

Little Coombe Kennels & Cattery

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June is National Microchipping Month!

Microchipping is a permanent way of identifying your pet, and has been very much in the news recently as the government decides whether to make it compulsory for all dogs in the UK. This would be one measure to try to encourage responsible pet ownership.

Microchipping is already a great way to ensure that you are quickly reunited with a missing pet when it is found, and is the first step in the process of taking a pet abroad.

The chip is just a little bigger than a grain of rice and is implanted under the skin in the same way that an injection is given, so no anaesthetic is needed and the procedure is very quick.

During the month of June, we have a special offer on microchipping carried out at Little Coombe: £5 off the normal price

Price during June: £12 +VAT, to include implanting the chip and all paperwork.

Please ring for further details or book when you drop your dog or cat off for their holiday. Microchipping is carried out by Jenny, a qualified vet.



We have a new facebook page!

You do not have to have a facebook account, just go to www.facebook.com/LittleCoombeKennels to have a look at what's happening here and see pictures and stories about the kennels and our boarders. We have only recently started our page but will be adding more pictures very soon. If you like our page please "Like" our page!



This is Tilly, one of our regular boarders, who likes to carry her favourite toy around with her. Tilly is very friendly and when she greets anybody she wags her whole body.

Importance of Worming

It is fairly well known that dogs and cats can pick up various types of worms from eating raw meat, having fleas, hunting and killing small animals, or from the faeces of others. What is less well known is that a serious worm affecting dogs is carried by slugs and snails. This worm, *Angiostrongylus vasorum*, also called lungworm or heartworm, is relatively new to the UK but is very serious. Some of the slugs which carry this worm are so small that they are difficult to see, but just licking long grass containing tiny slugs or even drinking from puddles can cause them to be swallowed. The worms cause coughing, breathing problems, bleeding disorders and sometimes death. Please ask your own vets which treatments will prevent this nasty but avoidable problem.



Treats for your dog

available in our office

Meat filled bones.....£1.20
Pork hide chew bones.....£2.00