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WHAT: **Buckeye DockDogs Fly! Swim! Jump! Dock Jumping Competition**
From the littlest Norfolk Terrier to the largest Great Dane—and all sizes of mutts in between—the dogs will be jumping big, high, and fast at this Buckeye DockDogs dock jumping competition. Teams from throughout Ohio, the Midwest and Canada will vie for cash, prizes and ribbons, and attempt to break both national and personal records in Big Air, Extreme Vertical and Speed Retrieve™.

In DockDogs competition, Big Air is the long jump equivalent for canine athletes. At speeds over 20 mph, Big Air dogs catapult off the end of a 40-foot dock into a 27,000-gallon pool to retrieve a floatable, retrievable object, like their favorite toy. Jump distances are measured from the end of the dock to where the base of the dog's tail breaks the water.

Extreme Vertical (E.V.) is a high jump contest in which the dog launches upward in order to knock down a bumper suspended over the water. Runs are shorter, and speed is reduced in order to achieve maximum height about 8 feet from the dock.

Speed Retrieve™ is a sport for any and all comers. Racing against the clock, each competing dog runs, jumps, swims, and retrieves an object located on an extender at the end of the pool, at a distance of 58 feet from the 20 foot mark on the dock.

WHEN: **Friday, July 22 through Sunday, July 24, 2011**

Friday, July 22, 2011: 12:00 NOON TO 6:30 P.M.

Saturday, July 23, 2011: 9:00 A.M TO 6:30 P.M.

Sunday, July 24, 2011: 9:00 A.M. TO 3:30 P.M. (FINALS at 3:00 P.M.)

WHERE: **Crocker Park at Detroit and Crocker Roads in Westlake, OH**

The staging area for the Buckeye DockDogs competition will be located at the northern end of the Crocker Park complex, east of Regal Cinemas.

WHO: Open to anyone with a water-loving dog, six months of age or older, that likes water and fun—regardless of breed, size, shape, or ability.

HOW: Bleacher seating will be provided; watching the competition — and cheering—are free. Onsite Registration Fees: \$25.00 per dog per Big Air, Extreme Vertical and Speed Retrieve Wave. DockDogs club membership is not necessary to compete.

For more information, visit www.buckeyedockdogs.com and www.crockerpark.com.

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