show, not at the time of registration.)

Puppy Class, 6 – 9 months

Puppy Class, 9 – 12 months

Puppy Class, 12 – 18 months

(First Place in each puppy class will compete for Best Puppy in Show.)

Novice

Bred by Exhibitor

Open Class

Winners

Best of Breed

Best of Breed Competition

(ISWS Champions of record and undefeated dogs only.)

Non-Regular Classes

Puppy Class, 3 – 6 months

Companion Class

Best Companion, Best Opposite

Veteran Class

Best Veteran, Best Opposite

Best Bred By, Best Opposite

(First Place in each puppy class will compete for Best Puppy in Show. Winners of the Puppy 3 – 6 month class and the Companion Class are not eligible to compete for Championship points nor are they to be counted toward points awarded and winners are not eligible to compete for Best of Breed. Ribbons will be awarded 1st through 4th place. Winners of the Companion Class will compete for Best Companion and Best Companion Opposite Sex.)

Prizes

Ribbons

Conformation Ribbons	Racing Ribbons
First Prize – Blue Ribbon	First Prize – Blue Ribbon
Second Prize – Red Ribbon	Second Prize – Red Ribbon
Third Prize – Yellow Ribbon	Third Prize – Yellow Ribbon
Fourth Prize – White Ribbon	Fourth Prize – White Ribbon
Best Puppy – Rosette	Fifth Prize – Green Ribbon
Best Companion – Rosette	Highest Scoring – Rosette
Best Veteran – Rosette	Highest Scoring Opp. Sex – Rosette
Winners Dog – Rosette	Highest Scoring Champion – Rosette
Reserve Winners Dog – Rosette	Highest Scoring Veteran – Rosette
Winners Bitch – Rosette	Highest Scoring FTE - Rosette
Reserve Winners Bitch – Rosette	Turtle Award - Rosette
Best of Winners – Rosette	
Best of Breed – Rosette	

Other Prizes

Conformation
<u>Best Puppy</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Coupon for 20 lbs. of any Purina dog food offered by Purina -Purina Pro Plan Grooming Towel offered by Purina - Sponsored trophies to be determined by the Silkenfest Committee
<u>Best Companion</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Coupon for 20 lbs. of any Purina dog food offered by Purina -Purina Pro Plan Grooming Towel offered by Purina - Sponsored trophies to be determined by the Silkenfest Committee
<u>Best Veteran</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Coupon for 20 lbs. of any Purina dog food offered by Purina -Purina Pro Plan Grooming Towel offered by Purina - Sponsored trophies to be determined by the Silkenfest Committee
<u>Best of Breed</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Coupons for 75 lbs. of any Purina dog food offered by Purina -Purina Pro Plan Best In Show Grooming Bag offered by Purina - Sponsored trophies to be determined by the Silkenfest Committee
<u>Best of Opposite</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Coupon for One Free 37.5 lb. Bag and one Buy One 37.5 lb. Bag Get One Free of any Purina dog food offered by Purina -Purina Pro Plan Garment Bag offered by Purina - Sponsored trophies to be determined by the Silkenfest Committee
<u>Winners Dog</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Coupon for 37.5 lbs. of any Purina dog food offered by Purina -Purina Pro Plan Duffel bag offered by Purina - Sponsored trophies to be determined by the Silkenfest Committee
<u>Winners Bitch</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Coupon for 37.5 lbs. of any Purina dog food offered by Purina -Purina Pro Plan Duffel bag offered by Purina - Sponsored trophies to be determined by the Silkenfest Committee
Racing
<u>Highest Scoring</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Coupon for 37.5 lbs. of any Purina dog food offered by Purina -Purina Pro Plan Duffel bag offered by Purina - Sponsored trophies to be determined by the Silkenfest Committee

ISWRA Racing Information

Officers of the International Silken Windhound Racing Association

ISWRA Race Director.....	Sandra Moore
ISWRA Racing Liaison	R. Lynn Shell
ISWRA Racing Registrar.....	Judy Lowther

Roll Call and Inspection

8:30 - Hounds not present at roll call will be marked absent and are not eligible for refund of entry fee.

FTE Hounds will be certified the afternoon of the 19th or immediately after Roll Call.

Race Information

This meet will be handslipped. All hounds will run muzzled. All ISWRA rules and regulations (which can be found at <http://www.silkenwindhounds.org/racing-bylaws.html>) will be followed at this meet.

A limited number of racing jackets in various sizes will be available from the ISWRA.

Only the following colors shall be used:

Red Jacket - White numeral "1" -- White Jacket - Black numeral "3"

Blue Jacket - White numeral "2" -- Green Jacket - White numeral "4"

Eligible Hounds

Only Silken Windhounds are eligible to participate in this Meet.

Hounds must be one year of age or older to be entered.

All hounds must be registered with ISWRA and provide an ISWRA racing number prior to the meet. Hounds without their ISWRA racing number will be unable to compete and are not eligible for refund of entry fee.

General Information

This kind of event requires help from everyone involved, from releasing hounds to retrieving hounds at the finish. We may also need foul and line judges. Please make yourselves available to help with the successful running of this race meet.

Registration and Entry Fees

Your Registration and Entry fees cover Silkenfest t-shirts, rentals, clinic handouts, and continental-style breakfast foods. You will be responsible for your own lunch. There will be a catering cart available. Please bring cash.

Member Fees		Non-member Fees	
Registration	\$20 per day \$50 for the entire event	Registration	\$25 per day \$65 for the entire event
Conformation Show	\$15 pre-entry, per dog \$20 "day of," per dog (Entries close Friday night, May 18th, at 7:00pm)	Conformation Show	\$20 pre-entry, per dog \$25 "day of," per dog (Entries close Friday night, May 18th, at 7:00 pm)
ISWRA Meet	\$10 pre-entry, per dog \$15 "day of," per dog \$40 pre-entry kennel fee	ISWRA Meet	\$15 pre-entry, per dog \$20 "day of," per dog \$60 pre-entry kennel fee

All entries must be postmarked by April 8, 2007 in order to qualify. All pre-entries will be put in the catalogue exactly as they are listed on the registration/entry form. Owners are responsible for any errors on those forms. Any entries postmarked after that date are considered "Day of" entries and are subject to a higher fee. Entries close on Friday, May 18th at 7:00 p.m. Dogs entered after the pre-entry deadline will not be in the catalogue.

MAKE CHECKS AND/OR MONEY ORDERS out to ***ISWS-Silkenfest***. Returned checks are subject to a \$20 fee. A returned check does not constitute a valid entry.

MAIL PAYMENT TO: LaRae Brim, 957 E. 10th Ave., Broomfield, CO 80020. Entries will not be accepted without signature and fees. Entries will be held until fees are received if paying by paypal. Paypal entries received after midnight (pacific) on the 8th of April are considered "Day of" entries and are subject to a higher fee.

You may pay via paypal to Silkenfest@gmail.com. Please add a \$5.00 fee when paying by paypal.

Registration and entry can be done online at www.silkenfest.com. Please add a \$5.00 fee when paying by paypal.



Official ISWS Registration and Entry Form

Silkenfest 2007, May 18th – 20th
Purina Farms, Gray Summit, MO

Entry Fees: [See previous page \(12\)](#)

Pre-entries close: April 8, 2007 at midnight (pacific)

Entries close: Friday, May 19th, 7:00 p.m.

Important: Please read the “[Notice to Exhibitors](#)” and the “[Agreement](#)” before filling out this form. Registration is not valid without signature below. The Official ISWRA Racing form must accompany this sheet if you are racing.

Your Name:	Member: Y N	# attending:
Address:	Phone Number:	
	Email:	
Kennel Name:	Website address:	
Registered Name of Dog:		
Call Name:	ISWS#:	
Gender:	Tattoo or Microchip #:	
Date and Place of Birth:	ISWRA #:	
Dog Show Class:	ISWRA Entry Form Attached: Y N	
Breeder:		
Sire and ISWS#:		
Dam and ISWS#:		
Actual Owner(s):		
Owner's Address:		
City, State, Zip:		
Name of Owner's Agent (if any):		
<p>I certify that I am the actual owner of the dog, or that I am the duly authorized agent of the owner whose name I have entered above. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I/we agree to abide by the rules and regulations set forth in this premium in the “Notice to Exhibitor” and the “Agreement,” at the time of this show and meet. I/we certify and represent that the dog entered is not a hazard to any persons or other dogs. This entry is submitted for acceptance on the foregoing representation and agreement. SIGNATURE of owner or his agent duly authorized to make this entry. If entered online, your "X" below stands in lieu of your signature.</p> <p>X_____</p> <p>Date:_____</p>		

Registration and entry fees: _____

Total from next pages: _____

Total amount enclosed:_____

Catered Dinner RSVP

(Please fill out the information below to RSVP for our Welcome Dinner, Saturday, May 20th at 6:30 p.m. RSVPs MUST be received by April 8, 2007 to be valid. There will be no exceptions and no refund of fees.)

Number of People Planning to Attend at \$10.00 each:	
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Total Cost: _____

Catalogue Orders

Number of Catalogues (\$5.00 each)	
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Limited numbers of the catalogue will be printed. To ensure you receive a catalogue, please pre-order. Extra catalogues will be sold at the event on a first come, first served basis.

Total Cost: _____

Catalogue Ads

Full page	\$35.00
Half page	\$20.00
Business Card	\$10.00
Please submit your ads in Word, PDF, or Photoshop format. Ads are due April 15, 2007. This is a firm deadline, THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS.	
Size of Ad #1:	Cost:
Size of Ad #2:	Cost:
Size of Ad #3:	Cost:

Total Cost: _____

T-shirt Order

# of Females Attending:	T-shirt Sizes:
# of Males Attending:	T-shirt Sizes:

Vendor Information

Vendor Fee	\$25 or approved merchandise.
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Total Cost: _____

CGC Testing

Vickie Patridge, Hutsie Brown

Number of dogs to be tested @ \$5 each	
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Total Cost: _____

This page total: _____

(Please indicate total fees enclosed on the Entry/Registration page)

Health Testing Information

Please fill out all PDF forms completely and send them in with your Registration and Entry forms. We will keep them for you and make them available at Silkenfest.

CERF Eye Exam

Eye exam: Dr. Ben Johnson, May 18th 12:30 -4:00. Eyes will be dilated.

\$12 per Dog, 43 dog min.

To get a CERF cert: If the dog is certified to be free of heritable eye disease, you can then send in the completed owner's copy of the CERF form with the appropriate fee (\$10.50 for the original CERF Registration, or \$8.00 if it is a re-certification)

Make check out to Dr. Ben Johnson. You are responsible for sending your results and the fee to CERF.

Number of dogs to be tested @ \$12 each	
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Total Cost:_____

OFA Heart Exam

Cardiac Test: Dr. Fine, May 19th 12:30- 4:00. Stethoscope Only.

\$30 per dog 30 dog min.

To get OFA cert and placed in OFA database: Dog must be more then 12 months old when exam is done. Send check of \$15 and form to OFA. More then one dog: Cost \$ 30 for a litter 3 or more dogs of same litter, Kennel 7.50 each dog 5 or more dogs owned/co-owned by same person.

Make check out to Dr. Fine. You are responsible for sending your results and the fee to OFA.

Number of dogs to be tested @ \$30 each	
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Total Cost:_____

OFA Thyroid Exam

Thyroid test: Dr. Anne Branscum, May 18th 10-5pm

\$45 per dog, 30 dogs min.

The lab cost for the test is \$45 per dog.

To get OFA cert and placed in OFA database: Dog must be more then 12 months old when exam is done. Send check of \$15 and form to OFA. OFA Costs for more then one dog: \$30 for a litter, 3 or more dogs of same litter, Kennel \$7.50 each dog 5 or more dogs owned/co-owned by same person.

Dr. Branscum will be pulling the blood on site, spinning it down, storing it, packaging it, shipping it, completing ALL paperwork, sending the blood in a batch to the University of Michigan, receiving the results and sending them to each individual owner for this price. Labs only send results to OFA and the vet requesting the test. Dr. Branscum will also microchip your dog for \$5.00. If you are getting blood pulled for a thyroid test, she will 'chip for free.

Make check for \$90 per dog out to Dr. Branscum. Give her an additional check for your OFA fees, made out to OFA.

Number of dogs to be tested @ \$45 each	
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Total Cost:_____

This page total:_____

(Please indicate total fees enclosed on the Entry/Registration page)

Office Use Only

APPL _____

RAD _____

CK _____



Orthopedic Foundation for Animals

2300 E Nifong Blvd, Columbia, MO 65201-3856

Phone: (573) 442-0418; Fax: (573) 875-5073

www.offa.org

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Only**

Application for Congenital Cardiac Database

Please type or print legibly. To ensure accuracy please enclose copy of the dog's registration papers

Previous application number (if any) _____

Registered name _____

Breed _____

ID number (if any)* ☐ Tattoo ☐ Microchip

Registration number ☐ AKC ☐ CKC ☐ Other _____

Sex _____ Color _____

Date of birth (month-day-year) _____

Registration number of sire _____ Registration number of dam _____

*** The OFA has adopted a policy, effective January 1, 2001, acknowledging animals that have been submitted for inclusion in our databases that have permanent identification in the form of microchip or tattoo. Animals not permanently identified will continue to be evaluated; however, they will be issued a number clearly indicating that the animal has no permanent identification.**

Owner name _____ Co-owner _____

Mailing address _____

City _____ State/province _____ Zip/postal code _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Veterinarian's name or veterinary hospital _____

Mailing address _____

City _____ State/province _____ Zip/postal code _____

Phone _____ Email _____

I hereby certify that the animal examined is the animal described on this application. I understand that only normal results will be released to the public unless the initials of a registered owner appear in the authorization box below which permits the OFA to release abnormal results to the public.

Signature of owner or authorized representative _____

Authorization to Release Abnormal Results

I hereby authorize the OFA to release the results of its evaluation of the animal described on this application to the public if the results are abnormal
 _____ (initials of registered owner).

Veterinary Instructions

Cardiac auscultation

(see accompanying procedures information for details):

- ☐ Auscultation is within normal limits. Additional diagnostic studies are not indicated.
- ☐ Auscultation reveals a soft (grade 1 or grade 2) murmur at rest.
- ☐ Auscultation reveals a moderate to loud heart murmur.
- ☐ Auscultation was performed after exercise and revealed:
 - ☐ Normal heart sounds without a cardiac murmur.
 - ☐ A soft (grade 1 or grade 2) murmur.

Describe any cardiac murmurs:

Timings: ☐ systolic ☐ diastolic ☐ continuous

Point of maximal intensity:

- ☐ mitral valve area
- ☐ aortic or subaortic area
- ☐ pulmonary valve area
- ☐ tricuspid valve area
- ☐ other location:
- ☐ Radiation or other characteristics: _____

Echocardiography if indicated (see accompanying procedures information for details):

- ☐ Echocardiography with Doppler was performed and the results were within limits of normal.
- ☐ Echocardiography with Doppler was performed and the results were equivocal: mild congenital heart disease cannot be conclusively diagnosed nor excluded based on this study.
- ☐ Echocardiography with Doppler was performed and the results were indicative of congenital heart disease.

Describe any abnormal echocardiographic or Doppler findings, including transvalvular or other pertinent velocities in m/sec.

☐ pulse/continuous wave ☐ left apical/subcostal

Summary evaluation and opinion of the examiner:

- ☐ Normal cardiovascular examination—congenital heart disease is not evident
- ☐ Equivocal cardiovascular examination—congenital heart disease cannot be diagnosed nor excluded; status uncertain for breeding.
- ☐ Abnormal cardiovascular examination indicative of congenital heart disease; indicate diagnosis below:

I certify that the standards for cardiac examination as set forth by the OFA were carefully followed in performing this examination.

Veterinarian Signature _____ Specialty: ☐ Practitioner, ☐ Specialist, ☐ Cardiologist Date _____

Fees

- Animals Over 12 Months\$15.00
- Litter of 3 or more submitted together\$30.00

Kennel Rate—Individuals submitted as a group, owned/co-owned by same person.

- Minimum of 5 individuals\$7.50 per study

All check payments must be in U.S. funds drawn on a U.S. bank

Affected Animals and Resubmits at No Charge

Methods of Examination

Clinical Examination

1. The clinical cardiac examination should be conducted in a systematic manner. The arterial and venous pulses, mucous membranes, and precordium should be evaluated. Heart rate should be obtained. The clinical examination should be performed by an individual with advanced training in cardiac diagnosis. Board certification by the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine, Specialty of Cardiology is considered by the American Veterinary Medical Association as the benchmark of clinical proficiency for veterinarians in clinical cardiology, and examination by a Diplomate of this specialty board is recommended. Other veterinarians may be able to perform these examinations, provided they have received advanced training in the subspecialty of congenital heart disease.

2. Cardiac auscultation should be performed in a quiet, distraction-free environment. The animal should be standing and restrained, but sedative drugs should be avoided. Panting must be controlled, and if necessary, the dog should be given time to rest and acclimate to the environment. The clinician should be able to identify the cardiac valve areas for auscultation. The examiner should gradually move the stethoscope across all valve areas and also should auscultate over the subaortic area, ascending aorta, pulmonary artery, and the left craniodorsal cardiac base. Following examination of the left precordium, the right precordium should be examined.

- The mitral valve area is located over and immediately dorsal to the palpable left apical impulse and is identified by palpation with the tips of the fingers. The stethoscope is then placed over the mitral area and the heart sounds identified.
- The aortic valve area is dorsal and 1 or 2 intercostal spaces cranial to the left apical impulse. The second heart sound will become most intense when the stethoscope is centered over the aortic valve area. Murmurs originating from or radiating to the subaortic area of auscultation are evident immediately caudoventral to the aortic valve area. Murmurs originating from or radiating into the ascending aorta will be evident craniodorsal to the aortic valve and may also project to the right cranial thorax and to the carotid arteries in the neck.
- The pulmonic valve area is ventral and the one intercostal space cranial to the aortic valve area. Murmurs originating from or radiating into the main pulmonary artery will be evident dorsal to the pulmonic valve over the left hemithorax.
- The tricuspid valve area is a relatively large area located on the right hemithorax, opposite and slightly cranial to the mitral valve area.
- The clinician should also auscultate along the ventral right precordium (right sternal border) and over the right craniodorsal cardiac border.
- Any cardiac murmurs or abnormal sounds should be noted. Murmurs should be described as indicated below.

3. Description of cardiac murmurs—A full description of the cardiac murmur should be made and recorded in the medical record.

- Murmurs should be designated as systolic, diastolic, or continuous.
- The point of maximal murmur intensity should be indicated as described above. When a precordial thrill is palpable, the murmur will generally be most intense over this vibration.
- Murmurs that are only detected intermittently or are variable should be so indicated.
- The radiation of the murmur should be indicated.
- Grading of heart murmurs is as follows:
 - Grade 1—a very soft murmur only detected after very careful auscultation
 - Grade 2—a soft murmur that is readily evident
 - Grade 3—a moderately intense murmur not associated with a palpable precordial thrill (vibration)
 - Grade 4—a loud murmur; a palpable precordial thrill is not present or is intermittent
 - Grade 5—a loud cardiac murmur associated with a palpable precordial thrill and audible even when the stethoscope is lifted from the thoracic wall
 - Grade 6—a loud cardiac murmur associated with a palpable precordial thrill and audible even when the stethoscope is lifted from the thoracic wall
- Other descriptive terms may be indicated at the discretion of the examiner; these include such timing descriptors as: proto(early)-systolic, ejection or crescendo-decrescendo, holo-systolic or pan-systolic, decrescendo, and tele(late)-systolic and descriptions of subjective characteristics such as: musical, vibratory, harsh, and machinery.

4. Effects of heart rate, heart rhythm, and exercise.

- Some heart murmurs become evident or louder with changes in autonomic activity, heart rate, or cardiac cycle length. Such changes may be induced by exercise or other stresses. The importance of evaluating heart murmurs after exercise is currently unresolved. It appears that some dogs with congenital subaortic stenosis or with dynamic outflow tract obstruction may have murmurs that only become evident with increased sympathetic activity or after prolonged cardiac filling periods during marked sinus arrhythmia. It also should be noted that some normal, innocent heart murmurs may increase in intensity after exercise. Furthermore, panting artifact may be a problem after exercise.
- It is most likely that examining dogs after exercise will result in increased sensitivity to diagnosis of soft murmurs but probably decreased specificity as well. Auscultation of the heart following exercise is at the discretion of the examining veterinarian.
- At this time the OFA does not require a post exercise examination in the assessment of heart murmurs in dogs; however, this practice may be modified should definitive information become available.

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Application for Thyroid Database

Please type or print legibly. To ensure accuracy please enclose copy of the dog's registration papers

Previous application number (if any) _____

Registered name _____

Breed _____

ID number (if any)* ☐ Tattoo ☐ Microchip

Registration number ☐ AKC ☐ CKC ☐ Other _____

Sex _____ Color _____

Date of birth (month-day-year) _____

Registration number of sire _____ Registration number of dam _____

*** The OFA has adopted a policy, effective January 1, 2001, acknowledging animals that have been submitted for inclusion in our databases that have permanent identification in the form of microchip or tattoo. Animals not permanently identified will continue to be evaluated; however, they will be issued a number clearly indicating that the animal has no permanent identification.**

Owner name _____

Co-owner name _____

Mailing address _____

City _____ State/province _____ Zip/postal code _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Date of current evaluation (month-day-year) _____

Veterinarian's name or veterinary hospital _____

Mailing address _____

City _____ State/province _____ Zip/postal code _____

Phone _____ Email _____

I hereby certify that the test submitted is of the animal described on this application. I understand that only normal results will be released to the public unless the initials of a registered owner appear in the authorization box below which permits the OFA to release abnormal results to the public.

Signature of owner or authorized representative _____

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Instructions

Please complete, sign, and include this application with the sample and form requested by the reference laboratory. A check to OFA for \$15.00 should be stapled to this application. The laboratory fee is a separate charge and is determined by the laboratory. **The sample, application form, and fee should be sent directly to the laboratory.**

Veterinary Information

Clinical Findings:

- ☐ Normal
- ☐ Abnormal signs
- ☐ Dermatologic
 - ☐ Reproductive
 - ☐ Lethargy
 - ☐ Obesity
 - ☐ Other _____

Reference Laboratory Instructions

See back for current laboratories available

Please complete, sign, and return to Orthopedic Foundation for Animals, 2300 E Nifong Blvd, Columbia, MO 65201-3856, **along with laboratory results.**

Based on the results of the thyroid profile which included free T4 dialysis, canine thyroid stimulating hormone and thyroglobulin autoantibodies the animal, at this time, is considered as:

- ☐ Normal
- ☐ Positive autoimmune thyroiditis
- ☐ Positive compensative autoimmune thyroiditis
- ☐ Idiopathically reduced thyroid function
- ☐ Equivocal—the OFA recommends that this animal be retested in 3 to 6 months—status uncertain for breeding

See reverse for veterinary instructions.

Veterinarian's signature _____	Date _____
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Endocrinologist Signature _____	Date _____
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Fees

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- Minimum of 5 individuals \$7.50 per study

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Canine Good Citizen (CGC) Exercises

1. Meeting and accepting a friendly stranger:

This test demonstrates that your dog will allow a friendly stranger to approach it and speak to you in a natural, everyday situation. The evaluator will walk up to your dog and you and greet you in a friendly manner, ignoring your dog. The evaluator and you will shake hands and exchange pleasantries. Your dog must show no sign of resentment or shyness, and must not break position or try to go to the evaluator.

How to practice:

Take your dog out and about with you. Many pet stores allow dogs to accompany you while you shop. Home Depot allows “dogs in training” to accompany you while browsing through the store. Or, when you are out for a walk – greet passer bys with a “hello.” Treat your dog as he passes them calmly and waits while you exchange pleasantries with the other person. Take your dog to visit the vet – EVEN when he doesn’t need a check up! Sign you dog up for an obedience class. What better way to get you dog WELL socialized but in a controlled setting!

2. Sitting politely for petting:

This test demonstrates that your dog will allow a friendly stranger to touch it while it is out with you. With the dog sitting at your side, to begin the exercise, the evaluator pets your dog on the head and body. You may talk to your dog throughout the exercise. Your dog may stand in place as it is petted. Your dog must not show shyness or resentment.

How to practice:

When meeting passer bys, have your dog sit to be greeted. Use a happy voice and lots of treats. If your dog starts to jump or be rambunctious – turn your back and walk away from the greeter – then turn around and try it again. Patience, patience, patience. Your dog must meet people on YOUR terms.

3. Appearance and Grooming:

This practical test demonstrates that your dog will welcome being groomed and examined and will permit someone, such as a veterinarian, groomer or friend of yours, to do so. It also demonstrates your care, concern, and sense of responsibility for your pet. The evaluator inspects your dog to determine if it is clean and groomed. Your dog must appear to be in a healthy condition (i.e., proper weight, clean, healthy and alert). You should supply the comb or brush commonly used on your dog. The evaluator then softly combs or brushes your dog, and in a natural manner, lightly examines the ears and gently picks up each front foot. It is not necessary for the dog to hold a specific position during the examination, and you may talk to your dog, praise it and give encouragement throughout this exercise.

How to practice:

Have a friend over and ask them if they’d like to groom your dog. Have them softly comb or brush your dog using happy tones to their voice and LOTS of treats.

4. Out for a walk (walking on a loose lead):

This test demonstrates that you are in control of your dog. Your dog may be on either side of you. Your dog's position should leave no doubt that the dog is attentive to you and is responding to your movements and changes of direction. Your dog need not be perfectly aligned with your position, as handler and your dog need not sit when you stop. The evaluator may use a pre-plotted course of may direct you and your dog by issuing instructions or commands. In either case, there should be a right turn, left turn, and an about turn with at least one stop in between and another at the end. You may talk to your dog along the way, praise your dog, or give commands in a normal tone of voice. You may sit the dog at the halts if you desire.

How to practice:

Take your dog on daily walks. In the beginning use a Gentle Leader to practice loose leash walking. Be a "tree" if your dog is pulling. Only go forward when the leash is loose. Turning in various directions away from your dog is another way to get your dog to walk nearer to you. Have lots of luscious treats on you and reward your dog for being next to you. A happy tone to your voice will help make the experience even better for your dog.

5. Walking through a crowd:

This test demonstrates that your dog can move about politely in pedestrian traffic and is under control in public places. Your dog and you walk around and pass close to several people (at least three). Your dog may show some interest in the strangers but should continue to walk with you, without evidence of over-exuberance, shyness or resentment. You may talk to your dog and encourage or praise your dog throughout the test. Your dog should not jump on people in the crowd or strain on the leash.

How to practice:

Walk your dog in areas that there are people. Keep your dog's attention on you by bringing lots of tasty treats with you to reward your dog staying WITH you. As with #1 – go to stores that allow your dog. Pet stores do, and what a great place to practice walking in a crowd of people with their dogs!

6. Sit and down on command and staying in place:

This test demonstrates that your dog has training, will respond to your commands to sit and down, and will remain in the place commanded by you (sit or down position, whichever you prefer). Your dog must do sit AND down on command, then you choose the position for leaving your dog in the stay. Prior to this test, the dog's leash is replaced with a line 20 feet long. You may take a reasonable amount of time and use more than one command to get the dog to sit and then down. The evaluator must determine if your dog has responded to your commands. You may not force the dog into position but may touch your dog to offer gentle guidance. When instructed by the evaluator, you tell the dog to stay and walk forward the length of the line, turn and return to your dog at a natural pace. Your dog must remain in the place in which it was left (it may change position) until the evaluator instructs you to release your dog. Your dog may be released from the front or from the side.

How to practice:

Practice having your dog work on the sit and down commands. Remember to say the word ONCE, and wait. When the dog performs the command – reward! In the beginning you may want to lure your dog into the position with treats. Practice makes perfect. Have your dog sit in front of you then have them sit next to you. Do the same with the down command.

7. Coming when called:

This test demonstrates that your dog will come to you when called. You will walk 10 feet from your dog, turn to face your dog, and call your dog. You may use encouragement to get your dog to come. You may choose to tell your dog to “stay” or “wait” or you may simply walk away, giving no instructions to your dog.

How to practice:

While on your walks – be interesting and move in the opposite direction of your dog. Call your dog’s name.....as soon as he looks up say “come!” Throw a tasty treat behind you – move again in the opposite direction. Call your dog – throw a treat, and move away. Keep your dog interested in YOU!

8. Reaction to another dog:

This test demonstrates that your dog can behave politely around other dogs. You and another person and your dogs approach each other from a distance of about 20 feet, stop, shake hands, and exchange pleasantries, and continue on for about 10 feet. Neither dog should go to the other dog or its handler.

How to practice:

Practice the “watch me” exercise with your dog – especially when there are other dogs and their handlers present. You want to be MORE interesting than the other dog (it IS possible). Bring lots of treats with you (high-end treats) when you go out to practice this exercise. You see another person and their dog approaching – tell your dog to watch you and treat, treat, treat! Now walk on – again when you see that other person and their dog – say, “watch me” and treat! If you aren’t having any luck – practice at a distance (20 to 30 feet) and move closer as your dog becomes more in tune to YOU versus the other dog.

9. Reaction to distraction:

This test demonstrates that your dog is confident at all times when faced with common distracting situations. The evaluator will select and present two distractions. Examples of distractions include dropping a chair, rolling a crate dolly past your dog, having a jogger run in front of your dog, or dropping a crutch or cane. Your dog may express natural interest and curiosity and/or may appear slightly startled but should not panic, try to run away, show aggressiveness, or bark. You may talk to your dog and encourage or praise it throughout this exercise.

How to practice:

Take your dog walking where there are lots of distractions. At the shopping center, the pet store or hardware store. Walk in the parking lot where you will see lots of cars going by. Take your dog downtown where there may be skateboarders and joggers. Bring your treats. Use your watch me exercise when you and your dog approach the skateboarders or joggers. (Practice for this is very similar to #8 above.)

10. Supervised separation:

This test demonstrates that your dog can be left with a trusted person, if necessary, and will maintain training and good manners. Evaluators are encouraged to say something like, “Would you like me to watch your dog?” and then take hold of the dog’s leash. You will go out of sight for three minutes. Your dog does not have to stay in position but should not continually bark, whine, or pace unnecessarily, or show anything stronger than mild agitation, or nervousness. Evaluators may talk to the dog but should not engage in excessive talking, petting, or management attempts (e.g., “there, there, it’s alright”).

How to practice:

Use your friends or relatives to help you with this exercise. While on a walk, have them hold your dog while you go into a store, or while you walk around the block. Have them sit with your dog in the car while you go into a store, etc. **(NEVER TIE YOUR DOG OUT WHILE YOU GO INTO A STORE TO SHOP – ALWAYS LEAVE YOUR DOG WITH A RESPONSIBLE ADULT DURING THIS EXERCISE!)**

Veterinary Instructions for Submission

1. The veterinarian or owner must obtain the "Application for Thyroid Database" from the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals, Inc. (phone 573-442-0418), or online at www.offa.org.
2. The veterinarian and owner must complete their respective portions of the form.
3. Two milliliters (2 ml) of serum are needed for testing, and the serum sample must be from freshly collected blood. Use a plain "red-top" tube for blood collection. Do not use a serum separator tube with clot additives or any other type of plasma collection tube. After collection, place the blood sample in the refrigerator for 60 to 90 minutes to allow clotting. Centrifuge, collect the serum, and transfer to a plain plastic or glass tube suitable for shipping. Clearly label the sample with the owner's name, animal's identification, date of blood collection, and "OFA Thyroid Panel." If the specimen is to be stored for more than 12 hours prior to shipping, frozen storage is recommended.
4. Ship to the approved laboratory of choice via an overnight courier service. It is recommended that all specimens be packaged properly and shipped so they are received either chilled or frozen. Serum samples arriving unchilled or at room temperature within 48 hours of the collection date will be accepted. However, samples arriving after this time must be received either chilled or frozen in order to be accepted for registry testing. Contact the laboratory for further information as necessary.
5. Female dogs should not be tested during an estrus cycle. The date of last routine vaccination should be noted.
6. Please do not submit whole blood, clotted blood, or plasma.
7. Severely lipemic or hemolyzed specimens are also unacceptable.
8. Test results will be mailed or faxed only to the submitting veterinarian and the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals, Inc.. Results will not be available from the laboratory by telephone. The OFA will send a report to the owner.

Thyroid Labs

The approved laboratory must be contacted for the appropriate submission forms, sample handling procedures, and laboratory service fee before collecting the sample. Currently, samples may be submitted to:

Endocrine Diagnostic Center, Diagnostic Center for Population & Animal Health 4125 Beaumont Road, Room 122, Lansing, MI 48910, (517) 353-0621

Animal Health Laboratory, Laboratory Services Division, University of Guelph, Door P2 Bldg. 49, McIntosh Lane, Guelph, Ontario, N1G 2W1, CANADA, (519) 824-4120 ext. 54501

University of California Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital, Clinical Pathology, Chemistry, Room 1017, 1 Garrod Drive, Davis, CA 95616, (530) 752-7380

Vita-Tech, 1345 Denison Street, Markham, Ont L3R 5V2, CANADA, 1-800-667-3411

New York State Animal Health Diagnostic Center, College of Veterinary Medicine, Cornell University, Upper Tower Rd., Ithaca, NY 14853, (607) 253-3673

Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory, Attn: OFA Special Handling, College of Veterinary Medicine, University of Minnesota, 1333 Gortner Ave, St. Paul, MN 55108, (612) 624-0761

Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory, 1 Sippel Road, College Station, TX 77843, (979) 845-3414

Antech Diagnostics, 1111 Marcus Ave., Suite M28, Lake Success, NY 11042, 800-872-1001. (Only the Lake Success, NY location of Antech has been certified to process OFA thyroid panels.)

Note: Please contact the laboratory for information about sample collection and submission. Include OFA form and fee with submission and the lab will forward results to OFA.

Indices of thyroiditis:

- a. Free T4 by dialysis (FT4D)—this procedure is considered to be the "gold standard" for assessment of the thyroid's production and cellular availability of thyroxine. FT4D concentration is expected to be decreased in dogs with thyroid dysfunction due to autoimmune thyroiditis.
- b. Canine Thyroid Stimulating Hormone (cTSH)—This procedure helps determine the site of the lesion in cases of hypothyroidism. In autoimmune thyroiditis the lesion is at the level of the thyroid and the pituitary gland functions normally. The cTSH concentration is expected to be abnormally elevated in dogs with thyroid atrophy from autoimmune thyroiditis.

Certification

a. Normal

FT4D	Within normal range
cTSH	Within normal range
TgAA	Negative

b. Positive autoimmune thyroiditis

FT4D	Less than normal range
cTSH	Greater than normal range
TgAA	Positive

c. Positive compensative autoimmune thyroiditis

FT4D	Within normal range
cTSH	Greater than normal range or Equal to normal range
TgAA	Positive

d. Idiopathically reduced thyroid function

FT4D	Less than normal range
cTSH	Greater than normal range

e. All other results are considered equivocal