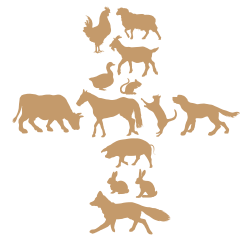


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"We care as much as you do"



Keep your pet calm on bonfire night!

With autumn fast approaching the next big date for the calendar is Bonfire Night, which is renowned for being a terrifying time for our furry friends. So plan ahead to make this evening as stress free as possible for your pets.

- Keep pets inside on Bonfire Night, bring any animals that live outside into the house.
- Draw the curtains and have a radio or television on in the background to muffle the noises.
- Choose a specific room to leave pets in, so they can 'hide' from fireworks and feel safer.
- If your pet shows signs of distress do not reassure it, this just reinforces that there is something for them to worry about.

And in preparation for the night itself:

- Ensure your animal has plenty of exercise during the day.
- Remember that fireworks are not only set off at Bonfire Night but for weeks around the celebration, and at Christmas and New Year.
- Ensure that the animal has a tag with your contact details in case it does try to run away.
- If your pet is showing severe signs of distress, you should seek veterinary advice.

And remember never take your pet to a bonfire display.



Safety Tips for your pets in autumn

It's back-to-school time, and those of you with young children know that means stocking up on fun items like glue sticks, pencils and magic markers, all considered "low toxicity" to animal. They're unlikely to cause serious problems unless large amounts are ingested, however, since gastrointestinal upset and blockages certainly are possible, be sure your children keep their school supplies out of paw's reach.

More useful tips:

- To generate body heat, pets who exercise heavily outdoors, or who live outdoors, should be given more food during colder seasons.
- Make sure horses and other outdoor animals have access to clean, fresh water that is not frozen.
- If you haven't been active outdoors in a while due to the summer heat, do some remedial recall training. Dogs get rusty on their skills if they aren't using them.
- The light to walk dogs in is significantly reduced, so always wear reflective clothing to make yourself visible when walking near roads in the dark. Fit your dog and cat with a reflective collar - but make sure only a quick release collar is used for a cat.

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Home Visits

We now offer a Home Visit Service for all routine procedures such as boosters, check ups, microchipping, and flea and worm treatments. This is especially for those clients who find it difficult to bring their pets to the surgery. In addition to our normal fees there will be a home visit surcharge.

If your pet is unwell we still advise that it is brought to the surgery where we have all the facilities to perform a full clinical examination and carry out any tests that need to be done.



Animal Osteopathy at Arthur Lodge is a Nice Touch!

Osteopathy is coming to the animal kingdom; the Arthur Lodge Veterinary Group now has a new expert to help our canine and equine friends.

Martyn Langton is the new resident osteopath at Arthur Lodge whose skills and experience in this niche area of pet care will be complementing the surgeries' existing services.

Pets can take advantage of this treatment which can significantly improve pains caused by stiff joints, injured muscles and general movement problems.

Martyn underwent four years of extensive training in order to qualify as a pet osteopath and was mentored by one of the world's leading equine osteopaths, Stuart McGregor.

No drugs are used in the treatment; instead an osteopath uses their hands in a variety of ways to help restore the body to its natural balanced state, promoting good health and normal function. By working on the joints, muscles, blood flow and neurological supply, animal osteopathy works to reinstate the natural balance of the body and thereby improving general performance.

Facts

- Studies have shown that people who own pets live longer, have less stress, and have fewer heart attacks.
- Over 50% of all pet owners would rather be stranded on a desert island with their pet, instead of another person.
- Fleas are prevalent all the year round, it's extremely important to remember to continue (or even start!) decent anti-parasitic treatments.

Hurrah Meow Offer!

Throughout September, October and November Arthur lodge is offering a deal on cat boosters.

This includes a 'Program' flea control injection for just £24.00 inc VAT.

Hurrah Squeek Offer!

Arthur Lodge is now offering a 10% off loyalty discount scheme!

After your pets next annual vaccination all Arthur Lodge customers will receive a 10% off loyalty discount card.

This will entitle you to 10% off the following if carried out within 12 months of your pets annual vaccination:

- Neutering • Food • Prescription diets • Worm & Flea products
- In-house lab work • Routine dental treatment



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