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CRAYFISH PLAGUE AT CRATHORNE

The Environment Agency has confirmed a case of crayfish plague in the River Leven at Crathorne, near Middlesbrough

This disease is fatal amongst the rare, native white-clawed crayfish population that live and breed in North East waters.

It is carried by the invasive American signal crayfish and it is likely that these fungal spores have been transferred from another river or catchment which contains a population of American Signal crayfish.

Ecology officers took samples from the river in early August after 40 native white-clawed crayfish were found dead along a 700-metre stretch of river.

The Environment Agency is in the process of trying to prevent the spread of the disease.

They are also studying the river to see if any crayfish have survived. If some of the population has survived, they will start a study programme to monitor them over the coming years.

They are also asking for help from the public in areas where crayfish live

They are asking the public to keep out of the river for the remainder of August.

This is because plague spores can stay in the water, and on damp footwear and equipment, for up to 28 days.

If people, dogs and equipment do enter the water, or spend time around the bank sides, please make sure they are extra rigorous with their cleaning as the spores spread easily to other water bodies through muddy footwear, fishing gear and recreational equipment like canoes.

The Environment Agency are urging people to clean and dry footwear and equipment after spending time in and around watercourses. Anything that has contact with the water and riverbank needs to be cleaned thoroughly after use with warm water and environmentally friendly detergent. Then fully dried for 48 hours to make sure all parasites are killed.

The Crayfish Plague is only harmful to native white-clawed crayfish and can not be transmitted to humans or other animals.

More about crayfish:

White clawed crayfish are

usually brown or olive in colour, have large claws that are cream or rosy white underneath, which is where they get their name from.

They grow to about 8 to 12 cm long and live for around 12 years.

They eat invertebrate, carrion and water plants.

They are eaten by herons, fish and otters.

Crayfish only live in clean mineral rich water, so are an important indicators of good quality water.

They are the only species native to the UK.

Other species of crayfish from other countries.

Since the 1970s there has been more than a 50% decline in the areas where white-claws live in England and Wales and they are still declining rapidly.



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A MESSAGE FROM TIGGER



Hi Pals, I started up my Tweet Ups again recently.

It was a small gathering with 6 hounds, including myself.
The first tweet up was at Northumberlandia, which is a great on lead venue with both flat and hilly walks. Depending on what you want to do.

We had to observe social distancing, so we all had to sit

apart, but thankfully there were still plenty of treats being handed out BOL!

I am hoping to have regular tweet ups, so if you see me, say hello.

Nose bump to you Tigger

NEWS FROM DORIS - THE ROVING REPORTER



Hey pals, how's everyone been in the heat? Gosh it's hot eh, lots of none-walks and time lying underneath wet towels. I was, obviously, fine but of course the humans panicked uncontrollably all week watching my breathing. A few times I slept particularly heavily and they really lost the plot, silly humans. Anyway, it meant a week or so of lockdown for me so I didn't do much. Luckily, for a travelling hound, I'd been away the previous week. Where to I hear you ask, Andorra, France, Switzerland? Nope Brighton, yes Brighton, where I live! Due to 'having to try out a new awning' we went on a motorhome holiday 2 miles up the road. Honestly, what was all that about? Needless to say I approached our 'holiday' with the full excitement and gusto of an out

of town visit. I packed my bed and bowl and settled down for the 15min drive.

I have to say though, Brighton caravan site is rather nice, and on the edge of town so felt like a break. The countryside was full of squeaky animals rather than seagulls and there were no bangings of bin lorries. The campsite owner had a good chuckle when we answered 'have you been to Brighton before?' and our nosey caravan neighbours soon lost interest when we explained how we knew the area.

And sothe awning erection began. Firstly, I needed to lie down and attempt to sleep on the laid-out tarpaulin only to be unceremoniously turfed off. This will routinely occur when the awning goes up and down. Next, I got myself tied up on my 'dog rope' at a suitably tricky time for Elaine to untie me. This, naturally was followed by nose whining and eventually barking. It's the law.

After the awning was successfully built (ie pumped up), I either refused to sit inside (or outside) depending on temperature and what's going on with the caravan next door. Happy days.

I'll let you know how my management skills play out next time when I go on proper holibobs (hopefully outside Brighton)

Dozza the useful awning putterupper x

https://dozontour.blog/



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YODA AND CHEEZLT'S SCRATCHING POST



Hi pallys!
We hope that everyone
(human and animal) is doing ok
and surviving the best they can
in this crazy world. We were
going to say that we hope
everyone is surviving the heat
of the summer, but we forget
that some of you might live
under the equator thing.

Momma says that if you live on top of that equat...whatever (like we do), that it is hot now. But, if you live under it, then it is cold now. We have no idea what any of that means, and don't understand why the world is like that. It seems too confusing. The weathers should be the same everywhere. Just because...then it wouldn't be confusing. Ok. We are getting ourselves too confused with trying to figure that out.

We have had the hot weathers here lately. We heard that

August is called the "Dog Days of Summer". We don't understand that either. We are so confused by trying to figure out what that means. Dogs don't just get hot. The kitties, and birdies, and squirrelies, and humans...they all get hot too! People sure do come up with lots of oddball stuff to say.

We don't quite see how the human species has lasted so long...they are not always so very smart with things. They, obviously, need some help in the imagination and creativity department...or they need to come up with better words. They just need help all around.

Whatever the weather is where you are, we hope it is not too bad. It's been hot here, but in about three months, it's going to get very, very cold. Well, it's supposed to be cold.

Sometimes it's not super cold, but only a tiny bit cold. We are never too sure what to expect. But, we stay inside, so it doesn't really matter to us.

Momma always seems to worry about the outside animals when it is either too hot or too cold outside. We don't quite understand that either (boy, we sure don't seem to understand much at all)...because she has six very wonderful cats inside to take up her time and attention. She doesn't have to think about any other "animals" except for us!

We need to work on her.

Maybe do some hypnotic therapy or talk to her while she is asleep or some subliminal stuff like that...make her a better human (well, a better staff member to serve us). Especially since she is our only staff member.

We have a lot to figure out now. Us talking has brought up a lot of questions we have to ponder.

Til Next Month, Pals,

Yoda & CheezIt (and the others)



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Needle Felting Dogs

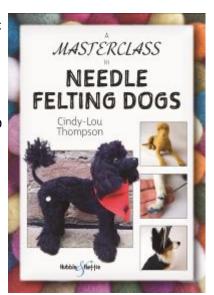
- By Cindy Lou Thompson

The art of needle felting dogs can produce amazingly hyper-realistic – almost taxidermic – results, and with a little know-how, some needles and wool, and a few inexpensive accessories, you can also needle felt like a professional.

Learn to create hyper-realistic needle felted dogs, with step-by-step instructions and photos from start to finish. Written by a master of needle felting, the book details a range of methods for coat textures, shapes, finishes and realistic accessories.

Take your needle felting to another level.

You can purchase your copy here: Needle Felting Dogs



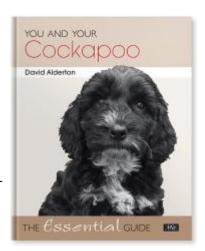
You and your Cockapoo

- By David Alderton

Crossbreeding between different types of dog is not a new phenomenon, and, over recent years, interest in crossbreeding has grown, partly due to curiosity but more significantly because the role of dogs in our lives has undergone a dramatic change as they have become one of the family. As a result, breeders are seeking to create new, distinctive, friendly companion dogs that will thrive in domestic surroundings.

The lovable Cockapoo is one of the oldest members of the so-called 'designer dog' group, and, in this essential guide, you will find everything you need to know about choosing, buying and enjoying your Cockapoo.

You can purchase your copy here: You and your Cockapoo



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IN THE KITCHEN



Article By: Fred and Tess

We had a jar of doggy peanut butter in the fridge that Mum claimed was taking up room. And, there were tons of ripe bananas so we decided to use them both up.

After mixing the dough, we left Mum to do the cutting out of the shapes as Dad and us decided it was more fun to watch and bark (not Dad! BOL!) at the workmen whilst they tarmac

the pavement outside our house!

But we were back for the removal from the oven and tasting! BOL!

Peanut Butter, Banana and Coconut Bisquits (Makes 38 bone shaped bisquits)

Ingredients:

100g wholemeal flour

100g rolled oats

70g dog friendly peanut butter

1 banana, mashed

4 tbsp water

3 tbsp coconut oil, melted

Method:

1 Heat oven to 160 fan and line two baking trays with baking parchment.

2 Mix all the ingredients together in a bowl until well combined and you have a dough

3 Turn the dough out onto a lightly floured surface and roll the dough out to 5mm thick. Cut out shapes (we used bone shape cutter) then place them onto the baking trays.

Roll out scraps and cut into shapes until you have

no dough left.

4 Bake for 18 minutes, then leave to cool on the baking trays.

Storage:

When cold, store in an airtight container (will keep for a week).









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TIGGER'S GREEN PAW - IN THE GARDEN

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.

Carrots

Animal Safety: Dogs: Yes Cats: With care Rabbits: In Moderation

Free Grazing: Yes

Lifespan: Vegetable planted as needed

Sow: March to June

Harvest: May to December

Soil Type: light, well-drained but moisture-retentive soil

Position: Likes the full sun

Growth: depending on variety planted. From 2 to 20 inches long

Varieties: Several hundred

Growing information: Seeds are planted in the ground or pots where they will be allowed to grow

until harvesting.

How to use:

Free grazing:

Dogs: Safe for free grazing for dogs.

Cats: Could cause a bit of upset tummy as cats do not have the enzymes required to eat vegetation

Rabbits: rabbits don't naturally eat root vegetables, but access in moderation if they start snacking

on growing carrot leaves

Raw:

Dogs: Carrots fed raw are a good natural wormer. Can be roughly chopped up into big or small

pieces and added to food

Cats: Must be chopped into smaller pieces, but will probably not thank you for a piece anyway.

Rabbits: quite surprisingly, do not eat a lot of carrots and should only be fed a small amount once

or twice a week.

Cooked:

Dogs: Can be added whole, sliced or chopped to food

Cats: Small pieces can be added to food, , but will probably still not thank you for any.

Rabbits: Not safe to be fed cooked carrots

Storage:

It is better to try and harvest as you use the carrots.

Can be stored as long as they remain fresh to eat.

Can be frozen if they are to be cooked.



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DUKE VISITS BADDESLEY CLINTON



Repawter: Duke

The National Trust is now letting you walk in the grounds with a pre booked ticket. So we went to Baddesley Clinton.



Although I think hoodad should have brought his cutters with him to see the sign better. The good news was they had signs telling you how to have fun safely.



In the car park was QR codes to download to your phone for walks on the estate.



Hoomans were prepared in advance and had a walk printed off. The first choice was walk or shop but sadly the shop wasn't open yet so the decision was made.



The path to the left by a church with the same name as hoodad. But no barking was allowed as a service was going on.





Then along a path and then at the side of the country lane.





The path then took us across two fields then we came across a problem. Well actually about 50 cows by the gate we needed to go through. We attempted to walk calmly down the field but the cows wanted to say hello so we took a quick walk back out of the field.

After the Hoomans had caught their breath - unfit hoodad got his GPS to find another route home.

We got back safely by now it was warm so after 4 miles we were zorsted!

Hoodad went in the shop to get my visitors passport stamped whilst we had a kip!



A fun safe walk and way better than the block!

Keep safe Love and licks Duke

SCOUT AND HOME IS WHERE THE ART IS

I recently repawted that Scout was to feature on the TV show, Home is where the Art is on BBC 1. On the show humans get to choose an art piece from three different artists that use different artistic methods and materials.



Then a very badly timed government announcement delayed the actual airing of it.

After much anticipation, and what felt like forever, the programme was aired and I eventually got to watch the episode. Woo Hoo!

It was definitely worth the wait and I would recommend you watch it if you haven't seen it yet.

I contacted Scout and even though he has a very busy schedule, he and his family had time for an interview.



I First interviewed Scout:

How did you get to be on Home is where the Art is?

We spotted a post on our local rescue's Facebook page (East Midlands Dog Rescue) by one of the show's producers looking for a special rescue dog to feature in an art program.

We emailed and then had to do a Skype interview (Sparky was very naughty during this, throwing himself around).

How long did filming actually take?

The filming started in the Summer and finished in November.

Did you get to meet the artists or the hosts of the show?

I got to meet Anthony the wood sculptor when he delivered my HUGE wooden Scout sculpture
He had lots of very special Scouty kisses.



What was the best bit about the show?

The best bit of the show was when me, Misty, Sparky and

Mouse got to run around a huge field being silly for the film crew, we did make them laugh so much and they couldn't believe how fast I can run!

Were you happy with your humans choices?

I was really happy with both of the choices, I am glad one of me wasn't left behind.



Interviewing his furfamily:

Did you get to meet the artists and hosts?

We all got to meet Anthony the wood sculptor who was a lovely chap and didn't mind us climbing all over him.

Were you squirreled away when the artists visited?

We had to be out of the house when the artists visited and went on a day trip to Stratford.

We then had a sleep over at Aunty Sandy's house at the rescue.

SCOUT AND HOME IS WHERE THE ART IS (CONT.)

Were there loads and loads of treats involved?

We had LOTS of treats during our filming segments to stop us from running off!



Interviewing Scout's Humans:

Did you enjoy your experience?

We loved the experience from start to finish.

We would never have considered the type of artwork that we chose which just goes to show how art can change your way of thinking.

Both pieces tell their own story.

The ceramic piece shows Scout's quirky side and cheeky sense of humour



Whereas the wooden sculpture tells more of Scout's journey through life represented by the intricately carved symbols that circle the plinth that Scout sits on - his book, For the Love of Scout, the Green Plague that celebrates Scout's achievements and of course, his beloved Mickey Mouse, his first ever toy



You can follow and chat with Scout on his social media pages:

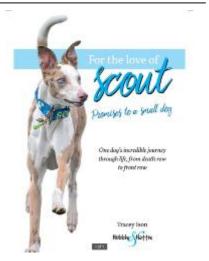
Scout the Short Sighted Sighthound

If you want to more about his story, you can get a copy of his pawtobiography,:

For the love of Scout promises to a small dog Which is his life story, from death row pound hound to much loved family pet. A story of bravery and love and with lots of added woofs and licks. Scout's My mission in life is to show that dogs with disabilities, much like himself can live a full and happy life. As his mum says - be more Scout!"

More information:

Scout's (Mum's) Website: www.traceyison.co.uk



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Pawsome Pensions is a registered charity that has been set up to help support retired Police Dogs from Devon, Dorset and Cornwall Police services and Fire dogs from Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Services.

They are incredibly fortunate that their Police dogs receive a one off payment from the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner when they retire, but as you can imagine this doesn't last long.

It is Pawsome Pensions intention to enhance this generous donation and raise money to ensure their dogs receive the best Veterinary care possible, ensuring they have an excellent quality of life in their retirement years by helping towards their veterinary care and any treatment they need. It is the least they can do for the years spent working for the Police and Fire Services.

A working Police or Fire dog

PAWSOME PENSIONS

can serve many years, providing an invaluable service to the communities they work in and the officers they work with.

When the dogs retire the handler or the new adopter take on the full responsibility for that dog and all the financial commitments of caring for a retired working dog.

Most dogs will retire at the end of their service, however some retire early due to illness or injury. Seeking insurance for veterinary care of a retired Police or Fire dog is possible but it can be difficult.

Due to their jobs and their age at retirement insurance comes at a premium price and doesn't cover any pre-existing injuries.

Pawsome Pensions attend various events over the year in the Southwest fundraising and promoting Animal welfare. They do this by engaging and informing the public of the work they are doing to provide assistance to the Police and Fire dogs.

They also inform the public of the working life of a Police or Fire dog, by engaging with them and explaining the role played by the dogs. At some events they also provide a Police dog display.

More about Pawsome Pensions **Website:**

www.pawsomepensions.org.uk

Tel: 07310047068

One of the retired dogs that is happy Pawsome Pensions is there in case he needs them.

Blitz

Blitz was a General Purpose Police dog trained to search, track and detain people. Blitz worked in Plymouth for most of his career, during the latter part of his service he worked with his handler in the training school teaching pups the skills they need to be excellent police dogs! Blitz was retired to his handler and is spending his retirement sitting in the sun and barking at the postman. His favourite toy is his rubber ball and his favourite treat is a cocktail sausage.



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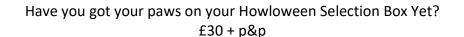
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August

Lily crossed the Rainbow Bridge on the 5th of August 2020 Run free Lily



2nd September

Alf will be Celebrating his 13th Birthday on the 2nd of September



Skye will be Celebrating her 2nd Gotcha Day on the 2nd of September



2nd September

Simba will be Celebrating his 15th Birthday on the 2nd of September



5th September

Daragh will be Celebrating his 6th Gotcha Day on the 5th of September



Bailey will be celebrating her Birthday across the Rainbow Bridge on the 5th September



EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (CONT.)

5th September

Meg crossed the Rainbow Bridge on the 5th of September 2019 Run free Meg



Grace will be celebrating her 14th Birthday on the 5th of September



6th September

Barney will be celebrating his Birthday across the Rainbow Bridge on the 6th of September



7th September

North East Dog Festival - Northumberland
9.30am to 5pm
** May be postponed due to covid **

8th September

Event: 8th of September

EMDR Fun Dog Show - Leicestershire

Event opens 11am

** May be postponed due to covid **

12th September

Misty will be Celebrating her 7th Birthday on the 12th of September



13th September

Group Walk: 13th of September

Cannock Chase tweetup - Staffordshire

Arrive 10:45am for 11:00am start

** May be postponed due to covid **

20th September

Monty crossed the Rainbow Bridge on the 20th of September 2019 Run free Monty



21st September

Miss Daisy Crossed the Rainbow Bridge on the 21st September 2017 Surrounded by her Whippet guard of honour



22nd September

Rolohound will be Celebrating his Birthday across the Rainbow Bridge on the 22nd of September



Sparky will be Celebrating his 7th Birthday on the 22nd of September



24th September

Feargal is celebrating his Gotcha Day across the Rainbow Bridge on the 24th of September 05/05/09—25/07/19



30th September

Rosieroo is celebrating her 2nd Gotcha Day on the 30th of September



OUT AND ABOUT

STOTT PARK BOBBIN MILL - CUMBRIA



Stott Park Bobbin Mill LA12 8AX

Entry: Free for English Heritage members

Open: seasonal - check website

Dogs: on leads

About:

On the shores of Lake Windermere in Cumbria, this extensive working mill produced literally millions of wooden bobbins vital to the Lancashire spinning and weaving industries.

It is the only working bobbin mill left in the Lake District today.

The story of the Bobbin Mill is brought to life with tours and an exhibition.

Visitors can also see the journey from tree to bobbin first hand during production on the original belt driven machinery.

A hands-on family trail with dressing up for children helps visitors to imagine what it was like to work at the mill.

Although small compared to other mills, some 250 men and boys (some drafted in from workhouses) worked here over the years in often arduous conditions to produce a quarter of a million bobbins a week.

Parking:

The lower mill car park has seven spaces and three designated disabled spaces. This car park is 50 metres from the reception and mill entrance. The top car park is a pay and display car park with parking for 15 cars and up to three coaches and is 200 metres from the mill reception.

Car parking fees are refunded for members and visitors undertaking a guided tour.

Facilities:

Shop - with vending machines for hot drinks and a limited amount of pre packaged snacks

Toilets
Picnic Area
Museum
Exhibition

Gardens

Notes:

There is wheelchair access to the ground floor of the mill only.

The upper floor is accessed via steep wooden stairs.

Some loose gravel paths and smooth grass.

There is a pond and stream flowing through the mill site. Stott Park Bobbin Mill is built on sloping land. The site has slip hazards especially when wet.

Contact:

Website: www.english-

heritage.org.uk Tel: 0370 3331181



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Hound Tor - Devon



Hound Tor Village TQ13 9XG

Entry: Free for Everyone

Open: seasonal - check website

Dogs: on leads

About:

The extensive, atmospheric remains of this isolated village lie on the eastern edge of Dartmoor.

The settlement consists of a cluster of 13th century stone longhouses – in which the family lived at one end and the animals at the other – on land that was originally farmed in the Bronze Age.

Hound Tor was probably deserted in the early 15th century.

From the top of Greator Rocks, there is a fine view over the abandoned village and the surrounding moors.

Parking:

There is limited parking in Swallerton Gate Car Park, located approximately 1.7 miles after turning off the B3387.

Facilities:

None

Notes:

As Dartmoor is a National Park directional and descriptive

signage is very limited in order to protect the natural beauty of the area.

We would suggest taking an OS map to help locate the site. We would also recommend downloading the audio guide below to make the most of your visit.

Dartmoor is known for its changeable weather conditions and the site is remote and very exposed.

The walk to the site from the car park is half a mile over Hound Tor itself and includes a challenging climb.

Contact:

Website:

www.english-heritage.org.uk

Tel: 0370 3331181



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