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Welcome to the latest Newgate News. We didn't produce one for 2017, instead we had a calendar card to promote our revamped website. If you haven't visited the website lately please go to **www.newgatekennels.co.uk** there's loads of information and photos.



PLEASE REMEMBER Newgate Kennels' <u>extra</u> busy times are:

February Half Term Easter holiday May Bank Holidays Summer Holidays October Half Term Christmas and New Year 9th – 26th February 29th March – 16th April 4th May – 4th June 22nd June – 10th September 12th – 29th October

15th December – 2nd January

PLEASE BOOK EARLY to avoid disappointment!

All dogs need to be in by 2pm!

DON'T FORGET!

Kennel Cough Vaccine (for dogs), this is now required throughout the year. Annual Vaccinations (for all Animals), to be up to date.

Microchip or a £500 fine?

We are sure that you are all aware that on 6th April 2016 it became compulsory for all owners to ensure their dog is microchipped. Statistics show 86% of dogs have already been chipped. If the police or local authority discover a dog is not chipped and the owner refuses to comply they will be fined up to £500. At Newgate we are also encouraging all our cat clients to make sure that their cats are also chipped. We now have a scanner and are checking pets whilst boarding that their microchip is readable. At the same time we are asking for your help in updating our database. To help speed up the process we have produced a printout of your current details which you can amend or just tick and sign if there are no changes. We are grateful for your co-operation but having both your own and your pet details up to date, we hope you agree, is vitally important.

Availability

When we say "Sorry we are full" most people ask "why don't you build more kennels?" The answer is quite simple, "we would love to", but when we applied to Cheshire East, they said NO! Kennel availability is soon to get even worse with 2 more local kennels being sold not as businesses but as private homes. In fact within a 5 mile radius there is only 1 other kennel and cattery. So please book early. We started to restrict bookings for July & August from new clients as far back as September last year. Our only quieter periods (this is when we are ½ full) are November, the first 2 weeks December and January.



Congratulations

A further 6 apprentices completed their NVQ II in Animal care. They are already part of a dedicated team here at Newgate of 14 part time and 25 full time staff. Pictured right with some of the Newgate guests are Tim, Olivia, Jack, Lily, Lucy T and Sasha, Congratulations and a big thank you to all the staff at Lite Ltd Stockport (our local Animal Care College).





Car Insurance Void?

Did you know that if you are involved in a collision and you have a pet loose in the car your insurance will be void plus you may be fined £5,000? A recent survey found that a fifth of all drivers who had pets in the car admitted to not having them properly secured. Rule 57 of the Highway Code states

"When in a vehicle make sure dogs or other animals are suitably restrained so they cannot distract you while you are driving or injure you, or themselves, if you stop quickly. A seat belt harness, pet carrier, dog cage or dog guard are ways of restraining animals in cars."

A case last year saw a driver who had been hit by another car not only loose his claim but had to pay for the repair of the other drivers car. All because he admitted that his dog was lying unrestrained on the backseat.



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Introducing our all new "Groom & Crèche Day".

We are delighted to offer clients this new service. What's included:

- Your dog will have its own room with ensuite patio.
- Access to a larger exercise run.
- A walk
- Breakfast or lunch.
- An afternoon in the Spa for their groom.



The Newgate Spa is open Tuesday to Saturday throughout the year. We have morning or afternoon appointments available. To help clients who are at work all day we can still offer an all-day appointment at no extra charge. If a dog is with us all day the groomer will ensure the dog gets a couple of comfort breaks and will have access to water. However if you are tempted to upgrade your appointment to a Groom & Crèche Day please ask a member of staff for availability.



Examples of Grooming prices for 2018 Westie, trim & bath £33

(combined Groom & Crèche £43) Cockapoo, trim & bath £39. (combined Groom & Crèche £49) Cavalier, tidy & bath £29.50. (combined Groom & Crèche £39.50) Springer Spaniel, tidy & bath £34. (combined Groom & Crèche £46) Labrador, bath £28. (combined Groom & Crèche £42) Standard Poodle, trim & bath £49. (combined Groom & Crèche £63) Extra Spa treatments are still available when dogs are being groomed and due to a new supplier we have been able to reduce the cost. Blue Berry Facial from £2. Spa Fresh Paw Treatment from £4. Spa Shampoo, Conditioner & Spritz from £4.



