# MONTHLY NEWSLETTER June 2019

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# **CONSULTATION TIMES**

### Mondays to Fridays

7.30am - 6.00pm

(Our Frontshop is open from 7.30am – 6.30pm)

### **Saturdays**

9.00am - 13.40pm

(Our Frontshop is open from 9.00am – 2.00pm)

## Sundays

CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

# Public Holidays excluding Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day

(Please note that a surcharge does apply)

9.00 am - 11.40 am

(Our Frontshop is open from 9.00am – 12.00pm)

# PLEASE MAKE AN APPOINTMENT

(011) 974 5201



47 Shelton Avenue, Harmelia

### For the Rest of your Family

## Winter is Here!!

With our days getting shorter and the nights getting longer and so much colder, please ensure that your pets are kept warm and cosy for the next few months.

Miniature and small breed dogs feel the cold a lot sooner than your larger dogs, so ensure that they are kept warm with a winter jersey or jacket – some of your larger dogs with very thin coats will also benefit from a jersey or jacket. If you are putting a jersey or jacket onto your dog or cat (some cats actually tolerate it), please do not leave it on for longer than 12 hours at a time – your pet's skin also needs to breath. If a jersey or jacket is left on for too long, your dog's or cat's fur may get tangled and matted which then predisposes them to developing a superficial skin infection – these infections need to be treated medically. Ideally your pet's jersey or jacket should be washed at least every second day.

If your pet does not like wearing a jacket or a jersey, ensure that they have a nice warm bed to sleep in with extra blankets if need be. If your pets are outside ensure that they have shelter that keeps them protected against the cold wind. If your pet is an outside pet or spends a lot of time outside during the day, increase their calorie intake to ensure they do not lose weight when trying to keep warm. If your pet is slightly overweight then please do not increase their calorie intake.

With the colder weather, our older pets may start to show signs of arthritis — this can be something as simple as just not being as playful as normal or hesitating to jump up onto the couch or through the window like they used to. Climbing stairs could also become a problem. If you are worried that your pet is starting to show signs of arthritis, please bring them in for a check-up so that we can make sure that your pet is happy and comfortable, especially during these winter months. If your pet has already been diagnosed with arthritis, please ensure that you are giving them their joint supplements or the prescribed joint diet and their anti-inflammatories if needed. Ensure that they have a nice soft bed to sleep on and that they are warm at night — ideally a dog or cat that is suffering from arthritis should be able to sleep indoors, especially during winter.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us on <a href="mailto:harmelia.animalclinic@gmail.com">harmelia.animalclinic@gmail.com</a> or go to our website.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PHONE THE PRACTICE IF YOUR PET NEEDS HIS OR HER CHRONIC MEDICATION, BEFORE COLLECTING, SO THAT THE MEDICATION CAN BE COUNTED OUT BEFORE YOU ARRIVE AT THE PRACTICE.

# **Our Monthly Focus: Sterilisation and Tick&Flea Control**

We are happy to announce that we will be having our third Sterilisation Month already for this year during the month of June. Please take advantage of this month's focus and get your pets sterilised so that they can live longer and happier lives. For the month of June, the following prices apply:

#### **MALE**

CAT NEUTER: R580 (Normally R680)

DOG NEUTER UNDER 25KG: R930 (Normally R1100)

**DOG NEUTER OVER 25KG: R1180 (Normally R1350)** 

Please note that if your unsterilized pet only has 1 descended testicle or none, then additional charges will apply.

### **FEMALE**

CAT SPAY: R930 (Normally R1100)

DOG SPAY UNDER 15KG: R1480 (Normally R1680)

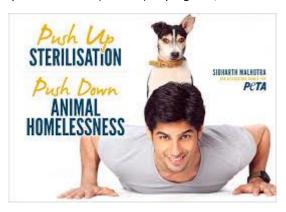
DOG SPAY BETWEEN 15-25KG: R1600 (Normally R1800)

DOG SPAY BETWEEN 25-35KG: R1880 (Normally R2080)

DOG SPAY BETWEEN 35-45KG: R2000 (Normally R2200)

DOG SPAY OVER 45KG: R2180 (Normally R2380)

Please note that if your female pet is in season (on heat) or pregnant, then additional charges will apply.



If you would like to make a booking for your pet to be sterilised, please speak to one of our Receptionists. We operate from Monday to Friday excluding public holidays.

Despite the colder weather, many pets are still suffering from external parasites like ticks and fleas – keep your pets protected. Come and take advantage of our 10% discount on all our tick and flea products for this month.

