


Welcome to our 2022 Spring Newsletter!



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Countryside code

Spring is a beautiful time of year, and there's hardly a more scenic time to take your dog on a countryside walk. It is important that we take extra precautions to protect newly born lambs. If you are planning to take your dog on a walk in the countryside, please follow these key pieces of advice:

1. Make sure your dog is microchipped and has a collar and ID tag with your name and address on it.
2. Always stay in control. It can be so easy to take a phone call and miss your dog running off to play with another dog or worse – harassing a farm animal. Ensure that you know where your dog is at all times - the easiest way to do this is to keep them on a lead.
3. Weather in the UK is not exactly reliable! Make sure to have a look at the forecast and go prepared. Keep an eye out for key signs of heatstroke or hypothermia in yourself and your dog.
4. Make sure your dog is up-to-date with their flea and tick treatments, and always do a thorough check for any unwanted guests upon arriving home.
5. Plan ahead! Know your route, and roughly how long it will take.

6. Bring some snacks and water for you and your dog, and don't forget to pack poo bags. Dog poo can harbour many harmful diseases for other dogs and wildlife.

7. Check up on local rules before heading on your walk.

This is by no means an exhaustive list, but it will hopefully get you thinking about your springtime walks with your dog.



Dental Checks

Dental checks are just as important for our pets as they are for us. Brushing your pet's teeth a few times a week is vital for their dental hygiene and for avoiding dental diseases. Be sure to look out for some of the following signs:

- Bad breath
- Yellow/brown coloured teeth
- Bleeding gums
- Loss of appetite
- Weight loss
- Rubbing their face

If your pet is in pain, they may not know how best to show you, and may just be generally out of sorts.

If you think your pet may be displaying 1 or more of these signs, it's important to be safe, and contact us for a visit.

Members of our PHP get 5% off all dentals. Visit our website if you are interested!

Or call **01341 422 212**, we are more than happy to discuss our services with you.

A banner with an orange top half and a green bottom half. On the left, a brown tabby cat and a black and white dog are looking towards the camera. In the center, a white circle contains the text 'FROM £10.50 A MONTH'. To the right, the text 'Spread the cost of your pets routine healthcare by joining our Pet Health Plan' is displayed in white and orange. A small icon of three white birds is located below the text.

Click the banner above for more details, or call 01341 422 212.

Vaccination, microchipping, worm, flea and tick control and of course regular health checks are all extremely important for your pet's health and wellbeing.

Joining our Pet Health Plan allows you to spread the cost and allows access to exclusive benefits and discounts.



Pet Poisons

Be careful when using pesticides in your garden

Springtime is great for getting back out in the garden and planting some of your own plants, fruit and vegetables, but you must exercise caution when doing so. Many pesticides are harmful to your pets, so it's always worth checking the label on products you purchase, and doing some research to find products that are safe for your pets and their environment.

Unfortunately, the risks don't end there! There are many forms of potential poisons for your pet, lots of which you might not expect.

Some plants and vegetables are actually inherently harmful to your pets, even when no pesticides are used.

For example, if your dog decides to try an onion, or some chives, you may be shocked to learn that these can cause the destruction of red blood cells resulting in a serious form of anaemia. This is both in their raw and cooked forms!

If you plan on exercising your green thumb this spring, please be sure to restrict your pet's access to your growing area, and make sure to keep a close eye on your furry friends when they are exploring outdoors.



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