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The Heart of America Boxer Club Newsletter

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Newsletter for the Heart of America Boxer Club

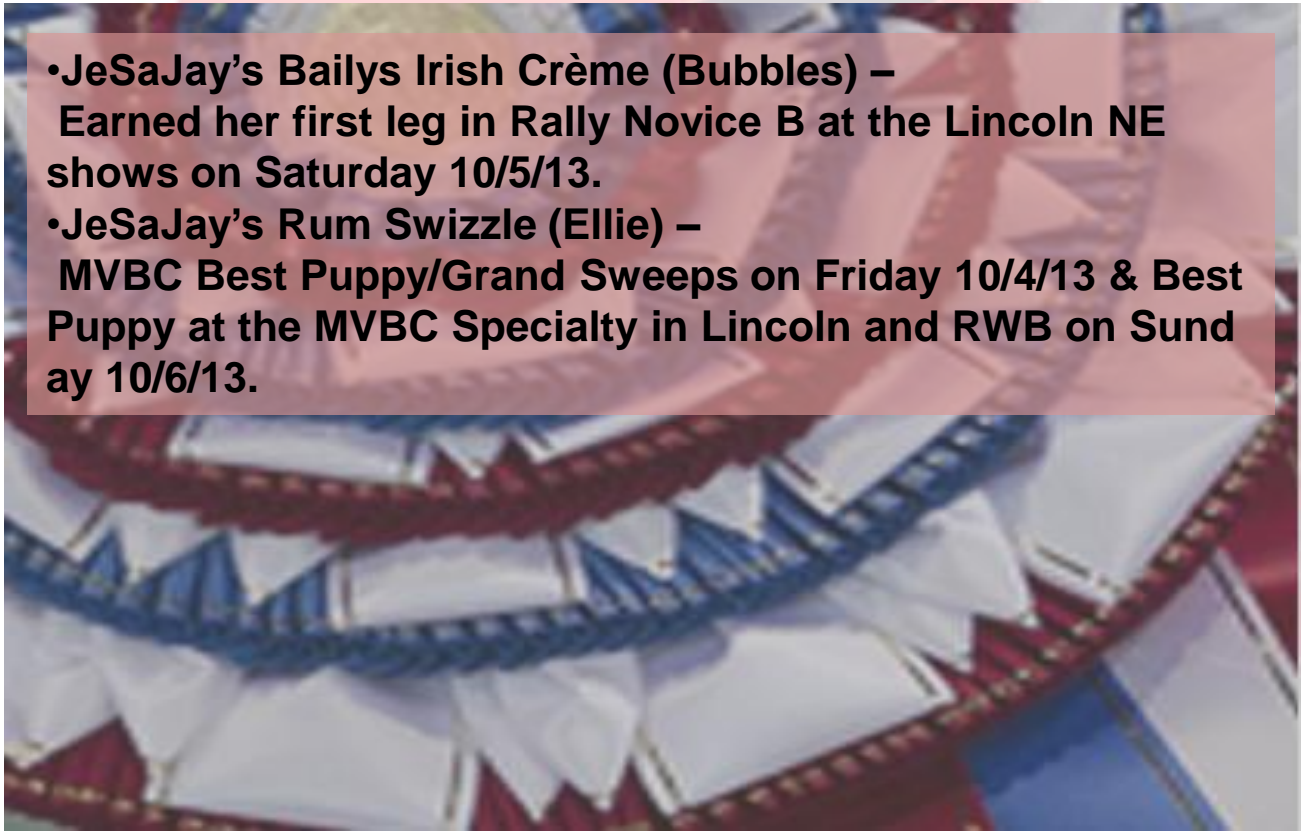
The next HOABC club meeting – February 1, 2014 in St Joseph, Missouri. Held at the Holiday Inn across the street from the Civic Center. 102 S 3rd St, St Joseph, MO. Time will be after Boxer judging, exact time will be determined as we get closer.

So...you say you **DON'T** have a spiffy Heart of America Boxer Polo shirt?? You don't want to be the **Odd Man** (or woman) out at our next function!?! Well.. Get with Mark Ewing!



September/October Member Brags

- JeSaJay's Bailys Irish Crème (Bubbles) – Earned her first leg in Rally Novice B at the Lincoln NE shows on Saturday 10/5/13.
- JeSaJay's Rum Swizzle (Ellie) – MVBC Best Puppy/Grand Sweeps on Friday 10/4/13 & Best Puppy at the MVBC Specialty in Lincoln and RWB on Sunday 10/6/13.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Ozarks Kennel Club, Inc.	Springfield	MO	23-Oct-13	Mr. Edd E Bivin
Ozarks Kennel Club, Inc.	Springfield	MO	23-Oct-13	Mrs. Judith Voran
Canadian Valley Kennel Club	Chickasha	OK	28-Oct-13	Mrs. Lawrence J. (Janet) Sinclair
Canadian Valley Kennel Club	Chickasha	OK	28-Oct-13	Mr. Walter J Sommerfelt
Town And Country Kennel Club, Inc.	Chickasha	OK	30-Oct-13	Mrs. Loraine Boutwell
Town And Country Kennel Club, Inc.	Chickasha	OK	30-Oct-13	Dr. Robert D Smith
Council Bluffs Kennel Club	Omaha	NE	30-Oct-13	Mr. Carl Gene Liepmann
Council Bluffs Kennel Club	Omaha	NE	30-Oct-13	Mr. Pete Dawkins
Central Iowa Kennel Club, Inc.	Des Moines	IA	1-Jan-14	Mr. James E Frederiksen
Central Iowa Kennel Club, Inc.	Des Moines	IA	1-Jan-14	Dana P Cline
St. Charles Missouri Kennel Club	Lake St Louis	MO	8-Jan-14	Mrs. Andre B Schoen
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Helpful Links

Kansas all breed clubs

<http://sunflowerkc.wordpress.com/>
<http://www.heartofamericakc.org/>
www.wichitakennelclub.com
www.gardencityKSkennelclub.com
www.hutchinsonkennelclub.org/
www.ljkc.com/
www.salinakennelclub.org/
www.TopekaKC.org
Kansas Obedience Clubs
www.wichitadogtrainingclub.com

Missouri all breed clubs

www.JCKC.org
<http://www.stjosephkennelclub.com/>
www.missourirhinelandkc.com
www.heartlandkc.org
joplindogs.com
Missouri Obedience Clubs
kansascitydogtraining.com/
www.gsltc.org
www.mcotc.org
www.showmek9.com

CLUB HOLTER

The club has an analog Holter that is available for use by club members.

1. No rental fee
2. Member needs to purchase the number of tape kits needed
3. Rental time is 10 days- adequate to test 5 dogs
4. Shipping to and from the member is the members' responsibilities.
5. Member is responsible for the condition of the Holter and accompanying vest.
6. Members must sign the usage agreement prior to use.
7. Contact Sabrina @ sabrina@lattahomes.com for availability

Officers & Directors 2013-2014

President: Janet Ewing (2014)

Vice President: Thomas Latta (2015)

Treasurer: Sabrina Jay (2014)

Secretary: Amber Gates

Board Member: Karen Emerson (2015)

Board Member: Joyce Peckham (2014)

Board Member: Mark Ewing (2015)

Board Member: Jeanine Millard (2015)

Committee Assignments for 2013-2014

Show Chairperson: Joyce Peckham

Photographer: Jeannine Millard

Hospitality: Amber Gates, Daniel Gates, Nicki McFarland and Scott Reiser

Trophies: Karen Emerson and Mark Ewing

Fundraising: Jeannine Millard, Carol Latta and Hailey Feldkamp

Topeka Show Site/Judges Liaison: Tom Latta

Advertising/HOABC ads: Amber Gates

Public Education/Programs: Karen Emerson and Jim Emerson

Nominating: Jeannine Millard

Cards & Flowers: Sabrina Jay

Historians: Karen Emerson and Peyton Richardson

Website/FB: Thomas Latta

Breeder Referral: Carol Latta

Boxer Rescue: Elizabeth Phillips

Zone B Director: Karen Emerson

Newsletter: Amber Gates and Tom Dobbs

Legislation: Joyce Peckham

Rescue Corner



Jaegger



Jaegger just came to us through a very large shelter and is what we call a "European natural" boxer as he has natural ears and natural tail. We estimate his birth date as 12/6/09, and he is a very happy boy and seems to get along well.

Contact mokanboxerrescue@earthlink.net

Learning Stuff... Oh ya...

How to Trim Your Dog's Toenails

By Margaret H. Bonham from Dog Grooming For Dummies

5 of 7 in Series: The Essentials of Dog Grooming

Unless your dog runs around on hard surfaces that help keep toenails short, you have to clip them about once a week — if you hear them clicking on a hard surface, it's time for a trim.

Most dogs detest having their feet handled, so clipping may never be your favorite shared activity, but getting your dog used to this ritual at an early stage helps you both weather the process. Try giving your dog a yummy treat after the trimming session, along with a big hug, a boisterous “Good dog!” and a healthy scratch behind the ears.

Before attempting a trim yourself, ask your veterinarian or a groomer to show you how to trim your pup's toenails them to the right length.

A dog's toenail is made up of the nail itself and the *quick*, the pink (when it's visible) part of your dog's toenails that provides the blood supply to the nail. Avoid cutting into the quick because it bleeds quite a bit and it's quite sensitive.

The quick is the dark part inside the nail -- the blood supply to avoid!

If you can't do all your dog's nails at once, never fear — you can clip them one paw at a time, with other activities or a resting period in between.

To trim your dog's nails:

1. Hold the foot steady, but hold it gently.

2. Snip off a small bit of the end of each toenail.

Using either the guillotine or scissors-type clippers, place a tiny bit of the nail in the nail clipper and snip.

If the nail feels spongy while you're trying to cut it, stop immediately — you're cutting the quick!

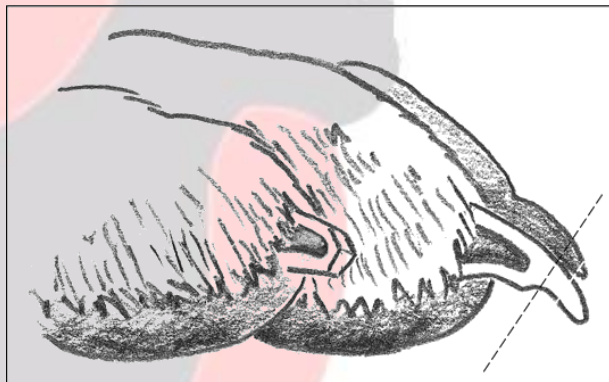
3. Stop any bleeding immediately.

If you cut the quick (often called *quicking*), you'll have an unhappy dog and a bloody mess. The quick bleeds a great deal, so if you cut it, you need either a nail cauterizer — a tool that stops the bleeding by applying heat — or styptic powder you can apply with a cotton swab. Have a damp washcloth at hand ready to clean up styptic powder and blood as necessary.

Quicking hurts a lot, and most dogs remember the experience long afterward.

Don't forget the dewclaws if your dog has them. They tend to grow long because they don't normally touch the ground and if you fail to cut them, they will eventually grow back into your dog's foot, which is quite painful.

If you use a nail grinder rather than clippers, use the same method — hold your dog's foot, turn on the grinder, and grind a little off each nail.





U.S. Department of Health & Human Services
U.S. Food and Drug Administration

FDA Facts: Jerky Pet Treats

FDA has been actively investigating consumer complaints about jerky pet treats causing illness in dogs and in some cats. As of Sept. 24, 2013, over 3,600 dogs and 10 cats have reportedly become ill from eating jerky pet treats.

The treats are sold as jerky tenders or strips and are made with chicken, duck, sweet potato, dried fruit, and in combinations of these ingredients.

Product samples have been tested for contaminants known to cause the symptoms and illnesses reported in pets including *Salmonella*, metals, pesticides, and antibiotics, and were screened for other chemicals and poisonous compounds. Nutritional composition analyses have been conducted including fatty acids, crude fiber, glycerol, protein, ash and moisture, and other excess nutrients. The purpose of nutritional composition testing is to verify the presence of ingredients listed on the label. To date, none of the tests have revealed the cause of the illnesses.

Treats Are a Treat

Pet treats are not a necessary part of a fully balanced diet, so eliminating them will not harm pets. All the nutrients your pet needs can be found in commercially produced pet food.

What to Look Out For

Watch your pet closely. Signs that may occur within hours to days of feeding the products are decreased appetite, decreased activity, vomiting, diarrhea (sometimes with blood or mucus), increased water consumption and/or increased urination. Severe cases are diagnosed with pancreatitis, gastrointestinal bleeding, and kidney failure or the resemblance of a rare kidney related illness called Fanconi syndrome. Although FDA has reports of more than 580 deaths, many pets have recovered.

Testing Samples

FDA is testing samples of jerky pet treats. FDA is working with the Veterinary Laboratory Investigation Response Network

(Vet-LIRN) to test samples of jerky pet treats. FDA laboratories and the other animal health diagnostic laboratories in the Vet-LIRN™ network obtain samples of treats directly from the source for testing. In some instances, after obtaining medical histories of pets that have been seen by a veterinarian, FDA may plan and organize testing of treats collected from consumers based on the case profiles. FDA recommends that pet owners whose pet becomes sick after eating jerky pet treats should hold on to any unused portion of the product in its original container for at least 60 days, in case FDA calls to request samples for testing. Owners should place the container inside a sealable plastic bag, if possible.

Contacts

You can help FDA's investigation by reporting your complaints through the Safety Reporting Portal (www.safetyreporting.hhs.gov) or your local FDA Consumer Complaint Coordinator (www.fda.gov/Safety/ReportaProblem/ConsumerComplaintCoordinators/default.htm).

You can also contact the pet food/treats company (see packaging for contact information) and alert them about your pet's illness.

If you require the use of a Relay Service, please call the Federal Relay Services toll-free from a TTY device (1-800-877-8339).

For More Information

FDA Center for Veterinary Medicine:
www.fda.gov/AnimalVeterinary/default.htm

Report pet food complaints:
www.fda.gov/AnimalVeterinary/SafetyHealth/ReportaProblem/ucm182403.htm

Questions & Answers about jerky treats:
www.fda.gov/AnimalVeterinary/SafetyHealth/ProductSafetyInformation/ucm295445.htm

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Helpful Hints

Homemade Pill Pocket Recipe



1 T Milk
1 T Crunchy Peanut Butter
2 T Flour (any kind)

Mix together and form 12 pockets.

Store in fridge or freezer.

<http://muttnut.blogspot.com/>

Just made them. Used whole wheat flour, milk, and reg peanut butter because that's what I had. Mixed it together and made one roll, sliced it like making cinnamon rolls, poked a slash with the knife. Poked Calvin's pill in.....he ate it. Porsche was a little more skeptical but she has been throwing up all day so that may be the problem. It made 10. 12 would be pretty small. Cost pennies, only took about 5 minutes. Stuck them in fridge. Woohoo! Way cheaper than pill pockets and not messy like just pb! This is a keeper recipe! - *Jeannine Millard*

Just for Fun!



Carmel with Grandma- she is doing a great job of raising spirits!



Patton and Rev... sleeping together...



Calvin- waiting...napping....



*Mark and his new friend...
Mo/Kan Rescue event at Hamburger Marys*

Just for Fun!



Bentley and his favorite egg



Bristol showing the new girl ("Rev") the ropes...1st rule...this is MY ball!



Honey at 13yrs young is STILL in charge of the farm hands!



Kendal Enjoying clean bedding!