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DURING AND AFTER THE COVID-19 LOCKDOWN

Now that the lockdown is starting to be eased up things are going to start to be different. I would say back to normal, but normal has gone and we are creating a new normal.

I have been asked questions about the easing of the lockdown and afterwards.

What do I do if I need a vet?

Veterinary Surgeries are still working, although it is a bit different from normal. If you need a vet or advice, then contact your vet before visiting. They will advice on their exact process.

Why am i being asked to be kept on lead at all times during walks?

This is a very strange, scary and different time for everyone. Some humans will be stressed

at the very thought of leaving their house. This in turn could make their dog be on edge or be very nervous. This in turn could create unusual actions or reactions to other dogs while out.

So keeping all dogs on lead will be a great help to getting humans to get used to being outside again. For those dogs that want or need to be off lead, then they need to find secure areas to be allowed off lead.

What happens if my human starts going back to work?

Some animals will have been used to being left alone or had lunch time walkers visiting in the past. Some even objected to their humans being around constantly to disrupt their snoozing.

Now that lockdown is easing

and there is a real possibility that your human will have to return to work, unless they are luckily enough to now work from home.

If your human is going to return to work then it would be a good idea to see if you can cope with being left alone again in case there is a risk of you getting distressed or destructive.

Perhaps your humans could try going out for an hour or two to test your reaction.

The sooner they test this, the more time there will be to try to fix things by working you through your anxieties or arrange a form of care before they do return to work.

Stay safe pals!

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Hi Pals, After much research, and even more research still going on now, I am adding a new

A MESSAGE FROM TIGGER

section to my newspaper.

Tigger's Green Paw

It will be full of gardening hints, tips and advice.

I am having difficulty finding an expert that could help point me in the right direction of

where I can check plants are animal friendly.

So if there is a Botanist or very knowledgeable gardener out there that would be happy to help me, please get in touch.

Nose bump to you

NEWS FROM DORIS - THE ROVING REPORTER



Hi pals,

well we're in week 9 or 10 of lockdown I think (I lose count) and it's funny writing this as my actual lockdown started in Spain. I say lockdown, but it was more like a mad dash home which we were allowed to do as long as the motorhome was pointing towards the Channel Tunnel!

We'd been in Germany and were heading south to Montpellier for the usual family visit, then to Spain before Andorra. All very exciting but it didn't happen. We were in a coastal town called Roses when it all started and within 48 hours the bars and shops had shut and there were police patrolling the streets. Panic buying cleared the supermarket and we were not allowed outside the parking lot. What became 'the normal' was a weird and scary world back then. A Spanish friend warned us of the border closures so that was it, we were heading home pronto!

Normally we pootle back home but as France was locking down quite heavily we drove back as quick as possible. Aires were closed as were campsites so one night in a car park and straight to the tunnel. It was so busy, the pet reception full of motorhomes and dogs all sleeping overnight til pet passports were stamped and travel allowed. It took a phone call to DEFRA by the reception lady to clear us early! (I felt very important)

So that was back in March. doesn't it feel a lifetime past? When my neighbours complain of how hard the lockdown here

has been, I think of my friends and family in Europe. ... their lockdown was hard, much harder than ours. The most important thing in all of this, of course, is our health. My family are all well, thankfully, but we know of people who aren't. Elaine is an NHS volunteer, we know some of our twitter friends are paramedics and we have a friend who's a doctor. So please stay safe pals, and keep up those home-based shenanigans!

Dreaming of travels, Doz x

https://dozontour.blog/



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Yoda and Cheezlt's Scratching Post



Hey pals, We hope that everyone and their humans have been doing ok with having been quarantined for so long.

If your humans had to go out and continue to work, we hope they have been staying safe (we thank them, too).

Everything in the world is so different now.

We are glad that we are inside cats! We have no idea what's

different and what's not, aside from what we hear when Momma watches the television. Can you believe she doesn't keep the television on stuff WE want to see??

We don't know about anyone else, but we have been doing a lot of extra sleeping the last three-ish months! But, what has made it even better is that Momma has been sleeping too!

It makes snoozing so much easier because she isn't making a whole bunch of noise and interrupting our nap times. But, since Momma has been home, we haven't been able to do much of anything because she is ALWAYS there. Whenever we try to get into trouble.... Oops.

Whenever we try to have fun, she is always telling us to "stop it (like we're doing something wrong or something)! Sometimes she is a real pain in the butt. That's another reason we like her sleeping more! She's nice and all, but can really put a damper on our fun!

We hope you guys all have a more fun human than we do!

Til Next Month in Isolation, Yoda & CheezIt (and the others)



Hi pals,

It's been an exciting month, as spring is progressing, I've been helping the human with lots of work in our new garden. The human has some strange behaviour in the garden, she sits for hours pulling up some plants, and then putting others in their place. I get a bit jealous of all the attention the plants are getting, so sometimes when the human's back is turned, I dig up all the plants again...this results in me being told to 'gerroff the onions'.

DUSTY'S DIARY

I normally then move on and dig a nice hole for me to sit in by the potatoes, they have a very comfy bed!

But the best thing about the new garden is the outdoor vacuum cleaner. I like

to woof at it really loudly and tell it who is boss. The human chased me round the garden a couple of times with it, and we had great fun. I was so tired out from my efforts that I went back to lie in my comfy hole I had dug earlier!

Until next time. Have a pawsome month Dusty



On the bookshelf

Camper vans, ex pats and Spanish hounds - Tania Coates and Sam Morris

While travelling through Spain in their VW camper van with their rescue dog, Iyela, Tania and Sam come across a stray at the side of the road in a very poor state of health. This is the story of Pedro's rescue, the situation with regard to animal welfare in Spain (and the British involvement – both positive and negative), and the formation of SOS Animals UK.

Compelling case studies are complemented by Tania's superbly evocative and stirring images.

You can purchase your copy here: Camper vans, ex pats and Spanish hounds

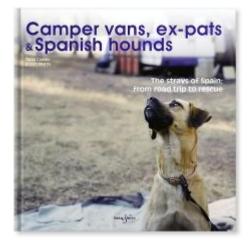
Fun and games for cats - By Denise Seidl

Do you have a cat who snootily turns up his nose if you try to involve him in a game? Or perhaps your cat is a loner, reluctant to interact with you? Maybe you think that cats simply don't play games and are impossible to train ...?

Then think again, as this book will introduce you to the games that your cat will want to play, and have great fun doing so!

You can purchase your copy here: <u>Fun and games for cats</u>





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In the Kitchen



Article By: Fred and Tess

We decided to use another of Mum's fancy biscuit cutters and bartered with Mum to use some of the elusive flour and an egg! BOL! We paid in nose bumps and offered to lick the dishes clean, so it was okay.

Jammy Barkers

Ingredients:

140g wholemeal flour
80g fine oat meal
1 tsp baking powder
3 tbsp smooth apple sauce (though lumps are fine, we used that as that is all Mum had in)
3 tbsp doggy friendly peanut butter
1 large egg
80g cranberry sauce

Method:

1. Preheat oven to 160

2. Combine all the ingredients except for the cranberry sauce and knead together using a hand mixer fitted with a dough hook. Pour in 40ml water and continue to knead until everything is mixed well.

3. Place the dough on a floured work surface and roll out to 1cm thickness. Use a jammy dodger cutter and cut out shapes and every second shape cut out the heart shape.

4. Place the biscuits on a baking tray lined with baking paper and bake for 15 minutes.

5. Once cooled, spread the cranberry sauce over a whole biscuit and top with a heart centre biscuit.

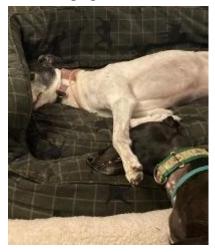
6. Makes 8 biscuits maybe 9 and will keep in an airtight tub in the fridge for a week (as if they will last that long, we have already scoffed two BOL!).



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Repawter: Duke

So we are into our 8th week of lockdown and your hoomans may be at home with us hounds more. So I wanted to talk about a subject dear to my heart lounging about.



Greyhounds have been described as the cats of the dog world and can sleep for up to 18 hours of the day. With the warmer weather you may leave your bed indoors and take your lounging outside - the grass is the natural bed.



Other options are a bed on the grass or a raised bed bed can

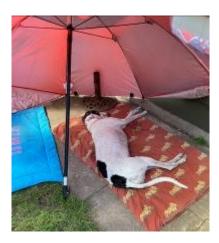
LOCKDOWN LOUNGING

keep you off the hot grass or concrete.





But prolonged time out in the sun makes you hot. So a umbrella like a sports brolly can be portable and have good ultra violet protection. This red one is UVP protection 50. With it being portable it can be put in the car for holidays or days out.



When out on walks sitting under the shade of the tree can help cool you down.





Other good things for outdoor lounging is water bowls outside but keep it topped up otherwise the birds drink when you are asleep or a travel water bowl whilst out on walkies.

So enjoy your lounging and snoozing.

Join me next month for my summer days survival kit.

Love and licks Duke

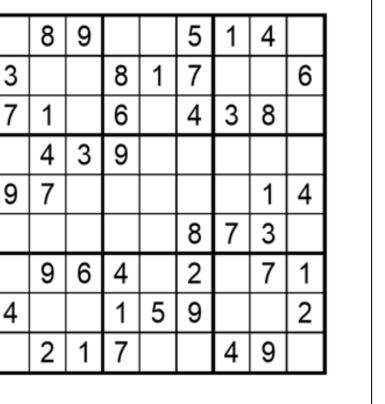
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Spot the difference Can you spot the 5 differences between the two pictures?

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TIGGER'S GREEN PAW - IN THE GARDEN

This will be a new regular feature where you can catch up on gardening hints, tips and advice. If you have any gardening questions, please emails them in to me at <u>tigger@tigger.club</u>

Hedges, Fences and walls.

Most gardens have either a hedge, fence or a wall surrounding it.

The first problem is to establish who owns the hedges, fences or walls surrounding your garden

It is good to regularly check the perimeter of gardens for damage or entry/exit points that have started appearing..

Hedges are a bit harder to secure as they are a growing plant and will have natural holes and gaps everywhere.

Depending on who owns the hedge, there are several options to secure the area.

Plant more hedging or plants to try and create a barrier. However if you are a determined escapologist, this could be a waste of time and money as you will probably just push through anyway. Fence the length of hedge with chain link or chicken wire. Ensuring they block up gaps along the bottom and secure and cover up any sharp links or areas.

Remove the hedge and replace it with a fence or wall. Even if the hedge belongs to your humans, they would still need to get the cooperation and approval from the neighbour on the other side of the hedge.

Are the walls or fences high enough? Although while your human is looking up, they should also remember to look down. Digging tunnels under the walls or fences is also a popular escape plan.

Check for any splinters , sharp edges or nails/ screws that stick out could cause injury.

Gaps. All fences and gates have gaps, otherwise they would get blown down with every gust of wind.

These gaps need to be checked that they are narrow enough so that you cannot escape, but wide (or very narrow) enough to stop you putting your head or paw through and getting stuck.

This is important for chain link fencing or chicken wire , where inquisitive paws or heads could get stuck.

Most humans like to be tidy and always push things or build a shed or greenhouse up to the side of a fence or wall.

The problem this may cause is

a parkour sort of escape route, or even an unexpected gap between the object and the fence or wall where you could get stuck.

If your human is going to paint the wall or fence. Make sure they use animal safe paint or varnishes.

Gates.

The gate will always be the weakest part of your perimeter security as it is designed to open and close to give you and your humans access to the garden or yard.

Ideally it would be great if the gate could be locked to stop unauthorised access.

If you are a barker that barks at everything that goes past the gate, your humans may need to fix something to the gate to stop you looking out, or with a bit of training, stop you standing there and barking.

Whatever type of perimeter you have around your garden or yard, it is important that your humans check them regularly for any damage that could either harm you or you could escape through.

Until next month Happy gardening pals

TIGGER'S GREEN PAW - IN THE GARDEN (CONT.)

As with all plants, always check if you have any health problems that may be affected by growing any plants in your garden or yard.

Thyme

Animal Safety: Dogs: Yes Cats: Yes Rabbits: Unknown Free Grazing: In Moderation

Lifespan: Perennial

Sow: March to April Plant out: May to June Harvest: July to September



Soil Type: Well drained soilPosition: Likes the full sunGrowth: around 10" high, but could be less if grown in smaller pots.

Varieties: Over 200 with leaf colours from dark green, golden yellow, pink, lilac and white.

Growing informaton: Originally Mediterranean, thyme thrives in well-drained soil or planters raised off the floor for extra drainage.

Planting out in full sun to bring the essential oils to the surface of the leaves to get a great flavour.

It's possible to grow thyme from seed but plants grown from seed can be hard to establish. Young thyme plants are widely available to buy.

Once established, you won't need to water your thyme plants.

Thyme thrives in almost drought conditions with minimal soil nutrients, so it won't grow happily alongside other herbs in a mixed container.

How to use:Free grazing: In moderationDried: Can be hopped up and sprinkled on food in small amounts.Cooking: Can be chopped up and used in cooking in small amounts.

Storage:

Refrigerate fresh Thyme Can be frozen. Place entire stems of Thyme in a freezer bag and freeze. Dried Thyme can be stored in an airtight container in a dry dark area.

Tell me a little bit about vourself.

I'm Skye and I'm an 11 year-old Springer Spanner.

I'm originally from Fife but I now live in the Scottish Borders.

How many humans/siblings do you have and long have you had them?

Mum and dad adopted me nearly two years ago after being rescued by Springer Rescue for Scotland.

We have another rescued Springer Spanner called Sparky (from Spaniel Aid) and he joined our household in January, he's 10 years old.

Do you work? If so where/ what do you do?

I was a lady of leisure until recently then I landed a job as a repawter for Tigger Tails.

My job is to review dog friendly places I visit with Sparky and my humans.

My other job, which is equally as important, is keeping the settee warm for mum and ensuring the kitchen floor is kept free of crumbs.

If you could choose your name what would it be?

I'm happy with Skye as one of my favourite places I share the same name with is the Isle of Skye.

I love Skye Tails treats which are made on the island.

INTERVIEW WITH - SKYE

What is your favourite food? Bananas but I'm also partial to fish and chips.

Where is your favourite place to be?

At home it's on the settee. When I'm not on the settee I like to be at a beach or in a wide open field chasing my ball.

What is your favourite way to entertain yourself (annoy your humans)?

I like to nibble at my nether regions to make sure all is in order but mum and dad complain I'm not very quiet at it. BOL!

What is your greatest accomplishment?

Becoming a repawter for Tigger Club News and being able to hear bananas being peeled in another room. My mum says every time she's peeling a banana I suddenly appear at her side.

What is your next goal in life?

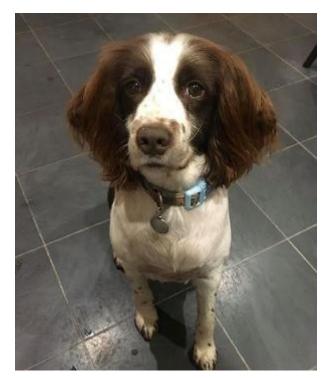
To sleep all day on the settee without being disturbed.

If you could be/do anything for a day, what would it be?

I'd like to be a monkey so I could climb trees and eat bananas all day. That would be pawsome, BOL!

Finally and most importantly...What was your human's most embarrassing moment?

I have a tendency for leaving brown skid marks on the settee and on mum and dad's bed. This appawently causes mum and dad to become red-faced when we get visitors. Mum says despite being a lady I'm not very ladylike, BOL!



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Product:

Cost:

£7.99

Kong Impact Toy

Date Bought:

Brief Description:

on the outside.

robustness.

This is a squishy toy that has

the feel of tennis ball material

When squishing it, it becomes

layers of material to give some

clear that there are several

resistance and a feeling of

However as it had the tennis

ball material on the outside, it

July 2019

PRODUCT REVIEW - KONG IMPACT TOY

My human bought a Kong Impact toy rat from a local well known animal accessories shop. was not rated very high on the survival expectations by my humans.

Review:

I was excited by the size and texture of the toy. I bit into it as hard as I could and was quite surprised to find a squeak in the very centre of the toy. Also much to my human's delight it was not a loud annoying squeak.

I set about biting, chewing and throwing the toy about as I expected it to last the usual 3 to 5 minutes of 'testing'. However after a good 20 to 30 minutes I had to have a drink and a lie down !!

I do have to warn you that it is quite weighty, so any throwing and bouncing may result in fragile things being broken. I have had my toy several months now and I still have not destroyed it. The squeaky still works too. Amazing!

The tennis ball outer material is starting to look a bit shabby now but don't be fooled, it is still intact. I love the fact the stitching has not come apart either.

Rating: 10/10 Paws

The look is great, the texture is great and the squeaky still lives!

I do not give perfect marks very often, but kong have made a pawsome toy that has survived the Tigger test.

Well done !





Do you have a product you would like me to review? Email me the details at: tigger@tigger.club

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Events and Announcements

1st June

Sparky will be celebrating his 10th Birthday on the 1st of June



Hamish (the cat) will be celebrating his 19th Birthday in June



Posy will be celebrating her 1st Gotcha Day on the 1st of June



2nd June

Ramsey will be celebrating his 8th Birthday on the 2nd June



3rd June

Esme will be celebrating her 5th Birthday on the 3rd June



Novak will be celebrating his 2nd Birthday on the 3rd June



8th June

Trouble will be celebrating his 3rd Gotcha Day on the 8th of June



14th June

BollyBigBolt will be celebrating his 6th Gotcha Day on the 14th June



Alan and Tommy will be celebrating their Birthday on the 14th June



EVENT - Group Walk: - 14th June Cannock Chase tweetup - Staffordshire Arrive 10:45am for 11:00am start

EVENT - Great Greyhound Walk - 14th June Deben Leisure Centre, Station Road Woodbridge IP12 4AU - 11am to 1pm

Cherry will be celebrating her 14th Gotcha Day on the 14th of June



16th June

Malty is celebrating his 6th Birthday on the 16th of June



24th June

Miss Starhound will be celebrating her 12th Birthday on the 24th of June



If you would like your announcements and events listed here and on my website, email your requests to: <u>tigger@tigger.club</u>

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Out and About

MERRIVALE SETTLEMENT - DEVON

Merrivale Settlement PL20 6ST

Four Winds car park, off the B3357. The settlement is a five minute walk from the car park.

Facilities: None on site

Entry: Free for everyone Open: seasonal - check website **Dogs:** on leads Parking: There is limited parking at the

Notes: The site is located in the middle of the moor, parts of which are uneven. Dartmoor is known for its changeable weather conditions so come prepared as the site is remote and very exposed.

Contact:

Website: www.englishheritage.org.uk Tel: 0370 3331181

PEVERIL CASTLE - DERBYSHIRE



Peveril Castle S33 8WQ

Entry: Free for EH Members **Open:** seasonal - check website Dogs: on leads

Parking: No parking on site. There is charged public car parking nearby (approximately 5 minutes away)

Facilities: Shop Toilets Picnic Area Exhibition

Notes:

Unfortunately the castle site itself is not accessible for people with walking problems or to people in wheelchairs. Please note that whilst the visitor centre is accessible to wheelchair users, it is located at the top of a short steep slope which may represent a challenge to some self propelled wheelchair users.

There is a tarmac pathway leading up to the site. There is a gravel path around the castle, along with grass and steps.

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Lydford Castle - Devon



Lydford Castle EX20 4BH

Entry: Free for everyone **Open:** seasonal - check website Dogs: on leads

Parking: There is a free car park in the village opposite the Castle Inn.

Facilities: None on site

Notes: The site comprises three separate areas. To access the Norman Fort follow the track bearing left from the castle entrance, which takes you behind the church.

The Saxon Town Banks are bisected by the main village street. Entrances to the sites are located next to Nicholls Hall and Clifton Cottage.

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DOVER CASTLE - KENT

Dover Castle CT16 1HU

Entry: Free for EH members **Open:** seasonal - check website

Dogs:

on leads and in the grounds only

Parking:

Free parking for up to 200 cars, plus peak time and events off-site parking with a free mini-bus connection to site.

Note: car park located on-site, and so opens at the same time as the castle.

Facilities:

Gift shop Food and drink Toilets picnic area museum Exhibition Gardens

Notes:

Wheelchair access is available within the grounds; Arthur's Hall; Stone Hut; Princess of Wales's Royal Regiment and Queen's Regiment Museum; WWI Gun Emplacement. Great Tower has access to ground floor only.

Access to church is by arrangement only.

Note that Pharos has access over gravel path. Blue Badge Holders' car park (near to Great Tower) pay at Canon's Gate pay box.

Land train connection to other parts of the site. On event days, you will be directed to park at other locations on site, no parking near Great Tower.

The land train stops outside the upper car park, Blue Badge Holders car park, Medieval Tunnels and the NAAFI Restaurant. The land train is equipped with a wheelchair ramp, however please note that this is suitable for conventional wheelchairs only, and is not able to accommodate larger mobility scooters or powered wheelchairs.

Great Tower: upper floors up steep flights of narrow steps. There is no lift access in the Medieval part of the castle.

There are several benches and places to rest dotted around the site.

Gradients Extensive grounds mainly accessible on tarmac paths, however, there are some very steep slopes. Gravel, tarmac and cobble some steep and sloped.

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