

Medical Notes

InTown Veterinary Group is dedicated to providing clients with an unparalleled range of veterinary care options.

The doctors and staff at Muddy Creek Animal Care Center are always available no matter how seemingly small the question. We care about you and your pets. No question is too small. If you're worried, call us.

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Referral Hospital:**
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Wellness Program

Muddy Creek Animal Care Center has been providing quality veterinary care for veterinary, boarding, and grooming clients for over 20 years. This year we are initiating a program to further improve the quality of care for your pets by adding a coordinated wellness program to our medical services.

What is wellness care?

If you have been bringing your pet to the veterinarian annually for a physical examination and vaccines, some degree of wellness care is already being done.

Wellness comprises both preventative medicine and early detection. Aspects of preventative medicine include:

- Vaccinations to prevent or decrease the severity of diseases.
- Early disease detection diagnostic testing
- Monthly parasite preventative protect against heartworms and gastrointestinal parasites. These medications are also effective against parasites such as roundworms, hookworms, and in some cases whipworms.
- Monthly flea & tick preventative keep parasites at bay, and reduce the risk of tick-borne diseases such as Lyme disease and Ehrlichia.

Preventative medicine is the standard of care in both the human and veterinary medical field, and a comprehensive wellness program is the foundation for preventive care. Muddy Creek's wellness program is designed to allow you and your veterinarian to work together to customize your pet's healthcare, tailoring it to fit your pet's specific age, gender, lifestyle, and breed.

Many aspects of preventative medicine are already well established portions of your pets' veterinary care and include annual physical exam, vaccinations, and parasite control. The addition of an early disease detection protocol is what comprises a true wellness program.

The goal of early disease detection is to isolate disease processes before clinical signs develop. Since our patients cannot speak we must rely on your history and assessment, preventive care, and wellness diagnostics to provide a complete picture of your pet's current health.



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www.InTownMuddyCreek.com, then click "Medical Index".*

Boarding



Cat Tail Inn

Do you need a vacation but feel anxious about leaving your family pets behind? Do you worry about the quality of care and attention they will receive? Does your cat require special medical

attention? If so, the Cat Tail Inn at Muddy Creek is your solution.

Our team of dedicated professionals want only the best for you and your cat, providing top notch service in a first rate facility. Our trained animal attendants can provide all levels of service tailored to your cat's individual needs including diabetic care, renal care, and geriatric care.

Medication administration is commonly requested and our staff is trained to properly administer oral, topical and injectable medications, including insulin and subcutaneous fluids. Our on-site veterinarians and technicians are available to provide any additional medical services if needed.

The Cat Tail Inn is proud to announce the addition of the "Meow Manor". This spacious, 3-level triplex unit can accommodate up to 4 cats from the same family. Ideal for multi-cat families, or for spoiling your individual cat with tons of extra space! Reserve the "Meow Manor" for your next vacation.

We invite you to stop by and tour our facility and meet our staff; no appointment is necessary.



Poochie Pawdicure

Have you heard about the new service available at the Little Paws Loft through grooming? We think that your best friend deserves a little extra pampering. Request a complimentary "poochie pawdicure" during your dog's next visit to Little Paws Loft.

It includes a nail trim, a foot massage with an all natural pad conditioner and optional painted nails! The pad conditioner is made exclusively for us, and formulated to heal cracked pads and seal in moisture.

This complimentary service is available for Little Paws Loft boarders for a limited time only, one free offer per pet. It's a \$25.00 value!



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Diagnostic testing provides both a current assessment of your pet's health, as well as allowing subtle medical trends to be followed over time. This information is essential to detect changes that warrant attention and allow you and your veterinarian to develop an appropriate treatment plan for your pet.

We hope this new program will give you more involvement in the care your pet receives, and supplies you with the additional information you will need to work with your veterinarian to make your pet's medical decisions. Please discuss this new program with your veterinarian on your next visit.



Little Paws Loft



Did You Know ...

Muddy Creek also has a full service grooming department? Our highly skilled groomers offer a complete range of services including baths, haircuts and nail trims for all breeds of cats and dogs. Grooming appointments are offered 7 days a week; please call (978) 948-5361 to inquire about grooming services or to schedule an appointment.

While a clean smelling, untangled, pretty dog or cat is a wonderful thing, our groomers provide so much more than just a haircut and a bath. Every grooming appointment includes:

- Nail Trimming.
- Ear Cleaning.
- Hair styling based on breed standards or owner preferences.
- Finishing touches include pet cologne & a bandanna or bow.
- Groomers will alert owners to the presence of parasites such as fleas & ticks, skin conditions requiring medical attention, & possible ear & eye infections.



- A wide variety of shampoos are offered. Groomers will also use specific, or prescription shampoos (provided by the owner).

With a full veterinary and emergency hospital downstairs we are extremely sensitive to ensuring every tool and surface in the grooming department is hygienically treated and cleaned after every use.

We will also work with you and your veterinarian to make sure your pet is up to date on their vaccinations, this reduces the risk to your pet of spreading or contracting contagious diseases. 🐾

Renovations



Muddy Creek Animal Care Center has had a facelift! Our front office has undergone some major renovations. The job is done, and we appreciate your patience for those of you who may have been inconvenienced by our construction.

Changes to our front office include the reception area, waiting area, restrooms and exam rooms. Our goal is to provide a more pleasant and functional space for our staff to better serve you and your pets.

We've updated our countertops, put in some gorgeous beadboard and new moulding, painted the walls and added a new reception desk, furniture and fixtures. If you haven't seen it yet, come on in & take a peek. 🐾

Save The Date!



Dogtoberfest 2008 is on:

Sunday October 19, 2008.

All proceeds are donated to Zoo New England.

- Competitions
- Raffles
- Prizes Galore

More details will be posted on our website as they become available. Tell your friends or just bring them along!

www.InTownVet.com/Dogtoberfest.html
for more information as it becomes available.