# KYDD & KYDD NEWSLETTER

Summer 2014





Welcome to the Spring edition of the Kydd and Kydd practice newsletter.

#### Practice facilities include

- Late night opening
- · Modern surgical & medical facilities
- Full x-ray, ultrasound & dental facilities
- In-house laboratory
- In-house pharmacy
- RCVS accredited practice
- VN training centre
- 6 month health checks
- Nurses clinics
- Pets passports

#### OPENING TIMES AT KYDD AND KYDD

 Monday
 8am - 8pm

 Tuesday
 8am - 7pm

 Wednesday
 8am - 7pm

 Thursday
 8am - 8pm

 Friday
 8am - 7pm

 Saturday
 9am - 5pm

 Sunday
 CLOSED

A 24 hour emergency service is available by telephoning 020 8946 9925

# EASY PARKING

FREE PARKING AVAILABLE IN STRATHEARN ROAD IN METERED BAYS BEFORE 11AM AND AFTER 3PM.

FREE PARKING IS AVAILABLE FOR UP TO 2 HOURS IN WAITROSE CAR PARK FOR CLIENTS OF KYDD AND KYDD (3 mins walk)

# PET STORE

Now stocking a wider range of pet food, toys, treats and other pet accessories. Feel free to come in and have a look around!

# **David's London-Surrey 100 Update!**

In aid of Guide Dogs for the Blind Association, 10th August. The training is going well and David feels very confident that he will complete the cycle challenge within the allotted time. You can sponsor David on his just giving page found via our



website www.kyddandkyddvets.co.uk or via Facebook kydd and kydd vets or there is a collection box in the practice

waiting room. Many thanks for all your support so far for this fantastic cause. Keep checking our Facebook page for updates.



### Top tips for summer



- NEVER EVER leave your pet in a car on a hot day. Cars act as ovens and even in mild temperatures dogs in cars can quickly overheat.
- Make sure fresh clean water is always available to all pets you may even need to take some on walks and avoid exercise in the heat of the day particularly with elderly overweight dogs with heart problems; stick to early mornings and evenings.
- Cats are natural sunbathers, but cats with white noses and ear tips are
  particularly vulnerable to sun burn and subsequent skin cancer. This risk
  can be reduced by keeping them out of the sun, or by applying Pet Sunscreen (available from Kydd and Kydd) to these areas during the summer
  months.
- Watch out for grass seeds (awns) of the meadow grasses. They often become trapped in dogs ears causing violent head shaking, or may become embedded in between the toes or other areas.
- Rabbits: If you haven't had your rabbit vaccinated against myxomatosis and VHD yet, act now! These usually fatal illnesses can easily strike in the summer months.
- Fly strike during the summer months, rabbit rear ends should be checked daily for fly eggs and maggots. Please call us at once if you are concerned.
- If your pet is going into kennels this summer, don't forget to make sure they are up to date with their vaccinations, including Kennel Cough.
- Remember to keep treating your pets regularly for fleas, Ticks and worms



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#### **GOING ON HOLIDAY THIS SUMMER?**

If you are leaving your property empty and you have a cat flap fitted, please make sure that you have either locked it securely or set it on two way traffic otherwise you may find yourself with an uninvited guest when you return home. Stressful for you and for your guest!!

### Are your pets up to date with their vaccinations?

Every year we give pets vaccinations to protect them against a number of potentially fatal infectious diseases. If your pet has not been vaccinated in the last year, it's worth making an appointment for a health check and we will advise about what vaccinations are available and recommended.



## Does your dog play with everyone he meets in the park?



With summer well on its way, you're sure to find yourself going for longer walks with your dog. It's great news for the exercise routine and meeting dog-walking friends but the last thing you want is your dog to play with his mates, and a few

days later find he is suffering from a harsh, dry whooping type cough – a sure sign of kennel cough.

Unfortunately Canine Infectious Tracheobronchitis, commonly known as kennel cough, is highly contagious and can last for weeks. Occasionally it can develop into more serious complications such as pneumonia, which can prove fatal in old, weak or very young dogs. Kennel cough results from inflammation of the upper airways, and is easily passed from dog-to-dog by airborne droplets (coughing and sneezing) or direct nose-to-nose contact; a common occurrence on dog walks!

Dogs are at risk whenever they group together, whether in popular dog walking parks, at boarding kennels, shows or training classes. Prevention is better than cure; treatment of infectious tracheobronchitis can be a long and lengthy process, which involves isolation and antibiotic therapy. In fact, so serious is the condition that most reputable boarding kennels will insist on dogs being vaccinated prior to admission. The common name kennel cough, actually results from its prevalence in boarding kennels

Kydd and Kydd offers a vaccine that will immunise against kennel cough for 12 months, with a single vaccination administered in just one visit! Acting against the two most common causes of kennel cough (canine infectious tracheobronchitis) the vaccine is safe to give to dogs of any shape, size and age - including puppies of just three weeks of age, the vaccine provides protection in just 72 hours.

#### NURSES CLINICS AT KYDD AND KYDD



Did you know the qualified nurses at Kydd and Kydd run daily nurses clinics where you can get professional advice on all kinds of topics. From choosing a breed of puppy to dietary advice

patients with kidney problems and from clipping claws to administering a tablet for you or advising on the ideal weight and diet for your pet. At Kydd and Kydd we have SIX qualified RVN's waiting to help you!



#### **Practice News**

Kydd & Kydd Pet Store We are now stocking a wider range of pet products, food and accessories. Our new range of harness is particularly popular. Remember to visit the pet store next time you come into the surgery.

We say goodbye to nurse Jo West this summer as she moves away with her family to the West Country. We are sad to lose Jo who has been with us for six years, but we wish her the very best for her new start.



#### New Product for cats Broadline®.

We are now stocking a **new** spot on solution for cats that not only deals with fleas and round worms but

also kills tape worms, ticks and many other internal parasites! Broadline® is the

**Broadline** only product of it's



kind at the moment and with the easy spot-on administration, it removes the need for tableting your cat!

#### **NEW FOR 2014 - CAT ONLY CONSULTING TIMES**

We understand that for some cats a visit to the vet can be a difficult and stressful experience (for both you and your cat). This can be made worse if the waiting room has dogs there as well. So to try and help, we have organised a couple of cat only consulting times each week. These will take place on a Monday and Thursday afternoon between 3 and 4pm. Remember to ask for a cat only consulting time next time you book an appointment for your cat.

