

**2009 MASTIFF CLUB OF AMERICA NATIONAL SPECIALTY
HEALTH AND BREEDING EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR LUNCHEON**

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 2009 AT 11:00 AM

**The Ins and Outs of Pedigree Analysis,
Genetic Diversity and Genetic Disease**

**Jerold S Bell, DVM
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Department of Clinical Sciences
Tufts Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine**

This educational seminar will help us improve the results of our breeding programs by gaining the knowledge of breeding strategies aimed at minimizing undesirable traits while maximizing those that we desire. Dr. Bell will cover genetic disorders affecting Mastiffs with updates from pertinent researchers such as Dr. Paula Henthorn of the University of Pennsylvania regarding Cystinuria in Mastiffs. The talk will also cover the different types of genetic tests, their availability, and their proper use as well as breeding recommendations to manage different types of genetic disorders. An optional lunch will be served during the seminar and a question and answer period will follow.

Dr. Bell is a Clinical Associate Professor of Veterinary Genetics with the Department of Clinical Sciences for the Tufts University School of Veterinary Medicine and he is considered an expert on managing genetic conditions to improve the health and quality of pure-bred dogs. In addition to teaching genetics to veterinary students, Dr. Bell also offers Veterinary Genetic Counseling services and he practices Small Animal Veterinary Medicine. Dr. Bell and his wife breed Gordon Setters.

If you cannot attend the seminar and you do not want to miss out on this educational opportunity, you can pre-order a recorded videotape of the seminar.

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