

Seward County Kennel Club

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KENNEL COUGH IN DOGS -SYMPTOMS, TREATMENTS & PREVENTION



What Is Kennel Cough?

Kennel Cough (also known as canine infectious tracheobronchitis) is a highly contagious respiratory disease. Dogs commonly contract kennel cough at places where large amounts of canines congregate, such as boarding and daycare facilities, dog parks, training groups, and dog shows. Dogs can spread it to one another through airborne droplets, direct contact (e.g., touching noses), or contaminated surfaces (including water/food bowls). It's highly treatable in most dogs but can be more severe in puppies younger than six months of age and

immunocompromised dogs.

What are the Symptoms of Kennel Cough?

If your dog is affected with kennel cough, you may notice one or more of the following symptoms: a strong cough, often with a "honking" sound - this is the most obvious symptom, runny nose, sneezing, lethargy, loss of appetite, low fever

Although kennel cough is easily treatable in healthy dogs, Kevin Fitzgerald, DVM, a columnist for AKC Family Dog, explains that it's important to report a coughing symptom to your veterinarian because it could be a sign of a more serious disease.

"The canine distemper virus and canine influenza virus both start off with symptoms nearly identical to kennel cough," he said. Other conditions that can cause coughing include a collapsing trachea, bronchitis, asthma, and even heart disease.

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NEXT MEETING April 18, 2019

Seward Civic Center 616 Bradford St, Seward, NE 68434 Board Meeting 7:00pm - General Meeting 7:30pm

MEETING MINUTES

Board minutes 21 FEB 19 7:10 pm

Present: Tabitha Dvorak, Chris Corum, Tanya Williams Linda Soukup, Cindy Hill, Mary Bristol and Pat Schindler, Guest Diane Nitz.

Minutes: No minutes from January meeting. New OTCH point notice from AKC.

Treasury: Read and approved. Cindy Hill 1st Chris Corum 2nd. Notice of insurance and incorporation renewals.

Obedience: Ads are in the papers. Puppy class and Conformation at 6:30pm and Basic and Coaching at 7:00 pm

Adjourned at 7:20 pm. Tanya Williams 1st Linda Soukup 2nd

Club 21 FEB 19 7:30 pm

Present: Tabitha Dvorak, Chris Corum, Tanya Williams Linda Soukup, Cindy Hill, Mary Bristol, Pat Schindler, and Diane Nitz.

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How Is Kennel Cough Treated?

Typically, mild cases of kennel cough are treated with a week or two of rest, but a veterinarian may prescribe antibiotics to prevent a secondary infection and cough medication to ease the symptoms.

"Nebulizers and vaporizers utilizing inhaled antibiotics or bronchodilators have been reported to be beneficial but are usually not prescribed," Dr. Fitzgerald said. Speak to your veterinarian for treatment recommendations. Also, it's helpful for owners to use a harness rather than a collar to walk a dog with kennel cough because irritation of the tracheal can aggravate the cough and possibly even cause damage to the trachea. If you have a household with multiple pets and one shows signs of a cough, chances are all dogs in the home have been exposed.

Can Kennel Cough Be Prevented?
A vaccine is available for the bordetella bacterium, which

Match: Got a box of stuff from Chewy and decided to make it into a raffle prize. Notice from chewy.com that we can list them on our website and they would also list us on theirs.

Audit committee: Chris Corum Tabitha Dvorak

Membership: New application forms and put a link on the website for membership information

Obedience: Ads are in the papers . Puppy class and Conformation at 6:30pm and Basic and Coaching at 7:00 pm. Chris Corum needs instructors for Lester Breindenstine is on the mend from knee surgery. Diane Nitz is doing coaching, Mary Bristol puppy, Tabitha Dvorak and Chris Corum basic. Discussion to add Puppy STAR to the puppy classes. Also received expanded instructions to the CGC testing and testers.

Elections: I Pat Schindler withdraws my name from the list so the new board is as follows. President Tabitha Dvorak, VP Cindy Hill, Treasurer Mary Bristol, Secretary Morgan Ehler, board Tanya Williams, Linda Soukup, Kathy Jackson, and Chris Corum. Accepted by acclimation. Cindy Hill 1st Tanya Williams 2nd

Gave a wrap up of the 4H expo.

Adjourned at 8:30pm. Tanya Williams 1st Diane Nitz 2nd

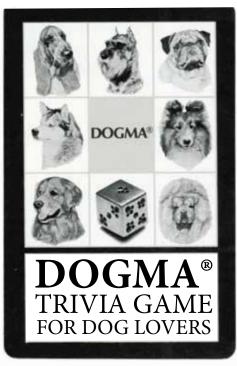
is the most common agent to cause kennel cough. Dogs who are frequently boarded, visit doggie day care, compete in canine sports, or otherwise are exposed to large groups of dogs may benefit from the vaccine, and many training, boarding, and daycare facilities require proof of vaccination. The vaccine is available in oral, intranasal, and injectable forms, and depending on the form, it is usually initially given in two doses two to four weeks apart, followed by a booster every six months to a year.

Although most cases of kennel cough are caused by bordetella, some are caused by other agents, including the bacteria bordetella bronchiseptica, canine adenovirus type 2, canine parainfluenza virus, canine respiratory coronavirus, and mycoplasmas, so the vaccine may not prevent your dog from catching the disease.

If you notice your pet coughing or if you plan to introduce your dog to large groups of animals, speak with your veterinarian.

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- Spell the plural form of the breed Kuvasz.
- Name the two breeds in the AKC Working group whose names begin with "Great"?
- Laddie Boy was the name of President Warren Harding's
- Name one of the two wild animals that the Borzoi originally hunted in Russia.
- Name the 3 varieties of Schnauzer.
- Who said, "Heaven goes by favour, if it went by merit, you would stay out and your dog would go in"?
 - a. the Reverend Jack Russell
 - b. Mark Twain
 - c. Walt Disney



- What breed is known as the cattle driver and farmer's helper of Flandres?
- Name the countries that the two Springer Spaniels recognized by the AKC are named after.
- 3. How is the plural form of the breed Keeshond spelled?
- 4. What was the name of the Cocker Spaniel that the Prime Minister of Ireland gave to President Kennedy?
- 5. Name the 3 setters recognized by the AKC.
- 6. Who wrote, "If you pick up a starving dog and make him prosperous, he will not bite you. This is the principal difference between a dog and a man"?
 - a. Henry Ford
 - b. King Henry VIII
 - c. Mark Twain

Answers: Left card 1. Kuvaszok 2. Great Dane, Great Pyrenees 3. Airedale 4. bear, wolf 5. Miniature, Standard, Giant 6. b. Right card 1. the Bouvier des Flandres 2. Wales and England 3. Keeshonden 4. Sannon 5. the English Setter, the Gordon Setter, the Irish Setter 6. c.

FOOD SIGN UP!

Please help provide food for our judges and volunteers.

Casserole - 2 Desserts - 2 Salads - 3 Rolls - 1 or 2 packages

Contact Linda Riley at 402-440-9737 to let her know what you can bring.

Thanks everyone!!



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