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*nurturing the human animal bond*

The friendly team with over 50 years of veterinary experience

Does your pet have a stinky breath? We offer FREE dental checks for your pet so take advantage of this service and we can find the cause and rid your pet of this embarrassing affliction.



## The Cheltenham Cat Rescue

Funded only by public donations, this awesome group rescues, rehabilitates and rehomes beautiful kittens and cats of all size, colour and personality. If you can help the charity, or want to become a foster care giver, then check out their website for more details. Every Cat deserves a warm, safe loving home and if you can help in any way, we would really appreciate your help.

<http://www.cheltenhamcatrescue.org.au/>



Welcome to our **SEPTEMBER 2018** Newsletter.

Spring has arrived at long last! Warmer longer days are now becoming the norm, and along with spring comes a new burst of life! In the pet world, animals and birds are getting ready to welcome their newborns into the world. On a darker note, bugs and parasites are also preparing for better days, and are seeking new hosts to infest. Don't wait until you have a problem. Concerns on an impending labour for your pet can be relieved by contacting our veterinarian team, or if its parasites you fear – we can beat the bugs and provide immunity for your pet. Talk to us today!



**Pet insurance.** Prevention is far better than finding a cure, but the reality is that our pets can become affected by disease and conditions that are beyond our control. As families struggle with budgeting and finances, pet costs can come as an unplanned expense. The way to avoid this is to join our Pet Insurance Plan which can free you from the worry of finding the finances to help your pet. With pet insurance there are no nasty shocks, just peace of mind freeing you to concentrate on your pet and their recovery. For a low monthly cost, the future for your pet suddenly looks brighter. Talk to the team at Cheltenham and they will outline all the benefits and as an introduction you can get the first four weeks free cover for new cats and dogs. Plan ahead, it is better to be prepared, than to be caught unawares!

Please check out our information packed website for

healthier + happier pets

<https://www.cheltenhamvet.com/>

## Time to shed that Winter Flab!

Winter hibernation can result in a change to our diet and exercise regime. This also applies for our pets! Suddenly your cat or dog looks a little 'padded', and they are puffing just to get to the back yard. Time to cut down on the food a little, and gently increase the exercise. Talk to the experts on pet dieting here at Cheltenham Clinic. Restore your pets health with a well planned diet and exercise routine and in no time they will be back to their energetic, healthy selves.

## Premium Pet food.

Come in and save money on your pet food supplies. We offer healthy food without the chemicals or preservatives. Your pet will thrive on natural products designed especially with them in mind.



## THUNDER SHIRT/VEST

We use Thunder Shirts to help calm your dog at the Clinic. They are safe, easy and drug free. The sleeveless shirt applies a gentle, constant pressure which is like a gentle hug! Your dog still has their freedom to move, they just feel more secure. We pride ourselves on giving your pet a stress free visit! They are available for your cat as well. They can help anxious pets at home during a thunder storm, fireworks display or they may help on a car trip.

Ask us for more information.

## Cheltenham Veterinary Clinic

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## Hear from nurse Lara— one of our dedicated team!

"I am currently studying my Certificate IV at Box Hill Institute of Tafe to become a Veterinary Nurse. I have learnt so much since I started, towards end of 2015 at Cheltenham Veterinary Clinic. It is a fascinating job, every day is different and we are always on the go, apart from meeting all the lovely animals I also love the surgical side of being a Vet Nurse as it is so interesting.

From a young age I have always wanted to work with animals, so I'm glad I have the opportunity to work here. I have two cheeky Jack Russell's that are Brother and Sister called Ollie and Daisy. The best part of my job I must say is meeting all the new puppies and kittens it is great to watch them grow into mature adults."



**Please check out our Facebook page – it is regularly updated and covers a wealth of information.**

<https://www.facebook.com/Cheltenhamvet/>

## Spring babies are on the way!

With the first new flowers of spring comes the welcome addition of new life. Baby lambs start to strengthen their legs by bouncing around the paddock. Kittens and puppies soon start making their appearance, and those long legged, beautiful foals arrive. No matter what the breed of animal, their young are always cute and adorable. It can be the most frustrating time as well. You can watch your cat for hours every single day for the first signs of labour, then they will sneak away the moment you relax your vigil to produce a litter in your closet!

As a pet owner, it can be a stressful time – especially if you have no experience in these matters. But don't worry, we are here for you. If your pet shows signs of distress, or if they seem to be taking ages in labour, call us and we can help. Sometimes mum just needs a little help, and we can provide that. Give us a call with any questions you may have – get your pet immediate help from the pain of complications. Then all you have to do is enjoy watching the little ones arrive and begin their journey through life.

### *We will leave you with a laugh.*

Q. What do you call a lazy baby Kangaroo?

A. A pouch potato!

OR PERHAPS THIS ONE?

Q. How does a sick kangaroo get better?

A. They have a hop-eration!

