



**FBCSA**  
**SUMMER**  
**HOLIDAY**  
**NEWSLETTER**  
**2009**



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Dear Boxer Enthusiasts,

That time of the year has arrived. Goals for the year have been achieved, activities are over and well earned rest and relaxation is in order, even if it is only

for the Christmas and New Year gap. Take time out to enjoy family and friends or just put your feet up and read a good book. I call it my "recharging of the batteries period".

On the whole it has been a good year. Some challenges were handed out to a few of us, but were met head on and in good Boxer dog tradition, were sorted out with no repercussions.

**Shows, dog walks, trials, breeding, training, demonstrations, seminars, publications and socials, you name it the FBCSA & affiliated clubs did it.**

A total of **12 Championship shows** were held with **4 Match Meetings**. These were all well attended and a number of Boxers gained Grand Championship and Championship titles, much to their owners and breeders delight. It takes a lot of time and dedication to get your Boxer to this status. Congratulations go to all. NBC regained the club trophy at the annual Interclub Show. Well done to the club, they really worked hard to achieve this and it was much deserved.

The Annual **Endurance Trials** went very well. This event is always fun, especially so for the spectators and the dogs. I am never completely convinced that the cyclists enjoy it, perhaps I will give it a try (not likely, but a girl can dream). Congrats to those Boxers who completed the event with such grace and charm.

**Life is like a dogsled team. If you ain't the lead dog, the scenery never changes.**

**~ Lewis Grizzard**

**Dog training** classes went well, whether it was pup socialization, obedience or breed survey classes, all enjoyed themselves. Some of these dogs competed in the Companion Dog and Working trial tests and passed with flying colours, once again proving that the Boxer is made up of sound and steady temperament. The Trainers' Panel put on a successful Boxer manwork display at the Animal Carnival in Kyalami. This was well received by the general public. A **Breed Survey** was recently held by the Trainers' Panel and this is where your Boxer is really put through his/her paces on all levels. I believe any owner of a Boxer who gets good results for this event, can be very proud. You know then that you have a sound all round Boxer, good for breeding, showing and a great companion for the family.

Two days were set aside for **Seminars**. The Judges' Panel held one on the Boxer Standard and the Breeders' Panel had a talk on Canine Cruciates and a session with "Ask you vet", which proved very informative. It is amazing what one picks up at these seminars. They are well worth attending.

**Winner of Winners** was once again loads of fun. I have to mention Magda Koekemoer and Liz Schultz here, two "top of the pops" ladies. They climbed in at the last minute and organized prizes by the dozens and assisted wherever possible. Thanks Magda and Liz for all your contributions. A vote of thanks goes to Armand Burger and Machiel Bosch. Guys thanks for all your hard work and sense of humour. You keep us all going.

Lots of **litters** were born and pups were successfully homed. 16 new **Kennel**

**Prefixes** were registered, so we can look forward to new litters from new breeders.

The FBCSA Executive, Club Committees, Panel Members and Club Members can all give themselves a hearty cheer and a pat on the back for an excellent year. We all worked hard and played hard with outstanding results. You know the saying: "You are only as good as your leader". Well, the FBCSA is led by a very strong, determined lady who has many, many years of Boxer experience on many levels. We are privileged to be able to constantly be learning from her. To our Chairperson, Ute Füglistner, we thank you for your guidance and leadership that you have shown to us throughout the year. We appreciate the fact that you look at both sides of the coin before making decisions.

## **The Year 2010**

For most South Africans when seeing **2010**, we immediately think World Cup Soccer. In the **FBCSA circles** we see big **CELEBRATIONS!** Yes, in **2010 the FBCSA will be celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**. This is a mighty achievement so be on the look out for the Special Edition of the Boxer Bulletin. It will be worthwhile advertising your kennel in this historical edition. We have a new layout designer for this special task. The work that we have seen from her is amazing but she will be very strict on deadlines and payments. **All** club and kennel adverts will be professionally done by the designer for a small fee, ensuring that all the adverts are of top quality. Watch out for the info on advertising costs and deadlines so that you do not miss out.

## A NOTE FROM THE CHAIR

Looking at the calendar January 2009, December appeared a long time away. Now we are in December and looking back to January one cannot help but ask: "Where did the time go?"

Despite difficult economic conditions prevailing in 2009 in all sectors, the Federation followed its objectives and continued with what it does best: **give excellent service to its Boxer members at all levels.**

In 2010 the Federation will be celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, a milestone to be proud of and a major achievement for a single breed organisation. Due to the dedication, commitment and sheer determination of many loyal, present and past members, the **FBCSA** has become what it is now: **the Sole Recognised Breed Society for Boxers** in terms of the Animal Improvement Act, whose **stud register is recognised unequivocally by the Boxer-Klub E.V., Munich in Germany and a member of ATIBOX.**

We trust that 2010 will be a tremendous year for the FBCSA, its members and last but not least, dare we forget our most loyal friends and guardians, our Boxers.

With best wishes for a very happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year

Ute Füglistner  
Chairman



2010 promises to be another bumper year for all who take part.

## UPCOMING SHOWS & EVENTS

We start the year with **NBC** holding a **Double Bill Match Meeting on 13 February 2010** and **BCSA** will be having their first **Double Bill Championship Show on 20 February 2010**. A **charity Golf Day** is on the cards as well, with the **Community Vet Clinics being the beneficiary**. So please start rounding up all golfers and get them ready for the day. The date will be announced in the near future.

## TRAINING CLASSES

On-going training at Frik Eloff Park in Lynnwood. Contact Hans Nieman on 082 575 2826 or Magda 083 291 0867 for details  
Ute in Midrand (011) 314 1489 after hours.

## IN CLOSING

**How Many Dogs Do You Need to Change a Lightbulb?**

**Boxer:** Who cares? I can play with my squeaky toys in the dark.

Enjoy a peaceful **Christmas** and wishes to all for a happy and prosperous **New Year**. Remember it is the silly season, so take extra care where ever you and your loved ones may be. Remember your Boxers have also worked hard for you this year and deserve a treat.

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