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WELCOME TO CLAWS & PAWS

Lanes Vets Newsletter

Here you'll find great advice, offers for you and your pet, news, hints & tips, seasonal advice and much, much more!

PRACTICE NEWS

October is fireworks preparation at Lanes Vets



Firework season can be tough for many pets. Unpredictable loud noises and sudden flashing lights can leave many scared, wanting to hide, or refusing to go outside, even in the daytime at this time of year.

Though it may not be possible to completely avoid fireworks events near your home, there are some things that you can do to help your pet through this period.

- 👉 Make sure all pets are microchipped and details are up to date in case any escapes happen!
- 👉 Exercise them appropriately in the daytime so they are ready to settle in the evening, and ensure they have had the opportunity to toilet before dark when they may be reluctant to go out.
- 👉 Close curtains and turn on the TV/radio to help block out noise and light from outside.
- 👉 Create a safe space for your pet somewhere they can be with the family if they choose, made up of their favourite bedding type and provide familiar toys/chews/food and water.
- 👉 You may use aromatherapy like pet remedy sprays or diffusers or pheromone therapy like Adaptil (for dogs) and

Feliway (for cats) as a calming aid.

👉 Additional aids to consider may include thunder shirts, pet ear muffs (if you have taught your pet to wear them!) and nutritional calming supplements.

👉 Some pets experience more severe fears or phobias about noise or lights; if this applies to your pet, then please get in contact well in advance so we may discuss medication options to help them through this time.

There are long-term options for helping your pet cope with fireworks fears, but it's important to do this outside of fireworks season and not try to start it during this stressful time period.

🔗 <https://www.dogtrust.org.uk/dog-advice/understanding-your-dog/sound-therapy-for-pets>

Get in touch with us for more information 🔗
<https://www.lanesvets.com/contact-pets/>

Enjoy 10% OFF Pet Remedy and NutraCalm during October

Join our Charity Bingo Night! 🎉

Join us for our Bingo Night and help us raise funds for St. John's Hospice and S.A.L.V.E International.

📅 Saturday, 23rd November 2024

📍 Cockerham Village Hall

Please get in touch with us for more information.



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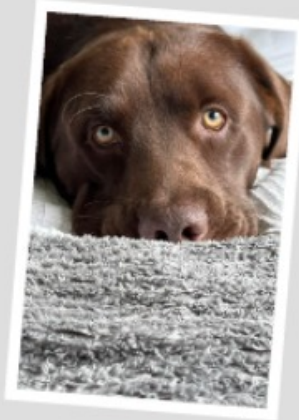
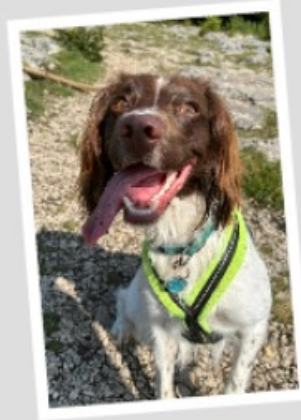
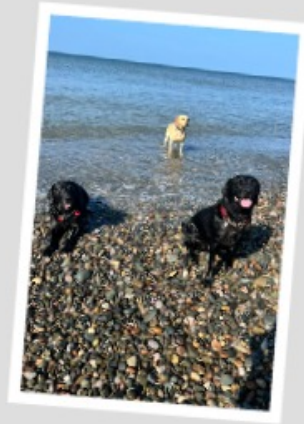


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Your adorable furry pets! 🐶 🐱

We asked you on our [Facebook page](#) to share the cutest photo of your pet, and these are a few of the adorable results! 🥰



DOES YOUR CAT STRUGGLE
WITH PAIN DURING THE
COLDER MONTHS?



With the coming cold months, pets with bone, joint or muscle problems might be feeling especially sore! Cats, in particular, will often try to hide their discomfort and will avoid showing any overt signs that something is wrong, so it's essential for owners to pay close attention and learn to recognise signs of pain in their cats.

Here are some of the most common:

- 🐱 Difficulty moving
- 🐱 Lowered head or a hunched back
- 🐱 Reduced willingness to play or interact
- 🐱 Decreased appetite and grooming
- 🐱 Higher irritability and less patience

If you recognise any of these signs in your feline friend, don't hesitate to book an appointment!

DID YOU KNOW CONKERS ARE POISONOUS TO DOGS?



Autumn has arrived, and during this time of the year, conkers are a common sight on the ground, inside or outside their green prickly casings. 🌰 🍂

As conkers contain a toxic substance, they can be dangerous for our pets to chew on or play with. Symptoms of conker poisoning might include vomiting, diarrhoea, reduced appetite, abdominal pain and sometimes muscle tremors if ingested in large amounts.

Be careful if you notice your dog is interested in playing with these chestnuts, and do not hesitate to talk to us if you recognise any of the signs mentioned above! 📞

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