



Moore Humane Society POOCH PARK

IN THE PINES



NEWSLETTER

FALL 2018

Park Cleanup Scheduled for Saturday, November 10th

Mark your calendars (and dig out your work gloves!): The Pooch Park (both sides) will be closed on Saturday, November 10th, from 8 a.m. until noon, for our bi-annual Fall Cleanup Day (rain date, the following Saturday). We're asking all able-bodied and available members to come lend a hand and help keep our park the beautiful resource our furry friends are privileged to enjoy!

We don't expect you to stay the entire time – any amount of time or any contribution you can make will be appreciated by all our members.

We typically need help in the following areas:

- Picking up limbs and other debris and remove from park
- Raking and picking up leaves
- Picking up pine cones (a grabber is good for this)**
- Trimming any low-hanging branches
- Spreading mulch and pine straw in bare areas
- Cleaning signs
- Filling in holes



Please bring tools you think you will need: rake, shovel, bow saw, tarps, clipper, wheel barrow, rags, paper towels, scrub brushes and cleaning solution. Remember to bring your own gloves and water – and leave your dog at home (but bring them back after cleanup!).

*** Please pick up any sticks and pine cones while at the park in order to save time on cleanup Saturday. Just throw over back or side fences.*

The Welshmen Return!

The International Welsh Terrier Rescue Group will meet in Pinehurst again this year.

They had so much fun at the park last year that they have asked for some special time again this year. If you have time on November 2, 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m, stop by and watch 30-plus Welsh Terriers romp through the park! FYI: All owners are asked to submit shot records and sign the PPIP Rules and Liability forms.



Thanks to all the members who gave up their usual playtime at the park.



Good Intentions About Poop Bags... But...

That caught your attention, didn't it?! While we're grateful for ongoing contributions to the poop bag stations, please do NOT stuff them with plastic newspaper sleeves or cellophane wrappers. Plastic grocery bags are the standard. Thank you in advance for your cooperation and helping keep our park sanitary!

The Quicker Picker-Uppers

If you are looking for something to do while you are keeping watch on your dog, pine cone "retrievers" (not the four-legged kind!) are available at the entrance areas. Please feel free to pick up any pine cones, sticks, branches, and toss over the fence. While you're at it, why not pick up the tennis balls too?

Hot Diggity Dog

Dogs dig. They think it's fun. But it's not fun for another dog to trip in the holes, or for humans to trip. Please fill the holes your dog digs and tamp down the dirt. Shovels are available in the big dog park.

Pooch Patrol

We can't stress this enough, but there are a LOT of reasons to keep your eyes on your dog at all times. Here are just a few, for starters:

- **Poop.** You won't know to pick up poop unless you pay attention to where your dog is in the park. Most of you know your dog's "pattern." So, stay alert. Don't let that intriguing conversation with a friend or hanging out in the gazebo distract you from your responsibilities.
- **Escalating Behavior.** It's dangerous to intervene when dogs get to the point of fighting. Be responsible. Stop a potentially dangerous situation before it begins. Again, you know your dog's tolerance level, and you know when he is getting amped up. Watch your dog. The CAN IT cans are there to help distract them.
- **Gate Frenzy.** We've all seen the scene at the gate when a new dog comes in. It's natural for the other dogs to be curious. However, the frenzy is very intimidating for some dogs and people ... especially new members of the park. Please, don't just call your dog (screaming your dog's name seldom works). Leave your cushy spot in the gazebo or your conversation and get your dog away from the gate. It's not fun to be on the other side of the gate!

If this seems like a lot of do's and don'ts, these reminders are intended to keep the park the tail waggin', safe, fun place it's meant to be.

Remembering Linda Hubbard

Hard to believe, but it's been nine years, since the park opened on October 9. You will soon see new signage commemorating Linda Hubbard's vision. A dedication of the signs will be scheduled in the near future.



PPIP T-shirts

Let Sarah know if you are interested in purchasing a PPIP Tshirt. info@ppidogpark.com

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