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Next Meeting

Next meeting is Saturday, April 19 Regular Meeting - 7pm at Strongsville Fire Station 11287 Webster Road Strongsville, Ohio

We have Tina Carey, a speaker on Search & Rescue, please be prompt at 7pm as a courtesy.

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Dalmatian Club for members of Cleveland and

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Injuries Affecting Agility Dogs

by Nancy Kay, DVM ©

Did you watch or read about the first-ever agility competition at the Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show in February? A Border Collie named Kelso bested 225 other dogs by completing the course with the greatest precision and speed. I've been told more than once that the sport of agility is addictive. This, in part, may account for the fact that agility is rapidly becoming the world's most popular canine performance sport.

Not without risk

No question, agility is a whole lot of fun and provides great exercise for everyone involved. There is, however, significant risk for injury associated with the sport (talking about the dogs here, although I've seen many a handler take a tumble). The typical agility course challenges the dog with 15 to 20 physical tasks that requiring climbing, descending, jumping, balancing, weaving, running, quick turns, and abrupt stops and starts. And the goal is to get it all done at warp speed. It's no wonder that agility-related injuries occur with significant frequency.

Results of a survey reported in a recent edition of the Journal of the American Veterinary Medical Association quantified the frequency and types of agility-associated injuries. A second report within the same journal identified risk factors for injury.

Injury survey results

The surveys were completed by 1,669 handlers of 3,801 agility dogs around the world. The data was collected in 2009. (Yes, there is typically quite a long lag time between acquisition of data and publication within the veterinary literature.) Handlers were asked to provide information, to the best of their knowledge, about the cause and nature of their dogs' injuries. Documentation by a veterinarian was not required.



Here are some of the studies' findings:

- One third (31.8%) of the dogs experienced agilityrelated injuries.
- 27.6% of the injured dogs sustained more than one agility-related injury.
- Soft tissue strains, sprains, and contusions (bruising) were the most commonly reported injuries.
- Of the 1,523 injuries analyzed, the shoulder, back, neck, and toes were the most commonly affected sites
- Of the injuries 50.5% were mild (required less than one month for recovery) and 44.6% were severe (required two months or longer for recovery). The remaining 4.9% were unclassified.
- Injuries were commonly attributed to faulty navigation/interaction with bar jumps, A-frames, and dog walk obstacles.
- There was no significant difference between the numbers of injuries that occurred during practice versus competitions.
- Dogs had greater risk of injury if they had a history of prior injury.
- Dogs receiving alternative therapies (acupuncture, chiropractic care, massage, or dietary supplements) had greater risk of injury.
- Border Collies had greater risk of injury, even after statistical consideration of the popularity of this breed within the sport.

- Dogs with less than four years of agility experience had greater risk of injury.
- Dogs handled by individuals with less than 5 years of agility experience had greater risk of injury.



While retrospective surveys such as these are far from perfect, the data generated here provides some good food for thought. Many of the results make perfect sense. For example, it seems logical that a more experienced handler is less likely to push his or her athlete too fast or too far. However, some of the results are not intuitive for me. Why would dogs receiving alternative therapies be more predisposed to injury? I have to wonder if these dogs were receiving these therapies because of prior injuries. The Border Collie risk factor is an interesting one. I suspect this susceptibility to injury has more to do with the breed's insanely intense work ethic than it does any inherent musculoskeletal weakness.



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WELL-PHRASED SIGNS

On a fence:

"Salesmen welcome, dog food is expensive."

Veterinarian's waiting room:

"Be back in 5 minutes. Sit, Stay"

WHICH TYPE ARE YOU?

An optimist sees the best in the world, while a pessimist sees only the worst.

An optimist finds the positive in the negative, and a pessimist can only find the negative in the positive.

For example, an avid duck hunter was in the market for a new bird dog. His search ended when he found a dog that could actually walk on water to retrieve a duck.

Shocked by his find, he was sure none of his friends would ever believe him. He decided to try to break the news to a friend of his, a pessimist by nature, and invited him to hunt with him and his new dog.

As they waited by the shore, a flock of ducks flew by. They fired, and a duck fell. The dog responded and jumped into the water.

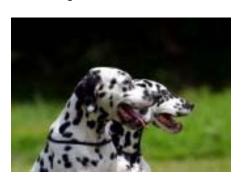
The dog, however, did not sink but instead walked across the water to retrieve the bird, never getting more than his paws wet.

This continued all day long; each time a duck fell, the dog walked across the surface of the water to retrieve it.

The pessimist watched carefully, saw everything, but did not say a single word. On the drive home the hunter asked his friend.

"Did you notice anything unusual about my new dog?" "I sure did," responded the pessimist.

"Your dog can't swim!"



WRDC 2014 Tentative Schedule

January No meeting

February 15 Board meeting

Regular meeting

March 16 Regular meeting

Pot Luck dinner at Pam & Steve's

April 19 Regular meeting.

Speaker program

May 17 Board meeting

Regular meeting

June 21 Regular meeting

follows Puppy Match at Columbia Park

July 19 Regular meeting

August 8/9 Specialty shows,

No meeting

Sept. 20 Board meeting

Regular meeting

October 18 Regular meeting or October 25 at Medina Kennel

Club with our Dal's. Election of

Officers

Nov. 15 Board meeting

Regular meeting White Elephant

Sale

December Awards Banquet



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Overheard

"I say, madam, why do you want to get a divorce?"
"My husband treats me like a dog."

"Does he mistreat you? Does he hit you?"

"No, he wants me to be faithful to him."

Lady Maxine's Book of Quotations



Heaven goes by favour. If it went by merit, you would stay out and your dog would go in.

Mark Twain

Watching baseball under the lights is like observing dogs indoors at a pedigree show. In both instances, the environment is too controlled to suit the species.

Melvin Maddocks

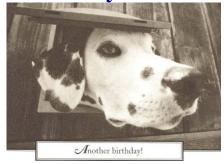
The greatest pleasure of being with a dog is that you can make a fool of yourself with him, and not only will he not scold you, but he will make a fool of himself too.

Samual Butler

Dogs normally come when they are called. Cats take a message and get back to you.

Mary Bly

Birthday Wishes



April, 2014

Cassiopea's More Than Just A Wyn 4/1/2002 – Bob & Diana Smith

Ch Dashing's Fire Flower OAJ CGC 4/10/2007 – Cindy Chaytor

INTYO Noble Archer of Rockledge 4/14/2012 – Tim & Hilary Farris

Noble Rugby of Rockledge 4/14/2012 - Tim & Hilary Farris

Zdar n Ivadals B Girl Meant To Be 4/21/2012 – Cindy Riggans

Ch Folklore's Sparkling Star 4/24/2005 - Pam & Steve Weisman

GCH Cassiopea's Summer in the Spring 4/29/2005 – Bob & Diana Smith

NON-SPOTTED BIRTHDAYS

Diana Smith - April 9

Alan & Joanne Shupp April 23, 1988

Send your birthday/anniversary information to the editor



Keep it up Billie... We almost got her to give us a bite. Mom's a sucker for the look!

How to Properly Care for Your Dog's Teeth

It's funny: We share our homes with another species of animal, whose most dangerous feature is its teeth – and most of us know little or nothing about those teeth.

First, some canine dental basics. Most animals, including humans have teeth that reflect the diet they subsisted on as they evolved. Though we humans have a few sharp teeth in the front of our mouths that we can use for tearing, most of our teeth are built for grinding plant-based foods so that we can better digest them. Conversely, most of the teeth in a dog's mouth are built for tearing animal-based foods, with just a few teeth that crush their food before they swallow it.

Most adult dogs have 42 teeth, though our genetic manipulation of the species has resulted in dogs with fewer or more.

Most adult dogs have six incisors (front teeth) on the top jaw and six on the bottom; two canine teeth (the largest "fangs") on the top and two on the bottom; eight premolars on the top and eight on the bottom; and two molars on the top and three molars on the bottom.

The dog uses his front teeth – the smallest and most fragile teeth – for his most delicate operations. He uses these teeth to groom himself, pulling burrs and insects from his skin and coat. He also uses them when scraping edible tissue from the surface of bones.

While the term "canine teeth" is admittedly somewhat confusing (aren't all the teeth in a dog's mouth canine teeth?) the appellation is somewhat understandable when you realize that the dog's "fangs" are

the most distinguishing feature of his species. Whether it's a Chihuahua or Great Dane, a dog's canines are the ones that look most impressive when bared, and leave the deepest holes in a person they've bitten.

Many of us imagine that dogs are chewing and grinding their kibble much as we chew cereal, but in fact, dog premolars and molars can't actually grind.

Grinding requires an animal's jaws to move sideways. Dog jaws can't move sideways!

Instead, the dog's strong jaws and large peaks on the premolars and molars are used to crush large chunks into smaller ones.

As much as dogs can be said to chew, most of the chewing action is provided by the premolars. The molars, located at the far back of the mouth – where the dog has the most jaw strength are mostly used for extreme crunching.

Eruption

We can use the eruption of puppy teeth and adult teeth to help us estimate the age of a young dog, but after he's about eight months old and has all his adult teeth, we have to use other clues to estimate his age, such as the amount of staining, wear, and accumulation of tartar on his teeth.

Puppies are born without teeth. The "deciduous" or "puppy" teeth start emerging when pups are about 4 weeks old. These teeth are incredibly sharp. It has been speculated that the sharpness of puppy teeth serves to further two important developmental processes: weaning and bite inhibition. Too-vigorous biting, during nursing or play, causes an abrupt end to the previously gratifying activity, teaching the

pup, through trial and error, to restrict the severity of his bite.

This pup still has her deciduous canines (the teeth people think of as "fangs"), and some of her deciduous incisors (front teeth). Some of her adult incisors are emerging, though. She's probably about 3 months old.



Soon enough, the pin-sharp puppy teeth begin to fall out – or, rather, are pushed out by the eruption of the adult teeth. The puppy teeth are generally lost in the order in which they arrived; and the adult teeth erupt in the same order: first the incisors, then the canines, and then the premolars.

Sometimes a single tooth or a few deciduous teeth fail to shed even as the adult teeth erupt, resulting in a crowded-looking mouth. When this happens, it's best to have your vet extract the unshed puppy teeth to prevent them from allowing the adult teeth to develop in an improper position.

This entire process of tooth eruption, loss, and eruption, lasting for many months, keeps the puppy's mouth in constant torment, and he has to chew on things to relieve the sensation – hard things, soft things, chewy things, gummy things, crunchy things, anything, and everything! Knowing this, the wise puppy

owner makes certain that the pup has lots of "legal" chew toys. If you fail to be thorough in providing chew toys of all textures, he'll be sure to explore anything that you don't want him to have that provides that missing, novel chewing experience.

Brushed Off

Here's what most dog owners really want to know: "Do I really have to brush them?"
Although vet dental specialists would prefer that all owners brush their dogs' teeth, the fact is that some dogs need it more than others.

The accumulation of plaque and tartar is not just unsightly, it's unhealthy. Tartar buildup at and under the gum line enables the entrance and growth of bacteria under the gums. Most dogs who have bad breath also have gingivitis – swollen and inflamed gums, usually bright red or purple, and which bleed easily. Unchecked, these bacterial infections in the gums slowly destroy the ligament and bony structures that support the teeth (periodontitis).

Because of the ample blood supply to the gums, infections in the mouth can also poison the dog systemically, potentially causing disease of the heart, kidneys, or liver.

If your dog's teeth are free of plaque or tartar, and his gums are tight and free of any signs of inflammation, you are one of the lucky ones. If, however, his gums are noticeably more red at the gum line and he has any visible tartar buildup on his teeth, you need to have his teeth cleaned by a veterinarian and then maintain the health of his teeth and gums with regular brushing and veterinary cleaning.

Put it this way: the more you brush, the less frequently you'll

need to pay for a veterinary cleaning.

A few tooth brushing tips: Start out slow and be patient. Don't try to brush all of your dog's teeth on the first day. Use a circular motion, gently scrubbing plaque away from the gum line. Reward your dog frequently and richly with treats and praise.

The "brushes" that you wear on your fingertips don't tend to work as well as brushes with softer bristles – and they make it much easier for your dog to accidently bite down on your finger. Look for very soft-bristled brushes with long handles, so you can make sure you reach the molars. For larger dogs, soft brushes meant for adult humans work fine: baby human toothbrushes work well for smaller dogs. Use a toothpaste designed for dogs. They come in flavors that are meant to appeal to dogs (meaty, not minty) - and they are free of fluoride, which can be toxic to dogs. Remember, dogs don't know to spit the toothpaste

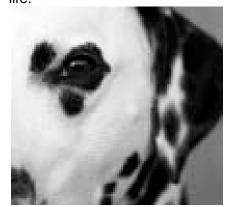
Dip the brush in water frequently as you brush, to help rinse the plaque away from your dog's teeth, and to facilitate a thorough application of the antibacterial enzymes in the toothpaste.

Get Thee to a Veterinarian It can be painfully expensive, but the value of having your dog's calculus-encrusted teeth cleaned at your vet's office is incalculable! The only way all of his teeth can be scrubbed completely of the tartar, above and below the gums, is under general anesthesia. This must be done at a veterinary clinic. Whether due to the cost or the perceived risk of anesthesia. people want so much to believe that there is another way to get the dog's teeth clean. Once a

dog has a lot of tartar on his teeth, though, the only effective treatment is a professional cleaning under anesthesia. Once his teeth are clean, you can prevent the need for further veterinary cleaning only through scrupulous home care (brushing) - but you just can't brush a tartar-encrusted mouth back to health. For one thing, you can't (and shouldn't try) to brush under the dog's gums; this area is cleaned at the vet's office with sterile instruments and with the use of a fine mist of water, which washes the bacteria out of the dog's mouth.

Further, in most states, it's illegal for anyone to use a scaler on an animal's teeth except under the supervision of a veterinarian. While there are many technicians and groomers who may be capable of removing some dental calculus from your dog's teeth, only a vet is qualified and equipped to recognize, diagnose, and treat any related conditions the dog may have, such as fractured teeth or oral cancer. If his periodontal disease is advanced. x-rays will be needed to evaluate the supporting structures of the teeth.

After all this, you'll probably be motivated to give that tooth brushing a try. Do it now, while you're good and motivated; it could add years to your dog's life.



WESTERN RESERVE DALMATIAN CLUB REGULAR MEETING MINUTES March 16, 2014

The meeting called to order at 4:15, with 22 members present. Motion made by Greg to dispense with reading the minutes of the February meeting, seconded by Hilary. Motion carried.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Linda thanked Pam and Steve for hosting our March meeting.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Membership reminded to bring any sold or unsold Raffle tickets (Visa Card - National) to the April meeting. If anyone needed more tickets, they are available.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Report given.

COMMITTEES:

- Awards Ann had nothing to report
- Holiday Banquet Hilary and Tim will chair.
- Programs Tammy has a contact who would be willing to make a presentation on obedience and Search/Rescue. Debbie will schedule a Vet for the April or May meeting.
- Membership Ann had nothing to report.
- Specialty Shows 2014
 Application sent to AKC, Breed judges are Robert Rivard and LuAnn Williams. There will be Juniors both days. Nancy has ordered the ribbons.
- Puppy Match June 21, 2014 Judges Jim Holt and Diana Brumbaugh. A sign-up sheet is being passed around for assignments.
- Hospitality for April Diane Kompier and Diana Smith.

OLD BUSINES:

- Lesley advised a lot of the content on our website is old,

she need updated pictures of members/dogs and some information regarding titles, etc. - Greg advised Rubber City KC show is scheduled for January 2, 3 and 4, 2015.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Greg made a motion the Club purchase a 5/ticket package for the Visa Card raffle, seconded by Pam. Motion carried.
- Shannon is due to have her baby August 23 and will be coming to the Puppy Match. Motion made by Barbara, seconded by Tammy that the Club provide a cake for Shannon and bring it to the Match.

2015 National - Kathy provided an update - the judge for WRDC will be Frank Sabella (breed). pendind AKC approval and Wendall Sammet (sweeps). Agility, breed and other groups to be either indoor or out. Kathy asked for help with the newsletter. Superintendent will be Trent. More information to follow regarding our club's charges for a tent, judges' expenses, and food/catering expenses, etc. Hospitality - Diana Smith and Diane Kompier will provide hospitality for April There being nothing further to discuss, Greg made a motion to adjourn at 4:50, seconded by

Respectfully submitted, Barbara Brandon, Secretary

BRAGS -

Bob Smith.

Hilary - Polo and Kamea made "Top Spots".

Tim - survived his first year of showing, taking Kamea thru Standards with Jumps and Weaves.

Hilary - Arwen needs three more open wins for "Master" title.

Ann - Happy Birthday to Jackson who just turned 13 years young.

A Dogs Devotion



Ciccio, a 12-year-old German Shepherd, attends Mass at the church of Santa Maria Assunta in San Donaci, Puglia, Italy, every day.

Maria Lochi went to church every day and she never went alone. Her German Shepard, Ciccio was her faithful companion for twelve years. Since her passing Ciccio continues to attend church as soon as he hears the bells ring. Parishioners are happy to see Ciccio sitting by the altar. The loyal canine is a living memorial to his beloved late mistress. The paper says: "As a sign of gratitude, Ciccio goes to church every morning, sitting beneath the altar, near the priest. "His hope to see his beloved Maria, the person he accompanied everywhere, even in church. It moves the faithful." It adds the parish priest "does not dare" to chase him away.



Presidents Message

Hi All;

Our potluck at Pam and Steve's was wonderful, well attended, and the food was delicious. Our club has some great cooks!! Once again I would like to thank Pam and Steve for their hospitality. It was great to see Marcella was able to make it. There are many times our senior members are unable to attend due to health, transportation issues etc., so it's so nice to see them when they are able to attend.

Our puppy match will be June 21st at Columbia Township Park in Strongsvill. The judges are Diana Brumbaugh for Sweepstakes and Handling and Jim Holt for Conformation and Junior Showmanship. Once again we will be asking our great cooks to step forward providing covered dishes.

For those of you who have raffle tickets for the 2014 national Barb will need either your unsold tickets or your money at the April meeting so that she can get everything mailed to DCA by time of the National.

Our next meeting will be at the Fire Station and will have a program focusing on doggie activities. Thank you Tammy for getting this lined up. Our May program will be the vet Debbie is working with as the vet was unable to make the April meeting so that program was rescheduled for May.

Kathy Szomoru gave an update on the 2015 National and things are moving along. W.R.D.C. will be on Saturday May 9th, outdoors as voted on by our members. Lets hope for nice weather as we know Ohio weather can produce such a wide variety of conditions.

Also it was brought to my attention that our members page

of our web site is not current. Please take advantage of this to showcase our lovely Dals and send your pictures with narratives to Lesley! Lesley will be happy to post them and even link to your web sites but she can't do it without information from you so we need your help to get it updated.

I hope everyone has a great month and look forward to seeing everyone in April at the fire station.

Sincerely, Linda



I just watched my dog
chase his tail for 5
minutes and I thought
dogs are so easily
entertained.
Then I realized, I was just
watching my dog chase its
tail for 5 minutes.

The Top Ten Pet Toxins

This information was from the call logs of the ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center. Here is their list of the top ten pet toxins in 2013. They are ranked below based on call volume.

1. Prescription human medications: The Poison Control Center received a whopping 27,673 calls regarding exposure to human medications in 2013. The three categories of drugs most commonly implicated included heart medications (including blood pressure pills), antidepressants, and pain medications.

- 2. Insecticides: More than half of the calls pertaining to insecticides involved cats. The important lesson here is to always carefully and thoroughly read the product label before applying an insecticide to areas or any living creature.
- 3. Over-the-counter human medications: This group of drugs included acetaminophen, ibuprofen, naproxen, and some herbal and nutraceutical products such as fish oil and joint supplements.
- **4. Household products:** The toxins reported ranged from fire logs to cleaning products. Some of the chemicals are corrosive to the gastrointestinal tract. Other products are capable of causing an obstruction if swallowed.
- **5. People food:** The biggies here are onions, garlic, grapes, raisins, and the sugar substitute, xylitol. These food products have the potential to cause kidney failure (grapes and raisins), gastrointestinal upset and damage to red blood cells (onions and garlic), and dangerously low blood sugar levels (xylitol).
- 6. Veterinary products and medications: These products are often flavored in order to make for a more palatable pilling process. The more delectable the medication, the more likely the animal is to eat as many tablets as possible when inadvertently allowed access to

the entire bottle. The containers may be childproof, but they're certainly not resistant to the gnashing and mashing of canine jowls.

- 7. Chocolate: Methylxanthine is the substance in chocolate that can cause vomiting, diarrhea, tremoring, elevation in heart rate, and even seizures. The darker/purer the chocolate is, the greater the potential for toxicity. The lesson here- always be selfish with your chocolate!
- 8. Rodenticides: These are poisons intended to kill mice and rats. In many cases of accidental pet exposure, the people involved either had no idea how their pet could have been exposed, or they felt certain that there was no way their pet could have accessed the product where it was placed. Pets are pretty darned clever at getting to such tasty stuff. Depending on the type of poison, rodenticide toxicity can present as internal bleeding, seizures, or kidney failure.
- 9. Plants: Lilies are the major culprits here. When ingested, they are capable of causing an abrupt onset of kidney failure. The outcome can be favorable, but only with really aggressive therapy that sometimes includes dialysis.

10. Lawn and Garden Products: What dog doesn't love what fertilizers containbone meal, manure from all kinds of critters, and, sometimes, even some dried blood. Dogs that eat enough of the stuff will develop some rip roaring gastrointestinal symptoms, and potentially even an obstruction.

The Forty Ninth Annual Western Reserve Dalmatian Club Sanctioned B Specialty Match Saturday, June 21, 2014

Columbia Township Park

Route #82 and West River Road

Columbia Station, Ohio



Sweepstakes Classes Divided by sex:

Junior-3-6, 6-9, 9-12 months; Senior-12-15, 15-18 months

First in each class to compete for Best in Sweepstakes

Breed Conformation Divided by sex:

Junior- 3-6 months, Senior- 6-9 months, 9-12 months Classes Puppy

First in each class to compete for Best Puppy

Adult: 12-15, 15-18 months, Over 18 months, Bred by Exhibitor Adult

First in each class compete for Best Adult

Best Puppy and Best Adult to compete for Best In Match

Non-Regular Classes Divided by Sex: Veterans-over 7 years. First in each class compete

for Best Veteran, Stud Dog, Brood Bitch, Brace

Showmanship Classes Jr. Showmanship: 8-12 years, 13-17 years

Ladies and Men's Handling (18 years and older) Parade of Champions & Title Holders FREE CLASS

Entry Fee \$ 7.00 per dog, \$ 3.00 second entry of same dog

\$ 2.00 Junior Showmanship

\$ 2.00 Ladies and Men's Handling

Registration 9:00 - 11:00 am 11:15 am 1. Sweepstakes

2. Ladies and Men's Handling

3. Regular Classes

4. Non-Regular Classes

5. Junior Showmanship Classes

6. Parade of Champions and Title Holders

Sweepstakes & Handling Conformation **Junior Showmanship**

Diana Brumbaugh Jim Holt Jim Holt

Doylestown, Ohio Doylestown, Ohio Doylestown, Ohio

We reserve the right to change judging assignments if the need arises. Dogs with major points can enter only for "practice". Handlers may show dogs owned by them or may enter only for "practice". The fee for practice only is the regular fee on the day of the show \$ 7.00.

Bob Smith 440-376-4742 Match Chairperson

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The **Western Reserve Dalmatian Club** cordially invites you to our **2014 Specialty Match** followed by a potluck picnic afterwards. The match will present some of Northeast Ohio's future champions and promises to be a great opportunity to begin or continue your puppies' education and training. Whether your interests to compete are in the Show Ring, Obedience Training, Rally, Road Trials, or Agility, the day will provide lots of fun, and the opportunity to learn more about these events. There will also be information on Therapy Dogs and Canine Good Citizens.

As a special bonus with each dog entered, you will receive a FREE RAFFLE TICKET (one per dog) to our raffle! You could win one of our many donated Dal items, fun and safe dog toys, dog food products or a variety of other items that will be raffled off throughout the day's activities. Even if you don't have a dog entered, raffle tickets for all prizes can be purchased for \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00 throughout the day!!!

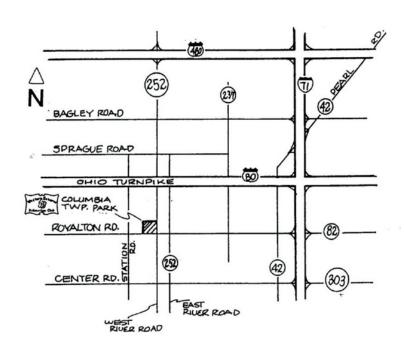
A picnic including hamburgers, hot dogs, and beverages will immediately follow the judging and the club is inviting you as our guest! Please bring a covered dish to share with others along with serving utensils for your dish.

Directions:

From the West, Take I-480 to Rte. 252, take Rte. 252 South to Rte. 82. Turn right on Rte. 82.

From the East, Take I-90/I-71 to Rte. 82, take Rte. 82 West to West River Road, Match is on the right.

From the South, Take I-77 or I-71 north to Rte. 82 and go west. (left)



Western Reserve Dalmatian Club 2014 Puppy Match June 21, 2014 Columbia Township Park, West Pavilion

Please also join us at our

58th & 59th Annual Western Reserve Dalmatian Club Specialty Match
at Lorain County Kennel Club Grounds in Oberlin, Ohio on August 8 and 9, 2014

