

Small Talk

SUMMER 2020



Welcome to the Summer 2020 edition of our newsletter, bringing you seasonal and topical information and updates.

PRACTICE NEWS

We would like to thank all our clients for their patience and understanding at this difficult time. It has certainly not been business as usual. We would like to thank the staff who agreed to be furloughed in order for the practice to be able to continue. The amazing team that stayed behind, have worked tirelessly, understaffed and in stressful and uncharted territory. They have kept smiling and provided a fantastic service for which the directors are extremely grateful. Lets hope that 'normal' is not too far

COMFORT IN CRISIS

We all know how much our pets mean to us and no more so than now, during this crisis. Pets bring unconditional love and support to all of us. Please see the poster with top tips from the UK's National Pet Charities and experts on how to help our pets during this difficult time.

Covid -19 Update

We hope that this newsletter finds you all safe and well. As we navigate our way through these strange and stressful times there have been a couple of updates to our Veterinary service. Following strict social distancing and hygiene measures we are now able to offer our health check and vaccination service. We have also started doing some routine operations although you may be asked to join a waiting list at the present time . As usual if you have an emergency or urgent case, these will always be seen. Clients are still not allowed to enter the surgery and will be asked to contact us when they arrive in the car par park. We realise that this continues to be a stressful and unusual time for everybody but please be assured, we will always do our best for your pets. Please keep up to date with advice on our website www.hafrenvets.co.uk Or phone the surgery and our staff will be able to help.

SUMMER FUN

We all love the summer weather - when it finally arrives. But how prepared are we for helping our cuddly companions. The sun can be a problem for white eared pets, especially cats which can be at risk of sunburn which may lead to cancer. The summer heat is also a huge problem for many pets and it is essential to provide free access to water and shade at all times. Grass awns from meadow grasses can cause problems in ears and feet. Parasites can cause problems too. There are the usual suspects - fleas and ticks, causing problems to our pets, our homes and even being capable of spreading diseases. For rabbits flystrike can be a really big problem in the warmer months when flies lay their eggs, which change into maggots and these can burrow into the rabbits skin. For advice on all these issues and more please call the surgery.