



NEWSLETTER

January 2016

PRACTICE STAFF

VETERINARY SURGEON:

Yahav Ravid Morano

VETERINARY NURSE:

Jacky Buttle

NURSING ASSISTANT:

Robert Baker

Gisella Cabrejos

PRACTICE PETS: Maxwell the
cat and Phoebe the dog
(Jacky's dog!)

OPENING HOURS

**Monday, Tuesday, Thursday
and Friday 9am to 7pm with
consulting hours 9am to
11am and 4pm to 7pm**

Wednesday 9 to 11am

Saturday 1pm – 4pm

**We would like to welcome
Gisella to the Wembley
branch. Gisella will be
working on a Monday and
some Saturdays. Gisella
qualified as a Vet in Peru
and is working as a
Nursing Assistant whilst
spending some time in the
UK.**

**FOR OUR 24 HOUR
DEDICATED
EMERGENCY SERVICE
CALL MANDEVILLE
VETERINARY HOSPITAL**

**ON:
020 8845 5677**

**SAVE 30% ON YOUR
VACCINATION AND
MAKE HUGE SAVINGS
ON FLEA AND WORM
CONTROL!**

**FOR MORE
INFORMATION, ASK
AT RECEPTION OR
ASK YOUR VET!**

**WE ALWAYS WELCOME
FEEDBACK ABOUT THE
SERVICE PROVIDED, AND
WOULD ASK OUR CLIENTS
TO TAKE A MINUTE TO
LEAVE A REVIEW ON OUR
WEBSITE!**

goddardvetgroup.co.uk/wembley

THANK YOU

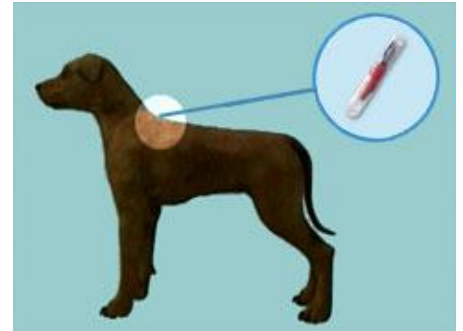
**HAS YOUR PET HAD
SURGERY OR AN ILLNESS
RECENTLY?**

If so, please send us a
photo of your pet and we
will write a short story in
our newsletter.

Email to:

[wembley@goddardvetgroup.
co.uk](mailto:wembley@goddardvetgroup.co.uk)

**IS YOUR DOG
MICROCHIPPED YET?**



In April 2016, it will be compulsory by law to have your dog microchipped. If your dog is not yet microchipped, we would strongly recommend that you get it done as soon as possible. The microchip is injected under the skin in between the shoulder blades and costs just £15.

Microchipping is the best possible chance you have of getting your pet back if he becomes lost, and the best way of knowing the registered keeper of a dog. It is therefore well worth the cost. If your dog is found wandering and is not microchipped, you could face a penalty.

Please book an appointment now.

Cats should also be microchipped, although it is not compulsory by law but recommended!

10 WINTER TIPS!



1. Wash your dog's feet after a walk. Mud can make the feet sore and allow infection to occur between the pads. Snow can also become impacted inbetween the pads. Icy weather can cause small cuts on the paw or pad.
2. Never allow dogs to go on frozen water. They will not be able to tell if it is defrosting and can fall through.
3. Take care in freezing and wet conditions particularly with elderly pets who may slip and fall.
4. You may need to put a cat litter tray in the house in colder weather as cats are often reluctant to go out and find it difficult to dig a hole in the ground in cold weather.
5. If you do need a litter tray for your cat, ensure that it is

cleaned out as soon as it has been used. They do not like to use dirty trays and may soil in the house rather than use a dirty tray.

6. It is also best to get cats in at night or provide an outdoor area where they can sleep out of the rain, wind and cold.
7. Older pets with arthritis are likely to be worse in colder weather and may need some medication to help them cope.
8. Small outdoor caged pets must be out of the rain and draughts. The cage must be covered at night and they must have plenty of warm bedding.
9. Flea treatment is required all year. Indeed fleas are often rife in Winter because they like our warm centrally heated houses.
10. Young healthy dogs do not usually need a coat, but if elderly or debilitated, then you may need to put one on.

ARTHRITIS IN PETS

Older cats and dogs can suffer from arthritis just like us. It can be due to an old injury, or simply due to age. Joint supplements are often useful, but you should use dog and cat ones where the doses are known.



Weight control is also important, as any extra weight will put more pressure on the affected joints, exacerbate the condition and worsen the discomfort.

Dogs should be exercised, but may need little and often rather than one long walk each day. You may well find that cats and dogs are reluctant to jump and may need some extra help.

If your pet seems to be in discomfort, then medication may be required to control the discomfort and reduce the inflammation in the joints.