

April 2015

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, April 18, 2015 at 1100 – Barley's Brewhaus, 11924 W 119th Street, OP, KS 66213 They have a private room, The Cellar.

Carol would like to remind all members- that she will be collecting Door Prizes for our August Hospitality event-at this meeting - consider Gift Baskets or....

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

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|-----|---------------------------------------|----------|--------|---------------------|
| CH | Mi-T's Stand Up and Take Notice | Buster | 14-Jul | Scott Reiser |
| | | | | Amber and Daniel |
| CH | Encore's FarMore Untouchable | Dega | 14-Jul | Gates |
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| GCH | Galaroc N Ewing's Showdown | Bronson | 14-Jul | Ewing |
| | Jesajay's Great Expectations Foolish | | | |
| CH | Pleasure | Sherlock | 14-Aug | Tom Dobbs |
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| CH | LattaLane's Wild Irish Rose of Tralee | Tralee | 14-Aug | Tom and Carol Latta |
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| CH | Carma's Nightwatch at Lattalane | Onyx | 14-Aug | Tom and Carol Latta |
| | | | | Amber and Daniel |
| CH | Encore's FarMore Under the Gun | Putu | 14-Nov | Gates |
| | | | | Amber and Daniel |
| CH | Encore's FarMore Under Your Spell | Vegas | 15-Jan | Gates |
| CH | Great Expectations September Morn | Ziggie | 15-Mar | Tom Dobbs |
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| CH | Envision I Wanna Talk About Me | Daryl | 15-Mar | Julie Higgins |

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.

Member Brags

- March 8, 2015 -Great Expectations September Morn was given the nod for WB from Judge Judith Brown in Garden City, KS for her Championship title! Owned and Loved by Tom Dobbs
- March 13, 2015 – Envision I Wanna Talk About Me was given WD/BOW for his championship from Mr. David Bolus- owned and loved by Julie Higgins at the Kansas City Shows- Leavenworth KC#2
- March 14, 2015- CH Great Expectations September Morn, handled by Tom Dobbs also received their FIRST Grand champion points- a major with a competitive win!

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 | City | State | Show Date | Breed Judge |
|--|---------------|-------|-----------|----------------------------------|
| Salina Kennel Club, Inc. | Valley Center | KS | 3-Apr-15 | Mr. Jim C Briley |
| Wichita Kennel Club, Inc. | Valley Center | KS | 4-Apr-15 | Mr. Edd E Bivin |
| Hutchinson Kennel Club, Inc. | Valley Center | KS | 5-Apr-15 | Mrs. Lesley E Hiltz |
| Wichita Kennel Club, Inc. | Valley Center | KS | 6-Apr-15 | Miss Virginia L Lyne |
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| Northeast Oklahoma Kennel Club | Grove | OK | 9-Apr-15 | Mr. James E Frederiksen |
| Northeast Oklahoma Kennel Club | Grove | OK | 10-Apr-15 | Mr. James E Noe |
| Bartlesville Kennel Club | Grove | OK | 11-Apr-15 | Dr. Robert D Smith |
| Bartlesville Kennel Club | Grove | OK | 12-Apr-15 | Mrs. Polly (Mrs. Robert) D Smith |
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| Austin Kennel Club, Inc. | Austin | TX | 11-Apr-15 | Mr. Ken J Murray |
| Austin Kennel Club, Inc. | Austin | TX | 12-Apr-15 | Mrs. Alane L Gomez |
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| Terry-All Kennel Club, Inc. | Brighton | CO | 11-Apr-15 | Ms. Denise Dean |
| Terry-All Kennel Club, Inc. | Brighton | CO | 12-Apr-15 | Mrs. Andre B Schoen |
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| Grand Island Kennel Club | Grand Island | NE | 18-Apr-15 | Mr. James R White |
| Grand Island Kennel Club | Grand Island | NE | 19-Apr-15 | Mr. Jon R Cole |
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| Heart of Iowa Kennel Club | Marshalltown | IA | 25-Apr-15 | Mrs. Chris Walkowicz |
| Heart of Iowa Kennel Club | Marshalltown | IA | 26-Apr-15 | Dana P Cline |
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| Seward County Kennel Club | Seward | NE | 25-Apr-15 | Christopher Neilson |
| Seward County Kennel Club | Seward | NE | 26-Apr-15 | Mrs. Houston (Toddie) Clark |
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| Baytown Kennel Club, Inc. | Crosby | TX | 25-Apr-15 | Mr. Robin L Stansell |
| Baytown Kennel Club, Inc. | Crosby | TX | 26-Apr-15 | Mrs. Barbara Dempsey Alderman |
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| Rolla Missouri Kennel Club | Gray Summit | MO | 1-May-15 | Mr. James R White |
| Spirit of the Heartland Kennel Club | Gray Summit | MO | 2-May-15 | Dr. Eric Liebes |
| Jefferson County Kennel Club of Missouri | Gray Summit | MO | 3-May-15 | Dr. Wanda V Spediacci |
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| Caddo Kennel Club of Texas | Marshall | TX | 2-May-15 | Mr. Jon R Cole |
| Caddo Kennel Club of Texas | Marshall | TX | 3-May-15 | Mrs. Keke Kahn |
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| Sunflower Kennel Club of Olathe, Kansas | Topeka | KS | 9-May-15 | Harry H (Butch) Schulman |
| Salina Kennel Club, Inc. | Topeka | KS | 10-May-15 | Event Not Approved |
| Sunflower Kennel Club of Olathe, Kansas | Topeka | KS | 11-May-15 | Mr. Robert J Shreve |
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| Denton Kennel Club, Inc. | Denton | TX | 9-May-15 | Mr. Eric J Ringle |
| Denton Kennel Club, Inc. | Denton | TX | 10-May-15 | Dr. Dana Ann Smith Massey |
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| Durango Kennel Club | Cortez | CO | 15-May-15 | Mr. Elliott B Weiss |
| Durango Kennel Club | Cortez | CO | 16-May-15 | Mrs. Barbara Dempsey Alderman |
| Durango Kennel Club | Cortez | CO | 17-May-15 | Mrs. Helen Lee James |
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PLAN AHEAD!

American Boxer Club Nationals

May 2, 2015 through May 8, 2015

Held at the Indianapolis Wyndham West

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

Area Barn Hunt Clubs

Barn Hunt Association LLC

<http://www.barnhunt.com>
3506 Westwind Dr
Columbia MO 65202

Sunflower Kennel Club of Olathe, KS, Inc.

<http://ksexpo.com>
Trial Chair: Lori Pierson
913-485-4027
firecreek@everestkc.net

Columbia Canine Sports Center, LLC

<http://www.columbiak9sportscenter.com>
4506 I70 Dr SE
Columbia MO 65201
Trial Chair: Kathy Echols
573-673-9680
krechols@aol.com

Salina Kennel Club, Inc.

Trial Chair: Don Phillips
phil20021@cox.net



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 2014-2015

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 2015

Show Chairperson: Peyton

50/50 Raffle: Tom L (C), Carol, and Peyton

Hospitality: Amber (C), Daniel, Scott

Trophies: Karen (C) and Mark

Fundraising: Jeannine (C) Tiffany, Kyle, Jim, Nicki, Julie

Topeka Show Site/Judges Liaison: Tom L

Advertising: Amber

Public Education/Programs: Sabrina

Nominating: Jeannine (C)

Cards & Flowers: Sabrina

Historians: Peyton (C) and Karen

Website: Thomas L

Breeder Referral: Carol

Boxer Rescue: Liz

2014/15 Zone B Director: Karen

Newsletter: Amber (C) and Tom D

Door Prize (hospitality): Carol (C) Hailey

Legislation: Joyce

Facebook Updates: Amber



Call 1-855-M6-4Dogs and use code CP542764 to receive your 10% discount – or use their app

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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Learning Something...yep...

5 Signs Your Dog is Stressed (and How to Relieve it)



Is your dog acting unusual? Perhaps he or she seems overly anxious or depressed. Stress is more common in dogs than you may think. Even worse, stress can negatively impact your dog's health. Here are five common signs of stress in dogs to help you identify it and seek help quickly.

1. Diarrhea, Constipation, or other Digestive Issue

Although they are more commonly attributed to disease or food intolerance, gastrointestinal issues such as diarrhea and constipation can also be brought on by stress. Speak to your veterinarian if the diarrhea, constipation, or other digestive issue is abnormally severe, especially if it has lasted longer than 24 hours or if the diarrhea is bloody.

2. Decrease in Appetite

Dogs don't go on fasts or diets like we do so it's important to consult a veterinarian if your pet suddenly loses interest in food or stops eating altogether. It could be due to stress or to an underlying health condition.

3. Isolation

Some dogs like some alone time now and then. However, a dog that is constantly isolating him or herself from other pets or people may be suffering from stress or a sickness. Your veterinarian can help you identify the cause of this strange behavior.

4. Increased Sleeping

By now you will have become accustomed to your dog's sleeping schedule. Speak with your veterinarian if your dog is sleeping more than usual or seems overly lethargic.

5. Aggression Toward People or Other Animals

Aggressive actions toward animals or people can be a sign of a stressed or sick dog. Consult your veterinarian or a veterinary behaviorist before the problem gets worse.

How to Help a Stressed Out Dog?

If your dog's behavior changes suddenly in any way, schedule an appointment with your veterinarian. He or she can rule out any underlying medical issues as well as make recommendations to help lower your dog's stress level. Here are some tips for helping to alleviate stress in your dog:

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Learning Something...yep...

Play/exercise with your dog regularly – Physical activities like a game of fetch or a walk around the block are a great stress reducer for dogs.

Create a safe zone – Set apart an area in your home for your dog to escape high-stress events like thunderstorms and parties. Provide your dog with a favorite "security blanket" such as a toy and visit your dog often. If possible, stay with him until the high-stress event has passed. Your presence is a great reassurance to him or her

Choose a high quality dog food – Your dog's diet is an integral part of his health and wellbeing. Providing your dog with a diet that is not properly balanced for his or her life stage and lifestyle may cause unforeseen repercussions that may lead to anxiety and stress.

Retrieved from http://www.petmd.com/dog/centers/nutrition/signs-your-dog-is-stressed?utm_source=outbrain&utm_medium=PaidContent&utm_campaign=Media-%20HillsQ4&utm_content=5-Signs-Your-Dog-is-Stressed-and-How-to-#

Bloat in Dogs: Symptoms & Prevention

When a dog's stomach fills with gas, it bloats. The expansion of the stomach puts pressure on the diaphragm, which in turn makes it hard for the dog to breathe. The stomach will also twist, causing terrible shock and rapid death. Therefore, bloating should always be treated as a dire emergency.

What To Watch For

Bloating can happen to any breed of dog at any age. However, large breeds with deep chests, like Great Danes or the large Setters, are more likely to suffer from this type of emergency. In certain instances, bloating is noted when the dog exercises immediately after eating. The most obvious symptom is, of course, an enlarged abdomen. You may also observe labored breathing, excessive drooling, vomiting, a weak pulse, and paleness in the nose and mouth.

Primary Cause

Although there are environmental and genetic factors that remain unknown, the chances of bloating are increased by overeating and excessive drinking. Allowing a dog to exercise or especially roll shortly after a meal can also cause problems.

Immediate Care

Take the dog to a vet right away. There, she will be stabilized and likely undergo gastric decompression. Depending on the circumstances, you may need to treat the dog for shock on your way to the emergency hospital.

Prevention

Providing the dog normal-sized food portions and allowing her time to digest after a meal can help prevent occurrences of bloating, at all ages. Some veterinarians will recommend that breeds more commonly affected with bloating undergo gastropexy, a surgical procedure in which the stomach is attached to the body wall to prevent it from shifting or twisting.

Retrieved from http://www.petmd.com/dog/emergency/common-emergencies/e_dg_bloating

About Canine Good Citizen

Welcome to the AKC's Canine Good Citizen (CGC) Program. Started in 1989, the CGC Program is designed to reward dogs who have good manners at home and in the community. The Canine Good Citizen Program is a two-part program that stresses responsible pet ownership for owners and basic good manners for dogs. All dogs who pass the 10-step CGC test may receive a certificate from the American Kennel Club.

Many dog owners choose Canine Good Citizen training as the first step in training their dogs. The Canine Good Citizen Program lays the foundation for other AKC activities such as obedience, agility, tracking, and performance events. As you work with your dog to teach the CGC skills, you'll discover the many benefits and joys of training your dog. Training will enhance the bond between you and your dog. Dogs who have a solid obedience education are a joy to live with—they respond well to household routines, have good manners in the presence of people and other dogs, and they fully enjoy the company of the owner who took the time to provide training, intellectual stimulation, and a high quality life. We sincerely hope that CGC will be only a beginning for you and your dog and that after passing the CGC test, you'll continue training in obedience, agility, tracking, or performance events.

AKC's Canine Good Citizen (CGC) Program is one of the most rapidly growing programs in the American Kennel Club. There are many exciting applications of this wonderful, entry level that go beyond the testing and certifying of dogs.

Many other countries (including England, Australia, Japan, Hungary, Denmark, Sweden, Canada, and Finland) have developed CGC programs based on the AKC's CGC Program. A CGC Neighborhood Model has been established, police and animal control agencies use CGC for dealing with dog problems in communities, some therapy dog groups use the CGC as a partial screening tool, and some 4-H groups around the country have been using the CGC as a beginning dog training program for children.

A number of specialty (one breed only) clubs give the CGC at their annual national dog show. Dog clubs have discovered that the CGC is an event that allows everyone to go home a winner.

Veterinarians have recognized the benefits of well-trained dogs and there are some CGC programs in place in veterinary hospitals. State legislatures began recognizing the CGC program as a means of advocating responsible dog ownership and 34 states now have Canine Good Citizen resolutions.

In a little over one decade, the Canine Good Citizen Program has begun to have an extremely positive impact in many of our communities. This is a program that can help us assure that the dogs we love will always be welcomed and well-respected members of our communities.

Who Can Participate?

All dogs, including both purebred and mixed breed dogs are welcome to participate in the AKC's Canine Good Citizen (CGC) Program. Dogs must be old enough to have received necessary immunizations such as rabies vaccines. Owners will sign the Responsible Dog Owners Pledge attesting to having the dog under the routine care of a veterinarian who will work with the owner to determine an appropriate plan and schedule for vaccines and other health care procedures.

There is no age limit for the CGC test. A dog is never too old to be a good citizen. Puppies who have completed all immunizations and boosters may be tested, however, because we know that behavior and temperament can change over time, when puppies pass the CGC test, owners should have them re-tested as adults.

There are a few exceptions relating to participation in a CGC test. If the CGC test is given at an AKC show, the age requirements for the show apply to CGC also. Further, when the CGC test is administered at an AKC show, the test may be restricted to only dogs entered in the show or to purebred dogs.

Some dogs who are entered in CGC tests will have completed CGC classes or basic obedience classes. Owners who have trained their dogs themselves may also have their dogs tested. Clubs and training programs in almost every city can provide CGC training to owners and dogs who need to learn a few more skills before taking the test.

Advanced CGC; The "CGCA" Title

What is AKC Community Canine?

AKC Community Canine is the advanced level of AKC's Canine Good Citizen (CGC) program. As with CGC, AKC Community Canine has a 10-step test of skills that dogs must pass to earn the official AKC Community Canine title. This is a title that appears on the dog's title record at AKC.

The Setting

All skills on the test are tested on leash. The AKC Community Canine (CGCA) test may be done in a class, at shows, in pet stores or in the community. When the test is administered in community settings such as at a business or special event, evaluators must have the necessary approval of the business owners, etc.

While Canine Good Citizen tests are simulations of real world skills, (e.g., dog/handler walks through a "crowd" of evaluators in a ring), the goal of AKC Community Canine is to test the dog's skills in a natural setting. For example, rather than the dog being tested in a ring, in AKC Community Canine, the "walks through a crowd" test item will involve the dog walking through a real crowd at a dog show, on a busy sidewalk, in a therapy dog setting, or at a training club.

Requirements

To earn the AKC Community Canine title, dogs must meet the following two requirements:

1. Must already have a Canine Good Citizen (CGC) award or title on record at AKC.
2. Must have an AKC number of one of 3 types (AKC registration number, PAL number, or AKC Canine Partners number). All dogs, including mixed breeds, can get an AKC number. The reason for the AKC number requirement is that this is how we create titles at AKC; we attach the titles to the dog's number. For more information on getting an AKC number, see:

<http://images.akc.org/cgc/number.pdf>



Do you know which
are core vaccines and
which aren't?

Leptospirosis
Distemper
Rabies
Adenovirus
Lyme Disease
Parvovirus
Kennel Cough

When your vet gives your dog vaccines, do you ask whether they are core vaccines?

Don't know what that means? Then you might want to read on ...

Core vs Non-Core Vaccines

Many of the vaccines vets use on your dog are categorized as core or non-core.

The core vaccines include parvovirus, distemper, adenovirus (canine hepatitis) and rabies. These vaccines all protect against viruses, which are easy to protect dogs against. In fact, viral vaccines are so effective that, when given to a dog over four months of age, they've been scientifically proven to [protect that dog for years, and most likely for life.](#)

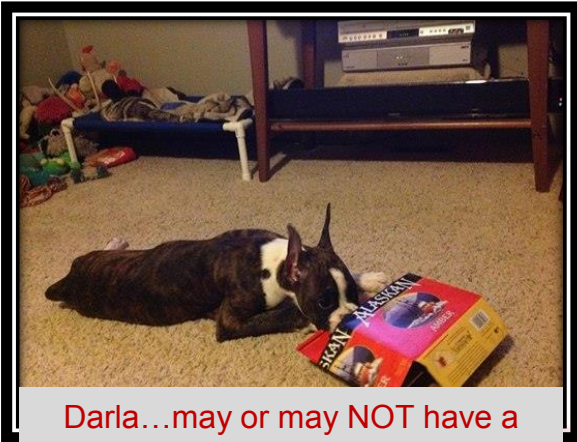
The non-core vaccines aren't included in this group for three main reasons:

- 1.They don't work as well
- 2.They don't protect for very long
- 3.They're more dangerous

Let's look at the non-core vaccines and the issues surrounding them.

Read even more here.... <http://www.dogsnaturallymagazine.com/non-core-vaccines-for-dogs/>

Fun Stuff!



Darla...may or may NOT have a problem....



Sasha... enjoying a nice winter day...

Pet Nutrition Blogger
Rodney Habib



YEAST + STARCH = ITCHY PET

| <u>RICE</u> | <u>CORN</u> | <u>POTATO</u> | <u>WHEAT</u> | <u>PEAS</u> | <u>OATMEAL</u> |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| 810g/kg Starch | 728g/kg Starch | 650g/kg Starch | 600g/kg Starch | 410g/kg Starch | 400g/kg Starch |



CGC Testing!

4 Paws Insync at the Park at Claircrest

Stacy Mason from AKC has requested to use The Park At Claircrest this summer for free Canine Good Citizen classes. The dates will be June 24th, July 1st, 22nd, 29th and August 5th.