



SPRING NEWSLETTER



Cliff Top Kennels Re-Homing Centre Appeal

Our charity is run by a very small but dedicated group of volunteers and over recent years that group has become even smaller. As a valued supporter of our charity we are hoping that you might be able to contribute to our continuing endeavours to find homes for unwanted, abandoned and stray dogs in the Scarborough area.

How can you help?

Your contribution could be any one or all of the following; your time, your ideas, your skills

We urgently require new committee members. The committee meets once a month (on the first Monday) and traditionally committee members help out and support fundraising events where possible.

We would very much like to set up a dedicated fundraising group who would plan our fundraising calendar - we need fresh ideas and new faces to help raise vital funds to help us look after the dogs in our care. Fundraising ideas can be for individuals or groups and from small events to large.

If you would like to get involved either by joining the committee or being part of a fundraising group, please get in touch with us.

Even if you feel that joining the committee or being part of a fundraising group is too much of a commitment at the moment but you have any ideas that might help us out, then we would love to hear from you too.

We can be contacted by phone on 01723 870456 or by e-mail jill@clifftopboardingkennels.com or by post to Cliff Top Boarding Kennels, Rocks Lane, Burniston, Scarborough, YO13 OHX.



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If you have received this newsletter in the post, perhaps you would consider letting us know your e-mail address and we can send the next issue direct to your inbox. This saves the charity money on postage and is better for the environment.

Thank you.



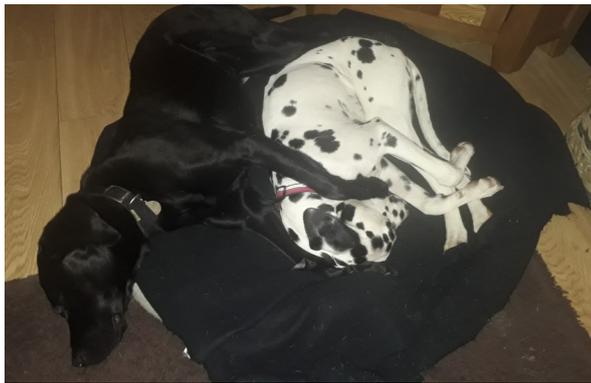
CONTACT US

If you want to get in touch, send us your e-mail address, re-home one of our dogs or send us a success story you can contact us at jill@clifftopboardingkennels.com

SUCCESS STORY

CHESTER aka DEXTER

Dexter (now Chester) the little dalmatian we adopted from you in August 2018, is an absolutely adorable little dog with lots of character! He and our other dog Dax (6 year old black lab) are inseparable and have proved to be good for each other. He is calm most of the time (he is still only 10 months) is responding well to daily training, and play and has woven his way into all our hearts. We expected him to trash the Christmas tree when we put it up, but



he hasn't been near it! He loves to snuggle with Dax in front of the fire (they always share a bed even though they have one each) on an evening and even watches tv!

Looking forward to our first family Christmas with both dogs. Lots of fun and walks. Thank you once again for allowing us to adopt him.



If you have a success story you would like to share, please drop us a line at jill@clifftopboardingkennels.com

We love to hear how our re-homed dogs are getting on with their new families.



Pets at Home VIP Club

We are one of the charities chosen to benefit from this club. This is a unique loyalty scheme that gives its members a whole host of benefits ranging from discount vouchers in store to a quarterly magazine along with expert advice and hints and tips. What makes this loyalty scheme so different is that when members swipe their loyalty cards upon making purchases in store, they collect Lifelines which can be directed to their favourite charity that is a part of the scheme.

Every three months these Lifelines are collected, turned into money and sent out to the charities in the shape of a Pets at Home store gift card for us to spend to help the dogs in our charity's care.

You can join today at your local Pets at Home store or on line at www.petsathome.com/VIP help us to care for more dogs while you do your shopping. Don't forget when you are registering you must choose our charity from the link to ensure we receive the lifelines every time you swipe !!

Display a Collection Tin for Us !

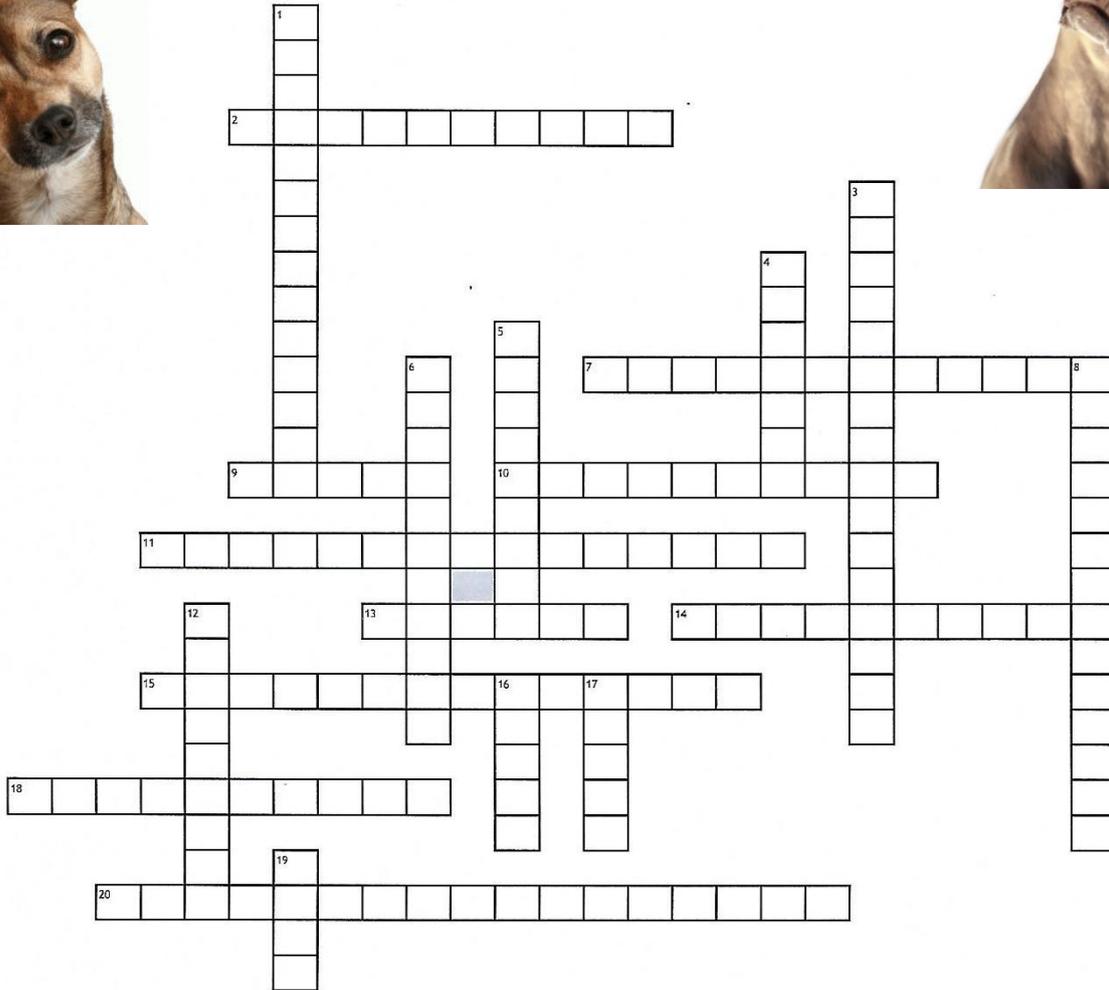
Contact us at the kennels on 01723 870456 if you can display a collection tin on our behalf at your place of work or somewhere you shop regularly.



Please Help the dogs by giving a donation towards the care and wellbeing of the dogs that need it most, the dogs without homes!

Thank You for all you support

Facts About Dogs



Across

- 2. can reach speed of up to 45 miles per hour
- 7. have the longest ears out of any other dog breed.
- 9. A dogs' first sense to develop is
- 10. Large dog big head , black and tan
- 11. can withstand temperatures as low as 70 degrees below

- zero.
- 13. Walt Disney's family dog was a
- 14. is actually part of the squirrel family.
- 15. The priciest dog in the world
- 18. are often deaf dogs
- 20. In the Harry Potter series, Hagrid's dog, Fang, was a

Down

- 1. The_____ breed has been trained to walk across a tightrope in circuses throughout the early 20th century.
- 3. As per the Guinness Book of World Records, the world's smallest dog
- 4. The only barkless dog in the world
- 5. Mountain rescue dog
- 6. According to legend, the dog rescued on Noah's Ark was the

- 8. A poodle's coat was originally shaved to increase
- 12. The was named after the spot in northern Mexico where it was discovered in 1850.
- 16. In 1937, America's first_____came over from Japan. Its travel companion was Helen Keller.
- 17. A dogs' first sense to develop is
- 19. In the dog family but not a dog



AGM
Annual General Meeting

Cliff Top Kennels Re-Homing Centre AGM

Date & Time: Monday 8th April at 7.30pm

Venue: Cliff Top Boarding Kennels

All very welcome

Facts about Dogs: Answers
 Across: 2. Greyhounds, 7. Basset Hounds, 9. Touch, 10. Rottweiler, 11. Alaskan Malamute, 13. Poodle, 14. Prairie Dog, 15. Tibetan Mastiff, 18. Neapolitan Mastiff
 Down: 1. American Eskimo, 3. Yorkshire Terrier, 4. Basenji, 5. St Bernard, 6. Afghan Hound, 8. Swimming Skills, 12. Chihuahua, 16. Akita, 17. Touch, 19. Wolf

A guide to

Taking Your Dog In The Car



1

34% of drivers fail to restrain pet passengers



2

One in 10 drivers allow their pets to sit in the front seat of the car



3

64% of drivers are unaware that they can get a fine if a pet in a car is unrestrained



4

UK drivers are risking a fine of up to £2,500



5

An unrestrained pet could earn drivers nine points on their licence



6

Driving with an unrestrained pet can invalidate your car insurance

pet drugs online⁺

A new way to help us
raise vital funds

amazonsmile
You shop. Amazon gives.

You can help us raise money for the charity while shopping from the comfort of your own home with Amazon Smile. AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon with the same products, prices, and shopping features as Amazon.com. The difference is that when you shop on AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to the charitable organization of your choice. Every item available for purchase on www.amazon.com is also available on AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.co.uk) at the same price. You will see eligible products marked "Eligible for AmazonSmile donation" on their product detail pages. The first time you log on to Amazon Smile you will be asked to choose the charity you would like to support. Just choose Cliff Top Kennels Re-Homing Centre and then start shopping. Then all you need to do is remember to use AmazonSmile at smile.amazon.co.uk when you want to shop through Amazon and they will do the rest!

Toxocara Canis

During last year's summer holidays I looked after my grandchildren, and just recently I was clearing out the play area at the bottom of the garden, which included a big tray of sand that the children had happily played in most days. It was only then that I remembered article I had recently read about the dangers that can lurk in the sand that the children love to play in.

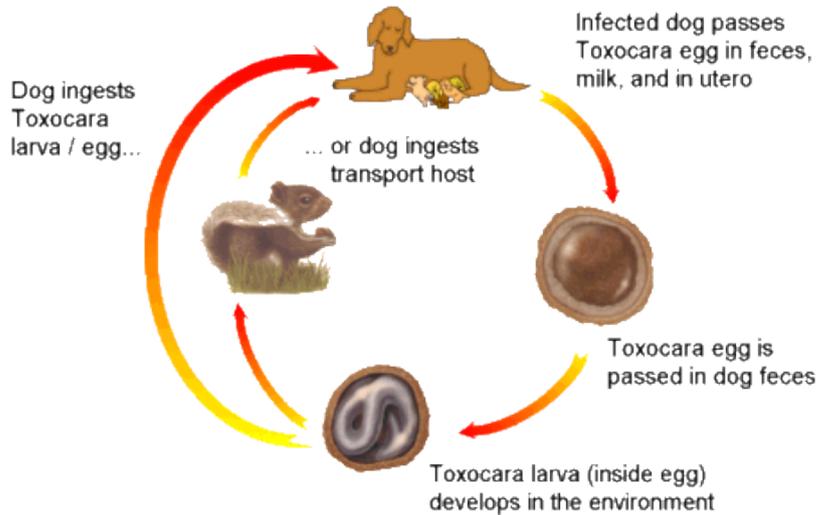
Toxocara Canis is by some people regarded as a disease which has long been treated and therefore the risk of infection is very low. Surprisingly, a recent soil survey in urban areas, such as town parks, revealed that 20% of the soil surveyed contained *Toxocara* eggs. Apparently while infection is rare in adult pet dogs they still account for a significant proportion of the eggs entering the environment. There is a higher prevalence in cats than in dogs, especially in hunters that catch infected rodents and birds. Although, unfortunately, the family Labrador also considers that it is a hunter, and quickly swallows whole anything dead or dying it might find before it can be removed from its jaws! Cats love to use sand pits as their personal outdoor toilet.

Toxocara can infect people if they accidentally ingest infective eggs, larvae hatch and migrate to many organs, including the eyes, which will cause blindness. Direct infection is, because of the treatment that domestic animals are given is becoming, thankfully, rarer, but undiagnosed covert infection is quite common and linked to a wide variety of clinical effects, and some reports suggest connections with epilepsy and asthma.

A missed worming dose seems to have no noticeable consequences so bad worming practise can creep into our routines. Also kittens and pups must be treated from two or three weeks old in an ideal world, but obviously when pups or kittens are brought into the household, there is no way of knowing their back history, as is often the case with older adopted animals, so a comprehensive programme of worming must be put in place. It is important, especially with children in the house. The best way to address this problem is to visit your veterinary practise who will be able to advise on either monthly or three monthly medication to eliminate the problem. It is surprisingly necessary, as animals seen for the

first time by your vet often show up positive results to infestation. Pets on a preventative regime remain clear which is obviously a positive result.

We are all aware of the recommendation of regular worming in cats and dogs, but like all routines, the reason for them is often forgotten. The new information on human health risks and the availability of more detailed data on pets as the source of infective eggs in the environment should



Toxocara canis



HAPPY EASTER

from everyone at
Cliff Top Kennels Re-Homing Centre





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Registered Charity No 1110716

Cliff Top Kennels Re-homing Centre is able to continue re-homing abandoned dogs due to the donations and support of it's members. Dogs come to the Charity having been abandoned by their owners in the Scarborough, Filey and Whitby areas. These dogs are often traumatised by their experience and need special care and attention.

You can help these dogs by becoming a member of the charity. For a donation of £6 we will send you a regular newsletter keeping you up to date with our fund-raising activities.

If you would like to become a member, renew your membership or just make a donation please complete the form below. The form together with your payment should be sent to:

The Membership Secretary

Cliff Top Re-homing Centre

Rocks Lane, Burniston

Scarborough YO13 0HX

(Cheques should be made payable to Cliff Top Kennels Re-homing Centre)

Membership donation: £6

Additional donation: £

TOTAL DONATION: £

Title:		Signature:	
First Name:			
Surname:			
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Gift Aid your donation

We can claim back the basic rate of tax on any donation received from UK taxpayers. All you have to do is tick the box below.

Yes I am a UK taxpayer and wish Cliff Top Kennels Re-homing Centre to accept my donation as a gift aid donation. *(Tick box to agree.)*