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Annual Pet Vaccinations

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Annual Vaccinations are an important part of the health regime for your pets. We recommend vaccination of your dog with C5 which protects against Distemper, Hepatitis and Parvo virus and kennel cough. If you plan to put your dog into boarding kennels then you will need to be up to date with a C5. If your dog hasn't had the C5 before they will need 2 vaccinations at least 2 weeks apart or will need an intra-nasal Kennel cough vaccination. Even if your dog doesn't go into kennels but you live in town then a C5 is still recommended as many cases of kennel cough that we see are dogs that live in town.

Kennel cough can easily spread through the air over large areas.



The recommended cat vaccination is F3. This protects cats against two strains of cat flu (which is very common) and hepatitis. Kittens and older cats are very prone to cat flu and can become very ill for extended periods of time and have relapses during their life. Stray and feral cats often carry cat flu and other nasty cat virus' and can infect your cat by fight wounds or via saliva if they have eaten from your cat's bowl. Vaccinations need to be up to date for admission to a cattery.

New puppies and kittens will need at least two vaccinations 4-6 weeks apart then yearly boosters. It is very important that puppy and kitten vaccinations are done on time as the age between weaning and 12 weeks is the most susceptible time for picking up infections and their immune system is not yet fully developed.

Cats or dogs that you intend to breed with need to be properly vaccinated in order to pass on immunity to their pups /kittens. The vaccination must be done before mating as the standard vaccinations are not recommended to give during pregnancy.

Remember with the busy time at Christmas not to forget the important job of getting your pet vaccinations done!



We provide:

- Surgery & Medicine for small and large animals
- Soft Tissue & Orthopaedic Surgery
- Dentistry
- X-ray & Ultrasound
- In House Blood Testing
- Nutrition & Prescription Diets
- Microchip Identification

Clinic Hours:

Simpson Office:

Our Simpson Office is open
Monday to Friday
10am to 3pm
P: 03 5594 3257
F: 03 5594 3339

Colac Office:

Our Colac Office is open
Monday to Friday
8am to 6pm
Saturday 9am to 12 noon

We are available 24/7 for emergencies.

Our emergency number is:
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Rotavec Corona Vaccine



So you HAVE used your Piliguard vaccine? No pink eye for this year so now lets move onto the next vaccination you need.

This will come as a big surprise but Coopers (whom are known to be water tight) have released their sphincters on Rotavec and are giving away a 20ml vial with every 100ml flow pack you purchase. Yep, it is hard to believe!

The benefits of using this vaccine is immense as it stops your calves from being affected by E.coli, Rotavirus and Corona virus. These 3 play the major part in death of young calves from newborn to 10 days old. It also reduces your chances of Crypto getting a leg up and causing problems from day 10 onwards.

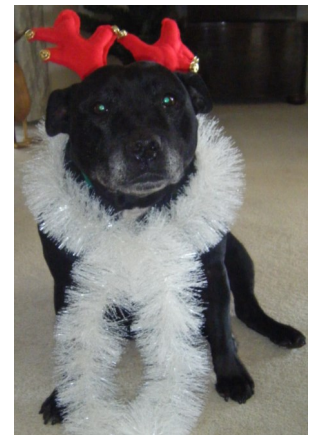
SO why treat sick and dying calves when by using Rotavec you need only to give 2 doses, a month apart, and a month prior to calving if they have never been vaccinated with this.

While stocks last you can purchase 120ml for \$290 (60 doses) - Get in quick!



Decorate your pets ready for Christmas to enter our annual photo competition!

Photos must be received by Friday, 20th December. You can submit photos to the Clinics or via email



Mike, Cate, Cindy, Kirsty, Lauren, Christine and Kim wish all our valued clients a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year!!



Christmas Public Holidays

Our Clinics will be closed only for the Public Holidays Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day.