



Welcome to the Kebir House Quarterly Newsletter

SPRING is nearly here...

It's time for us to be getting out and enjoying the warmer weather and perhaps time to be tending to our gardens which have been neglected over winter. The wonderful colours of spring flowers make a welcome addition to any garden or home, but did you know that some can be highly poisonous to pets if eaten?

Did you know that it doesn't even take your pet to eat a flower to become ill? Dogs can often dig up bulbs after they have been planted, flowers kept indoor can mean the water they sit in can become poisonous for pets to drink and a cat only has to brush past a lily and groom the pollen off its fur to become seriously ill. Rabbits can also be inquisitive and have a nibble at garden flowers which are toxic to them.

Symptoms of poisoning to look out for include the following:

- Drooling
- Vomiting
- Diarrhoea
- Breathing difficulties
- Seizures
- Tremors

Regardless of symptoms, if you think your pet may have ingested any toxic flower or plant please contact us immediately, time is of the essence!

Lilies



Crocus



Daffodils



It's time for Easter eggs, yum!



Now that Easter is fast approaching chocolate of all varieties is filling up the supermarket shelves. As no doubt the vast majority of dog owners know, chocolate is toxic to dogs, but it is less well known that it is also toxic to cats too.

Unfortunately, chocolate is as irresistible to our pets as it is to us! This leads to chocolate being one of the most common causes of poisoning that vets deal with in dogs, cats are often more sensible! The main poisonous component in chocolate is theobromine, although chocolate also contains caffeine and can contain resins, sultanas and currants which are also poisonous to dogs.

The amount of theobromine in any given chocolate is related to the cocoa percentage, with dark chocolate being much more dangerous than milk chocolate and white chocolate.

The good news is that chocolate poisoning is rarely fatal and if caught early enough is easily treated. If you suspect your dog has eaten chocolate please call us, the more information you can provide on the type and amount of chocolate eaten, the better we can advise you as to the best course of action.

Lambing Essentials

March is the time we think of lambing. Some farms will have finished, some farms will be right in the thick of it, and some will be preparing for the start. Below is our list of #LambingEssentials.

- Lube – Plenty of, the more the better!
- Arm Length Gloves – The cleaner we are in examining and assisting with lambing, the less chance that ewe will develop an infection afterwards.
- Lambing Ropes – Either double ended or 2 ropes with a loop at the end. Ensure cleaned and disinfected between use.
- Lambing Snare – Great for going behind heads that want to be left behind.
- Pain Relief – If assistance has been required, the ewe will benefit from pain relief. There are no anti-inflammatory pain relief drugs licensed for sheep, so please speak to your vet about options available.
- Strong Iodine – Dipping navels is better than spraying.
- Powdered Colostrum – If the ewe does not have sufficient, this can provide the lamb's vital first feed.
- Twin Lamb Energy Drench – For ewes suffering from twin lamb disease.
- Calcium – Injectable for under the skin of ewes suffering from hypocalcaemia.
- Thermometer – For monitoring the temperature of ewes and lambs. Low temperatures in lambs require active warming, high temperatures can indicate infection.



Kebir Kuts Dog Grooming

Kebir Kuts Dog Grooming salon is going from strength to strength! We have lots of very happy owners picking up their perfectly pampered and beautiful smelling pooches.

We offer a full range of services including full grooms, bath & brush, puppy grooms and hand stripping for all breeds and sizes! Check out our groomed poochies on our facebook page or for prices and availability contact Amy on **07493 799606**.

A big thank you

At Kebir Vets we take our responsibility to reduce the spread of Covid very seriously, as you are aware, we have not been allowing clients into the practice.

We understand that this can be upsetting for our clients that wish to be at their pet's side during a consultation, however we have been totally overwhelmed by the understanding and patience that you have shown us at this difficult time, so from all of us at Kebir House - THANK YOU VERY MUCH!



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BVD Check Test Reminder

A reminder to all farms with cattle who are part of/working towards becoming BVD Free, check test blood samples on 9-18 month old stirks needs to be carried out yearly to obtain and keep your free status.

5 animals from each management group between the ages above need to be tested.

Please contact the practice to discuss this initiative and book a date for this year's testing.



Welcome to...

Izzy Dunsmuir



Izzy is from Northallerton and recently joined Kebir House in March 2021. Prior to joining Kebir House Izzy trained at Askham Bryan College studying Animal Management and Science, ready to pursue her career in Animal Nursing.

In Izzy's spare time she enjoys walking her 2 dogs, Mable and Dotty.