

## Autumn News

### Cool Weather Pet Care

#### Fleas Can Still Bite

Although more likely to hatch during warmer months, flea eggs can live in carpet and outdoors for 6 months. These hatch with an increase in temperature, even from your household heating.

We recommend year round preventative treatment to avoid the hassle of a flea infestation in your home.

#### Relief for Joint Pain

Arthritis and joint pain is unfortunately common in older pets and cooler weather often means they can experience more pain, stiffness and exercise intolerance than usual.

A check up with the vet can diagnose and treat joint conditions to provide a more comfortable winter and better quality of life year round.

If you have noticed your pet is displaying any of these signs, please call for an appointment.



### Easter Pet Safety

Easter brings plenty of treats but it is important to know that all chocolate is highly toxic to animals. Affecting the nervous system and the heart, it can be lethal in a short space of time.

Always be vigilant about where chocolate is left around your home, wrapped treats can easily be smelt by pets and even animals previously uninterested in chocolate have been known to ingest it. Please also educate children to these dangers.

If there is a possibility your pet has eaten chocolate **please phone our hospital immediately**, your pet may show any of the following symptoms:

- Vomiting, diarrhea or frequent urination
- Muscle tremors, seizures or collapse
- Hyperactivity or lethargy

## Celebrating our 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary!

- In April we proudly celebrate our 1st anniversary as part of the Boroondara community.
- A warm thanks to all our wonderful clients for welcoming and supporting us during our first year. We look forward to many more years of helping care for the furriest members of your family.

**Remember we also offer free health checks for new puppies and kittens.**



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