

October 2014

The Heart of America Boxer Club Newsletter

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Newsletter for the Heart of America Boxer Club

The next HOABC club meeting- Saturday, October 11, time is approx. 30 min after Boxer breed judging- Location Amber's Travel Trailer – check for club members ringside for exact location! This meeting location is tentative based on weather. Amber will provide Brats and buns- please bring a side to share and your beverage of choice! Bring a chair (Amber does have a few chairs!)

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!



2014 Club Members and their New Title Holders

CH	Mi-T's Stand Up and Take Notice		Buster	July 2014	Scott Reiser
CH	Encore's FarMore Untouchable		Dega	July 2014	Amber and Daniel Gates
	Jesajay's Great Expectations				
CH	Foolish Pleasure		Sherlock	August 2014	Tom Dobbs
	LattaLane's Wild Irish Rose of Tralee				
CH			Tralee	August 2014	Tom and Carol Latta
CH	Carma's Nightwatch at Lattalane		Onyx	August 2014	Tom and Carol Latta
GCH	Galaroc N Ewing's Showdown		Bronson	July 2014	Mark and Janet Ewing

Remember- April 1 is the cut off for plaques – be sure to get information to Amber Gates farmoreboxers@yahoo.com if your dog is missing or information is inaccurate.

September Member Brags

- August 29-30, 2014 Encore's FarMore Under Your Spell "Vegas" – 4pt major and a 4pt major reserve in Amana, IA- from the BBE class- owned by Amber Gates and Tina Beardsley
- August 29-30, 2014 - CH Encore's FarMore Untouchable "Dega" - garners two 4pt majors towards her Grand Championship- owned by Amber Gates

August 30-31, 2014 -HUGE brag!! CH GalaRoc N Ewing's Show Biz "Carmel" has her FIRST qualifying run in Agility!!! Owned, loved and trained by Mark and Janet Ewing!

•IF you would like to be included in the newsletter brags...please send them to farmoreboxers@yahoo.com by the 20th of each month!



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Club	State	Show Date	Breed Judge
Northwest Arkansas Kennel Club, Inc.	AR	4-Oct-14	Mrs. Judith V Daniels
Northwest Arkansas Kennel Club, Inc.	AR	5-Oct-14	Mr. Robert Stein
Lawrence Jayhawk Kennel Club, Inc.	KS	11-Oct-14	Col. Joe B Purkhiser
Lawrence Jayhawk Kennel Club, Inc.	KS	12-Oct-14	Professor Douglas C Taylor
Sooner State Kennel Club	OK	11-Oct-14	Mr. Jon R Cole
Sooner State Kennel Club	OK	12-Oct-14	Mrs. Linda M Riedel
Illinois Capitol Kennel Club, Inc.	IL	16-Oct-14	Mrs. Houston (Toddie) Clark
Mattoon Kennel Club, Inc.	IL	17-Oct-14	Mrs. Rita J Rynder
Sandemac Kennel Club	IL	18-Oct-14	Mrs. Chris Walkowicz
Illinois Capitol Kennel Club, Inc.	IL	19-Oct-14	Mr. Richard Lashbrook
Rapid City Kennel Club, Inc.	SD	17-Oct-14	Mr. James R White
Rapid City Kennel Club, Inc.	SD	18-Oct-14	Dr. Anthony D DiNardo
Rapid City Kennel Club, Inc.	SD	19-Oct-14	Carolyn A Herbel
Boxer Club of Oklahoma	OK	24-Oct-14	Mrs. Stephanie Hamblin-Barnhill
Boxer Club of Oklahoma	OK	25-Oct-14	Harry H (Butch) Schulman
Seminole Kennel Club	OK	25-Oct-14	Gary Bassett
Seminole Kennel Club	OK	26-Oct-14	Patricia A Sosa
Sioux Empire Kennel Club, Inc.	SD	24-Oct-14	Guy Jeavons
Sioux Empire Kennel Club, Inc.	SD	25-Oct-14	Mr. Mark Houston-McMillan
Sioux Empire Kennel Club, Inc.	SD	26-Oct-14	Mrs. Barbara Dempsey Alderman
Buckhorn Valley Kennel Club, Inc.	CO	25-Oct-14	Nancy C Russell
Buckhorn Valley Kennel Club, Inc.	CO	26-Oct-14	Bonnie P Threlfall
Saline County Kennel Club of Arkansas	AR	25-Oct-14	Mr. Jim C Briley
Saline County Kennel Club of Arkansas	AR	26-Oct-14	Dr. Gerard C Penta
Tri-State Kennel Club, Inc.	MO	1-Nov-14	Mr. Garry K Newton
Tri-State Kennel Club, Inc.	MO	2-Nov-14	Ms. Marjorie Martorella
North Arkansas Kennel Club	MO	6-Nov-14	Mr. Jon R Cole
North Arkansas Kennel Club	MO	7-Nov-14	Joseph E Gregory
Ozarks Kennel Club, Inc.	MO	8-Nov-14	Mr. Ken J Murray
Ozarks Kennel Club, Inc.	MO	9-Nov-14	Dr. John A Reeve-Newson
Pikes Peak Boxer Club	CO	6-Nov-14	Karen Martin
Pikes Peak Boxer Club	CO	6-Nov-14	Mrs. Shirley D Limoges
Southern Colorado Kennel Club, Inc.	CO	7-Nov-14	Mr. Bob Busby
Southern Colorado Kennel Club, Inc.	CO	8-Nov-14	Mr. Sam Houston McDonald
Colorado Springs Kennel Club	CO	9-Nov-14	Ms. Charlotte Clem McGowan
Colorado Springs Kennel Club	CO	10-Nov-14	P. Levi Marsman
Town And Country Kennel Club, Inc.	OK	13-Nov-14	Mr. Clay Coady
Town And Country Kennel Club, Inc.	OK	14-Nov-14	Dr. Steve Keating
Canadian Valley Kennel Club	OK	15-Nov-14	Mrs. Evie Sullivan
Canadian Valley Kennel Club	OK	16-Nov-14	John P Wade
Council Bluffs Kennel Club	IA	22-Nov-14	Mr. David Bolus
Council Bluffs Kennel Club	IA	23-Nov-14	Mr. Robert J Shreve

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
jopbindogs.com

Missouri Obedience Clubs

kansascitydogtraining.com/
www.gsltc.org
www.mcotc.org
www.showmek9.com

Important Links- health/clinics

BLUE PEARL

<http://kansas.bluepearlvet.com/>

www.offa.org

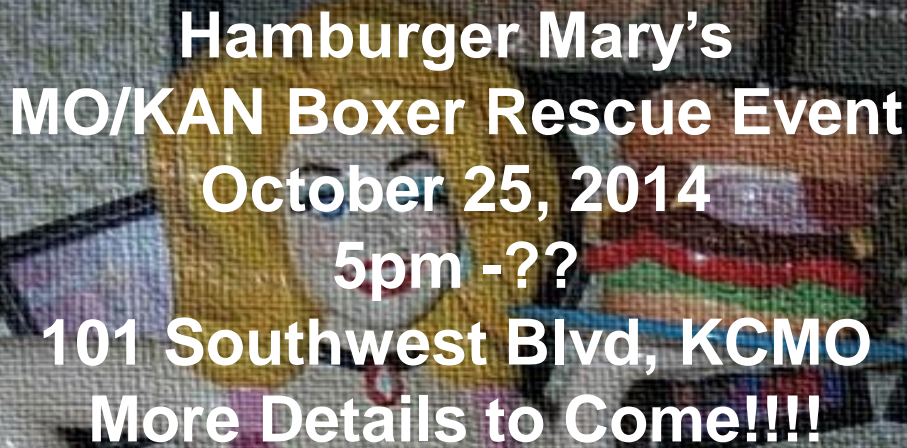
<http://www.merckmanuals.com/vet/index.html>
<http://www.cavalierhealth.org/Cardiologists.htm>

Overland Park

913.642.9563
11950 West 110th St
Overland Park KS 66210

Kansas City North

816.759.5016
139 NE 91st Street
Kansas City, MO 64155



**Hamburger Mary's
MO/KAN Boxer Rescue Event
October 25, 2014
5pm -??
101 Southwest Blvd, KCMO
More Details to Come!!!!**

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 (2016)

Vice President: Thomas Latta (2015)

Treasurer: Sabrina Jay (2016)

Secretary: Amber Gates (2016)

Board Member: Karen Emerson (2015)

Board Member: Mark Ewing (2015)

Board Member: Jeanine Millard (2015)

Committee Assignments for 2013-2014

Show Chairperson: Peyton Richardson

Photographer: Jeannine Millard

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

Trophies: Karen Emerson and Mark Ewing

Fundraising: Jeannine Millard and Hailey Feldkamp

Topeka Show Site/Judges Liaison: Tom Latta

Advertising: 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

2014/15 Zone B Director: Karen Emerson

Newsletter: Amber Gates and Tom Dobbs

Legislation: Joyce Peckham

Rescue Corner



WE NEED HELP!

URGENT need for foster homes!!!

Please! Help get the word out! MO/KAN Boxer rescue is in need of qualified Foster homes.

Some BASIC requirements to be considered for a Foster Home.....

- Fencing is not required but is preferred; not having a fence will limit placement options.
- All other pets in the home must be UTD on shots and on HW prevention year-round.
- Contact Elizabeth or Joyce for more information at mokanboxerrescue@earthlink.net

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Helpful Hints



Save 10% at Pet-Friendly Motel 6!

Motel 6 is a proud sponsor of American Kennel Club programs and is committed to helping AKC constituents find great, affordable, dog-friendly accommodations.

Visit [this link](#) or call 1-855-M6-4Dogs and use code CP542764 to receive your 10% discount

All of the 1100+ Motel 6 locations are Pet Friendly. Motel 6 does not have pet weight limits or charge deposits.

Standard amenities include free local phone calls, free morning coffee, Wi-Fi Internet access at a nominal charge, and cable channel line-up with premium channels.

AKC customers save 10% off standard rates when booking reservations with CP542764

We encourage you to include this offer in your next Premium List, as a great value, pet-friendly economy lodging option.

NEW point Schedule- takes Effect May 14, 2014

2014 Boxer Point Schedule

Effective May 14, 2014

	1 Point		2 Points		3 Points		4 Points		5 Points	
	Dogs	Bitches	Dogs	Bitches	Dogs	Bitches	Dogs	Bitches	Dogs	Bitches
Div1 CT, ME, MA, NA, RI, VT	2	2	7	8	12	13	14	17	20	25
Div2 DE, NJ, NY, PA	2	2	6	7	10	12	18	20	24	26
Div3 DC, MD, NC, TN, VA, WV	2	2	6	7	10	12	13	17	19	26
Div4 FL, GA, SC	2	2	7	9	13	15	16	18	22	23
Div5 IN, KY, OH	2	2	8	12	14	22	21	31	27	40
Div6 IA, KS, MO, NE	2	2	8	11	14	19	18	21	19	25
Div7 CO, OK, TX	2	2	6	9	10	17	14	20	20	23
Div8 OR, WA	2	2	7	11	11	19	15	21	20	25
Div9 AZ, CA	2	2	7	10	12	17	16	23	24	34
Div10 Alaska	2	2	3	3	4	4	5	5	6	6
Div11 Hawaii	2	2	3	3	4	4	5	5	6	6
Div12 Puerto Rico	2	2	3	3	4	4	5	5	6	6
Div13 ID, MT, NV, NM, ND, SD, UT, WY	2	2	5	6	8	11	12	15	19	20
Div14 AL, AR, LA, MS	2	2	7	9	13	18	14	20	16	23
Div15 IL, MI, MN, WI	2	2	7	8	12	15	16	21	23	29

Learning Stuff!

Help! My Dog Has Terrible Gas

Dog Library – Training & Behavior – Puppy 101

It is normal for dogs to pass some gas, but excessive gas usually reveals intolerance by the dog to some part of his diet.

To begin, inferior-quality dog foods may have excessive fat and are made up of ingredients that result in difficult digestibility. Poorly digestible ingredients pass unabsorbed through the small intestine and end up in the colon, where they require fermentation to break down. This fermentation produces varying amounts of gas.

Flatulence can also occur if a dog eats large amounts of fat, excessive amounts of food, or lacks the ability to digest certain ingredients (for example lactose-intolerant dogs). In addition, excessive gas is also seen in dogs who lack regular exercise. Flatulence is also common in animals who eat rapidly, causing the ingestion of large quantities of air. Once taken in, ingested air in the gastrointestinal tract can be removed only by flatulence or by belching.

Strategies to reduce flatulence in dogs include lowering fat intake, switching to higher-quality diets with more digestible content, and providing regular exercise. Exercise improves blood supply and circulation, promotes muscle tone, and preserves more regular defecation.



If your dog has to compete with other dogs for his meals, you may want to feed him alone so he's less stressed and hurried when eating. You can also mix the food with water, which reduces the gulping of air when chewing and swallowing. Finally, serving smaller meals during the day may also help to reduce flatulence.

Your veterinarian may recommend dietary changes and medications that reduce or absorb gas production and prevent constipation. If excessive flatulence persists, the dog may require a more extensive G.I. work-up. Contact your veterinarian as the problem could be more serious.

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Learning Stuff!

Why Does My Dog Cock His Head?

[Dog Library – Training & Behavior – Why Does My Dog Do That? – Puppy 101 – Basic Training](#)



A dog probably does this to better localize the source of the sound by using a process known as triangulation. In this respect, the dog's ears function as stereo receivers. By altering their position with respect to the sound-source, its location can be more accurately pinpointed. When the dog hears a sound, his brain calculates

the delay between the time the sound reaches the ear nearest the sound and when it reaches the ear furthest from it. This difference can be translated to estimate the distance at which the sound source is located. A dog's brain can compute the time difference of the sound's arrival at each ear independently, thus negating the need for the knowledge of such excruciating facts as the speed of sound or the time the sound takes to travel, and application of the formula $\text{distance} = \text{speed} \times \text{time}$.

We humans also cock our heads when we want to listen hard, presumably for the same reason. We also need no knowledge of the various physical parameters to make our assessment of the sound's origin. We get a little more fanciful when estimating the distance of an approaching thunderstorm by counting the seconds between the flash of lightning and the clap of thunder, but that's only because someone once worked out the speed of sound and the requisite calculation.

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Drug Therapy May Bridge DM and ALS

Dr. Joan Coates, a veterinary neurologist and professor at the University of Missouri College of Veterinary Medicine, was recently awarded a grant from the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, part of the National Institutes of Health, to explore a potential therapy for canine degenerative myelopathy. The study involves treating dogs diagnosed with degenerative myelopathy (DM) with a drug therapy that is also being tested in people with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), or Lou Gehrig's disease.



"What we hope to do is slow the disease progression, and ultimately, halt the disease progression," Coates said.

Coates was part of a team that also includes Dr. Gary Johnson, an associate professor in the MU CVM Department of Veterinary Pathobiology who is involved in genomics research, and investigators at the Broad Institute and Massachusetts Institute of Technology, who established that the same genetic mutation that causes DM in dog also causes some forms of ALS in people. The mutation is wide-spread in the dog population and DM exists in many breeds, such as Pembroke Welsh corgis, Rhodesian ridgebacks, German shepherd dogs, Chesapeake Bay retrievers and boxers.

Both DM and ALS are incurable neurological diseases that cause progressive neurodegeneration in both the central and peripheral nervous systems. The diseases lead to weakness and muscle atrophy, and culminate in paralysis and death. In DM, the onset of clinical signs starts at around 9 years of age with weakness beginning in the hind limbs and affected dogs are usually paralyzed within 11 months. Many pet owners choose euthanasia when their dogs can no longer use their hind limbs. However, if the dogs live longer with DM, the disease would continue to spread through the central nervous system eventually affecting the rest of the spinal cord, muscles, nerves and the brain. In end-stage DM, dogs can develop swallowing dysfunction and lose their bark.

Coates' focus now is the search for a treatment that will benefit DM and ALS patients. She is collaborating on a drug therapy project with Dr. Timothy Miller at Washington University in St. Louis. Miller is leading a clinical trial in ALS patients. Coates said beneficial effects of the drug have been observed in rodent studies giving hope that those benefits will carry over to treating DM and ALS.

"Possibly more can be learned in treating DM so that we can then go back and expedite therapeutic approaches in treating ALS," Coates explained. "We hope to have pharmacologic studies completed in a year and from there we can take it to a clinical trial in DM-affected dogs."

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Similarities between the canine and human nervous systems, and the homogeneity in onset and clinical progression of canine DM, will facilitate translation of therapies into human applications. Furthermore, dogs with DM offer a ready clinical population in which therapies can be evaluated in an environment closely mimicking human clinical trials. ALS is caused by many different genetic mutations or is sporadic. Moreover, the disease progression and the type of onset are variable. These heterogeneities pose challenges in management of clinical trials for the ALS community.

“The challenge in any therapy involving the nervous system is getting the therapy where the pathology resides — you have to get the treatment into the spinal fluid and the nervous tissue.”

To that end, Coates is collaborating on other translational and comparative medicine projects. With her fellow researchers within the College's Comparative Neurology Program, she is working to establish biomarkers — the biochemical signatures of diseases — in spinal fluid and blood in an effort to further characterize DM. She is also partnering with Dr. Teresa Lever, an assistant professor in the MU School of Health Professions, to study swallowing dysfunction in dogs.

As the links between ALS and DM becomes clearer, Coates hopes that she, together with fellow veterinary neurologists, will foster collaborations with other ALS researchers to expand on different treatment approaches for DM and ALS and eventually a cure.

Retrieved from <http://www.cvm.missouri.edu/news/DM2013.html>

Links and Resources

Dr. Roger Clemmons, D.V.M.,
Ph.D.

Associate Professor of
Neurology and Neurosurgery
University of Florida

Great 12 page article about DM
and diet supplementation.

http://neuro.vetmed.ufl.edu/neuro/DM_Web/DMofGS.htm

Dog Carts:

<http://HandicappedPets.com> <http://EddiesWheels.com>

DM Support E-Group:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/degenmyelopathysupport/>

DM Chat Group:

<http://www.freewebs.com/dmroster/chat.htm>

Fall pumpkin treat for your dog!

- 🐾 1 can 100% pure pumpkin puree
- 🐾 1/2 cup peanut butter
- 🐾 1 cup plain yogurt

Blend all 3 until smooth.

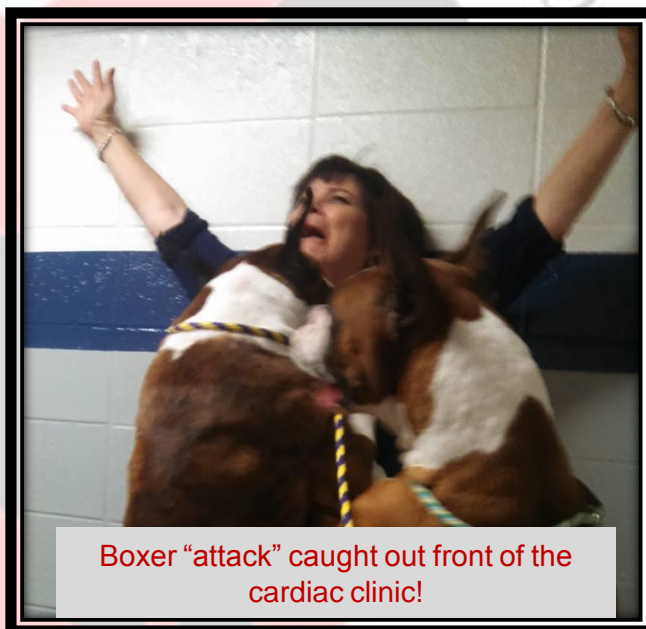
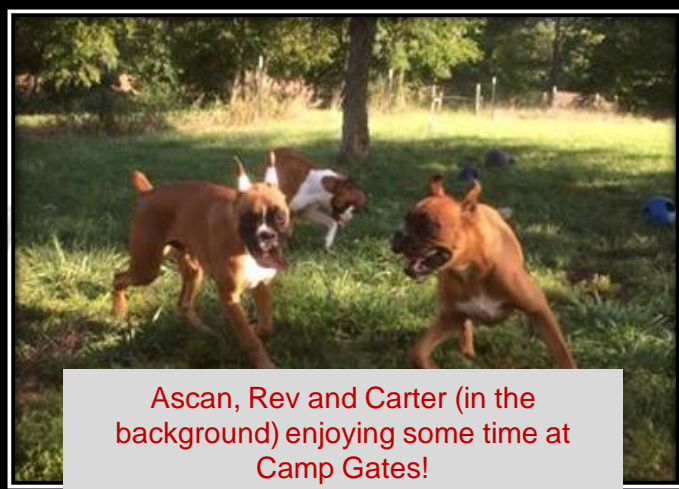
Pour into ice cube trays - freeze for 12 hours.

Pop single cubes into their food dish for a seasonal treat!



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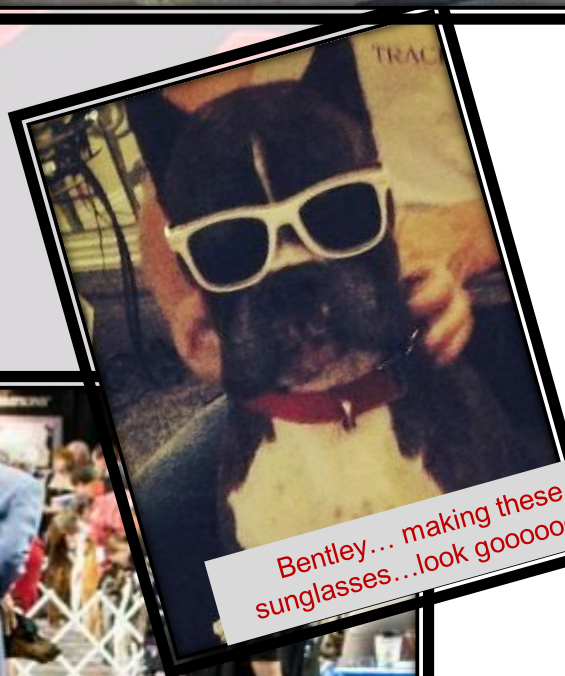
Fun Stuff!



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Aflac and Jake...Jake from State Farm ☺ at the Latta Ranch!



Bentley... making these sunglasses...look gooooooood!



Patton (Amber) and Mia (Tom)... our two distinguished Veterans – competing in breed