



YANKEE GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB
THE ABC'S OF DOG BREEDING SEMINAR
by Dr. Claudia Orlandi

Saturday, March 10, 2012
9:00 AM – 4:00 PM
First Calvary Baptist Church
586 Massachusetts Ave.
North Andover MA 01845

Open to club and non-club members

The ABC's of Dog Breeding takes a practical step-by-step approach to the art and science of breeding. The course outlines the importance of applying genetic principles proven in the livestock industry to the breeding of companion animals.

The seminar focuses on 7 key breeding tools and concepts including

- 1) Genetics,
- 2) Breeding systems,
- 3) Pedigree analysis,
- 4) Selection criteria,
- 5) Anatomy,
- 6) Kennel blindness,
- 7) and genetic defects.

In addition to discussing the basic rules of heredity, the ABC's of Dog Breeding also addresses many of the common misconceptions and folklore that have been handed down from dog breeder to dog breeder.

This is the same seminar that is used in the AKC Breeders Symposiums. **The fee to attend the seminar is \$90/person for club members and \$100/person for non-members (this fee includes the seminar, continental breakfast, lunch and Claudia's 470 page ABC's of Dog Breeding Home Study Book that normally sells for \$35 w/shipping).** Attendees who complete the ABC's of Dog Breeding workbook exercises and send them to AKC will receive a Certificate of Completion.

Dr. Claudia Orlandi's involvement with the dog fancy began some 40 years ago as a junior handler. Although she has owned and shown several different breeds, her passion has been breeding Basset Hounds. Claudia's Topsfield Bassets hold numerous breed records, and include many homebred Best In Show and Specialty Winners. Her enthusiasm for breeding is matched only by her passion for teaching and working with other dog fanciers in the area of breeder's education.

"The ABC's of Dog Breeding is not only for breeders – it should be studied by all in the fancy: owners, exhibitors, handlers and judges. Claudia shatters many breeding myths and replaces them with facts....This is the only book I've read in my approximately 50 years in the sport that makes genetics easily understandable."
E. M. Gilbert, Jr., co-author of K-9 Structure and Terminology "

"Breeding is not just mating two dogs. You may be lucky with the first litters' results but a sincere breeder must also know where the qualities, faults and disqualifications came from for future breeding. This is where the study of genetics comes into play. The ABC's of Dog Breeding Home Study Program helps explain genetics to novice and serious breeders in a simple, understandable language with excellent illustrations."
Wendell J. Sammet, AKC Breeder of the Year

Pre-Registration Form



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The deadline to pre-register is Thursday, March 1, 2012.

Name: _____

Address/City/State: _____

Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

Please make checks payable to "Yankee Golden Retriever Club" and send your check and this registration form to:

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