

Vet News Monthly





Welcome to 2017

From all of us at Moruya Veterinary Hospital we welcome you to another year. The Christmas / New Year period is always very busy for us, with an influx of tourists to the area. Many folks bring their pets away on holidays with them. It is important for us to be strict with appointments. If a visit to the vet is required please phone 44742532 for a suitable appointment time. We try our best to be available when appointments have been made however emergency treatments do take preference.

Tick Watch

Be mindful it is now the time of the year we treat the most cases of tick paralysis. We have very good tick prevention products available. We recommend Nexgard or Bravecto for dogs and frontline for cats. Ticks can be deadly for your pets so don't forget to use prevention during this time of the year. It is important if you do find a tick, or your pet is showing any signs of tick paralysis, change of voice, vomiting, off food, hind leg weakness to have your pet treated as early as possible with anti serum. Even if your pet has been treated previously, early treatment with antiserum will give the best prognosis and fastest recovery.

It's Show Time

Eurobodalla District Show is on again on the weekend of 21st and 22nd of January. This will be a show not to be missed, it is the 140th show to be held by the Eurobodalla District Show Society. Show schedules for the pavilion and horse schedules are available from the Moruya Veterinary Hospital, call in and collect one from the girls at the front desk. Also entry applications can be downloaded from the shows website. The pet show will commence at approx. 12 noon on Sunday 22nd. Entries for this are taken just prior to the competition. Classes include best fancy dressed, best presented puppy, best presented small / medium and large adult dog, most unusual pet and best dog biscuit catcher.

Hot Weather Tips

It's summertime and the weather is HOT..... Sometimes too hot for your dog!

Dogs can have the same troubles that we do, dehydration, and even sunburn.

Cars can be death traps for dogs, even with the window open. A car can go from comfortable to oven-like in minutes, so never leave your dog alone in a car. Don't think that a cloudy day or parking in the shade reduces the risks. The sun moves during the day and clouds can actually magnify the heat. If you are taking your dog on a long trip, always carry a bottle of cool water for him.

The right time for playtime is in the cool of the early morning or evening, but never after a meal or when the weather is humid.

A trip to the groomer, especially for dogs with heavy or long coats, is always a good idea.

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New Year's Resolutions For Your Pet (and you)

#10 measure your pets food- every time!

Many owners "eyeball" their pets daily intake and pour that into a bowl, usually resulting in overfeeding and weight gain.

#9 Choose an age appropriate diet

Growing pets have very special nutrient requirements to ensure their bodies grow healthy and strong, while some senior pets may have lower energy requirements. Choosing a diet specifically tailored to your pets life stage is a good way to keep them in optimal health.

#8 Try a new activity with your pet.

Go hiking, go kayaking, get out of the house, bond with your pet. Both owner and pet will reap the rewards of healthy activity.

#7 Incorporate more playtime into your pets routine.

Cats love the thrill of chasing a laser toy, dogs like to chase balls.

#6 Make a date with your vet.

Yearly examinations by the veterinarian are a key component of good preventive care.

#5 Groom your pet daily.

Brushing your pet serves many purposes, it removes excess fur from the coat, reducing the amount you find on your clothes and furniture. It helps distribute oils from the skin to the fur, keeping the coat shiny and healthy.

#4 Practice good oral hygiene

Daily brushing is the best way to keep tartar and plague at bay

#3 Teach an old dog new tricks

Studies show that mental stimulation can help reduce cognitive deterioration in ageing animals.

#2 Undate pet ID info

Lots can change over a year, phone numbers /addresses. Update tags and microchip information so to ensure a lost pet makes their way safely home.

#I Consider fostering

Call the AWL and simply host a animal while they are waiting for their forever home.

Puppy Pre-School (PPS) Starting Soon

Unlike traditional training classes, puppy preschools are specifically designed for dogs 8 to 16 weeks of age. PPS focus on issues such as socialization, housetraining, play biting and chewing more than the formal 'obedience'. Puppies need to learn social skills and house manners more urgently then learning to obey 'commands'.



Useful Phone Contacts

*Animal House Caretaker- Mobile dog wash & grooming, holiday pet care & pet day care-



* Australian Seabird Rescue- 043 | 282238

* Batemans Bay Boarding Kennels 44717501

* Dog Grooming- (Swish Grooming)- 0410676850

Dog Wash- Bubbles on the Bay-44781185

* Eurobodalla Animal Welfare League- (de-sexing subsidy)-44743354

(General enquiries) - 0410016612

* Eurobodalla Canine Club (dog obedience training) Magda– 44711440

* Eurobodalla Shire Council Pound - (lost dogs & strays)-44741019

*RSPCA -(animal cruelty)- Eurobodalla Branch 0424228425 Cruelty Hotline I 300278589

-(de-sexing vouchers)- 0424228425

*The Dog Line- (Dog behavioural Problems & Advice) 1300843364

*Wildlife Rescue South Coast- North of Batemans Bay 0418427214

-South of Batemans Bay 0417238921

* Wires-(wildlife rescue & care)- 1300094737











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