

## TIGGER CLUB NEWS

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#### PUPPY DOG EYES

We need to watch out pals. It looks like the humans have caught on to our best treat gathering and cuddle weapon.

If it is true then we are really going to have to work hard to stop our humans finding out or spend ages retraining them.



Me training my human

Some human scientists have been researching to see if our puppy dog eyes look is an involuntary action or if we are able to control humans by using them.

The scientists have discovered that over the last 33,000 years of us living with and training humans, we have developed new facial muscles.

They have researched this by studying dogs and wolves. It was discovered that the muscle is present in domesticated dogs but not in wolves.

The wolf is not domesticated and generally does not come into contact with humans. So over the thousands of years they had no need to develop these facial muscles.

One is called the levator anguli oculi medialis, or LAOM muscle. (medial corner of thyroid eve) Another muscle they found was present in dogs but not wolves or Huskies. It was the retractor anguli oculi lateralis or RAOL muscle. (retractor corner of lateral eyes).

Scientists love giving things Latin names to make them sound more impressive. Once they are translated they turn out to be

really boring names.

I think they should have called it oculos canis catulus or even oculis humanis disciplinis BOL!

So pals, if you see your human looking for more information or reading anything about Puppy Dog Eyes, please make sure you stop them straight away or your path to easy treats and pampering may come to a sudden stop.

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#### A MESSAGE FROM TIGGER



Hi readers,

I have been quiet on social media recently as I have been sulking. Normally I blame my humans but this time it was all my own fault.

I was having a brilliant zoomie session in my garden, which is

nothing unusual for me.

However, on this occasion I was running full speed towards the gates and nearly forgot to stop. I did an emergency power slide on the path which resulted in some very sore and scraped paw pads.

I don't know what was worse, hurting them or the daily salt washes on my paws. My human said I won't do that again. Although they seem to have forgotten about the last time I did it. BOL!

Nose bump to you Tigger



#### News from Doris - The Roving Reporter



Hi pals.

I haven't made it to Wales yet but Elaine promises we're going in June. To alleviate my disappoint she took me on a couple of day trips, both areas I know well but always super to visit. The first was Seaford, eastwards from casa Doris. It's a small place but has a smashing long and flat promenade. Dogs and cyclists love it. There are several outdoor cafes and a museums for history loving humans, personally I prefer the beach.

My second day trip was to Worthing, westwards from casa Doris. This is a regular haunt of mine as it's so dog friendly, not obviously but if you know where to sniff it's great. The Rose and Crown pub even has a sign saying 'no dogs' but there's often five of us in there! The Marine View hotel bar on the front is my favourite though as it has a fire and carpets, Elaine likes the fairy lights too. Many cafes also let hounds and the Travelodge on the seafront. Travelodges are great aren't they pals?

I've found that them, Best Westerns and Premier Inns nearly always take us pooches

in. Naturally
there's often a
charge which I
find amusing
as I am cleaner
than most
children
\*barks to self
in
amusement\*

So now back to my packing for Wales. Coats, jumpers, pjs, scarves..... honestly it takes ages. I requested a new travel bed for the motorhome too. Elaine stupidly bought me a tiny one but I still wanted it, I squidged my whole fat bum in there! So next month I'll have a Wales story or too and watch out for Tigger's updates on my travels.

Doz, trying to find her travel towel, x



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#### YODA AND CHEEZLT'S SCRATCHING POST



Hi Furriends!

Our Momma was cleaning the other day, and found a surprise...and not a good one.

We got in some trouble, and had to hide for awhile. Momma was giving CheezIt some pills (prescribed by the vet) for a cough he had. Well, it had been a few weeks, and CheezIt still had his cough. So he had to go

back to the v.e.t. This time he was prescribed a liquid antibiotic.

Momma was cleaning the other day. When she moved the couch to sweep the floor... there was a pile of pills! Oh no! That's why CheezIt never got better. He was spitting his pills out behind the couch where Momma couldn't see them! That little stinker! Nugget used to do that with the Benadryl pills Momma would give him. Now that CheezIt's deception has been found out, he has ruined it for all of us! Now

Momma is going to be extra vigilant when it comes to everything. We won't be able to spit out medicines.

We won't be able to hide toys under the stove and refrigerator (that's a whole other story). We will no longer have our privacy because Momma is going to be keeping her eyes on us "naughty little boys". Thanks a lot, CheezIt!

Have a great July, Furriends!
Til next time,
Yoda and CheezIt
(and BoyCat and Butter Bean)

#### Dusty's Diary



Hi Pals,

It's been a fun month, I have been on an adventure where we stayed in a field, and went on some amazing walkies in the countryside.

I had never stayed in a tent with my human before, and her fears about the tent taking off in the middle of the night if I sensed something interesting, remained unfounded!

I was a very good girl, although what I don't think the human realised was that I was exhausted from all of the excitement of staying in a field surrounded by sheep and cows and bunnies.

Plus, we were out walking in exciting new places all day! I found a lovely river to go paddling in, and we climbed lots of really big hills. But my favourite walkies was one we found by accident. I was following some great peemails in a field by some woods, and showed the

human a path up through the trees that smelled divine, I knew all sorts of exciting things were up that path. Well, about three hours later, we arrived back, covered in mud and exhausted from one of the best walkies ever!

If you ever get the chance Pals, camping is so much fun, it's like sleeping in a huge garden, with people cooking sausages on BBQs every night! Yum!

Until next time. Have a pawsome month Dusty



#### ON THE BOOKSHELF

#### Confessions of a veterinary nurse

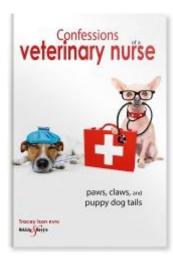
- By Tracey Ison

### From pigs to pugs, calves to kittens – the life and times of a veterinary nurse

Join Tracey on her humorous and bittersweet journey from trainee to fully-qualified veterinary nurse.

Filled with love, fluff, laughter and the occasional tear, Tracey's story is a fascinating insight into the hard work and dedication that goes into looking after animals, in sickness and in health.

You can purchase your copy from <a href="https://www.hubbleandhattie.com">www.hubbleandhattie.com</a> here: Confessions of a veterinary nurse



Even as a small child, Tracey dreamed of a career working with animals. That dream became a reality in 1986 when she secured a training position at a local veterinary practice. Fresh-faced and eager to learn, Tracey was thrown headfirst into life in a busy mixed animal practice.

From pigs to pugs, calves to kittens from day one, Tracey realised that this was going to be no ordinary job.

Working with some truly memorable characters, from a roguish practice principal to a head nurse who was a little too keen on a tipple, alongside committed and dedicated fellow veterinary nursing students, Tracey worked her way up from practice bucket washer to head nurse.

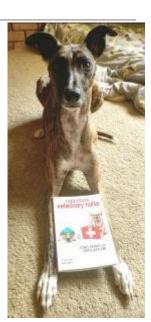
Assisting in life-saving and tricky operations, nursing sick animals back to health, and shedding more than a tear or two, this is a humorous and sometimes bittersweet account of the life and times of a veterinary nurse, where no two days are ever the same.

## Tigger's review of: Confessions of a veterinary nurse

Tracey has thrown back the curtain of mystery and takes you on a journey of her no holds barred account of her life at a veterinary practice. You will not look at your local veterinary practice in the same way again.

She takes you on a journey of stories and accounts from her experience that will leave you sad, shocked, breathless and roaring with laughter... sometimes all at the wrong times.

You will not be able to put this book down until you have read it all. I hope there is going to be more Confessions book as I will definitely be first in the queue.



#### IN THE KITCHEN



Recipe By: Fred and Tess

This is called allotment strawberry as Mum can't grow strawberries in our garden as we would eat them before they were ripe! BOL!

You can use any fruit.

#### **Allotment Strawberry Frozen Yogurt**

#### **Ingredients:**

#### For the Frozen Yoghurt-

200g halved strawberries (green top cut off) 750g plain yoghurt 1 tbsp runny honey.

#### To Decorate (one dish) -

Handful of halved strawberries
One banana, sliced in half lengthways
Handful of doggy chocolate drops
Mum's best banana split dishes

#### Method:

- 1) Blitz the strawberries in a blender, then add the honey and blitz again.
- 2) Add the yogurt and mix together until blended. Poor into a freezer safe dish and let it freeze.
- 3) Once frozen, you can eat the frozen yoghurt. Though you can eat it before it is frozen! BOL! We like ours made into a doggy-banana-split (our Dad is the best as Mum never makes us one, it is always Dad).

Arrange the cut banana on a dish, and add frozen yoghurt to the middle of the banana. Decorate with halved strawberries and the doggy chocolate.

4) Wolf it down and be careful of greedy guts little sister's that body-slam you out of the way to get to yours!

#### Storage:

No idea, we make sure there is none left to store BOL!





If you try any of these delicious recipes send in your pictures or if you have a recipe to share, email it to:

tigger@tigger.club

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#### PD JAY - THE THIN BLUE PAW



Hello All,

I am now ten months old and getting bigger and stronger. I have been a busy pup since my last canine column. Of the six pups on the programme I am by far the biggest, I am even bigger than dogs who are six months older than me. Stew says I am becoming a handful. I am at the 'teenager' age now — I sometimes don't do as I am told — Stew soon puts me straight!

My training is getting more serious, we are concentrating more on criminal work – I really enjoy this! Stew says when I attend my training sessions I have become more purposeful and driven.

I mentioned in my last article about having an invite to the Devon County Show as part of the Devon and Cornwall Police Dog demonstration. I took part on the first day of the show. I was to do the agility course. Stew wanted me to do the 'bite' on the sleeve, but the canine development officer

said another pup should have the chance – I was disappointed! Before going to the show we all gathered at the Devon and Cornwall Police Headquarters, I had a quick run around to stretch my legs. This was followed by a briefing by the chief canine instructor about our part in the event. I was with two older pups, they are three months older than me, plus three operational Police Dogs, one of which was a spaniel who is a specialist dog trained in searching for drugs, money and firearms, as people who deal in narcotics tend to have all three! We left the HQ and travelled in convoy to the show ground. I was getting really excited!

When we arrived at the showground we had a special taped off Police area. We had to do two demonstrations, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. We did basic obedience commands, sit, down and stay.



After this I did my demonstration, this involved going over an 'A' frame obstacle followed by going through a tunnel with some encouragement from Alison.



Prior to the display the chief canine instructor explained to the spectators that we are not a demonstration team as such, and all the adult dogs involved were operational Police dogs, and none of us had practised our routines, also the pups may get distracted by the crowds.

Fortunately I wasn't, I remained focused on what I had to do, well sort of — when I saw the 'bite sleeve' come out I wanted to get back into the arena! I was a bit naughty, when we were waiting to do our demo, an older pup had the sleeve in his mouth — I took it off him — they had trouble getting it back!

It was a long, hot day for us pups, as between demonstrations we undertook environmental training by walking round the noisy

#### PD JAY - THE THIN BLUE PAW (CONT.)

fairground rides, walking through crowds of people and meeting various types of animals.



The pups involved were; Nero, Jay and Nico. Sadly, I have just found out that Nero has failed his hip test

as has his sister Nicky (my cousins), both dogs have been removed from the programme and will have to be re-homed. I am okay as I had my hips checked recently.

Alison has been planting lots of lovely flowers in the garden, here I am contemplating which ones to pull out first!

Until next time – bye for now,

Jay



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#### PET BLOOD BANK GETS A MOBILE BLOOD UNIT

relied on the generosity of 'host' veterinary practices who

allow them use of their facilities to run donation



on average, five sessions run every week across the country. Pet Blood Bank collected over

3,000 units of blood last year.

This week the charity Pet Blood Bank UK has launched its first mobile blood unit with support from Petplan Charitable Trust.

Much like the human blood service, Pet Blood Bank UK provides a national canine blood bank. The charity dispatches blood day and night to help save the lives of dogs across the UK.

Until now, Pet Blood Bank has

Advances in veterinary medicine mean keeping stock levels up can be challenging, though.

The introduction of a mobile unit is an exciting development for the charity as it will allow extra sessions to run when blood stocks are low. It also means donation sessions can run in areas the charity did not cover before.

Funded by Petplan Charitable





Trust, the Pet Blood Bank mobile unit is a self-contained space where dogs can come to donate a unit of blood. The sessions in the mobile unit will run similarly to the charity's existing sessions.

The dog is first checked by a vet before donating approximately 450ml of blood. A bowl of food and water follows the donation, as well as a goody bag and toy to take home.

As demand for blood products continues to grow, it is vital that more dog donors come forward.Last year, Pet Blood Bank supplied over 5,000 blood products to help dogs in need.

Every unit of blood that is collected can help save the lives of up to four other dogs.

#### PET BLOOD BANK GETS A MOBILE BLOOD UNIT (CONT.)



Wendy Barnett, Clinical Director at Pet Blood Bank UK, said: 'The launch of the mobile unit gives us a fantastic opportunity to reach more donors, as well as the flexibility to run extra sessions at short notice.

This is something we always hoped to have and thanks to the fantastic support from Petplan Charitable Trust, it has become a reality. Most importantly, the mobile unit will help to save the lives of more dogs.'

David Simpson from Petplan Charitable Trust said: 'We are delighted to be supporting Pet Blood Bank.

Pet Blood Bank does tremendously valuable and lifesaving work in providing vitally needed blood to help sick pets.

Nor do we forget that none of it would be possible without

the active support of the dogs and the owners who volunteer to donate blood.'

Like humans, dogs have different blood types and currently stocks of DEA 1 Negative blood are low. Certain breeds of dog are more likely to have this blood type and so the charity would particularly like to hear from owners of the following breeds:

- Dobermanns,
- Greyhounds
- Boxers
- German Shepherds
- Flat-Coated Retrievers
- Airedale Terriers
- Weimaraners
- Lurchers
- American Bulldogs
- English Pointers
- English Bull Terriers.

To become a donor, dogs must be:

- Fit and healthy
- Between one and eight years old
- Weigh more than 25kg
- -Have a good temperament
- Have never travelled abroad
- Vaccinated
- Not on any medication

At the time of printing this, Pet Blood Bank UK is still arranging the schedule for their mobile blood unit.

They are anticipating it will be visiting several locations around the Midlands.

For up to date information about their mobile unit schedule or to register interest in becoming a blood donor, please visit their website:

www.petbloodbankuk.org
or call 01509 232222.

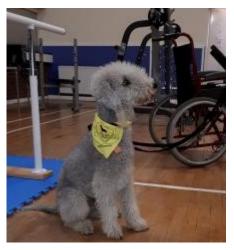


#### Animals with Careers - Dash

My name is Dash and I'm a very versatile Bedlington Terrier.

On Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June we met Tigger at the North East **Bedlington Terrier yearly** gathering .... at Bedlington, of course. We saw friends that we'd met at previous walks and gatherings and "social media friends" that we'd never seen face to face before. We got to visit some of the stalls and bought some lovely liver treats from Tigger. I'd met a very nice female Bedlington that I really wanted to get to know better J and was planning on showing off my agility skills to impress her but we had to leave earlier than expected. Never mind, there's always next year.

I am a volunteer for Therapy
Dogs Nationwide and was
assessed for my temperament
and schmoozing skills before
being allowed to visit as a
Therapy Dog. I have a uniform
which is quite bright and
matches Mother's official
T-shirt.



OnMonday 3<sup>rd</sup>
June we visited
an Activity Day
Unit near
Chester le
Street.
This is a charity
that opens up
the community
centre to
people with
brain damage
or the results of

Stroke and helps them to exercise and learn skills which help them to live independently.

On Monday night we went to agility training – yeehah! It's a lot of fun and I get to run and jump and go through tunnels. I love tunnels.

In fact, I sometimes run through tunnels just for the heck of it. Mother isn't fast enough to stay with me so it's her fault if I, mistakenly, put an extra tunnel or two into the course plan!

On Tuesday we made our weekly visit to a Primary School in Medomsley – again, through TDN who do all the paperwork so that we can just turn up and amaze the children with my listening skills. I have to be very calm in school, even though there are lots of strange noises and small people who all want to stroke and cuddle me at the same time. Well, I don't blame them.

I am irresistible after all.



If any of you are as irresistible as me and would like to volunteer with TDN you can contact them through their website. <a href="www.tdn.org.uk">www.tdn.org.uk</a>

I'm usually tired after being so irresistible but Mother takes me on nice walks, or "sniffaris", during the rest of the week as a reward for being so clever.

We did more agility training (and tunnels) on Thursday night and agility Weaves class on Saturday morning.

That's a bit more complicated than running through a tunnel — I have to wiggle a lot to get past those pesky poles but it's worth it when I get the treat at the end.

So, although I don't go around sticking my silky tassels down holes looking for rats I would say I am still quite versatile.

I hope you agree.

Dash

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Birthday and Gotcha Announcements



Blue will be celebrating her 5th Gotcha Day in July



Marley will be celebrating his 9th Birthday on the 5th of July



Ember Chops will be celebrating her Birthday on the 7th of July



Harley will be celebrating his 5th Gotcha Day on the 15th of July



Rodders will be celebrating his 2nd Gotcha Day on the 15th of July



Olly will be celebrating his 4th Gotcha Day on the 28th of July



Rainbow Bridge Announcements



Memories Announcements





Alice in Wooferland will be celebrating her Birthday over the Rainbow Bridge on the 1st of July 1st July 2005 - 22nd December 2017

Other Announcements



Announcements are FREE

If you would like to have your announcement added, then please email me at:

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#### OUT AND ABOUT

#### SILK HILL STABLES - DERBYSHIRE



Silk Hill Stables Derbyshire

#### About:

Luxury dog friendly accommodation for 2 people in the beautiful Peak District. Multiple dogs can often be taken by prior arrangement.

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We're even just a short walk from a friendly pub where your dog can dine with you (they even sell dog food), even better your canine friends stay for free.

Situated in beautiful countryside with an extensive range of scenic walks, from a stroll down the local canal to a

climb up Kinder Scout and after a day stretching yours, and the dogs, legs you can relax in the whirlpool bath or in front of the log burner while you use the free wi-fi to plan your next days adventures.

The cottage also has a romantic covered patio area with seating and a barbecue which is great for sitting out on long summer nights or cosy winter ones.

**Contact:** 

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**Website:** <u>www.peakdistrict-romanticcottage.com</u>

#### SILK HILL STABLES - READERS REVIEWS

**Review:** Tigger (@MaineValleyLark)

Silk Hill Stables.

Highly recommended!! Perfect for snoozing!



Review: Ceddars (@Ceddargeyhound)

Silk Hill Stables.

Love it there so dog friendly I would highly recommend it, so many beautiful places to visit and walks close by, looking forward to spending Christmas there

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#### OUT AND ABOUT

#### REDWOOD MEADOWS DOG ACTIVITY PARK—EDINBURGH



**Repawters:** Tess and Fred Woods

Redwood Meadows dog activity park is a 'by appointment only' facility offering you exclusive use of their sensory & activity park.

Located in the countryside a few miles south of Edinburgh (detailed directions given on booking).

#### **Entry:**

Paid slots of 30, 45 and 60 minutes. £10 an hour/£8 for 45 minutes/£6 for 30 minutes. Additional dogs living in your household £2.50 each – payable on arrival.

#### Open:

Open all year - Times can be arranged 10am-5pm daily. To book just let them know what times would be most suitable for you and they will work with you to get an ideal slot.

**Parking:** One vehicle per booking permitted unless approved by Redwood Meadows.

#### **Facilities:**

The 50 x 25 metre fenced area includes some features from dog agility – a 6 pole weave, 4 tunnels, 2 see-saws, several jumps, a chicken coop ball pit, a 'paw' jump, sand pit, paddling pool & a shepherd's crook with suspended soft balls to bop.



There are grassed areas for Frisbee, ball retrieving games and recall training. There is also a Sensory Area



which features a low Japanese style wooden bridge with gravel under, several logs, tree stumps and a nest swing for balance co-ordination, a 30 foot path with different surfaces and a large grassed multi-level mound imbedded with herbs and seasonal flowers and surrounded by meadow grass tufts.

They have wind chimes, bunting, a flagpole and seasonal decorations of interest to most doggy visitors.

#### Contact:

Website - <a href="https://redwood-meadows-dog-activity-park.business.site/">https://redwood-meadows-dog-activity-park.business.site/</a>



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