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### Open Hours:

Monday  
8:00am - 7:00pm  
Tuesday  
8:00am - 7:00pm  
Wednesday  
8:00am - 7:00pm  
Thursday  
8:00am - 5:00pm  
Friday  
8:00am - 5:00pm  
Saturday  
9:00am - 12:30pm  
Sunday  
9:00 - 12:00pm



# Sit & Paws

## Cambridge Vets



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## Guy Fawkes Coming Up! Whiz, Bang, Pop



Fun for us, maybe, but not for our pets. Guy Fawkes is an event most pet owner's dread. There is nothing fun about sitting inside with the curtains drawn, the TV on full volume, the cat hiding under the couch and the dog pacing and whining.

### Clues that your dog is not coping

- Panting although not hot
- Salivating
- Defecating or urinating in the house
- Tail tucked under body
- Ears down
- Shaking
- Hiding in odd places
- Whining
- Barking
- Not letting you out of their sight

### Clues that your cat is not coping

- Hiding
- Not interacting with you or other pets
- Over grooming
- Defecating inside
- Spraying urine
- Vocalising
- Less interest in food

Preparation is key for a fear free evening. There are multiple options to help your pets through the coming weeks of fireworks.

- Locking pets inside, check the cat door is closed as some cats try to bolt
- Do shut the curtains and turn on the TV/radio
- Offer hiding places up high for cats
- A covered crate could be reassuring for a dog that is crate trained
- A new chew treat or toy or bone could help distract some dogs
- Stay calm yourself, your heightened emotional state will not help
- Put the dog in the car and drive out into the country for the evening

If you have tried all of the above with limited success then a visit to your vet is a must, sooner rather than later. Some products do require a lead in time.

We have a variety of products available to help your pet cope with the anxieties of Guy Fawkes evening.

- Calmex capsules for dogs and liquid for cats, contains a naturally occurring sedative
- Pheromone products to calm, Feliway for cats and Adaptil for dogs. They come in a variety of options come chat with us to help work out what will be best for your situation
- Thunder coats for dogs. These work well on their own in some cases and when used in conjunction with drug therapies usually help the worst cases
- Drug therapies. Must be prescribed by your Vet and a viable option for those pets that hurt themselves and get very stressed out

All of the above options are also useful for pets that don't cope with thunder, heavy rain on the roof, duck shooting, etc...

For further information or support during this Guy Fawkes season contact Cindy here at the clinic.

**Weight Management Clinic**

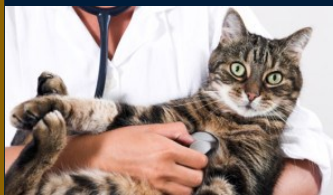
Don't forget we offer a free weight clinic here at Cambridge Vets which offers one on one support with a qualified nurse to help your pet get back into a healthy weight range.



Join us at our education evening for a behind the scenes look at what happens during your pets dental procedure!



**Protect your Pet with regular check ups!**



**The importance of dental care in our elderly pets**

Our pets give loyal and unconditional love for many years. This is probably what we love so much about them. We shower love and affection on them and do whatever we can to ensure their health and happiness, but one thing that is often overlooked is their dental health. We clean our own teeth regularly and visit the dentist but we don't think about our pets teeth. Our pets are statistically living longer than ever before and aging bodies need support. Joint formulas help arthritis, special foods help manage conditions like kidney failure and pancreatitis, and there is a food designed to help with dental hygiene.

The bacterial burden of an unhealthy mouth is huge and that bacteria is continually launching an assault on your pets other body systems. The bacteria is swallowed and sent along the digestion path, then absorbed into the blood stream, to being dealt with by the liver and excreted by the kidneys. These systems are aging along with the animal and have to work harder to minimise the harm produced by this bacterial overload.

Regular dental checks of your best friend's mouth, by your vet, will alert you to the possibility of problems and give you the opportunity to act on this information. A clean mouth is a pleasure to anyone that has been assaulted by dog or cat breath!!

Join us for our:

## FREE Small Animal Education Seminar

October 20th Thursday 2016!  
 Arrive at 6.15 for a 6.30 start.  
 At our new clinic on the Cnr Empire & Alpha Street  
 Cambridge

<p><b>Dental</b></p> <p>Every animal will need dental care at some point in their lives. How do we do this?</p>	<p><b>Parasites</b></p> <p>Guest speaker – addressing concerns with worms and fleas.</p>	<p><b>Vaccinations</b></p> <p>When to vaccinate and why is it important?</p>	<p><b>Nutrition</b></p> <p>Good food = Good health                  Learn about how a good diet can benefit your pet's wellbeing!</p>
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Please RSVP to Katrina on 07 827 7099 **Limited Space!**

**Have you heard about Rover?**

- \* Is it difficult to get your pet here to see us?
- \* Do you or your pet have mobility issues?
- \* Is your pet on regular arthritis injections?
- \* Is your pet due for a flea or worm treatment but you find this difficult?
- \* Do you require food deliveries?
- \* If you have multiple pets is it easier that we come to you for vaccinations and annual check-ups?



**ROVER CAN COME TO YOU!**

Normal prices apply along with a \$10 surcharge for in town services. T's and C's apply.