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WINTER NEWS

The Year 2010 dawned on the 1st January amid great World Cup Fever. The country was in count down to welcome the world to our shores and now here we are, with Soccer Fever over, winter in her last few weeks and all wondering just where is the year going to? 2010 is a milestone for the FBCSA, celebrating 50 years of work well done and great achievements for many a Boxer as well as important achievements and recognition for the organization as well.

To-date, between clubs and the FBCSA we have held 5 Championship Shows, 3 Match Meetings, a Judges Panel Seminar, Winner of Winners, a Charity Golf Day, a dog walk, a Litter Inspection Workshop, Endurance Trials as well as a very succesful AGM and a Special General Meeting. To top all of this off, the Editor together with the layout designer, are compiling a celebratory Boxer Bulletin.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AGM of the Governing Body was held on the 6th March 10 and once again was a succesful event with many new young, enthusiastic faces joining the various Panels and Executive. This is a very positive indication of continuation for the FBCSA. The following people were elected onto the FBCSA Executive Committee and will serve a term of office until March 2011:

EXECUTIVE 2010

CHAIRMAN: Mrs Ute Füglistler
VICE CHAIRMAN: Dr Marinda Oosthuizen
SECRETARY: Mrs Pam Zeiler
TREASURER: Mrs Uschi Wöstmann
PRO: Mr Armand Burger

MEMBERS:

Mrs Helen Rennie (FBCSA Show Secretary), Mrs Driekie du Plessis, Mrs Diane du Plessis (FBCSA Webmaster), Mrs Carol Marneweck, Mr Mathew Ross, Mr André du Plessis, Ms Madga Koekemoer, Mrs Chris Levings (FBCSA Bulletin Editor), Ms Adri Erasmus, Mr Machiel Bosch (Judges Panel Rep), Mrs Els Sporen (Breeders Panel Rep), Ms Liz Schultz (Trainers Panel Rep).

WINNER OF WINNERS

Winner of Winners or WOW as it is referred to, was a wonderful evening with all the top dogs being present (both animal & human). This is an evening Dinner affair where all Boxers that took 1st place at a Championship show during the year are invited to compete. They go up against each other and through an elimination process by a Judge are reduced to the overall Winner of Winners. The results for the 2009 Boxers are as follows:



Best Male Puppy: Braeside's Bigga

Best Female Puppy: Berry Head's Annabelle of Togra

Best Adult Male: G Ch Tabor v Okeler Forst (imp Ger) AD BH BT

Best Adult Female: Ch Caroweck's Pennyfeather of Scorpio

Winner of Winners

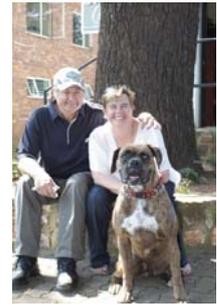
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Congratulations to all and we eagerly look forward to the next WOW.

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FBCSA CHARITY GOLF DAY

This year the Golf Day was held on 15 April 10 at the Irene Country Club in Centurion. The day was very enjoyable, in a beautiful setting with a wonderful prize giving and supper held afterwards. The prizes were fantastic this year and all thanks have to go to Magda Koekemoer. Magda the work that was put in by you was outstanding. There are not too many small organizations that can brag about the very high standard of prizes that were handed out, the top prize being a laptop computer. Probably the highlight of the day was meeting the Toyota Boxer, Buddy. What a wonderful treat to meet such a celeb!! We would like to thank all those who took part in the day and to all the sponsors, too many to name.



NBC DOG WALK



On 1 May 2010 the Northern Boxer Club held a fun dog walk that was open to the public and to all breeds of dogs. This year it was held at Smuts House Museum in Irene, Centurion. Though the morning was rather chilly and overcast we had an outstanding attendance of some 70 people ranging from babes in arms to those enjoying their senior years. The walk was a bit of a challenge for those of us who tend to sit behind PCs all day, but with the thought of a delicious breakfast waiting we soon got our legs into gear and completed the course. Boxers, Huskies, "Sausage" Dogs, you name it they were there and had the time of their lives. We would like to give NBC Committee a vote of thanks for organizing this event and we look forward to the next dog walk.



JUDGES PANEL SEMINAR

The Judges Panel held a seminar in February with the topics being: The FBCSA - an Overview and The Boxer Standard.

It was very pleasing to see so many new faces attend this seminar. Yes, I know you are all yawning and saying to yourself "How Boring!" but let me tell you that the seminars held by the FBCSA are extremely informative and it does not matter if you are a novice or if you have been involved with Boxers for years you always learn something new. The Peanut Gallery always ask those questions that you are just too shy to ask and you think to yourself "well thank goodness I am not the only one wondering about such a topic!" These seminars are always worth attending. *The Breeders Panel will be holding a seminar on 24 July 10 and the topics are Genetics and Breeding Principles. Both subjects are very interesting and all breeders will do themselves a favour by attending.*

Remember:

"Knowledge is Power"

ENDURANCE TRIALS

How many of you who own Boxers realise just what an amazing working dog the Boxer is? Yes, we all love their crazy natures, the dog that never grows up, but have you seen a Boxer in action? On 19 July 10 the Trainers Panel held the Annual Endurance Trial. This year two Boxers entered the event but unfortunately one was withdrawn through no fault of her own. Unfortunately she had a novice handler who got just a little lost on the course. In Endurance Trials very strict time constraints are kept and unfortunately she would not have completed the course in the time frame. However, Ariodanté's Azan had no problem finishing the course with his very professional handler, who is becoming quite part of the furniture at this event. Congrats to Armand Burger (proud owner) and to Azan on adding the title AD to his name.



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LITTER INSPECTION WORKSHOP



The FBCSA Secretary called for a Litter Inspection Workshop. This was held on 16 May 2010 and was very well attended. All those who attended are now accredited to carry out Litter Inspections. For the new Breeders' information, it is a matter of course that at age 6 weeks all litters are required to be inspected by a FBCSA official. We have a nice number of people who can now do these inspections so please contact your secretary when pups are 6 weeks of age to see who lives closest to you to carry out the inspection.

AN IMPORTANT NOTE TO ALL BOXER BREEDERS

The FBCSA has enjoyed association with the SA Stud Book & Animal Improvement Association for many years now. The FBCSA Constitution, compiled in accordance with the Animal Improvement Act and Stud Book's Constitution, was approved and consequently a Breeders' Society was established, namely The Federation of Boxer Clubs of SA, which was also accepted by the Registrar and announced in the Government Gazette. The Federation is also a member of SA Stud Book as their Registering Authority.

Why is this important you may ask? Well in terms of the Animal Improvement Act No 62 of 1998 - Registration Certificate No 62/98/B-12, the **FBCSA is now the only recognised registering body in the country to legally register ALL Boxer dogs.** The Act further stipulates that there can only be one Breeders' Society of a particular breed and registration of these animals may only be done through a registered Registering Authority, such as SA Stud Book.

The Boxer has been declared by the Registrar as a "Breed" and was accordingly announced as such in the Government Gazette.

The Federation of Boxer Clubs of SA is therefore the only legal Breeders' Society for Boxers in South Africa and therefore only breeders who are members of the Federation can legally claim to be breeding Boxers.

In the near future I will be sending out a lot more information to registered Breeders on this subject as there will be a few changes to be made to comply with SA Stud Book, such as getting your Prefix registered with SA Stud Book as well as getting all the Boxers currently being used for breeding purposes listed with SA Stud Book.

WHAT TO LOOK FORWARD TO

We still have plenty more events for the remainder of the year, so place these dates in your diary and be on the look out for the schedules and invites.

- 24 July 10 - Ring Steward and Federation Representative Course AND Seminar on Genetics and Breeding Principals.
- 14 August 10 - EBC Double Bill Championship Show
- 28 August 10 - NBC Winter Championship Show
- 4 September 10 - Trainers' Workshop
- 18 September 10 - BCSA Double Bill Championship Show
- 9 October 10 - NBC Boxerpot Championship Show
- 30 October 10 - Companion Dog and WTS
- 13 November 10 - INTERCLUB Championship show (Not to be missed this year)
- 27 November 10 - Breed Survey

As you can see we still have a very busy year ahead and we look forward to seeing you all at these events.

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AN ANNOUNCEMENT

NB: Please note that the **FBCSA Secretary** will be out of circulation from **14 August 10 - 27 September 10**. Please feel free to contact the great ladies listed below for any information or assistance with FBCSA related matters or Club matters.

NB: NBC Members - Els Sporen will be handling all club matters so please ensure that your mail box recognizes her email address as a friendly contact so that you do not miss out on any news while I am away. Els Sporen: els.sporen@gmail.com.

Your contacts are: Helen Rennie - 012 654 5755 or rennieh@vodamail.co.za
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And if all else fails our FBCSA PRO is always obliging and willing, contact Armand Burger - 083 642 3524 or pro@fbcsa.za.org.

And in closing:

He (your Boxer) is your friend, your partner, your defender, your dog. You are his life, his love, his leader. He will be yours, faithful and true, to the last beat of his heart. You owe it to him to be worthy of such devotion.
 (Unknown)

Enjoy the last few weeks of our glorious South African winter with hot soups and chunky bread and delicious stews, soon it will back to the salads. Until next time,

Warm Boxer Regards

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