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Our Pets at Indian Summer



Updates from the Indian Summer Pet Committee

NEW Pet Policy -- -Changes Approved

An updated Pet Policy was approved by the Indian Summer Homeowners Association board (ISHOA) in April. Significant changes include wording that defines and distinguishes reportable, dangerous and nuisance behavior; leash, collar, and fencing control policies; and the addition of a provision that allows assessing fines starting at **\$50 per offense to residents who fail to pick-up and dispose of pet waste**. The Pet Policy in its entirety can be found in the **Community** section of the www.ISHOA.org website under **Policies and CC&Rs**. You are encouraged to become familiar with the Pet Policy, and the procedure used to report violations of the policy.



Thanks to all!

Let's all give a big shout-out to the dog walkers who have been using our new dog waste disposal bins! Your efforts to pick-up and dispose of your pet's



waste along your walk is appreciated by all who reside in our community...it makes a difference. The Pet Committee will budget for an additional six waste bins in the coming year to support this worthwhile investment.

Speaking of dog waste, take a look at this great gadget to make walking your dog even easier! It's called the DOOLOOP and is available for \$5 each through the Pet Committee. (Normally sells for \$9.95) Contact Nancy Watkins at indiansummerpets@gmail.com or at 360-584-8085 if you'd like to get one.



A Volunteer Who Keeps Giving

Special thanks to Mark Cash. He not only empties the Dog Waste bins every other week but was recently spotted weed-wacking the tall grass around



each station. As an Aussie would say,
"Good on ya, mate!"

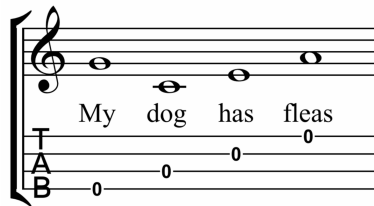


Baby, it's HOT out there!

Walking our dogs on hot Summer afternoons can mean tender paws on hot pavement, resulting in discomfort and burning. Did you know that an 80 degree air temperature can mean 105 degree asphalt temperatures? Too hot to trot! Consider walking in the cooler part of the day, and don't forget to hydrate! The Pet Committee encourages interested residents to participate in a **Tail Wags for Water** campaign by placing a water bowl or bucket of fresh water curbside each morning during hot weather to refresh thirsty pets along their walk.



Thanks Lee Hoemann, for your great picture!



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Change in Weather Brings More Than Just Sun

Spring will soon give way to Summer, and the seasonal annoyances that can plague our pets as temperatures rise and environmental factors impact their comfort. It is

not uncommon for dogs to experience seasonal allergies to grass and pollen as vegetation growth and bloom intensifies. Skin reaction to such irritants may result in pinkish to red itchy patches and hot spots which prompt scratching or chewing, particularly of paws and belly. Yeast infections in areas that remain damp and warm, such as ears and groin, are more prevalent in warm-weather months as well. Your Veterinarian can help with these issues, and refer your pet to a local Pet Allergy and Dermatology specialist at your request. Flea and tick populations increase as air temperature rises. If you prefer not to use the toxic flea collars, drops, or oral medications, there are numerous low-impact products such as Wondercide, Earth Animal, herbal sprays, and diatomaceous earth that are effective in controlling flea infestations.

Welcome Our New Furry Friends in the Neighborhood





Alex and Laurie Merlich recently moved into a home on Turnberry and brought with them their 5 yr. old female yellow lab, Rowsey (above) and 15 yr. old female yellow lab, Ellie (below).



Just four weeks old, Riley (above) is a male Cavalier King Charles Spaniel. Owners are Laurie and Dan Sheppard, who live on Turnberry.

The cute little male Australian Labradoodle (below) is named Kirby. He's four months old and belongs to Ken and Joan Valz on Fairway.



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