

Missing Swindon Pets

It seems that we are receiving more and more requests to help find missing pets. We are used to cats wandering but numbers seem to be increasing and dogs are also going missing with no trace of their whereabouts. We have information of 4 high profile pets that went missing from Swindon on our website. Please take a little time to have a look and see if you can help find out where they are.



WHAT CAN YOU DO TO KEEP YOUR PETS SAFE?

- Micro chipping makes it easier to trace a pet's owner if it is found and also helps prove who owns a dog or cat if this is in dispute.
- Keep your microchip details up to date.
- A collar and address tag can help. Use a collar with a 'breakaway' clasp for cats as they can get legs caught in elasticated collars.

IF YOU LOSE A PET

- Social Media – Post details on sites such as Facebook or Twitter.
- Contact local vets and rescue homes. Vets often have injured stray animals bought in.
- Contact the local dog warden (dogs only).
- Register your details with Lost & Found websites e.g. Dogs Lost, Pets Located & Swindon Borough Council.
- Ask neighbours to check garages and outbuildings.
- Consider a reward for information or return. Some pet insurance policies cover the cost of an 'advertising and reward'.
- Contact Swindon Borough Council, in the unfortunate event that your pet has been killed on the road they may have collected the body.

IF YOU FIND A PET

- Take to local vet or rescue shelter to be scanned for a microchip.
- Contact the Dog Warden (dogs only).
- Visit 'Lost & Found Pet' website pages.
- Social Media – post details on Facebook or Twitter.
- Should you stop feeding 'stray' cats? Feeding cats that appear in good health can encourage them to stay around rather than returning home.
- Be careful taking in a found pet if you have children or other pets as they can be unpredictable.

A Journey Through Eastcott – Leanne's Story

3 ½ years ago I joined Eastcott Vets as a part time receptionist and after going through three job titles, I am very proud to have reached my fourth - a qualified veterinary nurse! Being a student nurse has been very challenging, mentally, physically and emotionally but now I've got to my greens, I love my job and it's all been worth it. I couldn't imagine myself in any other job (I think 4 is enough!).

Thank you Pete, Richard, Niki and all the staff at Eastcott Vets



Recommend a Friend prize draw

Congratulations to Connie Henderson who won £100 in Eastcott Vouchers. Connie, a Bengal cat breeder has very generously asked us to keep her winnings to use on less fortunate cats. From the photo, it doesn't look like Connie's cats want for much!



Charities

In 2014, we raised a total of £800.52 for the Prospect Hospice at our Lydiard Bark Dog Show event & £1228.50 for Pets As Therapy (PAT) across the year (including ½ of Lydiard Bark Dog Show fundraising).

Other charities supported during 2014 included Swindon Needy Dogs, Cats Protection, Naomi house & Jackspace, The Blue Cross, The Christmas Shelter & Swindon Guide Dogs.

Our Chosen Charities for 2015 are:



Once symptoms of rabies develop, it is always fatal. Every year, millions of healthy dogs are inhumanely killed for fear of this deadly disease. However, this doesn't halt the spread of rabies, which causes the deaths of around 61,000 people a year – the majority of which are children under 15. Visit our website or www.missionrabies.com for more information on this little known but very worthwhile charity.



Swindon Branch

Devoted to all things feline, they find loving homes for cats in need promote the benefits of neutering and provide a wealth of cat advice for all. The Swindon branch is run by local volunteers and fundraises to support their work. Cats for rehoming are cared for by foster carers in their own homes.

Lydiard Bark Dog Show will support Mission Rabies and Guide Dogs – Swindon Branch.

Wyvern Theatre's Production of Dick Whittington



We had great fun sponsoring Tommy the Cat from the Wyvern Theatre's very popular production of Dick Whittington. Tommy visited us at Edison Park for his vaccination and health check. After a thorough check up, the nurses declared Tommy fit!

Pet Plan Awards 2015

We have had a total of 6 staff members nominated for awards this year and Eastcott Vets has again been nominated for Best Vet Practice. Congratulations and good luck to Richard, Tim, Duncan, Cat, Sharon and Sam.

The Bark is Back!



5th July 2015



Car Parking at Cricklade Road Clinic

Please take care when choosing a parking space at Clive Parade. There is free parking to the rear and the side of the clinic but Pay & Display parking has recently been introduced to the rest of Clive Parade. Please check that your parking is free or that you have 'Paid and Displayed'.

Cat Friendly News

Hand Reared Kittens

In December some of our nurses were a little bleary eyed but it was not because they have been out partying! They had been up at all hours of the

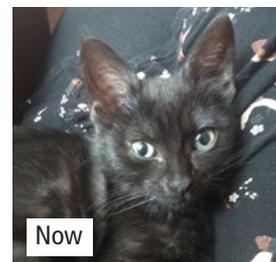
night bottle feeding two abandoned kittens. The kittens were found abandoned in a wood and our nurses did what they do best and saved their lives. Before you contact us with offers of new homes, these little cuties have gone to their new homes!



Very young



One month old



Now



Vaccination Amnesty

If your dog or cat's annual booster vaccinations have lapsed you can restart a course for the price of a booster until the end of February 2015. Just visit our website to download and print a voucher or contact our client care team.

**Please note: to qualify, your pet must be older than 18 months and must not have been vaccinated for at least 18 months*

Edison Park Clinic & Hospital

Edison Park, Dorcan Way, Swindon SN3 3FR
For Sat Nav use SN3 3RB
Mon to Fri 7am - 8pm Sat & Sun 8.30am - 8pm

Bath Road Clinic

59 Bath Road, Old Town, Swindon SN1 4AU
Mon - Fri 8.30am - 7pm Sat 9am - 12pm

Cricklade Road Clinic

6 Clive Parade, Cricklade Road, Swindon SN2 1AJ
Weekdays 8.30am - 10am and 4pm - 7pm