



WELCOME TO CLAWS & PAWS

Paxton Vet Clinics Newsletter

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

PRACTICE NEWS

CHRISTMAS PHOTO COMPETITION

The tree is up, the gifts are wrapped and all is ready to start our Christmas Photo Competition! Join us by our cosy and toasty app on...

apps.vetinflow.com/PaxtonVets/xmas

And give us your best winter themed pet photos! Just choose 'Login with Facebook' and submit your pet's picture on the 'Join the Competition' menu. There will be other great looking best friends, so don't forget to vote for them too!

The photos with the most votes win our prize vouchers of £25, £15 and £10 to spend at the practice.

Looking forward to seeing all the 'pet' tastic photos on our app! Don't forget, take a look at our competition's Terms & Conditions!

CLIENTS PETS

RUSKA

Would you look at those eyes!! What a little beauty Ruska is isn't she?!

Ruska is a German Shorthaired Pointer pup and she had her first visit recently. Her owner is new to doggy parenting but has spent a huge amount of time researching the breed, and preparing for this big occasion, of which we applaud him as a responsible dog owner. She is already enrolled in puppy training classes, which is a really positive step towards ensuring that she grows up into a confident happy dog. Happy dog = happy owners!

Tinker

Lovely Tinker has perfected the act of worming her way into her owner's bed, and making full use of the duvet on a lazy Sunday morning.

Casper

Casper came in for a dental last week, he was a lovely patient and too handsome not to share a photo of him! He has had a couple of sore teeth removed and the rest scaled and polished and now has sparkling teeth!

Most cats will require dental treatment at some point in their life, not only from a build up of plaque and tartar, but also viral conditions (cat flu) and FORLs (Feline Odontoclastic Resorptive Lesions) can cause their teeth to become sore and loose which requires Veterinary dental treatment.

It is really important to get your cat's teeth checked regularly by a Vet or Vet nurse so that we can intervene early to reduce the progression and severity of any Dental problems.

Preventative care can include tooth brushing, pastes, gels and a special diet.

Cats will still eat significant pain! It can therefore be hard to spot this at home so if you have any concerns regarding your Pet's teeth or want to know more about preventative health care/ oral hygiene then book in an appointment with one of our lovely team to get them checked!

Poppy

WHAT A TRANSFORMATION!

We featured this beautiful young lady on 21st September, as she had been found abandoned and covered in fleas in a car park.

Unsurprisingly her foster parents fell in love with her, so they formally adopted her when no owner came forward.

Poppy is now about 5 months old and came in for her spay procedure recently. We couldn't be happier to see her developing into such a gentle cat and flourishing in her forever home

STAFF NEWS

London Vet Show

Our Head Vet Helen attended the London Vet Show recently, which is a huge 2 day event attended by many thousands from the Veterinary field from all over the world. It is a great opportunity to attend ground breaking lectures from specialists, and learn about new treatments and techniques, medication and equipment. There are 10 huge lecture theatres, and so many trade stands that it's almost overwhelming!

Did you know that all Vets and Vet Nurses have to do many hours Continued Professional Development such as attending lectures, webinars, and background reading each and every year, to ensure that they are kept current in this ever changing world, and continue to be eligible members of the RCVS?

ORDER REPEAT PRESCRIPTIONS

ORDER YOUR PET FOOD ONLINE

New Online Services

We are delighted to share the news that we have improved our online services for your convenience. You can now order pet food and request repeat prescriptions via our website.

Please click on the link below to see the full details.

PAXTONVETS.CO.UK/OUR-SERVICES

PET PLAN AWARDS 2018

Nominate today!
Petplan.co.uk

Every year Pet Plan gives out awards for veterinary staff that are nominated by clients. These awards help to celebrate the hard work and dedication of veterinary staff.

If you would like to nominate someone at Paxton Vets whether it be a Vet, Nurse or Receptionist then just pop in to collect a nomination form, or online at www.petplan.co.uk/vetawards.

Thank you

CHRISTMAS SAFETY TIPS FOR PETS

Christmas brings many changes to our homes and that has an impact on our furry companions as many of them can be dangerous for them. It is important for owners to be aware of the most common Christmas hazards so they are able to prevent unnecessary accidents.

Please make sure to keep your pets away from sweets. Chocolate, candies and any cakes or biscuits that might contain xylitol are very common during this time of the year and are toxic for our pets. Mince pies, Christmas cakes, Christmas puddings contain raisins and sultanas which are also toxic for dogs and cats.

Other dangerous foods include macadamia nuts, onions, garlic and be very careful with food leftovers. The typical Christmas meal is rich in fatty foods which can cause vomiting, diarrhoea and contribute to the onset of pancreatitis. Uncooked bones are also not recommended as they are a choking hazard, can cause constipation and can even cause damage to your pets' intestines.

Make sure your pet doesn't bite or swallow any Christmas decorations. It's a good idea to cover any visible tree light cables as pets can chew them. Tinsel and ribbons can cause serious bowel obstructions if ingested. Nibbles on decorative plants should also be prevented as Poinsettia, holly and mistletoe are all toxic for pets if ingested.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Merry Christmas from all of us here at Paxton Vets!

We hope you have a wonderful Christmas with your family, your friends and your pets!

BUT IF YOU NEED US OVER THE FESTIVE PERIOD WE ARE HERE FOR YOU:

IN AN EMERGENCY
TELEPHONE **0208 6533355**

WE'D LOVE THIS NEWSLETTER TO BE ABOUT YOU & YOUR PET TOO...

- Have you got a story to tell?
- Would you like an answer to a question?
- We'd love to see a photo of your pet that we can share
- Have they been brave lately ... have they survived an accident or illness?

Please email to clifton@paxtonvets.co.uk

OR

Post directly to our [Facebook Page](#)

We so want these stories... Please tell us!

<p>DOG TRIVIA</p> <p>A dog can locate the source of a sound in 1/600 of a second and can hear sounds four times farther away than a human can</p>	<p>CAT FACT</p> <p>Cats have about 130,000 hairs per square inch (20,155 hairs per square centimetre)</p>
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