



NEWSLETTER

Planning a BBQ this summer?

Here's how to make sure that you keep your dog safe and still enjoy the summer sunshine.

BBQ hazards - Party food

There are certain foods common at BBQ's that really are dangerous for dogs.

Cooked bones: Never give a dog a bone from the BBQ. These can get stuck in the dog's digestive tract and have to be removed surgically. Even worse, bones can cause serious and potentially life threatening damage to guts.

Corn on the cob: Another food to be wary of is corn on the cob. These can be swallowed whole by some dogs, and are just the right size to cause an intestinal obstruction.

Kebab: A real hazard, which you may find unbelievable, is the humble kebab. Unfortunately to some dogs, the attraction of the sizzling meat is impossible to resist! Dogs have been known to swallow kebabs whole - skewer and all! This can cause damage to the gut and requires major surgery.

BBQ hazards - Hot BBQ

Do not leave a barbecue unattended where a pet may be tempted to jump up. This is especially likely if food is cooking. However, even the debris left behind on a still hot BBQ grid is alluring to most dogs. This could result in severe burns to them and others in the vicinity, if they pull it over.

BBQ Hazards - Heatstroke

When there is a lot going on at a party, it is easy to lose track of where the pets have got to. Make sure that they can't get shut in the conservatory or green house; these can reach dangerous temperatures in warm weather. If you do suspect that your dog is suffering from heatstroke, ring your vet for advice immediately as this can be a life threatening condition.



IN THIS ISSUE:

- ◆ Success Stories!
- ◆ Thank you
- ◆ Available for re-homing now
- ◆ Upcoming events
- ◆ How you can help
- ◆ Join us

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 "The Pip Experience!"

Back in May 2018, I was desperate for a dog. I had a dog in the house my entire life, but since moving out of my parents home, my house was too quiet. I was adamant that I wanted a Labrador, but also that I wanted a rescue dog, which is a rare combination. I got to the point that I wasn't particularly bothered about the breed, but just that I needed a dog of my own. This is when I was pointed in the direction of Pip, a young and excitable whippet-cross. When I met her for the first time, her little tail was wagging as she licked me nearly from head to toe, I knew then that I'd be taking her home.



The last year has certainly been an education... Visiting the vets because of a demolished pack of Jaffa Cakes (lesson 1 - the dining table is not a safe area). Having to break into my own house because of an inconveniently placed antler bone underneath the door (lesson 2 - always carry a full toolbox). Being woken up with a paw or four in my face (lesson 3 - never leave the stairgate open). Harnesses are easy to escape from (lesson 4 - sighthounds have very odd body dimensions, which don't seem to be well catered for in the harness department... Also, really need to improve the recall!) The main thing I've learned for which I have far too many examples, is that silence is deadly! Lastly, I'd say that perceptions about breeds aren't the be-all and end-all, I certainly never thought I'd have a dog so small. Yes, a lab might have been easier to train, but likely wouldn't have given us half the laughs!



Fast forward a year, and she's fitted in a treat. As she's getting older, she's calming down a lot, which has been a bit of a relief.

Although I do enjoy the 20+ mile walks to tire her out.

Being a typical short haired sighthound, nothing pleases her more than heat, so, when we installed a log burner in the living room, it was the best day of her life! She barely moves when the fire is lit.

Lastly, I wouldn't change a thing! Another happy customer of Cliff Top Kennels Re-homing Centre. I can't thank you enough for the little reprobate of a dog.



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.



Scalby Fair 2019

On a sunny Saturday in June we had a stall at Scalby Fair selling cakes, dog treats and other dog paraphenalia!

The stall raised **£197.38.**

THANK YOU



A big "Thank You" to those who ran the stall, baked cakes and bought from us.

CAN YOU HELP?

We are always on the lookout for willing volunteers! Maybe you could spare a few hours to help at one of our upcoming events.

URGENTLY NEEDED

We are running a tombola at the Rotary Club Community Fair in the Town Centre on Saturday 10th August. We need helpers who are available either between 10.00am and 1.00pm or between 1.00pm and 4.00pm

If you can help at the above event, or any of our other fundraisers please contact the kennels by phone on 01723 870456 or by e-mail jill@clifftopboardingkennels.com

If you have any fundraising ideas, we would love to hear them - please get in touch. We are also always grateful to receive Raffle/Tombola prizes - these need to be new/unused items either for dogs or their owners.



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

Do you sit at home and shop on-line? Did you know if you shop through easyfundraising you can raise money for us from the comfort of your armchair? Shop with any of over 2000 well known retailers listed on easyfundraising.org.uk and a percentage of what you spend is passed to Cliff Top Kennels Rehoming Centre at no additional cost to you. Retailers include Amazon, M&S, Vodafone, eBay, Tesco, Viking and many more.

Please register to support us today -

<http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/ctkrc>



As a charity since we started to promote easyfundraising we have received £1650.00 in donations through our supporters shopping on line It's that easy, thank you. Don't forget if you sign up opt for gift aid donation too as we can also gain through your gift aid donation. easyfundraising is the easiest way to raise money for Cliff Top Kennels Rehoming Centre.

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 !!



Currently available for re-homing



KAY

Age: 6 years

Breed: **Border Collie**

Kay is now available for re-homing. She needs an experienced handler and would be best suited to a home where she will be the only dog.



**If you can help rehome any of our dogs please contact
Cliff Top Boarding Kennels on 01723 870456**

News on our dogs and new dogs available for re-homing are kept updated on our website: www.scarboroughdogs.org.uk

SUCCESS STORY

This is our favourite type of e-mail to receive

"Do you recognize this young man? You probably do, DIGBY has settled so well, keeps us on our toes but is so full of fun and he loves his big sister Blossom, they have been amazing together since the very beginning. He loves his walks to the beach especially when my granddaughter is with us he's loving life and we love him so much."



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!

We recently held a charity bag pack at Proudfoot in Newby.

We raised an incredible £343.05!

We would like to thank our dedicated bag packers and the generous shoppers who donated in thanks for our assistance (and on some occasions in thanks for us not assisting!!). We also extend our gratitude to Proudfoot Stores for us allowing us to hold the event on their premises.



Five top tips to keep your dog cool

1. **Water, water, everywhere!**

Dogs don't sweat in order to control their body temperature, so the only way they can cool down is by panting. But just as we get dehydrated through perspiring, dogs also require extra liquid when they are panting to cool down. Make sure there are plenty of dog bowls around the house and outside in the shade, to help keep your pooch hydrated.



2. **Walk your dog at the coolest time of the day.**

It makes sense not to walk your dog during the hottest parts of the day, but leave long walks for early morning and late evening. And a good tip to remember is that if the pavement is too hot for bare feet, it's too hot for little paws!

3. **A nice shady spot.**

Some dogs, such as those with white coats, can be more susceptible to sunburn, so keeping out of direct sunlight as far as possible will minimise the risk. If your dog has the run of the garden, make sure he has access to shady spots and watch out for where he chooses to rest. Some dogs will lie out and fall asleep in the full sun!

4. **Travelling.**

Unless you really need to, or your car has air conditioning, avoid taking your dog out in the car when the weather is hot. It goes without saying you should never leave your dog in the car even on cooler summer days, but with soaring temperatures, a dog won't stand a chance trapped in a car.

5. **Take it slow.**

Some dogs will still want to run and run even on a very hot day, so you need to remind him to slow down and take plenty of breaks on your walks. Young and energetic dogs will still tend to charge around in the heat, but they will feel the effects just the same and heat stroke can come on quickly - don't let dogs chase around like mad hatters when the sun is scorching, and make sure you have access to water when you are out and about.

Article sourced from Holidays4Dogs summer newsletter and reproduced with their permission

Symptoms of Heat Stroke in Dogs

Keep an eye out for signs that your dog might be dehydrated - dogs cannot sweat and can only cool down by panting, so a dog that begins to drool, has bloodshot eyes, and/ or is lethargic may well be over heated. Other symptoms may be enlargement of the tongue, red gums or lips and an obvious state of anxiety or weakness.

Unless a high temperature is not brought down, a dog can start to show more severe symptoms of heat trauma and these may include, very rapid heart rate, trembling or seizure, difficult breathing, vomiting and coma.

Prompt action must follow to relieve the high temperature before the dog is transported to the vet. If the dog is not in the shade - remove him to a cooler spot. Place him on a cold wet towel. Bathe the dog in lukewarm water paying attention to the underneath of the dog, his feet and his 'underarm' area. Do not use very cold water as a sudden change in temperature can be dangerous. Use a cooling fan if possible. Once the dog is cooler it is essential to have him checked out at the vets to make sure there has been no internal damage.

how hot is too hot?						
°C	°F					
15°	60°	1	1	1	① No evidence of risk: Have fun outside!	
18°	65°	1	1	2	② Risk is unlikely: Have fun outside, but be careful!	
21°	70°	2	2	3	③ Unsafe potential, depending on breed. Keep an eye on your pet outdoors.	
23°	75°	3	3	3	④ Dangerous weather developing. Use caution.	
26°	80°	3	3	4	⑤ Potentially life-threatening heat. Avoid prolonged outdoor activity.	
29°	85°	4	4	5		
32°	90°	5	5	5	+1 if obese	
35°	95°	5	5	5	+1 if brachycephalic breed	
37°	100°	5	5	5	+1 if less than 6 months old or elderly	
40°	105°	5	5	5	-1 if area is shaded from sun	
43°	110°	5	5	5	-1 if water is available	

source: adapted from The Tufts Animal Condition and Care (AACQ)

Petplan www.petplan.com



JOIN US!

www.scarboroughdogs.org.uk
01723 870456

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:			
Address:		Date:	
Postcode:			
Telephone No:	H: M:		
E-mail address:			

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.)*