

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER
September 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)

9.00am – 11.40am

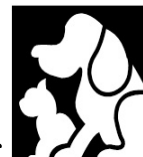
(Our Frontshop is open from
9.00am – 12.00pm)

**PLEASE MAKE AN
APPOINTMENT**

(011) 974 5201



Harmelia Animal Clinic



47 Shelton Avenue, Harmelia

For the Rest of your Family

Spring is Here!!

I really love this time of year! Not just because it is my birthday month ☺ but signs of new life are all around us! I feel so much joy and hope during Spring!

Sadly last month I had hands on experience with what a pellet gun can do to a small animal. A client of mine brought her cat in for a check-up as she had suddenly started to act strangely and cried terribly when you picked her up. She was displaying signs of severe pain and when my client saw a wound at the top of her back leg, she made an appointment to come and see me. Initially I thought that it was a burst abscess, from a cat fight, or she could have possibly got herself caught on some barbed wire or a palisade fence. We immediately started treating her for pain and infection. She was then later sedated and I got a fright when I started to clip the area around the wound. Once all the matted fur was removed, all I saw was a perfectly round entry wound at the top of her back leg – this is not normal for a burst abscess or a wound from barbed wire. My gut told me to clip her fur further down her leg – a few centimetres above her knee severe bruising was seen that spread down her leg, passed her knee as if her leg had been broken. I felt along her leg bones and I could not detect a break, so I took an X-Ray (photos of her X-Rays will be posted on our website as soon as I get a chance). Surprise, surprise, I found a pellet!! I could not believe just how much damage such a small thing could cause. I immediately got angry because what gives anyone the right to shoot an animal! Thankfully we could remove the pellet and our patient is recovering well. The reason for me sharing this story is to hopefully create awareness of the damage that these pellet guns can cause, so that all parents can teach their children that it is not a fun game to try and shoot moving animals and if you, as an adult, have tried to shoot your neighbour's cat, please think twice as you are causing immense pain and suffering. I understand that some cats can make themselves a nuisance, but please try and find a more humane and non-deadly method to try and solve any problems. If you see anyone trying to shoot any animal, please report them to your local SPCA.

With the warmer weather, please remember to protect your pet against external parasites like ticks and fleas. Take advantage of our 10% discount off all tick and flea products this month to ensure that your pet is protected.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us on harmelia.animalclinic@gmail.com 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



Spring is in the air and this is a time when many unplanned litters happen. If your pet is 6 months or older and has not yet been sterilised, please book them in. For the month of September, the following prices apply:

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.

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.



With our weather improving and the days getting longer, tick and flea populations are growing, so please take advantage of our **10% DISCOUNT** on all our **Tick and Flea Products** to ensure that your pets are protected.

If you have any questions or if you would like to make a booking for your pet to be sterilised, please contact us on (011) 974 5201 or email us at harmelia.animalclinic@gmail.com