

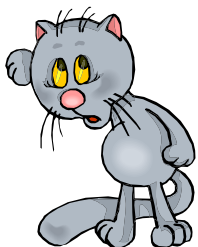


Welcome to our April Newsletter

EASTER CLINIC HOURS

The Clinic will be closed for Easter on Good Friday April 22nd. We will be open for normal Saturday morning consultation between 8.00am and 1.00pm on April 23rd.

We will be closed on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday of the Easter break. At all time over the Easter break our Vet will be contactable for emergencies on our after hours number **0407 811 222**



Pet Insurance

Your pets are precious and you want to protect them from harm. It doesn't matter how much love and care we provide, accidents and illness are beyond our control.

Pet Insurance is simple, affordable, and gives you cover for vets costs as a result of accident and illness. It can also help you with everyday wellness care such as annual vaccinations, deworming, dental treatment and a whole lot more.

We have brochures available at the clinic from the leading pet insurers.



The law on prescription drugs.

Your animals medicines, prescribed and supplied by us are often S4 medications and are classified as:-

“A prescription animal remedy” OR “Prescription only medicine”

This means that only a registered veterinary surgeon can supply them to *“animals under their care”* And professional diagnosis and monitoring is required in every case.

In Simple terms:

We need to examine your pet at least every six months to continue supplying their medications. More complicated conditions may require more frequent re-examination to ensure your animal’s medical needs have not changed.

This is a legal obligation all Veterinarians are required to abide by set regulations by the Government under the Controlled Substances Act 1984 and the Controlled Substances (Poisons) Regulations 1996 for the health and wellbeing of the animal receiving the medication.

Our Veterinarians will discuss your animal’s needs with you at consultation and they will advise the frequency of visits required to monitor the diagnosed condition. At this consultation there is every opportunity for you to discuss further treatment and have all your questions answered.



Home Visits

We are happy to arrange home visits if you are unable to bring your pet to the clinic.

Telephone the clinic and speak to one of our nurses to make an appointment.



Dangerous Toxins

Chocolate is severely toxic to dogs because it contains theobromine. This is a stimulant that affects the nervous system and heart muscle, as well as increasing the frequency of urination.



Dogs can’t metabolize theobromine as effectively as humans. This allows it to build up in their system until it reaches toxic levels of concentration. This may lead to a variety of health problems including death due to cardiac arrest.

The less the dog weighs the more you should be worried because the toxicity levels are higher.

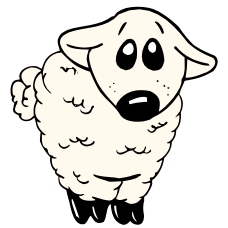
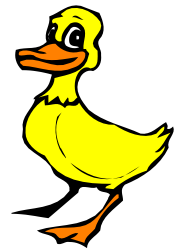
More Dangerous Foods:

- Sugarless candies
- Raw Salmon
- Onion (large quantities)
- Garlic (large quantities)
- Grapes
- Raisins
- Mushrooms
- Caffeine

Of course, there are the normal things to beware of in your household as well such as antifreeze, rat poisons, paint thinners, cleaning fluids etc., so if you have a pet in your home take precautions as if you had a small child in your home to protect them from these types of toxins.

FUN ANIMAL FACTS

- A cat has 32 muscles in each ear
- Cats make over 100 vocal sounds, while dogs can only make 10
- A dog was the first in space and a sheep, a duck and a rooster the first to fly in a hot air balloon.
- The worlds smallest dog is a Chihuahua, which means “tiny dog in the sky”
- There are 701 types of pure breed dogs. There are about 54 million dogs in the US, and Paris is said to have more dogs than people.
- Sharks are immune to almost all known diseases.



COMING SOON

**Our new and improved website.
Our website will include an exciting new addition.
We will tell you more closer to its launch.**

Cheers from the team at Bannockburn Veterinary Clinic

