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Your Pets in Our Safe Hands



Our new monitoring equipment

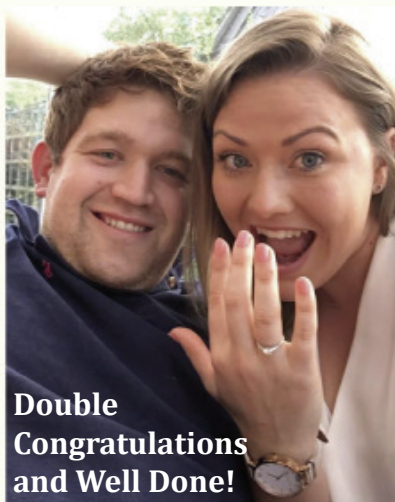
Hello and welcome to our summer newsletter, and I hope so far you are enjoying the warmer temperatures after such a long winter!

This season will bring plenty of activity out there in the animal world, but in this column I would like to cover one very important issue, which pet owners regularly raise with us, the risks of general anaesthesia, especially in older animals.

Understandably, it is an anxious time before having a general anaesthetic for a surgical procedure, and this can be magnified when consenting to anaesthesia for our children or pets. It is a concern, which all us working in pet healthcare take very seriously. In our clinics, we have audited all our anaesthetic procedures for the past 20 years. I am pleased to say, throughout that time, we have not had to report a single case of an otherwise healthy animal, suffering harm as a result of undergoing general anaesthesia. Our safety record is second to none and on a par with human anaesthesia. However, this does not happen by chance, as we work very hard to ensure that our protocols, our team and facilities are not only first class, but are also constantly reviewed and upgraded where possible.

Veterinary medicine has progressed immensely in the 43 years I have been in practice. These days our Veterinary Nurses are superbly trained and educated and together with our Veterinary Surgeons, they form a very experienced, skilled and meticulous team working to ensure your pet's health and safety throughout every procedure. This care and attention to detail is fully focused from the time a patient arrives at the clinic in the morning, through the pre-anaesthetic sedation, to the administration and monitoring of anaesthesia and ultimately during the recovery period, until the patient is returned to his or her kennel when fully awake.

In addition to the skill of our surgical staff, we are fortunate to have and use state-of-the-art monitoring equipment, which gives us real time electrocardiography, blood pressure measurement, pulse oximetry to ensure adequate oxygen levels in the patient, and capnography to monitor carbon dioxide in the re-breathing circuit. In addition, the modern and safe anaesthetic agents we use for inducing anaesthesia and for maintenance, enables us to provide an extremely high level of care. This, we are very proud of, and more importantly means that you can be assured of the well-being of your much-loved dog or cat family member that you entrust into our care.



Double Congratulations and Well Done!

Laura one of our nurses got engaged in May to her man Harry, and also became a **Registered Veterinary Nurse** earlier in the year after passing her final exams.

Wedding Bells Chimed!

The long awaited wedding of **Charlotte** our Head Nurse and Practice Manager, finally arrived at 2pm on Saturday 12th May when she said 'I do' to Will at Felsted Church, followed by a spectacular reception at the family home. The day went very smoothly with the happy couple looking absolutely beautiful! There were some very special memories created that day for Charlotte and her husband and as she told us, "I grew up in Little Dunmow, so it was wonderful to celebrate with family and friends around us. It was such an amazing day. We both had a fantastic time and just really want to do it all again!"





Almost Flying!

We were absolutely thrilled when **Mary Glover**, one of our long-term clients of twenty five years, agreed to be featured in our newsletter, as we could share her amazing, breathtaking and exciting hobby with you. Mary is very passionate about and incredibly skilled at a particular sport that involves her four beautiful Samoyeds, Kiska, Xena, Wispa and Nemo. Dog sled racing, or dry land mushing, caught Mary's attention in 2013 while visiting a friend in Scotland to watch her sled race dogs at the championships in Aviemore. Keenly interested in taking up the sport, Mary began inquiring through national clubs about nearby events, while Kiska her first Samoyed who got 3rd at the 2014 Crufts, had a trial run with some Huskies and loved it! Mary got a scooter and began running solo with Kiska, but it didn't stop there. When she acquired Nemo and Wispa, the team of three dogs and Mary moved to a rig, and won the National Three Dog Freight Race! Fitness needs to be maintained, so Mary walks her dogs six miles a day. Samoyeds are a stunning breed, with a thick white double layered coat. Their name originates from the Samoyedic people of Siberia, where the dogs kept children warm in the igloos, but their primary task was to pull sleds and herd reindeer, so they are perfectly suited to racing. Now a team of four dogs, Mary qualified for team GB International Championships and just loves the speed of racing, but says that she hangs on for dear life as it almost feels like flying!



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Robbie has become the 500th Member

Since launching last year, we've had a fantastic response to our **Premier Pet Care Plan!** The plan allows your pet a six monthly health check, so be sure to mark on your calendar when this is due, and call us to book an appointment. Regular health checks are invaluable in helping to keep your pet fit and well. Most leave the clinic with wet noses and wagging tails, but should we detect a condition or problem in its early stages, then treatment can begin sooner rather than later, to give an increased chance of a happy outcome. **So don't waste those six monthly checks!**



Moloney Team News Big Congratulations and Well Done



to one of our Veterinary Nurses, **Holly** who recently gained her **Advanced Nursing Qualification in Emergency and Critical Care**. She will be extra busy during the summer months as she completes her wedding preparations to tie the knot in October 2018. Very exciting!

A Very Fond Farewell

At Moloney Veterinary Clinics we are very much a family that work closely together, so when a member has to say goodbye, it is a real wrench at the heart. **Roly** our Animal Nursing Assistant, who retired in March this year, had been part of the family for many years. Originally working with Jerry at Halstead in the mid-nineties, after a brief break, she returned to work at Marks Farm Clinic in February 2010. We wish her all the very best and hope she will pop in now and again to say hello. **Enjoy your retirement Roly, but we will miss you!**

July will see **Ellie** move from our kennel team to nursing team, as a **full-time student vet nurse**.

A Warm Welcome to **Deborah, Katherine and Emma** our new receptionists who have joined the team.

