



# Paws news Sept 2012 Issue 2

## ... the one stop pet care company

Hello again...

It's been a busy summer here at Paws and more, we've welcomed new clients to the 'Paws Club' and had many repeat bookings from existing ones too. We

have just celebrated our first year in business and would like to thank you all for your business and giving your pets the **Paws** and more experience.



#### New legislation

2013 will see some changes to the licensing terms of the *Animal Boarding Establishment Act 1963*, in a bid to ensure that the care your pets' receive is of the highest standard. As part of this, you have received a Profile form for updating along with this newsletter, so please take a few minutes to read the letter and update the form and sign as necessary.

#### Neutering - yes or no?

The long running discussion on whether a dog should be neutered or spayed will always feature among owners. The obvious reason for having your dog 'done' is of course to prevent unwanted puppies but did you know that it also helps prevent certain types of cancer? Neutering and spaying should not be left long after your dog turns one and certainly not beyond the age of three. Reports say that an intact male over three can suddenly turn very agressive, while females can also become fiesty and moody! So, please talk to your vet, don't listen to 'old wives tales' that a

male dog is not a dog without his 'bits and pieces' or that a female should have at least one season. If you have no intention of breeding, then book your dog in as soon as they are old enough to ensure there are no accidents and that they are given the best chance of a long and happy life. Don't forget this applies to cats too!

### Pip - our new best friend

We are now sponsoring a dog through the Dogs Trust at Newbury. Pip is our 'adopted' dog, he is just over 12 years old, a beagle mix and we are really excited to be going to visit him next month. We will be taking Pip some treats and toys and hope to get some photos with him for the next *Paws news*. The Dogs Trust is the largest dog welfare charity in the UK and their mission is to bring about the day when all dogs

can enjoy a happy life, free from the threat of unnecessary destruction.

So, if you have a few pounds to spare each month why

not sponsor a dog and help invest in the Trust's excellent work? To find out more go to www.dogstrust.co.uk

#### Half-term holidays

We still have a few spaces for boarding and doggy day care over the half-term break so book in soon if you need our services.

Thanks for choosing **Paws and more**, we hope to see you again soon...

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