

LOCAL EVENTS

CALENDAR

Today's Women Trade Show

Friday Oct 2nd & Saturday Oct 3rd
PG Civic Centre
564.3737

CIBC Run for the Cure

Sunday October 4th
Run or walk 1km or 5km
www.cbcf.org

Blue Man Group

Wednesday October 7th 6:30pm
CN Centre
www.pgchamber.bc.ca

The Wiggles Go Bananas!

Saturday October 10th 2:00pm
CN Centre
www.cncentre.ca

Thanksgiving Celebration

Monday October 12th
Huble Homestead
564.7033

Brooks & Dunn

Monday October 19th 7:00pm
CN Centre
www.cncentre.ca

Meet the Chamber

Wednesday October 21st 4:00pm
PG Chamber of Commerce
www.pgchamber.bc.ca

Fall Fowl Supper

Sunday October 25th 4:00pm
Blackburn Community Centre
963.3292

equine dental health month!!!

We had a total of 43 participants this year! We wish to thank to all of our dedicated clients and reps, which provide such great support! Hope you enjoyed the promo ☺



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pippy kershaw

Missing Photos for 2009

amy, copper & squeak winther

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alpine berry

shady goldun lady winkel

izmir bergmann

gizmo ciarniello

lakota & avery hull

amadeus foote

buddy & magnum hansson

barney beetlestone

breezy howes

shea schacke

WHY IS SENIOR PET HEALTH CARE SO IMPORTANT??

Dogs & cats age much quicker than humans, developing from puberty to adulthood in only 24 months. The average lifespan of a dog is 13yrs and a cat is 14yrs. Certain breeds, particularly smaller, live longer. Many factors may affect your pet's lifespan including environment (indoor/outdoor), nutrition (food quality, physical condition such as thin/obese) and disease (vital organs are prone to wear).

As pets age they are prone to such things as increased body weight; decrease in lean muscle; dehydration; vision and hearing loss; skin/coat changes; loss of scent; heart, lung and kidney problems; gum/tooth disease; behavioral changes; musculoskeletal and endocrine disease; and heat/cold intolerance.

Common abnormalities and ailments found during wellness exams and laboratory testing include dental disease, arthritis, heart murmurs, elevated liver and kidney enzymes, urinary problems as well as diabetes and hyperthyroidism in cats.

When diagnosed/dealt with promptly, most of these ailments are very treatable!

What's Happenin at Murdoch Vet Clinic...

mobility in motion this November for cats and dogs!!!

If your canine or feline companion is over the age of 7, book today and save 20% on a complete exam, blood work, urinalysis and ECG/EKG. Each pet booked will receive a free bag of MediCal food recommended specifically by the doctor for your pet. You will also receive a personalized wellness report and see your pets picture featured in our December newsletter! See you soon ☺

Biggest Loser results are in and we have a well deserved winner...!! *molly makin*

Congratulations to Molly Makin for losing a total of 18.8% of her original body weight (9.1 lbs)! In October 2008, Molly was put on MediCal Vegetarian diet because of her allergies. Between October 08 and May 09, a total of 7 months, she had only lost 6.5lbs (prior to starting the challenge). After the challenge, Molly has lost a total of 15.6lbs! Good job, Molly ☺ Her owner says that she is much more active and that she runs around playing with her best friend, Meeka, acting just like a puppy again.

I want to send out HUGE thanks to Neelam (Hill's) and Nicole (MediCal) for their support during this challenge!

Congratulations to Olive Oil, Macie, Rosie, Gryphon, Tequila, Loulou, Jappi, Coquette, Lexi, Missy, Minnie and Angel ☺

Manager's Message...

Pictured from L to R: (back row) Kayden, Kelly-Anne
(front row) Sugar, Jag, Taggart

I wish to dedicate this message to the most wonderful little buddy in the world. Jag passed away at approximately 2:15am on Sept 28th. Necropsy revealed a ruptured hemangiosarcoma (cancerous tumor) at the base of his heart. He had just turned 8. He was born deaf, learning to obey signs by 6mo's of age for sit, come, lay down, rollover, speak and more. He left a piece of his heart with everyone he ever met and unconditionally loved people. His death was sudden and he is greatly missed. Big thanks to our friends and every single person I work with for their kindness!



What you might like to know about "West Nile Virus"

The West Nile Virus (WNV) officially appeared in 1999. It spread throughout North America and by 2002, had infected an estimated 14,700 horses. It killed thousands of birds and caused serious neurological disease in humans as well as horses. As threat of the virus surrounded provinces outside of BC, we had somehow managed to escape it. Until now. In August 2009, there were human diagnoses of WNV infection in the Okanagan valley as well as identification in nearby mosquito pools. 2 horses have also been confirmed WNV positive. West Nile is a mosquito borne virus contracted by infected birds and transmitted to horses and humans. 30 mosquito species have been found positive with the

virus. There are several ways to prevent the disease and limit the mosquito population: (1) vaccinate (2) clean your barn daily, keep lights off, install a fan to move air and prevent landing (3) remove manure daily, and (4) rid all standing water and keep your horses away from large bodies of water. To date there is no evidence that WNV can be spread directly by infected birds or other humans, however health authorities caution that gloves should be worn when dealing with dead birds. Symptoms in horses might be confused with other nervous system disorders and may include depression, listlessness, stumbling, incoordination, limb weakness, loss of appetite, muscle twitching, paralysis, convulsion and death.

COME IN AND SEE OUR NEWLY OVERHAULED RETAIL SECTION...

Oatmeal and Aloe Shampoo great for dogs and horses

Pet Wipes & Stain/Odor Remover remove those tough smells & spots

Pill Poppers and Pill Pockets ease the administration of medication

Small Animal Emergency Kits for safe travelling with your pet

Horse Dewormer Quest Plus, Quest, Equalan, Panacur & more

Leashes and Collars, Halti's and Seat Belts for your pet's safety

MediCal Royal Canin and Hill's Prescription Diets

Hypoallergenic Dog & Cat Treats we have free samples☺

Breathalyser water additive for bad breath

Toothbrushes & Toothpaste for a healthy mouth

Ear Cleaning Solution for those avid swimmers

Toe Nail Trimmers & Bloodstop powder for those 'oops' trims



...IF WE DON'T HAVE WHAT YOU NEED ~ JUST ASK!

Closed: Monday September 7th ~ Monday October 12th ~ Wednesday November 11th

DR. CHRISTINE MURDOCH, Owner & Veterinarian

DR. JODYNE GREEN, Associate Veterinarian

KELLY-ANNE H, Office Manager

ASHLEY L, Administrative Assistant

SHANNON C, Administrative Assistant

KACIE H, Veterinary Assistant

KELLY M, Registered Animal Health Technician

KRISTY J, Registered Animal Health Technician

NAVKARAN B, Veterinary and Technician Assistant

KAYDEN H, Kennel Attendant

ALEXYS C, Kennel Attendant

SHELDON G, Volunteer

DID YOU KNOW . . . THE LARGEST SEA TURTLE RECORDED WAS A LEATHERBACK MEASURING 9.5FT LONG & 1918LBS ☺

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