

Planning ahead to pre- register for the Jane Gavin Health Clinic at the ISCA National 2018?

When: Wednesday June 6th one hour after completion of puppy sweepstakes judging

When will pre-registration open?

FREE THYROID CLINIC:

Open: March 1st

Close: May 11th or when or slots are filled

PAID CLINIC:

Open: Feb 1st

Close: May 18th

Website for BOTH clinics:

<http://www.irishsetterclub.info/healthclinic.html>

Prices for the paid clinic will be published in the February 2018 Memo.

IMPORTANT INFO RE FREE THYROID TESTING June 6, 2018

**The ISCA Foundation in conjunction
with the ISCA Health Committee and Michigan State University,
announce an exciting initiative taking place
at the Jane Gavin Health Clinic on June 6th 2018**

The Irish Setter Club of America Foundation, in conjunction with the ISCA Health Committee, has embarked on a study of thyroid values for Irish setters, with samples to be drawn at the Jane Gavin Health Clinic at the ISCA National specialty shows from 2017 through 2020. The first samples were drawn on May 17th at the health clinic in Warwick Rhode Island at the Crowne Plaza and the study will continue with the drawing of samples one hour after the conclusion of sweepstakes judging on June 6th at Saw Mill Creek resort in Ohio.

Please see the list below for the parameters of this study; the cost to run the thyroid profile will be paid for by the ISCA Foundation:

ISCA Foundation will offer **FREE TESTING** for the **first 150 Irish setters** whose owners sign up for this exciting new initiative. Each owner will be limited to signing up 4 dogs. Should the 150 limit not be reached, a wait list will be kept for those wishing to test more than 4 dogs.

Dogs must be signed up **in advance ON LINE** for free testing.

This study is being undertaken in order to get a good cross section of thyroid function/values in Irish setters.

Both TESTS/SAMPLES must be done in order to qualify for the free testing.

The following tests/samples will be done:

1. Free DNA banking at OFA CHIC
2. Free Thyroid screening -OFA thyroid test plus analysis by Michigan State University

Dogs must be 12 months old to be included in the thyroid study; ideally bitches should have had at least one heat cycle, and **not be in heat during the time the sample is taken.**

Dogs MUST NOT be on thyroid medications.

Thyroid results will be sent to the owner and to OFA for publication on the OFA website.

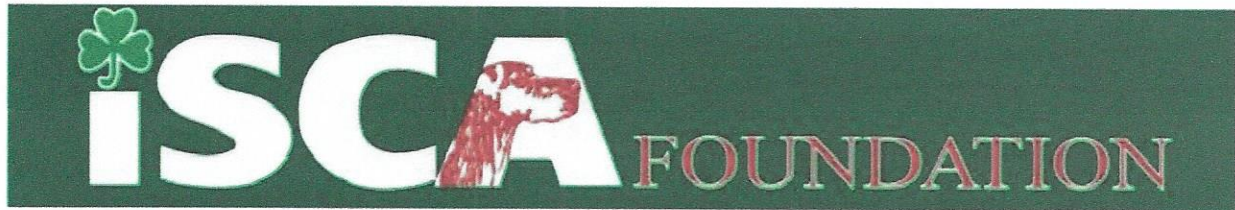
A summary report of all test results will be given to ISCA Foundation and the ISCA Health Committee by Michigan State University

If your dog already has DNA on file with CHIC, no problem! The additional DNA will be added to the DNA on file for that dog, and provide an updated health survey for the dog.

To sign up to participate in this health initiative, you **must sign up ON LINE.**

Please review the list below of parameters of this study; the cost to run the thyroid profile will be covered by the ISCA Foundation.

1. All dogs eligible for the free thyroid testing must be pre-registered, with all forms completed on line.
2. To be eligible for free thyroid testing, a dog **MUST NOT** be receiving thyroid medication.
3. To be eligible for free thyroid testing, the owner of the dog(s) involved must agree that the results of the thyroid testing will be published on the OFA website (normal or affected).
4. To be eligible for free thyroid testing, the owner of the dog(s) involved must agree to pay OFA fee of \$7.50 and a small handling fee (\$10 total), when they register for the free thyroid testing. Payment of the OFA fee will assure that the test results will be posted on OFA website.
5. There will be a limit of four dogs per owner for the free testing.
6. There will be a limit of 150 dogs/samples for the free testing.
7. Deadline to sign up for the Free Thyroid Clinic is May 11th **FIRM.**
8. **Should the limit of 150 dogs not be reached, owners wishing to have more dogs enrolled can be placed on a "wait list" and will be notified if we can accept more dogs for free testing.**
9. **What information do I need to have ready before I try to pre- register my dogs for the clinic?**



**ITEMS NEEDED (REQUIRED IN SOME CASES) TO COMPLETE
THE HEALTH CLINIC SIGN UP FORMS**

These items may require some digging before you are ready to begin

Of course the usual suspects:

Name
Address
Phone
Email

Dog Information:

Registration #
Registered name (NO titles)
Sire's Registered Name (NO titles)
Sire's Registration Number
Dam's Registered Name (NO titles)
Dam's Registration Number

Veterinarian Information:

Name
Address
Phone
Email

CHIC DNA Test:

You need to know what illnesses or diseases your dog has had

Optigen Tests (PRA, etc):

CERF # if you have one
Date of last Exam by ophthalmologist
Results

Titres:

Date of last Vaccination(s)
Brand if known

Thyroid Tests:

Thyroid Medications if on one (dosage and how often given)
Other Medications if on one (dosage and how often given)