



WELCOME to Moore Humane Society's Pooch Park in the Pines

We are happy you are interested in joining the Park and believe you will find the Pooch Park in the Pines (PPIP) to be a wonderful place for dogs and people to play and socialize.

LOCATION - The Park is located at 7920 Aviation Drive in Southern Pines/Carthage. It is just off Rt 22, directly across from the hangers at the Moore County Airport. It is open from dawn until dusk. There is a parking lot adjacent to the Park. Please do not park next to, or in front of the fire hydrant.

HISTORY - In the summer of 2009, the Park area was heavily wooded, undeveloped acreage owned by Moore Humane Society (MHS). MHS allowed us to use 3½ acres of its beautiful land to build the Pooch Park in the Pines. The members of the Park would be totally responsible for managing and maintaining the Park. The goal was to develop an area where dogs could run free, and play in a fenced environment with the comfort of knowing all dogs have current immunizations. A small group of volunteers led by Linda Hubbard raised money, obtained permits from Southern Pines, cleared the land and, built the Park. The Park opened on October 9, 2009.

FEATURES -The Park has two fenced and gated areas. One is for small dogs less than 26 lbs and one is for large dogs 26 lbs and over. Large dogs are not permitted in the small dog area unless it is vacant. If a small dog arrives the large dog owner must vacate the small dog park. **For more info, please refer to MHS PPIP Rules and Guidelines.** There are several poop stations (with bags and poop trash cans) in both the large and small dog areas. Poop bags, plastic grocery bags and newspaper bags are supplied/donated by members. Additional bags are kept in the bin in the double-gated entry area.

Also on site: Running water & hose, water bowls, Chuck-it balls and ball launchers, porta potty, and a garbage can outside of fenced area for non-poop waste.

HOW TO JOIN - The cost for a one-year membership for one dog is \$50. Two dogs \$70. Three dogs \$90.

Membership is limited to three dogs per family.

Membership packets can be found on line at www.ppipdogpark.com or in the Membership Kit box located on the Park's information board. Each New Member packet includes:

- This MHS Pooch Park Welcome letter
- MHS Pooch Park Application for signature
- MHS Pooch Park Acknowledgement and Release of Liability for signature
- MHS Pooch Park Rules and Guidelines

ORIENTATION - Orientations are held the first Saturday of each month (rain or shine). January and February are at 10:00 a.m. March through December is at 9:00 a.m. Please come 15 minutes early for check-in. **You must attend an orientation prior to using the Park.** Be sure to read all documents in the Membership Packet, and sign the Application and Release of Liability form where indicated. The Welcome letter and the Rules and Guidelines are yours to keep. You will receive additional information at orientation.

Please **DO NOT** bring your dog(s) to the Orientation. If you do bring your dog we ask that you leave them in the car, which is not advisable during the summer months.

You can register for orientation at: www.ppipdogpark.com or send an email to: shotsppipdogpark@gmail.com

ORIENTATION CHECKLIST - Be sure to bring the entire member packet with all forms filled out and signed.

The following forms will be turned in at orientation, so make any copies of documents you wish to keep for your records:

- Bring a copy (a copy to leave) of vet records verifying shot history (must include Rabies, Bordetella, DHLPP = (D)distemper, (H)hepatitis, (L)leptospirosis, (P)parainfluenza, (P)parvovirus) and annual fecal exam.
- Application form filled out completely and signed indicating you have read and understand the Rules and Guidelines of the Park. (Please print clearly, and make sure your email address is clearly legible)
- Signed Acknowledgement & Release of Liability form
- A check payable to Pooch Park in the Pines or PPIP. (\$50 for one dog, \$70 for two dogs, and \$90 for three dogs). Exact cash is also accepted.

SHOTS - You will be notified of membership renewal and shot updates prior to the due dates. You can leave updated shot document(s) in the SHOT BOX located on the information board at the Park, via mail to Moore Humane Society P.O. Box 203 Southern Pines 28388 or email an electronic copy to shotsppipdogark@gmail.com. Shot renewal information NOT received within 30 days of the shot expiration date will result in deactivation of your membership **so please ensure we have an accurate email address for you.**

POOCH PARK NEWS - We will keep you posted on happenings at the Park by e-mail, by posted notices on the information board, and in newsletters.

EMERGENCIES - If a dog bites another dog, it is best to bring the bitten dog to the vet. Human bite wounds should ALWAYS go to the emergency room or family physician for treatment and must be reported to Moore County Sheriff's Office, Animal Services at 910-947-2858.

Note: The Fire Station at the airport has the combination to get through the two large front gates should an emergency vehicle need to enter either side of the Park.

VOLUNTEERS - The Park is self-sustained by its members, and we always need volunteers to help maintain it, as well as with projects throughout the year. We ask each member to contribute a few hours each year to the Park. Please volunteer when a notice is posted or ask how you can help.

Important phones numbers

Your veterinarian: _____
Moore Humane Society: 910-947-2631
Small Animal Emergency Services: 910-246-0405
Moore County Sheriff's Office, Animal Services: 910-947-2858

We look forward to meeting you and your dog(s) at orientation.
Visit our website for complete information: www.ppipdogpark.com
For information not found on the website, contact the PPIP at shotsppipdogark@gmail.com