The Heart of America Boxer Club Newsletter

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Newsletter for the Heart of America Boxer Club

The next HOABC club meeting- Annual Meeting and Election of Board Members
June 13, 2015 at Shawnee Mission Park, KS – shelter 7 meeting will start at 10am.

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....

CGC Testing will be offered at this years annual picnic… bring your FurKid!!

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!

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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

April 11, 2015 – NEW Champion- Olympic w’ Harmony’s Distance Travled “Miles”, WD for final points- Perry, Georgia under Judge Vicki Allenbrand. Owned by Nicki McFarland and Julie Wilmore
Claremore Ok April 2015 shows- 3 out of 4 shows- Reserve Winners Dog for Encore’s FarMore Ulterior Motives “Dover”- owned and handled by Amber Gates

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

**American Boxer Club Nationals**  
May 2, 2015 through May 8, 2015  
Held at the Indianapolis Wyndham West

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Helpful Links

**Kansas all breed clubs**
- [http://sunflowerkc.wordpress.com/](http://sunflowerkc.wordpress.com/)
- [www.wichitakennelclub.com](http://www.wichitakennelclub.com)
- [www.gardencityKSkenelclub.com](http://www.gardencityKSkenelclub.com)
- [www.hutchinsonkennelclub.org/](http://www.hutchinsonkennelclub.org/)
- [www.lijk.com/](http://www.lijk.com/)
- [www.salina kennel club.org/](http://www.salina kennel club.org/)
- [www.TopekaKC.org](http://www.TopekaKC.org)

**Kansas Obedience Clubs**
- [www.wichitadogtrainingclub.com](http://www.wichitadogtrainingclub.com)

**Missouri all breed clubs**
- [www.JCKC.org](http://www.JCKC.org)
- [www.missourirhinelandkc.com](http://www.missourirhinelandkc.com)
- [www.heartlandkc.org](http://www.heartlandkc.org)
- [joplindogs.com](http://joplindogs.com)

**Missouri Obedience Clubs**
- [kansascitydogtraining.com/](http://kansascitydogtraining.com/)
- [www.gsltc.org](http://www.gsltc.org)
- [www.mcotc.org](http://www.mcotc.org)
- [www.showmek9.com](http://www.showmek9.com)

**Important Links- health/clinics**

**BLUE PEARL**

**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](http://www.barnhunt.com)
  3506 Westwind Dr
  Columbia MO 65202

**Sunflower Kennel Club of Olathe, KS, Inc.**
- [http://ksexpo.com](http://ksexpo.com)
  Trial Chair: Lori Pierson
  913-485-4027
  firecreek@everestkc.net

**Columbia Canine Sports Center, LLC**
- [http://www.columbiak9sportscenter.com](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)
Secretary: Amber Gates (2016)
Board Member: Karen Emerson (2015)
Board Member: Mark Ewing (2015)
Board Member: Jeanine Millard (2015)

Treasurer: Sabrina Jay (2016)

Committee Assignments for 2015

Show Chairperson: Peyton
Hospitality: Amber (C), Daniel, Scott
Fundraising: Jeannine (C) Tiffany, Kyle, Jim, Nicki, Julie
Advertising: Amber
Nominating: Jeannine (C)
Historians: Peyton (C) and Karen
Breeder Referral: Carol
2014/15 Zone B Director: Karen
Door Prize (hospitality): Carol (C) Hailey

50/50 Raffle: Tom L (C), Carol, and Peyton
Trophies: Karen (C) and Mark
Topeka Show Site/Judges Liaison: Tom L
Public Education/Programs: Sabrina
Cards & Flowers: Sabrina
Website: Thomas L
Boxer Rescue: Liz
Newsletter: Amber (C) and Tom D
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…

How To Trim The Toenail
Toe nail maintenance requires a trim every two weeks, just like maintaining human fingernails. If you can hear nails clicking on your kitchen floor, they are much too long. But don’t despair, the technique shown here will make short work of getting your dog’s nails back to their correct shape. The concept is easy: trim around, never across the quick, which is actually your dog’s finger.

Tools Of The Trade
NAIL CLIPPERS

• Use only “scissor” type clippers. Guillotine style clippers crush the toe, which is painful. Never put the whole nail in a clipper.
• Use small size clippers for better control. Only giant breed dogs will need large ones.
• Keep your tools sharp: either replace or sharpen your clippers regularly.
• “Quick-guards” obscure your view of the nail. If possible, remove them, or at least tape them back so that they won’t interfere with your work.
• “Pedi-paws” type grinder: Smooth out your trim afterwards with a rotating emeryboard.
• File only the insensitive nail around the top and sides of the quick: “Sharpen the pencil” where the nail is the wood and the quick is the lead.

IF YOU CUT THE QUICK
• Use corn starch to staunch the bleeding if you make a nail leak. With shallow cuts, this will be rare.
• It’s easiest if you use a small container with tightly packed powder.
TIPS AND TRICKS

- Trim nails outside or in a well lit room.
- If you need “cheaters” for reading, use them for toenail clipping too.
- It’s actually easier to see the nail structures on pigmented nails than on white ones. The insensitive nail will show as a chalky ring around the sensitive quick.
- Keep clipper blades almost parallel to the nail – never cut across the finger.
- Don’t squeeze the toes – that hurts! Use your fingers to separate the toes for clipping and hold the paw gently. Use a pair of blunt edged children’s scissors to remove excess toe hair: nothing dulls clippers quicker than cutting hair!
- Remember, no dog ever died from a quicked toenail. If you “quick” your dog accidentally, give a yummy treat right away.
- Make nail trimming fun: always associate nail cutting with cookies and praise.
- For maintenance, cut every two weeks. To shorten, cut every week.

Once the insensitive nail is thinned out and isn’t supporting the quick, the quick will dry up and recede. This will allow you to cut your dog’s nails even shorter. Each dog’s nails are different, but very long toenails often become dry and cracked, with a clear separation of the living tissue and the insensitive nail. This will make it easier to trim back longer nails.

What’s inside your dog’s toenail? (image above) On the left, the interior structures are shown, along with the suggested angle to remove the “roof” of the nail, while not harming the sensitive quick. On a black claw, the interface between sensitive and insensitive nail is usually chalky and white – very easy to discern. On the right is a close-up view of the inside of the nail. On cross section, the sensitive quick will look translucent and glossy, like living flesh. In untrimmed claws, there will often be a “notch” below the tip of the quick. It is usually safe to initiate your angled cut at the notch.

Some dogs act like cutting their nails is their worst nightmare. This may be a learned behavior from their painful, overstimulated toes, which will slowly dissipate along with the pain once the nails are short. Use all your best restraint and behavior modification tricks to get through the initial phase, whether your dog is a squirmer or a drama queen.

Start on the hind feet, because the nails tend to be a little shorter and less sensitive than the front. But remember you can’t make an accurate cut on a moving target so get help from your dog trainer or groomer if needed. Make nail trimming “quality time” you spend with your dog. Lots of kisses, lots of treats and a positive attitude go a long way. If you dread it, your dog will too, so learn how to be a good actor until you succeed in believing it can be a loving experience for you both. If your dog loses patience quickly, try cutting one nail a day. As long as you keep the order of toes consistent, this will be a good maintenance schedule, giving every toe a trim every 16 days.

Short toenails are critical to your dog’s health and soundness. Failure is not an option! (Illustrations by Michael A Simmons MFA)

Fun Stuff!

Darla enjoying some sun therapy to help her healing leg.

The Higgins’ kids… waiting for breakfast…

Ascan and Ellie… enjoying the warm weather!

Rev and Carter – roughing it in Minnesota!

Congrats to Amber and Daniel Gates and Julie and Jeremy Higgins on receiving your Dam of Merits at ABC 2015!!! What a GREAT treat for the breeders and their programs!

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.