



Companion Animal Newsletter - December 2017

Charity Dog Walk

A Big thank you to all of you who made it along to support our charity dog walk on Saturday 2nd December in aid of Guide Dogs for the Blind. The weather stayed fair and we had a great day meeting clients and their dogs. The walk went from the practice and a long and short route option took us out towards Langcliffe, meeting back at the surgery for mince pies and mulled wine.

Thank you to Booths Supermarket at Settle for donating the refreshments, on a grey winter day they were most welcome on return to the surgery.

We are already hatching plans for next years event.....watch this space!



Christmas Opening

We will be open as usual over the festive period with the only change being that we are closed on Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day at both our Settle and Bentham branch surgeries. We are providing our 24 emergency care however, so if you need us for anything unexpected, just call the usual number 01729 823538 where you will be redirected to our out of hours service.

May we take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year!



Healthy Pet Club



*Give a healthy gift this year...
.. join the Dalehead Healthy Pet Club!*

Dalehead Veterinary Group would like to wish their clients and their pets a Healthy Happy Christmas and New Year

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DID YOU KNOW????

Antifreeze, which is commonly used in the winter months to prevent our cars and pipes from freezing up, can kill pets.

The dangerous toxin **ethylene glycol** found in antifreeze can make its way onto the ground through dripping, leakage or spillage and due to its sweet palatable taste makes it very desirable for your pets to ingest.

Antifreeze poisoning can effect the brain, liver and kidneys and IF LEFT untreated is **FATAL**. It is imperative if you suspect your pet has ingested antifreeze to contact the surgery for **IMMEDIATE** treatment.

BE SAFE BE SEEN

Daylight is quickly disappearing as we head into the long months of winter which makes walking our dog in the dark unavoidable.

Reflective clothing is available for both humans and pets. When illuminated by a light source the clothing becomes highly visible, an essential when walking on poorly lit highways.



Light up collars and lights which can attach to collars are an excellent way to retain visibility on walks.

We have a selection of reflective clothing as well as light up collars and collar attachments available at the surgery.

FIREWORK FEARS TOP TIPS

New Year celebrations are often accompanied by fireworks, here are our top tips to help both you and your pets...

- Ignore unusual behaviour such as panting, shaking or whining. If your pet comes to you for reassurance, give them affection but no more than usual.
- **Do not punish or get angry with your pet, this will only increase their anxiety.**
- Ensure your pet is in a safe and secure environment at all times so they are unable to bolt and escape.
- **Pull the curtains and switch on the TV or radio to dull the noise from the fireworks.**
- Walk your dog earlier in the day before the fireworks are likely to start.
- Feed a meal which is high in carbohydrates as this will make your pet sleepy.



WORDSEARCH

Take a few minutes to unwind from the Christmas festivities and have a go at our

**Watch Out -
Poisonous to Pets!**

Wordsearch:

**ANTI FREEZE
RAISINS
POINSETTIA
CHOCOLATE
GRAPES
MISTLETOE
DECORATIONS
XMAS PUDDING
DRIED FRUIT**

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Check out our website www.daleheadvetgroup.co.uk for more information about caring for your pet, special offers, vet and staff profiles and much more!

