

Newsletter — AUGUST 2024 —

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Welcome to our 2024 August Newsletter!

August is National Pet Dental Care Month! Oral health care is especially important for our pets' health and well-being. The team at the Hallam Vet Clinic are very enthusiastic about educating clients how to perform daily oral health care in dogs and cats, monitoring for signs of dental disease and educating clients about the impact it may have on pets' health.

To celebrate National Pet Dental Care Month we are launching

"Toothy Time"

- Vet Nurse Dental Care Consultations FREE for the month of August!
 - Included in the session are:
- Assessment of your pet's oral health status
- Tooth brushing demonstration and discussion of different homecare methods
 - How to prevent tooth trauma and disease by selecting recommended
 VOHC approved dental chews and diets.
- How to examine your pets' teeth and gums to identify signs of dental disease
- Tailored dental homecare plan with ongoing support to assist you in maintaining a home dental care program that works for you and your pet.
 - Introduction to the My Pet Dental Check App developed by Dr David Clarke
- AND If you book a dental scale & polish clean on the day of your Toothy Time consult, get 20% off the clean!

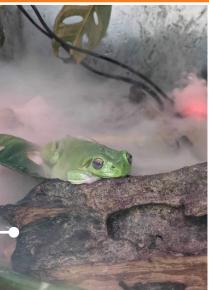
What's News at the Hallam Vet Clinic



We have a newly renovated reception, treatment area, and workspaces. Thank you to all our clients for your support during this time.

Poontos loving the newly renovated reception.

Roger our resident green tree frog has also had an upgrade with a new tank and some new water features.







We have some new furry family members amongst the Hallam Vet Team: Nemo the Golden Retriever and Aurora the Australia Shepherd. Dr Karly and Nurse Tina have been very busy puppy raising and training!

Nemo - Golden Retriever

Aurora - Australian Shepherd •







Dr Kimberley Woods has been providing treatment for injured Grey Headed Flying Foxes from Fly By Night Bat Clinic.

BIG CATS GET TOOTH ACHES TOO!!!



Inkosi the Lion was born in 2007 and was one of the first litter of cubs born at Monarto Safari Park in Adelaide. His zookeeper noticed he had broken his upper left canine (big fang). African lions can eat up to 40kg of meat each meal and need their canines to grab and tear their food. Did you know that their canine tooth is 70mm long?

As these teeth are important for eating, preserving the integrity and functionality of the tooth and jaw is paramount. The zoo invited Dr David Clarke the dental specialist to treat his fractured tooth. Once the zoo veterinary team had anaesthetised Inkosi, Dr Clarke was able to examine his mouth. His tooth was fractured with the pulp exposed (that is the nerve... ouch!). Dr Clarke performed root canal therapy, Inkosi's canal (the inside of his tooth) was a whooping 105mm in length, to appreciate how long this is, a human has an average of 20mm.

Inkosi recovered well from his anaesthesia and dental treatment and is now back to enjoying chewing his favourite foods and playing with his friends and the wonderful enrichment activities the zookeepers provide to keep him mentally and physically stimulated.

DOES YOUR PET HAVE



Bad breath is usually a sign that your pet has dental disease. More than 85% of pets that are over 4 years of age have dental disease.

If your pet has red, swollen or bleeding gums, bad breath, tartar on teeth, drooling and even a reluctance to eat, then your pet may be suffering from dental disease.

Belle's owner noticed that Belle had bad breath every time she gave her owner a kiss. Belle came in to see our veterinarian and an oral examination found that Belle had lots of plaque and tartar on her teeth causing periodontal disease.

Belle was booked for a dental procedure that included scaling her teeth to removed plaque and tartar build up, followed by polishing her teeth. Belle went home later that day with her owner after one of our lovely nurses had demonstrated how to brush Belle's teeth to keep them healthy and prevent any further dental disease.



Belle with plaque and tartar build up



Regular oral hygiene does not have to be difficult.

If you would like to know how to keep your pet's teeth healthy, then come in and have a chat to our staff.



EMAIL YOUR GUESS TO

reception@hallamvet.com.au by August 31st 2024 to enter – the first correct entry drawn wins 2 free movie tickets! *Hint: Chat with the vet nurses in clinic if you need any tips.*



We would love to see you brushing your pets teeth, please share a photo and follow us on Instagram @hallamvetclinic

Petosan Toothpaste – flavoured toothpaste that is safe for brushing your pets teeth.

Poultry Flavor Toothpaste for pets

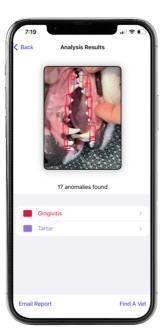
Check the health of your pets mouth between visits with My Pet Dental Check

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My Pet Dental Check provides pet owners with a free evaluation of their pets oral health. Simply take a photo or upload an image of your pets mouth from the side for an instant report.







Gingivitis is observed as a red, swollen and bleeding gum. It is the first stage of gum disease and is caused by a build-up of bacteria and plaque. In most pets, if not treated, gingivitis progresses to more advanced periodontal disease, often resulting in gingival recession, bene infection and loss of the periodontal ligament which attaches the tooth to the bone, or worse tooth loss. When treated early by your veterinarian, gingivitis is reversible. They will recommend a homecare program including Maxiguard oral gel, Petosan toothbrushes, or a special dental diet, such as Hills t/d or Royal Canin



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