



Dunton VETERINARY News

Spring
2018

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Parasite Packs

12 months parasite protection
for the price of 9 months!

3 months free

Offer valid from 1st March - 31st Aug



Spring Surprises!



Easter Treats: Chocolate goodies are toxic to cats & dogs

Hot cross buns; raisins, currants & sultanas can cause kidney failure in dogs
Packaging; foil can be swallowed & cause a blockage.

Spring flowers: Daffodils, Bluebells & Lilies are all toxic causing stomach upsets, dehydration, fits & even death.

Bee & Wasp stings: Some dogs can have an allergic reaction, especially if stung by many bees/wasps. Talk to your vet about what to do if your pet is stung.

Fertilisers: Most contain many toxic substances including iron & nitrogen as well as pesticides, fungicides & herbicides.

Slugs: Slug baitpoison tastes sweet to pets but can prove fatal.

Lungworm carried by slugs & snails can be fatal to unprotected pets. Keep up to date with worm control.

Ticks: Can spread diseases to animals & humans & cause irritation, painful sores & abscesses.

Ensure your pet is protected with veterinary parasite control.

Remember to keep up to date with flea & worm control!



What's on The Menu!

With such a wide range of diets on the market, it can be overwhelming deciding which is best for your pet. So it's good to know that specially balanced diets are available specifically formulated for every life-stage of your pet.

Puppies & Kittens require diets specially formulated with higher (but not excessive) levels of energy, protein for muscle development & essential fatty acids for a healthy shining coat.

Adult pets require a balanced diet to keep them healthy, but with lower levels of many of the nutrients mentioned above as their major growth phase is behind them.

Senior pets are vulnerable to many health issues, & specially formulated diets contain supplements to soothe arthritic joints & help heart, brain & kidney function.



Join many of our clients & take advantage of Hill's loyalty card scheme!

- Get £5.00 off your first purchase
- Get your 6th bag free when you purchase your 5th bag
- 100% money back guarantee should your pet not enjoy their new diet

With nothing to lose & everything to gain, treat your pets to the diet they deserve

Members of our Pet Care Plan get an additional 10% off



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Alabama Rot

Cutaneous and renal glomerular vasculopathy (CRGV)

Cutaneous and renal glomerular vasculopathy (CRGV), commonly referred to as Alabama rot, has been confirmed in 112 dogs across 31 UK counties, and has a mortality rate of 80%.

Its cause is unknown, but Fish vet Fiona Macdonald is researching whether *Aeromonas hydrophila*, a bacteria present in water sources and soil, might be involved in the cause of CRGV.

A seasonal link to CRGV is suspected, with more cases reported between November and March, especially in dogs walked in muddy woodland areas or terrain with running or standing water.

Cases have appeared across the UK and seem to have occurred in small, loose geographical clusters. There is no evidence of dog to dog transmission

UK dog deaths from Alabama rot since 2012

Berkshire 2	London 3
Cheshire 4	Monmouthshire 5
Cornwall 1	North Yorkshire 1
County Durham 2	Northamptonshire 1
Cumbria 1	Nottinghamshire 2
Devon 4	Shropshire 1
Dorset 10	Somerset 2
Dumfries and Galloway 1	Staffordshire 2
East Sussex 3	Surrey 6
Greater Manchester 12	Warwickshire 1
Hampshire 18	West Sussex 3
Kent 2	West Yorkshire 2
Lancashire 2	Wiltshire 3
Lincolnshire 1	Worcestershire 5
	Wrexham 1

Source: Royal Veterinary College/Stop Alabama Rot



Symptoms

Erosive or ulcerative skin lesions affecting the under belly, limbs, muzzle and tongue, followed by kidney failure within 3 to 10 days, which can include vomiting, reduced appetite and weakness.

CRGV can affect any dog of any breed, age or size.

How can I prevent my dog from getting Alabama Rot infection?

As the cause of CRGV is still unknown, no specific guidelines regarding disease prevention exist, but being extra vigilant by keeping your dog on a leash while exercising in wooded and wetland areas and bathing your dog afterwards may be sensible.

There have **NOT** been any confirmed cases of Alabama Rot in **Kingsbury Water Park** but there are signs to indicate that there is Blue Green algae which is toxic to dogs if they drink or swim in contaminated water.

Practice News!



We are moving!

This Spring

Our new address will be:

Vicarage Hill Farm

Vicarage Hill

Middleton

Staffordshire

B78 2AT

**Same number, same team,
with new facilities!**



Practice Website

If you get chance, have a look at our practice website at:

www.duntonvets.com

Don't Forget!

Keep your contact details up to date with us, including your mobile phone number & email address. To ensure you don't miss out on any special offers & important reminders for your pet. We promise no spam!



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