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Professional Cat & Dog Grooming



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Tips, advice and some fun facts about our best little friends who mean so much to us!



It's CHRISTMAS!



Well not quite but close enough to start getting really excited!

Hi and welcome to the first edition of Pawcasso Grooming News. Every month we're going to be bringing you this free newsletter which will be full of interesting, useful and fun articles and facts about our four legged friends. We're doing this to give you back a little bit extra just to say thank you for being such loyal clients. So we really hope you enjoy reading the information included and we'd love it if you get involved as well. If you have any fun or interesting stories about dogs or even photos that you'd like to share with other pet owners, please send them in to us and we'll try our best to squeeze them into a later issue.

So for now, forget about the Christmas shopping, make yourself a wee cup of tea, sit yourself down and enjoy what we've got packed into this newsletter for you.

Finally, just in case we don't see you before, have a really lovely Christmas and a great New Year.



From Morag, Lyn, Sandra, Cindy, Kenny, Ren, & Ellenor and of course Star xxx

Morag, Cindy, Lyn & Star had a stand at the first ever "Clean Glasgow Campaign" in September. This was held by the Glasgow City Council to promote responsible Dog ownership and encourage people to pick up after their dogs.



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"A dog's smile runs from the depth of his eyes to the tip of his tail"

(Unknown)

Fascinating Facts about Dogs:

- ! A print of your dog's nose is unique and is the equivalent of your own finger prints.
- ! It is widely believed that the Labrador is the most popular breed of dog in the UK, Canada and USA.
- ! A Pomeranian, a Newfoundland, and a Pekingese all survived the sinking of the Titanic.
- ! The Basenji, a hunting dog from central Africa, is the only breed of dog that cannot bark. Instead it produces a unique yodel-like sound.
- ! The Border Collie, Poodle and Golden Retriever are thought to be the most intelligent breeds of dog.

Our Christmas Opening Hours!

Monday 22nd Dec - Open
 Tuesday 23rd Dec - Late opening
Closed 24th - 26th Dec
 Saturday 27th Dec - open
 Monday 29th Dec - open
 Tuesday 30th Dec - Late opening
Closed 31st Dec until Tuesday 13th Jan

We're approved members of the Pet Care Trust and British Dog Groomers Association. So you can have peace of mind knowing that while your dog is in our care it will be groomed to the highest standard and will be given the greatest level of care at all times.



"Man's best friend is what we say, so let's treat them well on Christmas Day"



Don't let your dog gobble up the Turkey bones!

Unfortunately this year hundreds of dogs will end up spending Christmas in the vets, getting operated on to remove bones that they've been given to eat from the Christmas dinner!

So whatever you do this Christmas please don't feed your dog bones from your Christmas dinner!

The small bones from Turkeys, Ducks, Geese or Chickens shatter and splinter when bitten into. This leaves them with sharp edges and points that, when eaten by your dog, can easily get lodged in their mouth or throat or even pierce through their gut.

Vets around the country report Christmas as being one of the busiest times of the year for operating on dogs with bones stuck in them.

Of course it can happen at any time of the year so it really is best not to feed small bones, of any kind, to your dog.

Now I know it's difficult not to - their little eyes gazing up at you and their mouth watering, as you tuck into the delights of your Christmas dinner! It just doesn't seem fair that your best little buddy has to miss out, after all it is Christmas Day!

But please don't be tempted. Giving your dog bones from your dinner will put them at great risk! And that's not doing them or you any favours at all.

Try also to make sure that the leftovers from your dinner are stored where the little rascals won't be tempted to scavenge through them!

If you want to treat your dog on Christmas Day get them some tasty doggie chews or stock up on doggie treats. Your dog will love them (and you) just as much and they'll be safe for them to eat as well!

Doing this will ensure that you avoid spending Christmas Day in the vets and being left with a very ill dog and a hefty bill to pay!

*"If properly trained man can
be a dog's best friend"
(Cory Ford)*



Pawcasso staff did it again. Lyn (with Ben) and Cindy (with Star) completed the 2008 Doggie Dawdle to help raise funds for the Glasgow Vet School. We raised £250 and would like to thank all the staff and customers at Pawcasso and the staff at Clydeview Precision Engineering in Clydebank for their fantastic support.

A Special Christmas message from someone you know!

I got a message the other day from a dog who is obviously very happy and really smart. The message didn't say who it was from but I'm pretty sure it was from your little four legged friend. So I've included the message here for you to read:

"Hello,

I wanted to write and tell you about how happy and how lucky I am to have a fantastic home with my owner and family. They just luv me to bits and I need sum way of telling them that I luv them too.

I even learnd to type (won't they be so pleased with me?) but I have to says I'm not so sure about this speling lark. (Complicated things these human words!).

Anyways this is what I'd say to my owner if I could:

Thank you so much for letting me be your dog. I feel like the luckiest dog in the world cause:

*You have given me a great home.
You feed me everyday with good food.*

You make sure I'm healthy even low somtimes I don't like the vets.

You play with me, exercise me and give me everyting a dog could ask for.

You take me to get groomed so that I'm always looking my best and feeling great.

You buy me nice collars and toys and treats.

And you forgive me when I make little mistakes. (I do try real hard not to be bad and when I somtimes bark at things it's only to protect you)

I just luv it that you are my owner. So that is why every day i wagg my tail and try to lick your face. You're my bestest friend ever.

Thank you soooo much".





So what do you buy a dog for Christmas who has everything!

I'm sure dear old Santa won't forget about your little four legged friend this Christmas. After all he's a member of the family as well!

But what on earth do you buy a dog for Christmas – surely he has everything he needs, doesn't he? Well luckily we've got some great new products in from the USA. Call in and have a look at them and the other great products we have in stock.

Smoochers – The cutest ever party collars. With one of these on your dog he will look so delightful when your friends come round to visit. Only £4



Showseasons Conditioning Spray – Every day you can have your dog looking like he's just stepped out of the salon with the Sparkle Coat Conditioning spray (the product us Groomers use!) Only £15

Showseasons Grapefruit Cologne – Or have him smelling lovely everyday. (You don't have to put up with doggie smells any more!) Only £9



Some dogs have all the bad luck!

! An 11-stone Great Dane had to be operated on after it swallowed a 2 foot long stick! According to the *Daily Mail*, Hector swallowed the 63cm long stick when playing at his home in Hertfordshire.

! Cymbeline, a Scottish Terrier had the misfortune of having his teeth glued together, according to the *Daily Telegraph*. It happened when he carried out his daily task of picking up the mail from his front door. A high-gloss leaflet, from a fast food restaurant, had turned into a strange paste, like paper mache. It got between Cymbeline's teeth, locking them tightly together! A vet had to gently pick away the glue before his mouth could be freed.

! A very lucky pooch survived with only a broken leg and bruising, after being hit by a car traveling at 70 MPH in Southern Italy. According to *Ananova.com* the driver didn't stop after hitting the one-year old pup and it had to cling onto the grill of the car for a further 15 miles!

Famous TV Dogs Quiz!

The following dogs are all stars of TV films, cartoons or sitcoms. Can you guess their stage names? Answers are on the back page. Don't be looking!

1. The most famous Rough Collie of all?
2. This dog starred with Dick Dastardly & Penelope Pitstop in the "Wacky Races" cartoons?
3. Little Orphan Annie's best friend?
4. The little Jack Russell who knows all the tricks in the US sitcom "Frasier"?
5. This Old English Sheepdog became "The Biggest Dog in the World"?
6. Dorothy's little Cairn Terrier in the "Wizard of Oz"?
7. The crime stopper who starred along with Turner?
8. Along with Fred, Velma, Daphne and Shaggy this famous cartoon dog always runs into trouble?
9. The St Bernard who was named after a famous German composer?
10. Mickey Mouse's pet Dog?

How do you know when your dogs nails need cut!

Just like humans your dog's nails will grow continuously. When or if they need cut will depend on the lifestyle and breed of your dog. Dogs that walk or run a lot on hard surfaces will naturally wear their nails down. But dogs that are less active or prefer to walk on softer surfaces will need to have their nails cut more often.

When a dog's nails get too long they will protrude past the pad of its foot. When walking you'll hear a clacking sound. But an easy way to check is to have a look at your dog's foot when it's flat on the ground. The nails should not touch the ground. If they do they normally need cut.

Some dogs also have dewclaws which are a little further up their leg. It's important to check these as well. If left unchecked they could grow into to your dog's leg causing them pain and discomfort. If you're in any doubt give me ring and I'll help with any questions you might have.



Morag feeling chuffed to bits after recently passing all her Advanced City & Guilds Dog Grooming Qualifications. This nationally accredited qualification is the leading qualification throughout the entire grooming industry and was developed in conjunction with the British Dog Groomers Association.



A month to look forward and a year to look back!

A new year will soon be upon us and it's exciting to look forward to what's ahead. But it's also good to have a look back over this year as well and have a think about the joys of the highs and of course, the lessons of the lows!

It's important to take stock of where we're at and to be thankful for everything we have.

The doom and the gloom that our media seems intent on spreading should be ignored. Because you know what; as long as we have our health, our families and of course our best little buddies, who love us so much then it's never so bad!

I'm also lucky enough to have you as well, my loyal clients and for that I have to say one really big THANK YOU! With having you and your lovely dogs, who brighten up my every day, it's easy to look forward to the New Year with optimism!

So have yourself a really lovely Christmas and I'll be back in the New Year with another issue of this newsletter.

*"I can no other answer make, but,
thanks, and thanks, and thanks"*
(William Shakespeare)

Answers to Quiz

1. Lassie
2. Mutley
3. Sandy
4. Eddie
5. Digby
6. Toto
7. Hooch
8. Scooby Doo
9. Beethoven
10. Pluto

You know you love your Dog when:

- ♥ You've more photos of the dog than your family!
- ♥ You let your dog decide if a new partner is right for you!
- ♥ You send Christmas cards from you, your dog and your family!
- ♥ Your dog is groomed to perfection but your own hair's a mess!
- ♥ Every present you ever get always has dogs on it!
- ♥ Your choice of a hotel depends if dogs are allowed!
- ♥ Visitors to your house know not to sit on "his seat"!
- ♥ You point to the door if your spouse says "it's me or the Dog"!
- ♥ You give them a bite of your sandwich before you have some yourself!
- ♥ When you go to a party wearing half your dog's hair – and you don't mind at all!
- ♥ You insist on buying them the healthiest food available and then stop off for a "Burger and Chips" on the way home!

Your Thoughts Count!

As always, what you think about the service I provide to you really matters to me. If you have any ideas or thoughts on how I could make what I do for you better then please let me know. Where I can improve I will and you can be assured that I'll always try my best to do the best for you and your dog.

To make an appointment or if you just want to ask a question please contact me at:

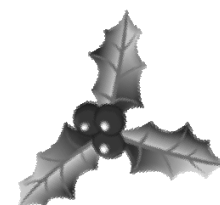
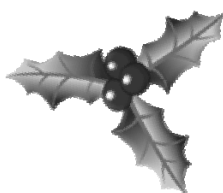
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