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PRACTICE NEWS

Latest news and events from your local practice



AUTUMN 2016

Practice News

Westmorland County Show

Come and see us at stand G244 at the show. There'll be lots to see, meet the vets and staff, grab a cuppa and slice of cake, and take away a goody bag. There's even a drawing competition for the kids. Entries need to be in by the 8th September. See our website for more details www.westmorland-vets.co.uk/drawing-competition-2016

Cat Friendly Clinic

We have been awarded a Silver Cat friendly status by the International Society of Feline Medicine.

What does this mean? - because of their unique nature and needs, taking a cat to the vets can be very stressful, both for the cat and also the owner. The Cat Friendly Clinic programme is designed to help address these issues by creating more cat friendly veterinary clinics and so reducing the stress for the cat, and making veterinary visits easier for cat owners as well.

Lifetime Care Club

Our Lifetime Care Club is proving

very popular, with many of you signing up and already enjoying the great range of benefits including vaccinations, 6 monthly checks, discounted worm and flea treatments and lots more. These regular visits mean your pets health is getting carefully monitored which in many cases may prevent problems arising in the future. Sign up from as little as £12 a month.



Pre Purchase Consults

Extending your animal family is a massive undertaking and commitment. We want to give you the help and support you need in the lead up to your next family member.

There are many things that should be taken into account before making the final decision, some of which you will have considered and many you may not have thought about.

We are offering free pre-purchase consults to talk you through the process and answer any questions you may have before the big day. With our help we hope we can help you pick an animal that suits your circumstances

We will cover issues such as:

- Species
- Breed suitability
- Age
- Rehoming
- Health care
- Travel
- Insurance

We want to make sure you have the help and support you need from the start and right through your life time together.

More information is available on our website:
www.westmorland-vets.co.uk

Brave Pets

Over the past year, Walter, a 13 year old Border collie with a fondness for chicken, has become one of our most popular visitors, gaining a place in the hearts of all the Kendal staff.

Walter has been a regular visitor to the practice since he was diagnosed with lymphoma (a type of cancer) a year ago.

Without treatment, this aggressive cancer would have rapidly made Walter very unwell and he would not have been expected to survive more than 6 weeks.

Thankfully, although it is not possible to cure lymphoma, many dogs respond well to treatment with chemotherapy. Our lymphoma patients experience few (if any) side effects and often live happy and normal lives whilst

undergoing treatment. Although chemotherapy may not be suitable for all cases, Walters's family opted to try the treatment and happily Walter responded well.

Over the past year Walter has regularly attended the surgery for his chemotherapy sessions, quickly realising that chemotherapy comes with chicken. So maybe the vet's isn't so bad after all?

Despite the cancer returning recently, Walter still remains with us a year following his initial diagnosis and continues to enjoy a normal happy life, with his family.

It is Walters's attitude, as well as his willingness to please, that has meant he is much loved by our staff.



During Autumn we will be offering help and advice with your pets firework night stresses. There's lots we can do to help. Just give us a call or pop in and see one of our nurses. Remember to 'like' us on Facebook and twitter to keep up to date with all our news and stories.

Opening Times

Our standard opening times are:

Monday Kendal 8.30-7

Tuesday Kendal 8.30-7

Wednesday Kendal 8.30-7

Thursday Kendal 8.30-7

Friday Kendal 8.30-7

Saturday 8.30 - 12.00

Sunday Closed

Consultations are available by appointment. Consultation hours can vary, so please call us on:

01539 722692

Our Kirkby Lonsdale practice is open Mon and Thurs 8.30 - 7.00pm, Tues 8.30 - 6.00pm, Wed and Frid 8.30 - 5.00pm and Sat 8.30 - 12 noon.

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