

SOUTHERN BERKSHIRE GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB 2022 EYE & HEART CLINIC

Sunday March 6, 2022

Suffield Veterinary Hospital, 577 East St South (Route 159), Suffield CT

DEADLINE FOR APPOINTMENTS – March 1, 2022

Appointment times (typically between 10 AM and 4 PM) will be assigned as request forms are received. Confirmation of your appointment time will be sent to you by email after the closing date.

Eye Examinations: Dr Charles M Stuhr, Ophthalmologist, AVCO Diplomate. Fee: \$35

AKC registration & permanent identification is required for OFA. A certificate will be issued confirming diagnosis. The results are confidential. Eye drops are administered to dogs 15 minutes before appointment time. Minimum age for examination is 8 weeks. Dogs must be in good health. **Bring registration name and number, microchip number, date of birth and copy of prior exam results if other than normal.**

Heart Examinations (Golden Retrievers only): Andrew Waxman, DVM, DACVIM (Cardiology)

OFA now requires echocardiogram for advanced cardiac clearances. However, GRCA still recognizes basic cardiac clearances with auscultation only.

Basic cardiac (auscultation only) Fee: \$55 – **Form should be downloaded from ofa.org & filled out. If echocardiogram is desired based on auscultation results, fee is \$266 to be paid at the clinic.**

Advanced Cardiac (auscultation + echocardiogram/doppler) Fee: \$321 – Form will be available at the clinic **Bring all AKC registration information + microchip number.**

Golden Retrievers only. Limit of 2 cardiac appointments per person. Additional dogs will be accommodated if there is room.

Microchips: Dr Ann Huntington of Suffield Veterinary Hospital Fee: \$40

Fee for registration with HomeAgain is included.

Changes due to COVID:

MASKS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING WILL BE REQUIRED. ONLY DOCTORS, ASSISTANTS, AND SELECT CLUB VOLUNTEERS WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE BUILDING. BATHROOM FACILITIES WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE. DETAILED PROCEDURE WILL BE SENT TO YOU BY EMAIL. HERE ARE THE KEY PARTS:

- 1. You will be checked in and given paperwork as you drive into the parking lot.***
- 2. Park as directed by check in people.***
- 3. Stay in your car except as necessary to attend to your dogs.***
- 4. Fill out paperwork in your car.***
- 5. For eye exams, administer your own eye drops.***
- 6. Club member or doctor's assistant will bring your dog into the building and back to your car.***
- 7. If you or the doctor wish to discuss the exam, it will be done by phone.***

Directions from I-91: In Enfield CT, take Exit 47W for Route 190 West to Suffield. Route 190 crosses the Connecticut River and comes to a T intersection with Route 159. Turn left onto Route 159 South. The Suffield Veterinary Hospital is about 2 miles south on the right.

Directions from Suffield center: Go east on Bridge St from the center of Suffield (Bridge St is just south of the intersection of Routes 75 and 168 at the town green). Bridge St ends at Route 159. Turn right onto Route 159 South and the Suffield Veterinary Hospital is about 1 mile south on the right.

Information: Barb Biewer (860) 668-6143, e-mail sunfirefb@yahoo.com
Cell phone number for use **only on the day of the clinic** (860) 916-1689.

APPOINTMENT REQUEST FOR SBGRC 2022 EYE & HEART CLINIC

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

_____ ZIP CODE _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ Breed: _____

Number of dogs for Eye Exams _____ x \$35

Number of dogs for Heart Exams (Golden Retrievers only) – Choose basic or advanced:

Basic Cardiac (Auscultation only) _____ x \$55

Advanced Cardiac (Auscultation + Echo) _____ x \$321

Heart exams will be limited to 2 dogs per person; Check here if you have additional dogs to be wait listed

Number of dogs for microchips _____ x \$40

PREFERRED TIME _____ AM or PM Amount enclosed \$ _____

Don't forget to bring AKC registration & microchip information!

SEND APPOINTMENT REQUEST FORM WITH CHECKS PAYABLE TO **SBGRC** TO:
Barbara Biewer, 635 North Stone St, West Suffield CT 06093