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November Daycare Bonus Days

Nov 5

Nov 10

Nov 20

Nov 24

Nov 30



Please let us know by Nov 9th, 2009 so we can organize our schedule accordingly!

(please note that your invoice will be adjusted should your pup normally be scheduled for one of these days)

Hours of Operation:

Monday - Friday 7:00am—6:00pm
Saturdays—9:00am—6:00pm
Sunday—CLOSED

November
Parent N Pup Dates
7, 14, 21, 28

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The Royal Agricultural Winter Fair



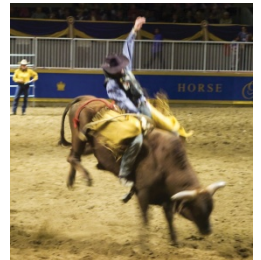
November is always a great time for fairs and festivals in the GTA, particularly the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair at Exhibition Place. The Fair runs from November 6th to the 15th and offers many excellent animal-related activities for you and your family to participate in.



For the little ones, there is the Pizza Pizza Petting Zoo, where they are able to get up close to various farm animals and even feed them snacks. It is a great place to learn about different animals and have fun at the same time! There will also be the Ag-tivity centre for children ages 4-11 where they can participate in animal oriented crafts and games.

For the horse lovers, there are several horse shows to see, including the Family Fun Horse Show, The Rodeo and Equestrian Shows. Again, for the youngsters, one of the main attractions is EquiMania! The kids get to interact with real horses while they learn about horse health, horse safety and farm safety, such as playing safely around tractors. Interacting with live horses while learning safety practices? Wow - Fun! Visit:

<http://www2.ovc.uoguelph.ca/equimania/index.asp> for a fun, interactive precursor to visiting the Fair.



And then of course there's Everyone falls in love with the amazing "super" abilities of these talented dogs! If you have yet to see a Superdogs show, don't wait any longer. The Royal Agricultural Fair has brought the show back

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due to its amazing popularity and is offering many timeslots to ensure you can fit it in to your action packed day.

Superdogs show schedule:

Friday, November 6th	11:30am		3:00pm	6:00pm
Saturday, November 7th	11:00am	1:00pm	3:30pm	6:00pm
Sunday, November 8th	12:30pm		2:30pm	5:00pm
Monday, November 9th	11:30am		2:30pm	6:00pm
Tuesday, November 10th	10:30am	12:30pm	3:00pm	6:00pm
Wednesday, November 11th	11:30am		3:00pm	6:00pm
Thursday, November 12th	10:30am	12:30pm	3:00pm	6:00pm
Friday, November 13th	11:00am	1:30pm	3:30pm	6:00pm
Saturday, November 14th	10:30am	12:30pm	3:30pm	6:00pm
Sunday, November 15th	12:00pm		2:00pm	4:30pm

For all of you dog lovers out there - this show should not be missed. Bring the whole family and be blown away by the agility, intelligence and showmanship of these amazing pups!

Tickets are available online now at reduced rates. Visit <http://www.royalfair.org/home> for your tickets today!

Cold Weather Safety Tips



Brrrr...its cold outside! The following guidelines will help you protect your companion animals when the mercury dips.

1. Keep your cat inside. Outdoors, felines can freeze, become lost or be stolen, injured or killed. Cats who are allowed to stray are exposed to infectious diseases, including rabies, from other cats, dogs and wildlife.
2. During the winter, outdoor cats sometimes sleep under the hoods of cars. When the motor is started, the cat

can be injured or killed by the fan belt. If there are outdoor cats in your area, bang loudly on the car hood before starting the engine to give the cat a chance to escape.

3. Never let your dog off the leash on snow or ice, especially during a snowstorm—dogs can lose their scent and easily become lost. More dogs are lost during the winter than during any other season, so make sure yours always wears ID tags.
4. Thoroughly wipe off your dog's legs and stomach when he comes in out of the sleet, snow or ice. He can ingest salt, antifreeze or other potentially dangerous chemicals while licking his paws and his paw pads may also bleed from snow or encrusted ice.
5. Never shave your dog down to the skin in winter, as a longer coat will provide more warmth. When you bathe your dog in the colder months, be sure to completely dry him before taking him out for a walk. Own a short-haired breed? Consider getting him a coat or sweater with a high collar or turtleneck with coverage from the base of the tail to the belly. For many dogs, this is regulation winter wear.
6. Never leave your dog or cat alone in a car during cold weather. A car can act as a refrigerator in the winter, holding in the cold and causing the animal to freeze to death.
7. Puppies do not tolerate the cold as well as adult dogs, and may be difficult to housebreak during the winter. If your puppy appears to be sensitive to the weather, you may opt to paper-train him inside. If your dog is sensitive to the cold due to age, illness or breed type, take him outdoors only to relieve him.
8. Does your dog spend a lot of time engaged in outdoor activities? Increase his supply of food, particularly protein, to keep him—and his fur—in tip-top shape.

9. Like coolant, antifreeze is a lethal poison for dogs and cats. Be sure to thoroughly clean up any spills from your vehicle, and consider using products that contain propylene glycol rather than ethylene glycol. Visit the ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center more information.

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November Pet Treat



For those of you who use real pumpkins as decorative items around Halloween (whole pumpkins, not carved Jack-O-Lanterns) and are at a loss as to what to do with them once the big night is over consider making these scrumptious treats for your dog! This pumpkin dog treat is loaded with Beta carotene and anti-oxidants especially vitamins C and E. These vitamins help to lower cancer risk, cataracts and heart disease.

PUMPKIN WAFERS DOG TREAT RECIPE

Ingredients:

- One 15 oz. can mashed pure pumpkin (NOT the spiced pie filling)
- 3/4 cup cream of wheat (or rice cereal if wheat-sensitive) You can mix this dry--no need to cook it first
- 1/2 cup dry powdered milk

Directions: Preheat oven to 300 F.

Mix all ingredients together. Drop small spoonfuls (I use about half of a tablespoon) onto a lightly greased cookie sheet and bake at 300 degrees for 15-20 minutes.

If you'd like to make bite sized cookies for small dogs, training rewards or just small treats, you can use a pastry bag and squeeze out rosettes about the size of a dime for tasty bite sized cookies.

Pet Horoscopes



ARIES (The Ram) March 21 - April 19: The energy level continues on a high pace for the Aries pet. They may also be a bit on the aggressive side this month. Allow them to expend their energy in a positive way or they could become destructive or even worse, depressed.

TAURUS (The Bull) April 20 - May 21: Your Taurus pet will be the calm in the midst of turbulence. The Taurus will be sweet and nurturing in the upcoming 30 days. So if you have a baby in the household, human or otherwise, your Taurus will take protective role.

GEMINI (The Twins) May 22 - June 21: These 30 days find your Gemini very playful. They will entertain you for hours and will bring joy and laughter to the entire household. The Gemini pet will be on the move so stay tuned to see what they have in store for you.

CANCER (The Crab) June 22 - July 22: Your Cancer pet can be a little touchy this month. They will want to stay close to home, so travel is not a good idea for your Cancer pet. You might be confused by your pet's actions, just be aware that they are extremely sensitive and they just want your attention.

LEO (The Lion) July 23 - August 22: The Leo's emotional well being is going to be tested this month. Your Leo pet will want to stay close to you. They will also be very talkative and vocal this month. Pay attention as they are trying to tell you something important.

VIRGO (The Virgin) August 23 - September 22: Your Virgo pet will want to spend time outdoors. Be careful as they are easily distracted. Their practical side eludes them this month. They definitely need your protection and due diligence this month.

LIBRA (The Scales) September 23 - October 22: The Libra's decision making process is nonexistent this month. They also lose complete sense of right or wrong. So, you really need to set boundaries for your pet as they need structure in their lives. It's all up to you this month for your pet's stability.

SCORPIO (The Scorpion) October 23 - November 21: Your Scorpio pet will be very intuitive this month. It will behoove you to adhere to the advice they are trying to give you. They will be very diligent in getting your complete attention. Trust your pet as you will not be disappointed.

SAGITTARIUS (The Archer) November 22 - December 21: Your Sagittarian will be constantly on the move this month. Their

activity level is up and they will want to do everything that you do. It is important to keep them active both physically and mentally. They are in a positive mode so it is up to you to keep it there.

CAPRICORN (The Goat) December 22 - January 19: Your Capricorn pet is in total control of their emotions this month. They have a keen sense of right and wrong. They are willing to step up to the plate and be the leader in the household. But remember, they always strive to have your acceptance and praise.

AQUARIUS (The Water Bearer) January 20 - February 19: With Mercury out of retrograde your Aquarian pet will be a little more down to earth this month. They will be more focused on their behavior, making sure it is acceptable to you. They will show their intellectual side, and will want to impress you.

PISCES (The Fish) February 20 - March 20: Your Pisces pet this month will have a hard time maintaining their boundaries. They may wander off and will be minding everyone else's business. They are more concerned with their feelings and emotions rather than yours in the upcoming month. Again, with Pisces patience is needed in dealing with them.

Groomer's Tip of The Month



How often should I cut my dog's nails?

Answer: Ideally, once a month is best in order to keep the quick (the vein inside the nail) from growing. The more frequently you cut your dog's nails; the quick will start to recede. Puppies however, should have their nails clipped every 2 weeks because they grow a lot faster. Puppies do not have the weight to file down their own nails, and the earlier and more often you clip them the more they will get used to it!

Talk to you soon!!

Chantal

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Welcomes a new

Certified Groomer!



We are extremely pleased to announce that we have a very talented certified groomer, Chantal, starting here at No Paw's Too Small on October 19, 2009. Chantal will be here each Monday to groom and pamper your pup!

We are currently offering a 10% discount on your first booking with Chantal throughout the months of October and November! Space is limited and the holiday season is *fast* approaching, so be sure to book your appointment today!

Feature Furry Friend

Murphy Silburt



Murphy's owner, David, was nice enough to send some words on Murphy's behalf:

Murphy is the affectionate, pushy, lovable, crazed, demanding, possessive, occasionally vexing and always endearing companion of David Silburt, who is known to his friends as cat-man for reasons that go back much further than Murphy. Silburt found himself catless in 2001 when he moved to Brampton, but soon after, while on a business errand to Toronto, stopped by the Toronto Humane Society where, among all the other adoptable cats, a particular five-month-old hairball regarded him with perfect poise. Before either one of them knew it; the cat was riding back to Brampton where he now rules the house. Somewhere between Toronto and Brampton he acquired the name Murphy, because it's easier to say than his birth name, which is 'He Who Never Stops Demanding Till He Gets What He Wants'. When Silburt's around, Murphy sticks to him like Velcro. During the work week, while his guy is off doing writing and media relations chores for ErinoakKids, a Children's Treatment Centre for kids with disabilities, Murf gets by with regular visits from another Dave - his regular visitor from No Paws Too Small.

"He's much more mellow when I get home, on days when he's had a visit," says Silburt. "Of course, he's still a goofball."

If you would like us to feature your cat or dog please drop us a line. Email us a picture and a short story about why your pet is so special and we'll feature them in one of our future newsletters.

Your feedback is important to us. Please [contact us](#) with your comments and questions.

Reminder!

Beginning November 7th we return to our regular weekend hours of operation in the office and daycare from **9:00am to 6:00pm**.

Also, every Saturday of the month we are offering Parent N Pup Play from **12:00pm to 2:00pm**. Be sure to sign up soon so that you and your pup don't miss out on the fun!

CHRISTMAS HOURS

December 24th - 7am - 12pm

December 25th, 26th, CLOSED

December 31st - 7am - 12pm

January 1st CLOSED

Please note: On December 24th and 31st, dogs booked in Daycare must be picked up no later than 12:00pm. Any pick-ups occurring after that time are subject to an additional fee.



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