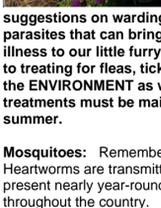




Fleas, Ticks and Mosquitoes...Oh My!



Summer is here and as many of us welcome the season, we also dread the pests that come with those warm sunny days. But never fear, relief isn't an impossible goal to reach. Below are a few suggestions on warding off those pesky little parasites that can bring so much discomfort and illness to our little furry friends. Remember the key to treating for fleas, ticks and mosquitoes is treating the ENVIRONMENT as well as the dog and these treatments must be maintained throughout the summer.

Mosquitoes: Remember to use heartworm preventive. Heartworms are transmitted by mosquitoes, which are present nearly year-round in southern regions and throughout the country.

Keep pets indoors during times when mosquitoes are most active -- dawn, dusk and early evening.

Eliminate areas of standing water that can serve as breeding grounds for mosquitoes, and remember to recheck after each rainfall.

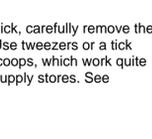
Change any outdoor water bowls a couple times a day to prevent mosquitoes from using them to lay their eggs.

Some topical flea and tick control products for dogs such as K9 Advantix now contain mosquito repellent.

The APCC does not recommend the use of mosquito control products that contain DEET. Dogs and cats are extremely sensitive to DEET and may develop neurological problems if a product formulated with DEET is applied to them.

Avoid using pest control products with concentrated essential oils such as tea tree, pennyroyal and d-limonene. Concentrates of these products have caused weakness, paralysis, liver problems and seizures in pets, plus their effectiveness is not proven.

Fleas and Ticks: Fleas and ticks cause a variety of problems in pets. Fleas feed on animal blood and can trigger problems including skin irritation, allergic reactions, anemia and in rare cases, death. They can also carry tapeworms, which can infest your pet. If you see small rice-like particles around the dog's anus or in his feces, he probably has tapeworms.



Ticks carry diseases such as Lyme and Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever, so you don't want them feeding on your pet either.

To catch fleas and ticks early on, comb your pet with a flea comb. Remember to check between the toes, behind and in the ears, in the armpits, around the tail and head. A clever tip: comb your pet over white paper. If fleas are present, you will see tiny black specks fall on the paper.

Flea Removal: Capstar tablets begin working within 30 minutes and will kill virtually every flea on the dog. The tablets are affordable and can be purchased at most pet supply stores.

Tick Removal: When finding a tick, carefully remove the whole tick from the pet's body. Use tweezers or a tick scoop for removing ticks. Tick scoops, which work quite well, are available at many pet supply stores. See [www.tickedoff.com](#) for details

Prevention, Treating Pets: Keep your pets healthy. Fleas and other parasites have less effect on healthy animals...and they tend to live on pets who are unhealthy and/or have weak immune systems.

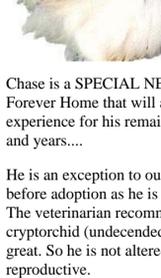
There are many modern effective flea and tick products, including several "spot on" types that are easy to apply to the skin such as Frontline (which is effective for killing fleas and ticks) and K9 Advantix (effective for fleas, ticks and mosquitoes). You may not need to use them year-round depending on your climate, but you should consider using them monthly during flea and tick seasons. Ask your veterinarian about effective medications, and learn the facts about the pest prevention you use. You can also find details about various products on the web.

Keep in mind that some adult-strength products are too harsh for young puppies, and that dog and cat products are not interchangeable since the strengths and formulas of the products differ.

Insect growth regulators (IGR) like lufenuron, methoprene, and pyriproxyfen can be used in combination or alone with other flea control/flea-killing products. They can help break the flea life cycle by inhibiting flea maturation. IGRs include Precor (used inside the home), Program (a pill taken orally by the pet), and Archer and FleaFix (which are applied to the environment by spray indoors and outdoors). Some pet owners pair Program with one of the topical products (such as Frontline) mentioned above.

This months Feature Doggie

Chase



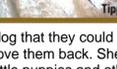
Sweet little Chase is about 6.0 lbs; has no teeth which lets his tongue hang out from time to time, but very happy, perky little guy.

Very friendly and loves to be with his foster mom -- to cuddle and a sleep companion. Chase is a SPECIAL NEEDS Pap. He needs a special Forever Home that will allow him to have a loving experience for his remaining days. Which could be years and years....

He is an exception to our mandate to alter all rescues before adoption as he is oxygen deficient under stress. The veterinarian recommended we not do surgery as he is cryptorchid (undescended testicles) and the risk was too great. So he is not altered, although, he is not reproductive.

Chase is a total luv-bug. He has bonded quickly and also understands - "outside" - which is surprising due to his history. He greets his foster mom at the door, wants to be on the bed with everyone else at night.

According to vet records - there is may be a tumor or enlarged heart and he has a hole in his nasal cavity due to rotten teeth most likely (which has been treated) His tongue turns blue when very stressed or excited due to the breathing problems. Someone interested in a luv-bug/lapdog would be the perfect home for this little boy!!

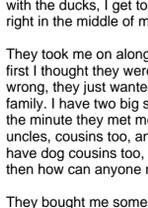


CHASE

(If you would like more information on adopting chase [click here](#). If you would like to contribute to his medical care [click here](#).)

Happy Tails

Tipper's Story



Hi my name is Tipper, I am Papillon, Border Collie mix, and I would like to tell you how I came to live with my new mom and dad!

My mom says that she and my dad looked for along time for a dog that they could love and take care of, and that would love them back. She looked on the Internet at all the cute little puppies and other dogs, and then she saw me and said that I had such a cute and sweet little face that she just couldn't resist trying to adopt me (but then who wouldn't fall in love with this face?) So she contacted Paphaven and filled out the application, then she said that it felt like she waited along time before she and my dad were approved.

The very day, that they were approved, they came to pick me up and bring me to my new home. At first I was really scared and didn't know what was going on, but after we got home I was a little more relaxed and now I have been with my new parents for a little over a month and I am so spoiled (but then so are they) ha ha, they give me so much love! and take me for walks around the lake so I can play with the ducks, I get to sleep where ever I want to, which is right in the middle of mom and dad.

They took me on along trip to a place called Arizona and at first I thought they were giving me away! But boy was I wrong, they just wanted me to meet the rest of my new family. I have two big sisters that just fell in love with me the minute they met me, and grandparents, aunts and uncles, cousins too, and that is just the humans, I also have dog cousins too, and everyone just loved me (but then how can anyone not love this face) ha ha.

They bought me some toys but I really don't play with them much, I just love to sit in their laps and let them rub my tummy or scratch my head I think that I am training them real well, and I love my new home very much. Well this is my story and as you can tell I am smiling!



SHOPPING MALL
(items saved by PapHaven members)

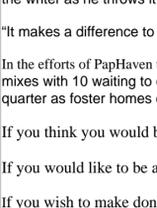
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*"Dogs are our link to paradise. They don't know evil or jealousy or discontent. To sit with a dog on a hillside on a glorious afternoon is to be back in Eden, where doing nothing was not boring--it was peace."
-Milan Kundera*

Joys of Fostering



Loren Eiseley tells the story of a writer who is vacationing in a hotel on the coast and decides to take a break from his work by strolling along the sandy beach. In the distance, he spies a person whom he believes, at the time, is dancing, and is so intrigued he investigates further.

As he approaches the "dancer," he realizes it is a young man and he is not dancing, but throwing objects from the beach into the ocean. He gets closer still and discovers that the man is picking up starfish from the beach, where thousands have been stranded by low tide, and is throwing them back, one by one, into the ocean.

The writer asks the man why he is undertaking such a task and the man replies that if he does not, the starfish will certainly die.

At this, the writer scoffs and informs the man that there are miles and miles of beach and tens of thousands of starfish and he can't possibly believe that what he is doing will make a difference.

The young man pauses and gives thought to this observation. Then, picking up another starfish from the beach, he tells the writer as he throws it back into the ocean...

"It makes a difference to this one."

In the efforts of PapHaven to help "just one" since our inception less than 2 years ago, we have rescued 163 Paps and Pap mixes with 10 waiting to come into our rescue and adoption program. We currently have **over 100 members** with one quarter as foster homes caring for **44 animals** and the numbers continue to grow!

If you think you would be a great foster home, [click here](#) fill out the form (directions at the bottom of the form).

If you would like to be a PapHaven Representative, use [this form](#).

If you wish to make donations of supplies, money or anything else that may help this effort, please go to our [contact us page](#).

Questions

Q. Every time we have a thunderstorm my dog gets very scared and she appears uncomfortable and she only wants to hide in my arms. What can I do to help her?

A. Many dogs, especially in the southeast experience "storm phobia" which can get worse over time and if not handled carefully can lead to further problems simply by the amount of stress it places the dog under. The first response of many is to soothe your dog, this sends the signal that her behavior is okay and reinforces her fears. If you start early you may be able to help her get over her fears through behavior modification. One method is to try to simply ignore the storm and find an indoor activity to entertain her as the storm passes. This is a great opportunity to work on learning obedience or tricks. Playing the TV or radio or running an fan can assist in drowning out the noise. If she is young she could improve over time. Medications are also available and though they may be controversial to some they do have a track record for being effective, especially in older dogs where behavior modification alone may not be an option. If you have a young dog that has extreme phobia the use of medication in parallel with behavior modification may do the trick. The important thing is to address the issue, talk to your veterinarian and don't allow your dog to suffer through another storm, it can be life threatening in some cases.

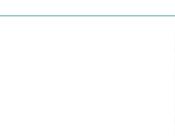
Resources on Storm Phobias
 "Storm Phobias" By: Karen L. Overall, VMD, Ph.D., Dipl. ACVB, DVM Newsmagazine
["How to Tame Your Dog During a Storm"](#)
["Thunderstorms" THE CANINE BEHAVIOR SERIES](#), By Kathy Diamond Davis, Author and Trainer

Questions -- you have questions? [Send them to us!](#)

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Did You Know???
Dangerous Bones
 Cooked chicken, turkey and other bird bones can be fatal to a dog, so never give them as chew toys. These bones are hollow, and when chewed they splinter into sharp fragments which can then pierce your dog's intestinal lining. This can be very difficult to treat.

Controlling Puppy Chewing
 If you catch your pup in the act of chewing anything but his own toy, remove the object and replace it with an acceptable chew toy. If your pup then chews on his toy, praise him. Always reinforce desired behavior with praise. Praising a dog when it acts correctly is more effective than yelling No! when it misbehaves.



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Health Alerts
Warning: Counterfeit Advantage and Frontline

Heatstroke Warning!
 While it may be healthy for you to work up a summer sweat for our dogs it can be life threatening. Your dogs normal body temperature is 100.5 to 102.5 degrees Fahrenheit. If it rises to 105 or 106 degrees, the dog is at risk for developing heat exhaustion. If the body temperature rises to 107 degrees, your dog has entered the dangerous zone of heat stroke. With heat stroke, irreversible damage and death can occur within minutes. Dogs that have a thick coat, shorter muzzles, are overweight or who have heart or lung problems can be at a greater risk. Also at greater risk are senior dogs and young puppies. Any good owner should know how to avoid overheating your dog and how to recognize signs of heat exhaustion. Here are some tips that can you be a cool owner during the hot season:

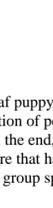
- **Don't leave your dog in a parked car!** The temperature in a parked car can reach 160 degrees in a matter of minutes, even with partial open windows.
- **Avoid exercising your dog during the hottest hours of the day.** Even with plenty of water your dog can still overheat. Restrict the long walks and running for early morning or late afternoon hours. If your dog is outside for any extended period of time be sure he has a cool, shady place for a rest and plenty of cool water. Be sure to place the water bowl in the shade.
- **Always provide plenty of cool water, before during and after heat exposure.**
- **Know what to watch for!** You know your dog better than anyone and should be able to recognize that he is uncomfortably hot by his behavior, if he appears uncomfortable and is panting heavily with a dripping wet red tongue, give him a rest. If your dog becomes sluggish or unresponsive, begins to vomit or collapse, treat this as an emergency and go to the vet immediately, use a wet towel or a spray bottle to help cool him down on the way.

PapHaven News & Events
Spring Fling
 Papillon Haven Rescue held it's annual Spring Fling last April in Brentwood, Texas. The spring was hosted by Sharan Cole and it was a huge success. There was quite a turn out of fellow PapHaven members, many of whom traveled great distances to be at the fund raising event. As flocks of Papillons fluttered by, the hard workers of PapHaven joined together and raised an estimated \$1,000.00.

The Spring Fling is an annual event hosted by different members each year. As a group PapHaven volunteers join together and bring items, many of which are custom made by members, and have a huge sale. All profits from this sale go to support the rescue efforts of Papillon Haven Rescue.

We want to offer a special thanks to all of those who participated!

Fall Fete
 This years fall fundraiser is being hosted by Tammy Stevens in Shreveport, Louisiana. There will be a pricing party on September 30th followed by a rummage sale on Saturday October 1. The sale will take place from 8am until 3pm at 2501 Line Avenue. Come on down to enjoy the fun and support Papillon Haven Rescue. Tell all your friends! [Click here](#) for a printable flyer.



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This group came about through the love of a small deaf puppy that needed to be transported halfway across the country to her new home. It took the effort and dedication of people from Texas to Washington D.C. and on to Ohio. It took the cooperation of three other rescue groups. In the end, it took the hearts of every one. It is this good will and renewed faith in the goodness of people everywhere that has led us in forming Papillon Haven Rescue. We are a 501 c 3 non-profit organization, all volunteer National group specializing in Papillon's and Pap mixes and their rescue and rehabilitation.

Since then Papillon Haven Rescue (PapHaven) has grown dramatically and continues to grow and evolve to try to meet the changing needs of rescue and the on-going saga of Papillon's in need.... where ever they are.

We would like to invite you to join in our rescue efforts. With hands reaching out across the country, we can form a circle of love and caring that refuses to let even one Papillon in need fall though the cracks. We are not in competition with any other rescue groups. In fact, it is our goal to work hand in hand with every rescue group and shelter that will join us in this effort. We will not ask for perfect lineage, looks or origins. We will coordinate with other groups for transporting each other's breed.

We welcome volunteers, sponsors, contributors, interested folk and especially kind words.

Our Newsletter will try to bring informative articles, up-coming events, announcements, feature stories and Urgent Alerts about situations where the need for rescue is great.

Contact Papillon Haven Rescue Group

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