

KENNEL CLUB LAUNCHES BREEDER EDUCATION SEMINARS WITH EXPERT PANEL

A new programme of seminars will provide dog breeders with the latest advice from prominent industry experts on improving breeding practices and rearing programmes.

Run by the Kennel Club and Royal Canin, the seminars will give breeders the invaluable opportunity to hear from highly regarded professionals in the world of canine health. The experts include Dr Cathryn Mellersh, from the Kennel Club Genetics Centre at the Animal Health Trust, Dr Angelika von Heimendahl, from the Veterinary Reproduction Service, and Dr Lorna Kennedy, Senior Scientist at the University of Manchester.

The seminars, which will take place throughout England and Scotland between September and December, are open to novice and experienced breeders alike. The panel will guide breeders through topics such as avoiding caesareans, identifying a good DNA test and dealing with autoimmune conditions.

Caroline Kisko, Kennel Club Secretary said: "We are pleased to offer these important seminars that will undoubtedly help to improve the future health of our dogs. With such a prestigious panel of speakers, the seminars are a not to be missed opportunity for all dog breeders, whether they are looking to breed for the first time or have years of experience; even the most experienced breeders will find these seminars useful.

"The Kennel Club is passionate about creating a future of happy and health dogs and it is through seminars like these, and working with breeders that we will continue to achieve this. We have thousands of great breeders on the Kennel Club Assured Breeder Scheme who are putting health first, and through seminars like these they, and those breeders not yet in the Assured Breeder Scheme, are able to take advantage of the latest expert advice and continue to improve the health of dogs."

The seminars cost £25 per person, which includes morning refreshments, a buffet lunch, afternoon refreshments and a delegate pack. To book a place at any of the seminars, please visit www.thekennelclub.org.uk/item/4998. For further information, or to request a booking form, please email Fay Moore at fay.moore@thekennelclub.org.uk.

DATE VENUE SPEAKER PROGRAMME

28th September 2013 Royal Veterinary Collage, North Mymms, Hertfordshire Speaker One: John O'Connor - Canine gastro-intestinal issues

Speaker Two: Angelika Von Heimendahl - Good breeding management: money well spent and money wasted

Speaker Three: Dr Lucy Davison - What's new in our understanding of why and how dogs get diabetes?

Speaker Four - Angelika Von Heimendahl: How to avoid caesarean sections and losses of new-borns

29th September 2013 Royal Veterinary Collage, North Mymms, Hertfordshire Speaker One: John O'Connor - The magic and myths of kennel hygiene

Speaker Two: Bill Lambert - Tools for dog health - health-focused tools, resources, and initiatives available from the Kennel Club - including principles of good dog breeding and puppy packs for owners

Speaker Three: Jordi López-Alvarez: Cardiac diseases in dogs - working together for a better health

Speaker Four: Màrian Matas Riera - Common ophthalmic diseases in dogs

5th October 2013 Bristol Veterinary School, Langford, Bristol

Speaker One: Angelika Von Heimendahl - Good breeding management: money well spent and money wasted

Speaker Two: Sarah Collins - Weaning management

Speaker Three: Aimee Llewellyn - An introduction to Mate Select - A user's guide aimed at breeders to avoid inherited diseases with a simple introduction into dog genetics for the individual dog

Speaker Four: Angelika Von Heimendahl - How to avoid caesarean sections and losses of new-borns

6th October 2013 Bristol Veterinary School, Langford, Bristol

Speaker One: Jordi López-Alvarez - Cardiac diseases in dogs - working together for better health

Speaker Two: Sarah Collins - Canine gastro-intestinal issues

Speaker Three: Aimee Llewellyn - An introduction to Mate Select - A user's guide aimed at breeders to avoid inherited diseases with a simple introduction into dog genetics for the individual dog

Speaker Four: Dr Lorna Kennedy - Identifying genetic markers for complex diseases

Speaker Five: Màrian Matas Riera - Common ophthalmic diseases in dogs

19th October 2013 Royal DICK VC , Edinburgh, Midlothian

Speaker One: Ian Williams: Obesity - show condition without piling on the pounds

Speaker Two: Angelika Von Heimendahl - Good breeding management: money well spent and money wasted

Speaker Three: Nick Sutton - Mate Select - A User's Guide. How to use Mate Select in an applied manner

Speaker Four: Dr Cathryn Mellersh - DNA tests - how to spot a good one and make the most of it

Speaker Five: Angelika Von Heimendahl - how to avoid caesarean sections and losses of new-borns

20th October 2013 Royal DICK VC , Edinburgh, Midlothian

Speaker One: Dr Marge Chandler - Nutrition for pregnancy, pups and the plump

Speaker Two: Nick Sutton - Mate Select - A User's Guide. How to use Mate Select in an applied manner

Speaker Three: Ian Williams - Canine gastro-intestinal issues

Speaker Four: - Dr.Cathryn Mellersh: DNA tests - How to spot a good one and make the most of it

2nd November 2013 School of Veterinary Medicine and Science Nottingham,
Loughborough, Leicestershire

Speaker One: Nick Sutton - Mate Select – A User's Guide. How to use Mate Select in an applied manner

Speaker Two: Dr Tom Lewis - The science behind Mate Select and population genetics principles

Speaker Three: Susan Paterson - My puppy's scratching - should I be worried?

Speaker Four: Dr Pauline Devlin - Weaning management

3rd November 2013 School of Veterinary Medicine and Science Nottingham,
Loughborough, Leicestershire

Speaker One: Dr Penny Watson - Chronic liver and pancreas disease in dogs - breed vs. environment

Speaker Two: Angelika Von Heimendahl - Good breeding management: money well spent and money wasted

Speaker Three: Nick Sutton - Common canine poisons - common risks for poisoning in dogs

Speaker Four: Angelika Von Heimendahl - How to avoid caesarean sections and losses of new-borns

Speaker Five: Dr Pauline Devlin - Obesity - show condition without piling on the pounds

16th November 2013 University of Liverpool, Neston, Wirral Speaker One: John O'Connor - The magic and myths of kennel hygiene

Speaker Two: Angelika Von Heimendahl - Good breeding management: money well spent and money wasted

Speaker Three: Dr.Cathryn Mellersh - DNA tests - How to spot a good one and make the most of it

Speaker Four: Angelika Von Heimendahl - How to avoid caesarean sections and losses of new-borns

Speaker Five: Aimee Llewellyn - An Introduction to Mate Select - A user's guide aimed at breeders to avoid inherited diseases with a simple introduction into dog genetics for the individual dog

17th November 2013 University of Liverpool, Neston, Wirral Speaker One: John O'Connor - Canine gastro-intestinal issues

Speaker Two: Aimee Llewellyn - An Introduction to Mate Select - A user's guide aimed at breeders to avoid inherited diseases with a simple introduction into dog genetics for the individual dog

Speaker Three: Dr Cathryn Mellersh - DNA tests - How to spot a good one and make the most of it

Speaker Four: Dr Marge Chandler - Nutrition for pregnancy, pups and the plump

30th November 2013 University of Glasgow, Glasgow Speaker One: Angelika Von Heimendahl - Good breeding management: money well spent and money wasted

Speaker Two: Dr Pauline Devlin -Canine Gastro Intestinal issues

Speaker Three: Aimee Llewellyn - An Introduction to Mate Select - A user's guide aimed at breeders to avoid inherited diseases with a simple introduction into dog genetics for the individual dog

Speaker Four: Angelika Von Heimendahl - How to avoid caesarean sections and losses of new-borns

1st December 2013 University of Glasgow, Glasgow Speaker One: Aimee Llewellyn: An Introduction to Mate Select - A user's guide aimed at breeders to avoid inherited diseases with a simple introduction into dog genetics for the individual dog

Speaker Two: Dr Pauline Devlin- Weaning management

Speaker Three: Dr Marge Chandler- Nutrition for pregnancy, pups and the plump

Speaker Four: Dr Claire Corridan- Preparing puppies for the big bad world