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The Heart of America Boxer Club Newsletter

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Newsletter for the Heart of America Boxer Club

NEXT MEETING- Approx 1 hour after breed judging at St Joseph, MO. February 3, 2018

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- MARCH 1 is the cut off for ALL plaques – be sure to get information to Amber Gates

DUPLICATE plaques can be ordered!

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Member Brags

Who is out and about??

Anything to brag about? Please get the brags (show, dates, judge, award, full dogs name, and owners)

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

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Check out our Facebook page for Updates...
Rescue Corner

Officers & Directors 2017-2018
President: Karen Emerson (2019)
Vice President: Mark Ewing (2019)
Secretary: Tiffany Jay (2019)
Board Member: Janet Ewing (2018)
Board Member: Thomas Latta (2019)
Treasurer: Sabrina Jay (2018)
Board Member: Amber Gates (2018)

Committee Assignments for 2017-2018
Show Chairperson: Jeannine
Hospitality: Becky (C), Tom D., Linda
Fundraising: Jeannine (C), Janet, Tom L, Jim
Advertising: Scott (C) and Tiffany
Historian: Peyton
Breeder Referral: Carol
Membership: Rachel (C) and Tiffany
Public Education: Rachel
Door Prize: Joyce (C) and Julie
Trophies: Nicki (C) and Jim
Facebook Updates: Amber (C) and Peyton
Performance: Janet
Annual Meeting: Mark
Cards & Flowers: Sabrina (C) and Carol
Website: Tom L
Boxer Rescue: Liz
Newsletter: Amber
Legislation: Joyce

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

Rescue Corner

WE NEED HELP!
Contact mokanboxerrescue@earthlink.net

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
Helpful Links

**Kansas all breed clubs**
- [http://sunflowerkc.wordpress.com/](http://sunflowerkc.wordpress.com/)
- [www.wichitakenelclub.com](http://www.wichitakenelclub.com)
- [www.gardencityKSkenelclub.com](http://www.gardencityKSkenelclub.com)
- [www.hutchinsonkenelclub.org/](http://www.hutchinsonkenelclub.org/)
- [www.ljkc.com/](http://www.ljkc.com/)
- [www.salinakenelclub.org/](http://www.salinakenelclub.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)
- [http://www.stjosephkenelclub.com/](http://www.stjosephkenelclub.com/)
- [www.missourirhinelandkc.com](http://www.missourirhinelandkc.com)
- [www.heartlandkc.org](http://www.heartlandkc.org)
- [joplindogs.com](http://www.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)

AWESOME stuff to do with your dog!

**All Star Dog Sports (BSMO)**
- [http://www.allstardogsports.com/](http://www.allstardogsports.com/)
- [https://www.facebook.com/Allstardogsports/?fref=ts](https://www.facebook.com/Allstardogsports/?fref=ts)

**Mo-Kan Dock Diving**
- [http://www.mokandockdogs.com](http://www.mokandockdogs.com)
- [https://www.facebook.com/mokandockdogs](https://www.facebook.com/mokandockdogs)

**Ozarks Mischief Barn Hunt**
- [https://www.facebook.com/groups/347414932104557/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/347414932104557/)

**Important Links- health/clinics**

**BLUE PEARL**
- [Overland Park](Overland Park)
  - 913.642.9563
  - 11950 West 110th St
  - Overland Park KS 66210
- [Kansas City North](Kansas City North)
  - 816.759.5016
  - 139 NE 91st Street
  - Kansas City, MO 64155

**www.offa.org**
- [http://www.cavalierhealth.org/Cardiologists.htm](http://www.cavalierhealth.org/Cardiologists.htm)

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**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
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Parasites - How to manage them

Managing The Parasites That Plague Your Dog!

You can’t get rid of them so learn to manage them…by Dr. Roy @ Revival

Intestinal parasites have been around since dinosaurs and are not going away – you need to manage them. Parasites do not want to kill your kitten or puppy; they want to use them as a dinner plate. They do not mind dragging pets down, causing rough hair coats, or anemia! Managing your parasites is not about worming more or with more products. It is about using the CORRECT WORMER AT THE RIGHT TIME to get the biggest effect for our time and money.

Upper GI:

It helps to know the parasites we are targeting. Rounds and hooks are in the small intestine and adults are easy to get rid of as most wormers are active in the small intestine.

• Roundworms are 18 inches long and look like spaghetti. If puppies or kittens are vomiting parasites, it is roundworms. If you have a lot of roundworms, they can be seen in the stool. Rounds are usually digested before they get through the intestinal tract.

• Hookworms are tiny (½" long) and difficult to see without a microscope. They become a small cyst on the wall of the intestine sitting in a protected scar tissue egg. They come out of the “scar tissue egg” when they detect pregnancy, milking, or removal of adults from the gut tube.

• Both these parasites can migrate through tissue, especially the liver. They get back to the intestine by migrating to the lungs where they are coughed up and swallowed. Once back in the intestine, they complete the life cycle and reproduce.

• Parasites can play a role in the 8 week old puppy cough! Migrating stages are resistant to dwormer when out of the intestinal tube! Once you get rid of the adults in the intestine, the larvae can pop out of the tissue and set up in the intestine you just cleared.

• Both rounds and hooks can infect humans and must be managed out of our puppies and kittens before sending them to a new home!

Lower GI: Tapes and whipworms are in the large intestine. They are about 30 feet down from the mouth so getting a wormer to stay active for that distance is difficult.

• Tapes are as different from other intestinal parasites as cats are from dogs! They mostly live on dog waste and can cause colitis and irritation of the rectal area. Treatment with praziquantel will eliminate adults.

• Egg packets are passed and look like rice in the feces or on the rectal area. These eggs have to mature in an intermediate host (fleas, mice, or birds) and once that host is eaten by the dog or cat they get tapeworms. If you prevent them from getting the intermediate host, you stop tapeworms!

• Whipworms are killed by few wormers. Preventing re-infection is the key with whipworms that are directly infective. They will seed an exercise area down, mature, and another dog or cat will ingest them. Raised decks prevent the re-infections and break the lifecycle. New additions to our cattery or kennel need to be cleared of whipworms to prevent introduction.

Other Problem Parasites: Giardia and coccidia are active throughout the intestine, and are a small intestinal protozoan parasite.

• Both coccidia and giardia are tiny and are diarrhea causing opportunists. Something starts the diarrhea and they keep it going.

• Coccidia control can be done with Toltrazuril, which is the active ingredient of Baycox.

• We try and get rid of giardia, but it always seems to be around so prevention is the key to control.

Safeguard 10% Goat Wormer will rid your of worms PLUS Giardia!
Adults: Adults are the backbone of preventing parasites. The fewer parasites mom passes to the babies, the fewer we need to manage out of our babies. Males are wormed twice a year and bitchess should be wormed before giving birth.

Bitches and Queens: Parasites get active in late pregnancy when females are heavy pregnant and stressed. This is the time when bitchess can least resist parasites. Babies are born with sterile guts and moms seed their guts with good bacteria to assist with digestion. However, she can also seed them with parasites. Rounds, hooks, whips, coccidia, and giardia can all be given to the puppy in the nursing period. As the parasites take in the bitch's nutrition, they'll also take in the wormer - meaning we can kill them effectively. Your bitch may be the source of these parasites, but the parasites can be controlled. Fenbendazole is labeled for pregnant bitches. It not only gets the worms, but it also kills giardia. By cleaning up the bitch in late pregnancy, you can also solve the parasite issues for your puppies later!

• After 50 days gestation, deworm 3 days with Safeguard® or Panacur® C to remove as many parasites from mom before birth as possible.

Coccidia Prevention: Coccidia prevention in dogs needs to be started before birth and continued to the weaned pups. Be cautious as many products are not safe in pregnant moms! You can never use sulfa between the 25th and 30th day of gestation as you increase cleft palate in dogs or cats. That is when the palate closes. (See the article about Coccidia and the article about Giardia.)

• Cocci Guard™ is added at 2 cups per 40 lbs of puppy food. Feed the last two weeks of pregnancy. This will decrease the number of coccidia transferred to babies. Decoquinate works by preventing coccidia from reproducing so they die of attrition (old age). Cocci-Guard™ is safe for pregnant dogs! Cocci-Guard™ is continued after weaning in the puppy.

• Babies can go on Albon® or a generic after weaning for 7 days. Can use after 35 days pregnant!

• Marquis® (0.1 cc/lb) is used one week apart to treat and often given before shipping to prevent coccidia while puppy is stressed from transporting and new home. OK to use late pregnancy!

But coccidia prevention in cats is very different than dogs. Queens cannot have something added to food. Cats have a protective response to things that change texture or taste. They will eat small amounts for several days until they are comfortable. We cannot have that in late pregnancy. Metronidazole is also documented for causing cleft palates. You can use Albon® or Marquis® safely the last 14 days of gestation. Choose Albon® or Marquis® – you don't need both!

• Albon®, 7 days before due date. Normal dose 25 mg/lb/sid (once daily).

• Or use Marquis® at 0.1 cc/lb/once 7 days before queening. The treatment for coccidia is two doses repeated in 7 days. We often use one dose before shipping kittens to a new home to prevent coccidia after placement.

Newly Acquired Animals No matter what the history or age, assume they have parasites!

• Deworm immediately, repeat in 2 weeks and start on the above adult program.

Parasites do not want to kill your kitten or puppy; they want to use them as a dinner plate! Your job is to manage the use of wormers to prevent that from happening.
Dehydrating Dog Treats
Reviewed by W. Jean Dodds, DVM, June 20, 2013
A special thank you to Kathryn for writing this up for us and teaching others how to dehydrate their dogs’ treats.

The main reason I decided to buy a dehydrator to make my dogs’ treats was cost. Already dehydrated liver is very expensive. Why spend $4.00 for 4 ounces if I can buy grass-fed liver for $2.40/pound? I will dehydrate pretty much anything for my dogs. The process is really not unlike carving a Thanksgiving turkey more frequently.

Dehydrating and General Preparation Tips
I bought the Nesco dehydrator and extra plastic fruit roll tiers. I find it easier to clean when the food is not directly on the plastic tier. Just rinse off the fat and throw it in the dishwasher.

I use plastic gloves (either food service or latex), a sharp kitchen knife or kitchen scissors. Total preparation time is roughly an hour depending on what is being cut up.

I cook all the meats at the highest temperature. The unit will be hot and the directions say to make sure nothing is around it so the air can go through. I just have it on my counter with a clear path.

The Meat Source
I must give credit to the co-op, San Francisco Raw Feeders (SFRAW), of which I am a member. SFRAW only sells the best meats from sustainable local farms. If your town doesn’t have a similar co-op specifically for pets, I’d look into farms, Whole Foods, or human food co-ops.

Gizzards
Gizzards come out like leather and I believe they are more beneficial raw than cooked.

Hearts
I buy a 5 pound bag of duck hearts and it will fill up all the tiers that come with the dehydrator. 10 pounds of turkey hearts will be at least 2 batches, maybe 3. I cut the tops off the turkey hearts with kitchen scissors and then cut them again length wise so they lay flat on the tray. My house smells like Thanksgiving! Duck hearts I cut lengthwise, again, to lay flat. Chicken hearts can remain whole. I do try to lay them in an orderly fashion but sadly I get impatient and just throw them on there for a minimum of 12 hours. I’m sure this adds to the time, but since it’s cooking while I sleep, it makes no difference to me. Simplicity is my motto.

Liver
Beef liver is very easy to cut up. I will either use a sharp kitchen knife or kitchen scissors. Depends on my wrists, 30 years of typing have made them worn. I suppose I should cut them up uniform but having astigmatism makes that impossible. I can’t draw a straight line let alone cut up slimy liver in perfect form. The plastic fruit roll trays are a must with liver. Be prepared for a liver smell when cooking. The smell doesn’t linger so I don’t mind. I have also used chicken, duck, or turkey liver and leave them whole. The total dehydration time is a minimum of 12 hours.

Tripe
How people dehydrate tripe is beyond me. I can only imagine what that smells like so I don’t go there.

Muscle meat
I slice as thin as I can until I get bored. Partially frozen is easier to cut versus thawed. The only downfall is the cold while holding onto it. The muscle meat dehydrates quicker than the hearts and liver, so I leave it on for 6-9 hours and check to make sure it’s cooked all the way through.

Ground Meat Patties
I will use ground meat and put some sweet potato puree or pumpkin and mix it together. I then get a spoonful and smash it on the tray. This is time consuming and I don’t make them often enough. I will dehydrate the patties for well over 14 hours.

Storage
Once they are finished I will portion them out into baggies and freeze what I am not going to use for the week. If the majority of the food is finished, the ones that are still a little red I just feed to them there when cool. Needless to say, I have an audience at the dehydrator. Like the seagulls or pelicans at the dock when the boats come in, hoping for some scraps. The beauty of raw for the dogs, refreezing is not an issue.

Retrieved from https://drjeandoddspethealthresource.tumblr.com/post/53521863975/dehydrating-dog-treats#.Wm9OM8kUmUm
Fun Stuff!

Want to see YOUR dog in the newsletter??? I do! Please send your pictures to farmoreboxers@yahoo.com

- FarMore Puppy & Hillary doll
- Kendal and Sophie: treats
- Sophia: no one wants to play with me
- Shiloh and Caramel: enjoying the beach (JEALOUS)
- Seriously...THROW the ball

Reasons I go outside:

- It's nice out
- My dog needs to pee