



MCONO Messenger

Newsletter of the Mastiff Club of Northern Ohio

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Did you know???

The Mastiff Club of Northern Ohio was created in 2008 for Ohio and all surrounding areas and is gradually spreading to include Mastiff-lovers in many states. It is a slowly developing club..... starting as an excuse to gather at the dog shows and growing into a great little Mastiff support group. We are open to all ideas and suggestions to improve the club. Our members range from long-time breeders to first-time owners.

The Mastiff Club of Northern Ohio currently has 65 members covering 7 different states.

Changes, additions and inquiries may be sent to Tammy at eyotamastiffs@roadrunner.com

Cystinuria News

Dr. Paula Henthorn and her colleagues have found a set of DNA Markers for at least one type of Cystinuria in Mastiffs that are found in two copies (one from mom & one from dad) in intact male boys that have formed stones between 1 1/2 years and 4 years of age and... when there is only one copy of the "bad" version of the markers, some of the intact boys have elevated cystine in the urine and some of those form stones (usually at an older age, but they have seen a range from 3 years to 9 years of age when the dog first forms stones), and yet other dogs with only one copy of the "bad" markers don't have elevated cystine.

Dr. Henthorn said she is hoping to turn this finding into a DNA Marker test for Mastiffs in the next few months.

She also let us know that a number of Cystinuria positive boys that are neutered stop dumping excess cystine into their urine, so neutering appears to be a treatment for the disease, and should prevent stone formation. While Drs. Henthorn and Giger have

seen this in a number of dogs (at least ten), please contact the researchers if you know of a Cystinuria positive dog that still tested positive more than a month after he was neutered. It is important to determine if neutering will lower the urine cystine levels for all dogs with elevated urine cystine.

We will need to continue testing the urine of the intact boys (at least two tests at or after 24 months of age) that have no copies, or only one copy to help figure out the other form of Cystinuria (remember that there are some boys that do NOT have the bad marker but have elevated cystine in the urine). While there have been NO reports of stones from the C+ boys that do not have the bad marker, the researchers do not have DNA from very many dogs that don't carry the bad marker, so they need to keep looking.

Good News: we'll have a genetic DNA marker test for both females and male Mastiffs that will predict which male puppies are at risk for early stone formation and which breeding pairs are at risk for producing

these boys, AND neutering should help prevent the males from expressing the disease (in both the dogs that form stones early and those that form stones later). In other words, the new DNA Marker test will help us identify the male Mastiffs that are at a high risk of forming stones and it will identify both the males and females that have the bad markers which will help us make our breeding decisions and eventually breed this problem out of our gene pool. Knowing that neutering has a good chance of curing the disease gives us many more options for managing this disease, both for individual dogs, and for our beloved breed.

Other News: We will need to continue the research to fully understand it all...

We'll send out more announcements to let everyone know when the Cystinuria DNA Marker Test is available for Mastiffs.

~ via Anna May, MCOA Health Committee

Don't Forget! Club Meeting

Saturday, July 2nd at the Lima, OH show

1 hour after BOB (Ring time - 8:30 a.m.)



Machree Mastiffs

**9 puppies
born May 6th**

*2 Apricot Boys,
3 Fawn Boys,
2 Apricot Girls,
2 Fawn Girls*



CH Devincourts Havin A Ball At Machree



CH Magnum's Playing With Fire



If you are interested in a puppy from this litter or would like more information, please contact Martha Hartley at:

MachreeMastiffs@att.net or call (330) 753-2180

Gearing Up For 2011 Northeast Ohio Mastiff Picnic



September will be here before you know it! With the 2010 Northeast Ohio Mastiff Picnic raising a record \$10,000 for Mastiff rescue, it's going to be tough to beat last

year's amazing turn out, but we're working on it!

How can you help, you ask? By becoming one of our sponsors! All businesses and private donors who donate raffle items, food, or whatever your specialty is, will be recognized on our Sponsors Page. No donation is too small - we greatly appreciate just how generous the Mastiff community is.

If you have items you wish to donate, please contact Kim Fish at kmurray@neo.rr.com or you may mail donations to: Mastiff Picnic, 13259 Hatfield Rd., Rittman, OH 44270, ATTN: Kim Fish.

This year, we've already received a very generous donation of a certificate for LASIK eye surgery from Dr. Ken Parschauer. We will again auction off this fantastic offer to the highest bidder. With a \$4,000 value, some lucky person is going to get a great deal!

Now, tell your friends. Tell your family. Plan to bring your dogs and your wallet and help us raise much needed funds for Mastiff rescue!

For updates, please go to our website:

<http://mastiffpicnic.net>

SAVE THE DATE!

**Saturday,
September
10, 2011**

**Northeast
Ohio Mastiff
Picnic**

2011 Mastiff National Specialty Raffle Donation



The MCONO submitted a trunk, with lots of donated items, in the National Specialty Regional Club competition. We would like to say congrats to the winners of the trunk John and Donna Bahlman of Old School Mastiffs!

Our beautiful trunk won the competition! Thank you Lucy Parschauer for putting it together and thank you to everyone who contributed! The MCONO donated our winning to the mastiff rescue foundation RFI.

Donations:

- Artisan made Mastiff lamp - Marti & Don Linfert
- Vintage leather Trunk - Tina Caldwell
- 25 qt Yeti cooler - Circle 7 Outpost

- 36" Filson dog bed - Circle 7 Outpost
- Circle 7 caps, tshirts, water bottles
- Woolrich blanket - Circle 7 Outpost
- Bridle leather collar & leash - Northcoast K-9
- Biscuits - Northcoast K-9
- two 9x12 framed black and white prints from the Dog Museum - Cuthbert
- one large framed color photo of one of Marie Moore's paintings from the dog museum - Cuthbert
- one new copy of THE HISTORY AND MANAGEMENT OF THE MASTIFF by Baxter, Hoffman - Cuthbert
- mastiff coffee table book - Parschauer
- artist Mark Noll created custom mastiff nite-lite certificate - Emerson
- artisan made mastiff ribbon box - Linfert
- original custom painting of your mastiff by artist Lora Myroup - Lora Myroup
- Certificate for set of 4 highball glasses etched with your kennel name - Kinkade
- Extra Large Galileo bone - Francino
- One Dog One bone swimming pool 12in.x44in.x66in. 22lbs empty. Holds 85 gals. Made with HMWPE, truck bed liner material. Brass Cap and drain for easy draining and durability - MCONO (see photo)
- mastiff notecards -MCONO
- 16 x 20 acrylic painting of your mastiff by Mitzi Walters
- Ohio wine and Libby wine

- glasses - Walters and Parschauer
- Cheryl's cookies assortment tin - Walters
- Montgomery Inn BBQ sauce and chips - Walters
- doggy cookies - Wendy Kromer Confections. www.wendykromer.com.
- Root candle tins - Parschauer Massage and Medical Services
- Hose and sprinkler - Parschauer
- Wipe your Paws napkins - Parschauer
- Custom glass mastiff pendant - Fish
- MCONO tshirt - MCONO

Cash Donations:

- Martha Hartley ,Chad & Coagi Long,
- Nicole Mays ,Gloria Cuthbert, Mitzi Walters, Kim Fish, Teresa Emerson ,Tara Smith, Aaron McGregor, Gail Marschak, Lucy Parschauer, Debbi Thurston, Erinn Hadley

Great job everyone!!!



MCONO Coffee Table Books

Annual MCONO dues invoices are due July 1, 2011.

Please email the treasurer, Teresa Emerson, with questions

temerson1215@wowway.com

The MCONO would like to give a huge thank you to Lucy Parschauer for donating all proceeds from the beautiful coffee table book "Dog's Bar....Dog Days" back to the club.



If you have not ordered yours, please remember that it is a limited edition book and is available at a discounted rate of \$59 on our website Store.



Membership Application

Mastiff Club of Northern Ohio MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAME(S): _____
ADDRESS: _____
CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____
PHONE: _____ CELL PHONE: _____
EMAIL: _____
KENNEL NAME/WEBSITE: _____

INTERESTS:

CONFORMATION SHOWING COMMITTEE
 OBEDIENCE/RALLY TRIALS START CHAT ROOM

 BREEDING M.C.O.A. MEMBER
 PET THERAPY PULLING/CARTING
 GET ME INVOLVED! SOCIAL
 PUBLICITY MASTIFF HEALTH

MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

\$15.00 SINGLE \$20.00 FAMILY \$1.00 JUNIOR



www.MastiffClubofNorthernOhio.com

CLUB FISCAL YEAR BEGINS JULY 1ST. IF APPLYING AFTER JANUARY 1ST, SINGLE AND FAMILY DUES WILL BE APPLIED TO THE FOLLOWING YEAR. MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO MCONO AND FORWARD COMPLETED APPLICATION AND MEMBERSHIP DUES TO:

MCONO TREASURER, 424 ROBINWOOD AVENUE, WHITEHALL, OHIO 43213

I/WE AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE CODE OF ETHICS, CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE MCONO AND THE RULES OF THE AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB. These documents can be found at www.MastiffClubofNorthernOhio.com

SIGNED _____ DATE _____

SIGNED _____ DATE _____

Amount Enclosed \$ _____ Check # _____

New Castle Fun Match Results

MCONO again hosted a Mastiff Fun Match at the New Castle, PA show on May 21, 2011. Judged by Ms. Erinn Hadley, the results were as follows:

3-6 mo Puppy Male

W 1 Wilson (1)
5 Waylan (3)
7 Woody (2)

12-18 mo Male

13 Hoss (1)

3-6 mo Puppy Female

2 Alex (1)
4 Sweet Pea (4)
6 Willa (3)
3 Mollie Jo (2)

6-9 mo Puppy Female

9 Bling (2)
W 11 Aspen (1)

12-18 mo Female

8 Kenzee (2)
10 Darby (1)

Adult Female

12 Mina (1)

Major Pointed

15 Ch Leodess' Second Time Around (1)



Veteran

17 Ch Leodess' Last Call For Cuervo (2)
18 Leodess' Guaranteed to Steal Ur Heart (1)

Best Puppy Male

1 Wilson

Best Puppy Female

11 Aspen

Best Puppy

1 Wilson

Best Adult

12 Mina

Best Major Pointed

15 Ch Leodess' Second Time Around

Best Veteran

19 Leodess' Guaranteed To Steal Ur Heart

Best In Match

1 Wilson

Congratulations to all the winners! Everyone had a great time playing with puppies and adults alike!