

Newsletter

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Have Your Contact Details Changed?

Under the Data Protection Act 1998 we have an obligation to ensure the accuracy of your personal data we hold is up to date. To enable us to do this we have a data check form which we will be asking clients to complete. Your co-operation with this is much appreciated. If your details have changed, please contact us to update them on 01208 813258, Thank you.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

To all our clients,

We would like to wish you and your four legged friends a very happy Christmas and a prosperous and healthy new year.

Best wishes from all the staff at Nute Veterinary Surgery.



Your Pet's Medication

Please order your pet's medication for the festive period by Tuesday 18th December.

Our Christmas Opening Hours

Christmas Eve 9am—4pm

Christmas Day EMERGENCIES ONLY

Boxing Day EMERGENCIES ONLY

Thursday 27th Dec 9am—6pm

Friday 28th Dec 9am—6pm

Saturday 29th Dec 9am—12pm

Sunday 30th Dec EMERGENCIES ONLY

Monday 31st Dec 9am—6pm

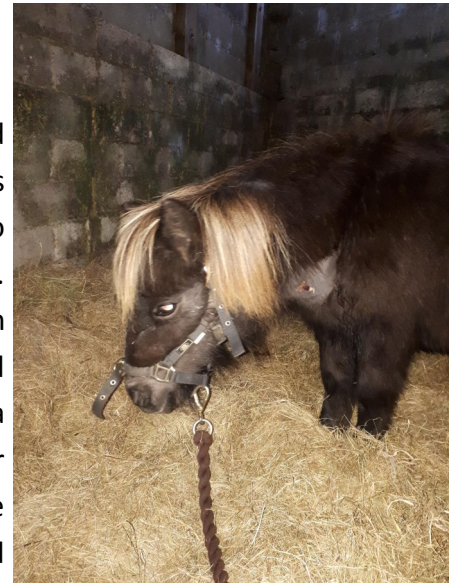
New Years Day EMERGENCIES ONLY

If you have an emergency outside our opening times please call 01208 813258



Jaffa-Cake's Castration

Jaffa-Cake is an 18 month old Miniature Shetland colt (entire male) owned by Becci, one of our nurses. When Becci bought him in October he was unhandled and wild. Before Jaffa-Cake could be castrated he had to learn to be handled. Luckily for Becci he's very food orientated so it didn't take long. After working with him for 6 weeks she felt Jaffa-Cake was able to cope with meeting new people and going through his procedure. Our vets Harriet and Nicole were tasked with Jaffa-Cake's operation. On the day, Becci clipped a patch of hair from his neck so Harriet could insert a catheter to administer his sedation and anaesthetic. He coped with both of these really well. Once sedated vet Harriet administered his anaesthetic and a towel was placed over his eyes to prevent him reacting to stimuli. When Harriet was happy Jaffa-Cake was anaesthetised, vet Nicole castrated him. After his castration was done, he was allowed to gently wake up and recover in his stable. He's now made a full recovery.



Cat Safety this Christmas

Naturally cats are intrigued by new and sparkly objects, they also love to climb trees—they're more than likely to be attracted to a Christmas tree covered in sparkly decorations. Aside from your tree ending up on the floor, there are other hazards to be aware of. Tinsel, angel hair and baubles can look just like cat toys, cats can swallow them and can cause serious illnesses such as a blockage of their intestines. Some cats are attracted to Christmas tree lights and will chew on them, posing a risk of electrocution. Snow globes can pose a high risk. They often contain ethylene glycol (antifreeze) which is highly toxic to cats (and other animals). Be sure to check the safety of your snow globes and keep them well out of reach. String from around the meat can cause a blockage if eaten.

Cats can become stressed with all the festive celebrations, visitors and noises. Feliway diffusers are an excellent way to help manage your cat's stress along with providing a quiet area for them to retreat to.

Cats can get singed from candles and certainly exposed candles can be a hazard to cats who tend to jump onto windowsills and mantelpieces where candles are placed. As elevated locations are still accessible to most cats, candles should be kept where you can keep an eye on them.