

ISSUE 11 - FEBRUARY 2021

Hi Everyone,

Thank goodness Spring is here. February is a lovely short month, and we are so pleased to see the snow drops and crocuses starting to sprout. The snow was fun, but I think the team is ready to see some sun. The end of this month marks just about a year from opening our doors. It has certainly been a year to remember. As a practice we are really starting to build a rapport with our clients and patients. It's lovely to start to see our puppies growing and most don't mind visiting us at all! We have had some really lovely reviews and feedback - thank you so much for your support.

Lockdown has affected a few things - this month, we had hoped to run a dental promotion, but we decided to delay this until later in the year when our clients and patients can benefit from the 10% discounts. We will keep you informed as and when we decide to run this.

We had also hoped (obviously too optimistically) to have had our open day one year on from opening, as we never got to open our doors out the back as we had hoped due to the first lockdown. Don't worry, though, for those of you that are interested to get a look behind the scenes, we still plan on having an open day as soon as it is safe to do so.

Within the clinic, we have seen a lot of dogs with vomiting and diarrhoea over February; some of which have needed further investigation. From speaking to the veterinary community, this has been seen throughout the county, although no causal link has been found.

Don't forget that all dogs should be vaccinated annually and wormed on a regular basis. If you're not sure when and what your pet should be vaccinated and wormed with, do not hesitate to give us a call. We can tailor the protocol to your pet's needs as every pet is individual depending on its lifestyle.

As we start to see the lockdown ease, we hope to see those of you that have delayed coming to see us. We also hope that you enjoy the articles and updates this month; we try to make them as informative as possible and love giving our clients something interesting to read.

Stay Safe,

The Coquet Vets Team



LATEST NEWS - FEBRUARY 2021



A TRIP TO THE VET IN LOCKDOWN... YES OR NO?

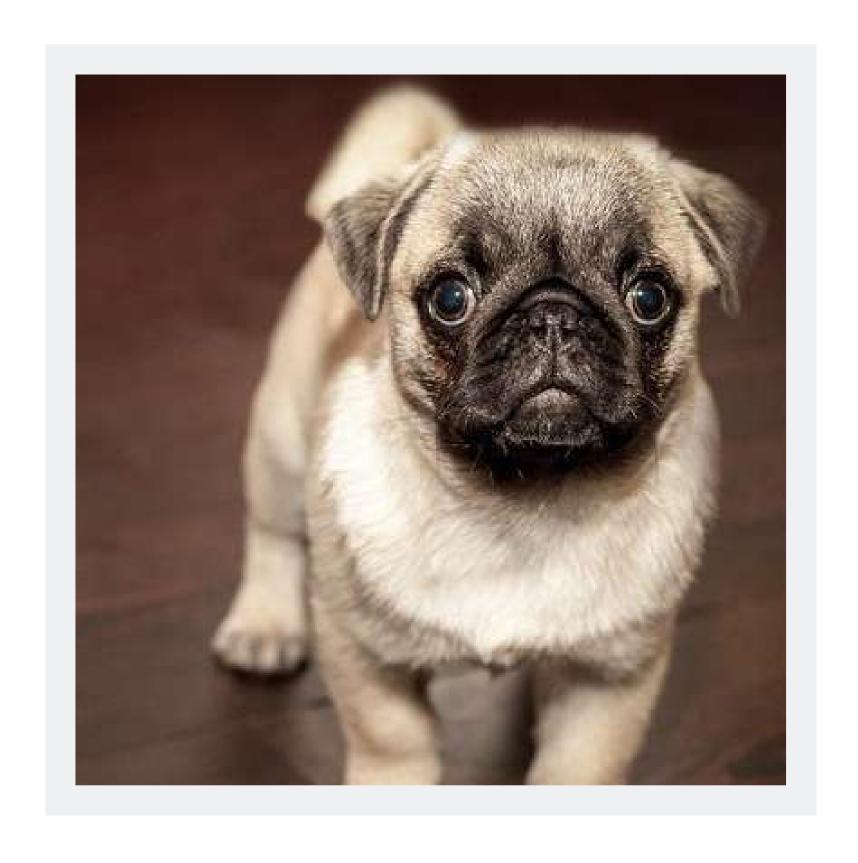
As we continue in our third Covid-19 lockdown, we thought it would be helpful to discuss some of the current guidelines for vet appointments. In this article, we share our advice on vet visits during lockdown by looking at the most asked questions we are seeing right now.

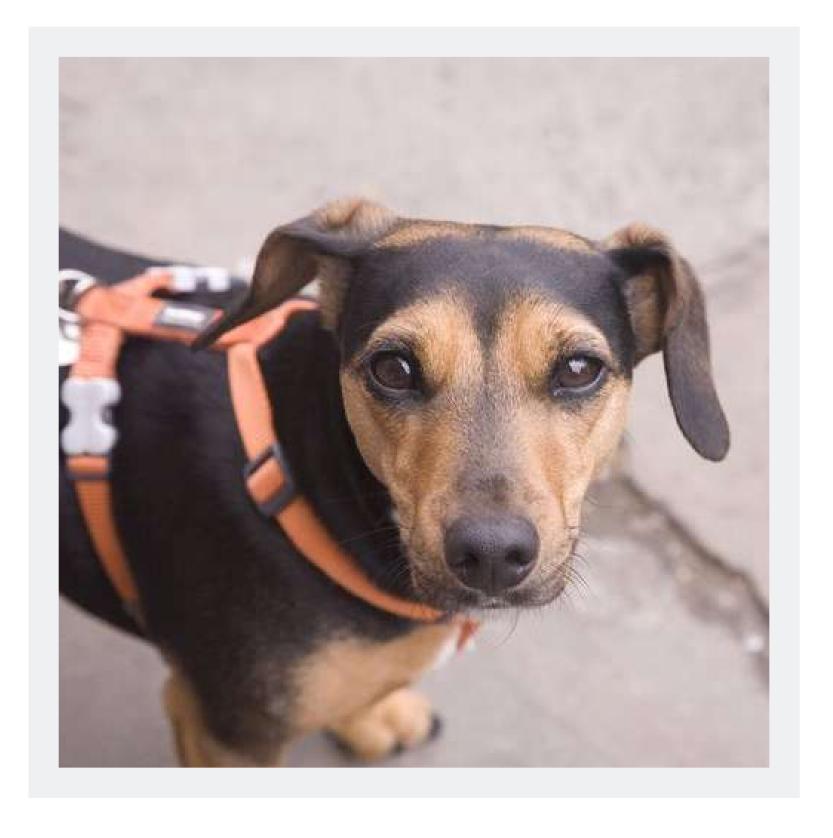
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LET'S TALK ABOUT STENOTIC NARES

Stenotic nares is part of the brachycephalic syndrome of shortnosed dogs (Brachycephalics) breeds such as Boxers, Bulldogs, King Charles Spaniels, and Pugs. Stenotic nares means that the nostrils are pinched, or narrow compared to that of other breeds. In this article, we look at the key signs of stenotic nares and what can be done to correct this.

>> Read the article here





A REMINDER ABOUT DOGHORN - THE ANTI-DOG THEFT CAMPAIGN

Last year, Coquet Vets got behind a brand-new campaign to tackle the worrying rise in dog thefts. DogHorn is a Non-Profit public awareness campaign providing a rapid response strategy for the prevention and recovery of stolen dogs. Find out more and what you can do to support this campaign on their Facebook page (@doghorngroup), a local Facebook group (Anti-Dog Theft Volunteers: Druridge Bay), and their website (www.doghorn.uk). You can also read our recent article on DogHorn below.

>> Read the article here

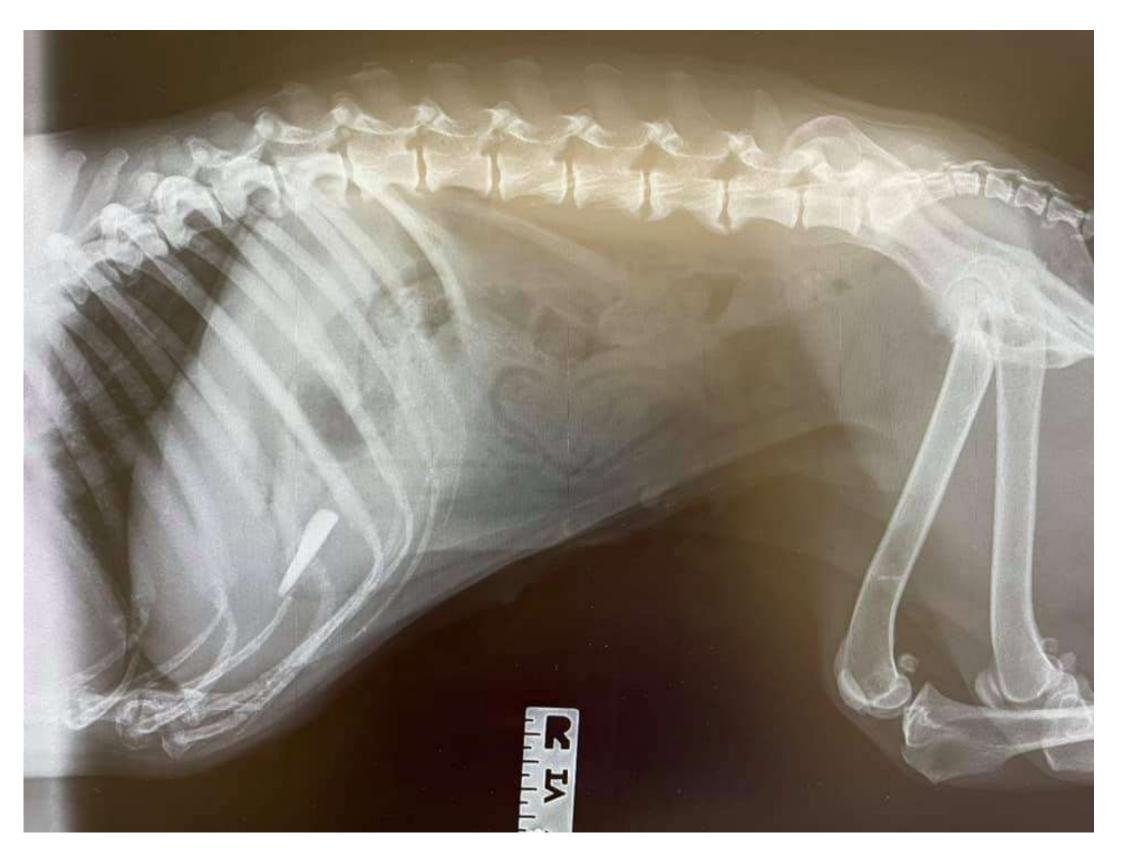


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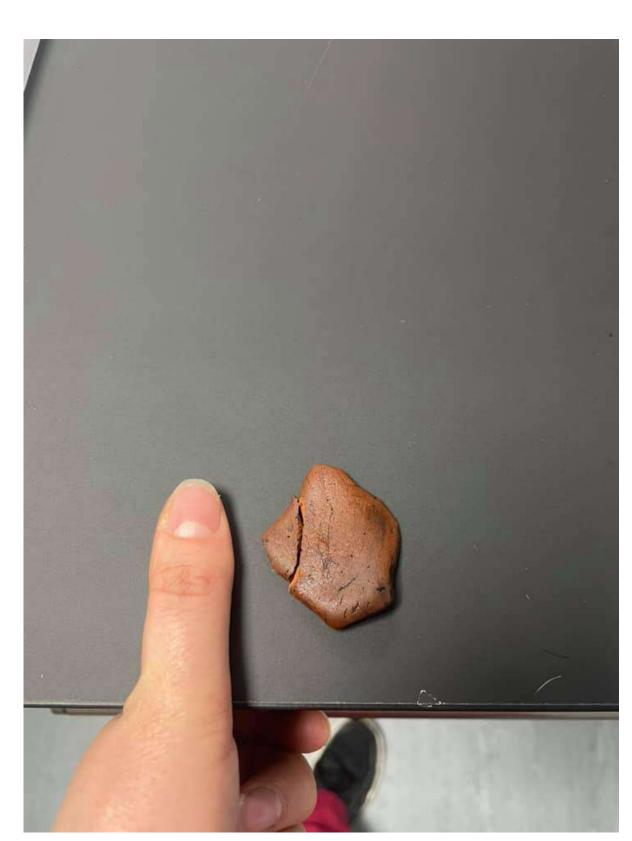
PATIENT STORY — JADE THE LABRADOR

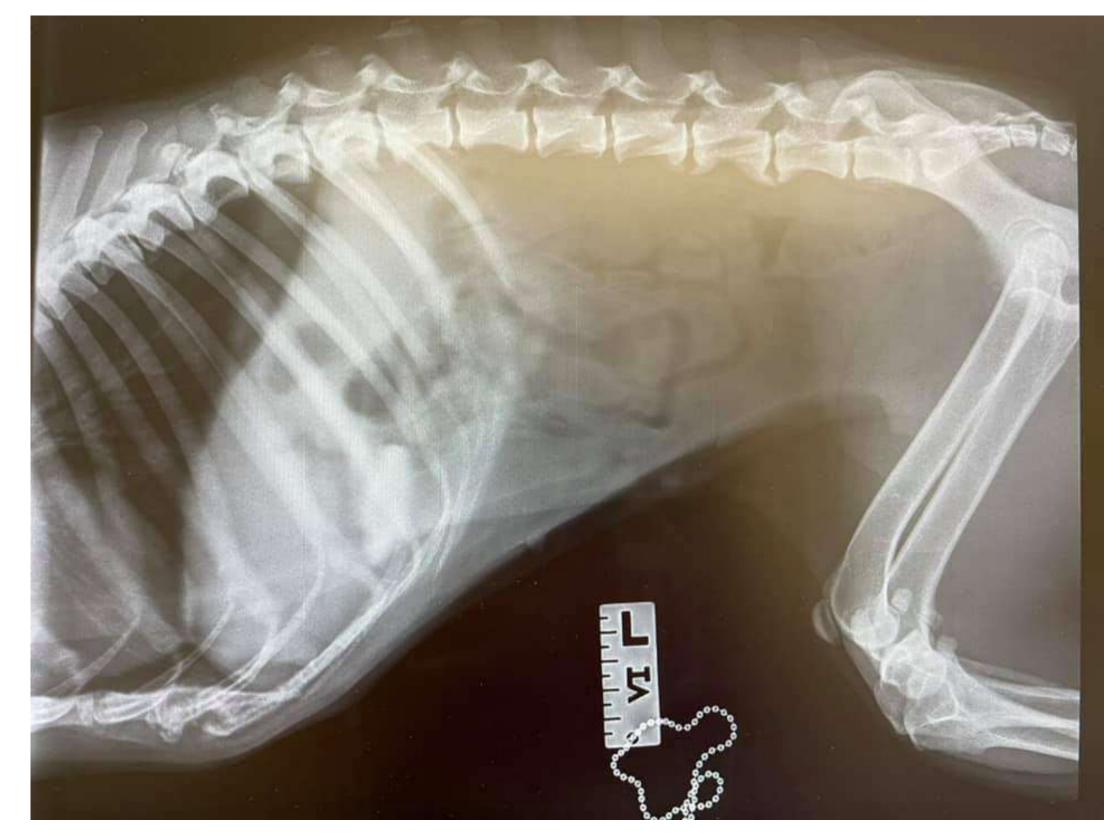
This month, a Labrador called Jade came for an appointment, as she had been vomiting on and off for three days. During her examination, our vet, Rebecca, did a full clinical exam and found she was dehydrated. She was admitted for intravenous fluids, bloods and an abdominal scan and x-rays.

On the x-rays we could see a small abnormal object. Rebecca and Jade's owner had a long discussion and decided to go for surgery. A small stone was found in Jade's intestine. She is nearly a week post-surgery and she is doing really well. We wish her a speedy recovery.











On the right is Jade - happy and doing well post-surgery.





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NEW PROMOTION:

BUY 1 GET 1 FREE ON VETERINARY HPM 'VET EXCLUSIVE' PUPPY AND KITTEN FOOD



If your pet is part of the Coquet Pet Club and it is already microchipped, you can use your £10 voucher towards buying Veterinary HPM 'Vet Exclusive' Puppy and Kitten Food.

This food can ONLY be bought from a veterinary practice; it is affordable, palatable and a great diet. There are different life stages for these diets, so your pet can stay on them for the rest of its life.

There is also a loyalty scheme where every 6th bag is free (smallest size bag is free).

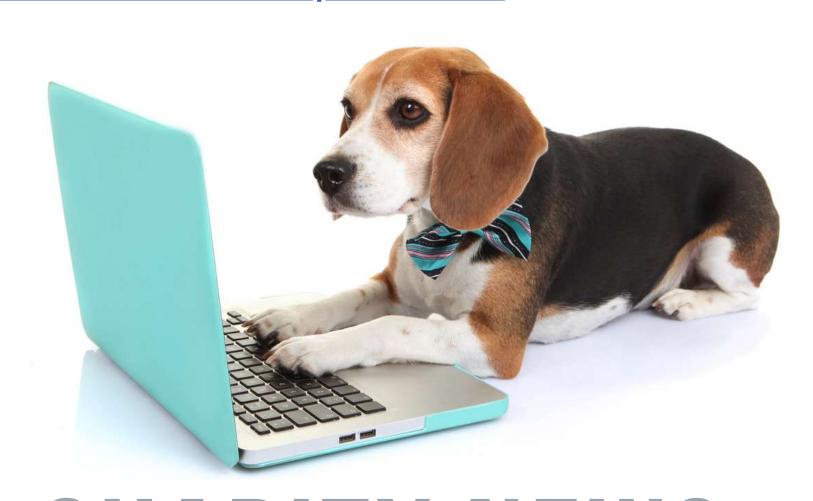
PROMOTION:

5 WEEKS FREE PET INSURANCE WITH VETSURE

If your pet is aged over 16 weeks and under 10 years, and your pet is not yet insured, we can offer you five weeks FREE pet insurance with Vetsure.

Please click on the link below and fill in the correct details to get your pet covered today.

>> Take me to Vetsure - Coquet Vets



LOCAL CHARITY NEWS: SHAK (SAFE HOMES AND KINDNESS)

Please take a moment of your time to read this article from our local dog charity partner, SHAK (Safe Homes and Kindness):

>> Read Article: <u>Worrying Times.... by SHAK</u>



Find out more about SHAK: www.shak.org.uk



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LATEST UPDATES: COVID-19



Following the recent Government announcements on COVID-19, we would like to reassure our clients that we are still open and offering all services.

If you are shielding or vulnerable and are concerned about the health of your pet please contact the surgery on 01665 252 250.

We encourage all new puppy or kitten owners to call us regarding their vaccinations. We politely request that only one person attends the appointment with their pet and that masks are worn at all times. We are happy to consult outside for those that request it.

For the latest updates on how we are working during COVID-19 and our opening hours, please visit our dedicated COVID-19 page.

>> <u>Visit the COVID-19 updates page</u>

COQUET PETS CLUB: PET HEALTH CARE PLAN

Coquet Vets is a big advocate for preventative health care to keep your pet healthy and happy. We can provide your pet with a preventative health care plan, designed to give you peace of mind and fantastic savings for a low monthly direct debit payment.

The plan includes a range of services and savings, and you can also sign up for the plan online through our website, so there is no need to come into the practice.

The per month costs are currently £13.50 for a dog, £12.50 for a cat, and £7.00 for a rabbit. Click on the link below to find out more and see what is needed to join Coquet Pet Club.



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>> Visit our website

Look out for our next newsletter in March 2021!