

The Competitive Edge

Nourishing the Canine Athlete

Presented by Cheryl Morris, PhD

1-4 pm May 26, 2012 at 4RK9's, Cedar Rapids, IA

Our agility partners need to be in top condition in order to optimally perform in the ring. Providing the right balance of nutrients is essential to provide the body with the correct fuels to reach peak performance. This workshop will discuss the unique metabolism of the dog and the impact our sport has on their nutritional needs. We also will discuss the facts and fiction regarding supplements, ingredients, raw diets, and products currently on the market. There will be time for questions; however, clinical nutrition concerns will not be addressed during this presentation.

Cheryl Morris, PhD, has been the Director of Comparative Nutrition at Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo since 2005. She is responsible for formulating and managing the diets of the entire collection ranging from insects to mammals. Her nutrition laboratory and research focus have been in the area of raw meat diet formulations for carnivores and utilization of whole prey in carnivore diets. Cheryl also oversees the Training, Environmental Enrichment, and Interactive Animal Programs at the zoo. Cheryl completed her Ph.D in Nutritional Sciences at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign focusing on dietary factors affecting intestinal health in the canine. When she's not thinking about nutrition, Cheryl plays AKC and USDAA agility with her Toy Fox Terriers (Keegan, Leia, and Shadow) and her rescued Border Collie, Karma. Cheryl also conducts private nutritional consults for individuals seeking specific advice for their performance dogs through Evolve Animal Services, LLC (www.evolveanimalservices.com).

Since this is a lecture, registration is unlimited. In order to target the discussion toward the needs of the attendees, please return your registration with payment no later than **May 15, 2012. Registration Fee is \$20, payable to 4RK9's to: Johnette Ulch 1294 78th St Trial, Belle Plaine, IA 52208. E-mail johnetteulch@netins.net with any questions.**

In order to target the discussion toward the needs of the attendees, please list the 2 – 3 questions/concerns you would most like Cheryl to discuss during this workshop.
(Please provide these no later than May 1, 2012)

Name: _____

E-mail _____ Phone: _____

Questions/Concerns you would like addressed - _____
