



Puppy Care Information

1. Vaccinations

- 1st Vaccination: 6 – 8 weeks of age
- 2nd Vaccination: 12 weeks
- 3rd Vaccination: 16 weeks
- Fully Vaccinated: 2 weeks after last Vaccine.
- Then 1 year C5
- Then yearly Kennel Cough & every 3 years C3 for life.

This vaccination protects against the viral disease: Parvovirus, Distemper, infectious canine Hepatitis and Canine Cough, which includes Parainfluenza virus and Bordetella bacteria.

2. Intestinal Worms

- Transmitted from mother to puppies at birth
- Picked up from their own and other dogs faeces
- Worms include Round, Hook, Whip and Tapeworm
- Worm 2, 4, 8, 12 weeks of age, then 4 months, 5 months, 6 months
- Then every 3 months for life
- Sentinel/ Interceptor also treat Round, hook and whip worms monthly
- Roundworm and hookworm can cause blindness in children

3. Heartworm

- Transmitted by mosquitoes from one dog to another
- **Prevention by a monthly tablet or spot on or a yearly injection once they are greater than 6 months old**
- Should be started by 12 weeks of age
- Animals older than six months need a blood test before starting
- Heartworm can be treated if it is diagnosed early



4. Desexing

Desexing male and female dogs prevents diseases just like vaccinations and worming.

The best time to get your dog desexed is between 16 to 22 weeks of age.

At 16 weeks if you have a large breed dog or a dog susceptible to hip dysplasia get a PennHIP radiograph to diagnose hip dysplasia.

If Distraction Juvenile Pubic Symphydesis (JPS) surgery to improve hip laxity at same time as desexing.

- Desexing female dogs prevents:
- Mammary cancer if desexed before their first season. Otherwise there is a 4 x increased chance after each season.
 - Disease of the uterus especially pyometron – a deadly bacterial infection.
 - Disease of the ovaries especially ovarian cancer

- Desexing male dogs prevents
- Testicular cancer – the most common tumour in male dogs.
 - Prostate disease especially Infection, cysts and enlargement
 - Tumours around their anus called perianal adenomas
 - Hernias
 - Male dogs are more likely to wander and get into fights and get hit by cars.

5. Microchipping

From 1st July 1999 Microchipping is compulsory for all puppies by 12 weeks then they must be registered with the council by 6 months.

- A microchip is the size of a grain of rice that is injected under the skin between the shoulder blades.

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2. Treat the environment either - Program/ Sentinel in food monthly
Or - Flea bomb house and spray yard in
September

PUPPY TRAINING

OUR FOUR WEEK COURSE USING POSITIVE, MOTIVATIONAL METHODS COVERS THE FOLLOWING –

- **SOCIALISATION – PLAY WITH OTHER PUPPIES AND EXPOSURE TO DIFFERENT PEOPLE**
- **BASIC OBEDIENCE – SIT, STAY, DOWN AND COME WHEN CALLED**
- **TOILET TRAINING**
- **TEACH YOUR PUPPY GOOD MANNERS**
- **PREVENT A BITE**
- **PROBLEM SOLVING**

ALL THE FAMILY IS WELCOME

CLASSES HELD UNDER COVER AT RANDWICK VETERINARY HOSPITAL.

FOR DETAILS PHONE –

RECEPTION AT RANDWICK OR TOM WILSON

(02) 93981222 (8 AM TO 7 PM) OR (02) 9665 9757 AFTER 7 PM

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CANINE LIFE STAGE HEALTH CARE RECOMMENDATIONS

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LIFE STAGE	REGULAR HEALTH CARE	SPECIAL PROCEDURES
Puppy < 12 mos	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ External Health Check ◆ Deworming ◆ C3 vaccine at 8 weeks ◆ C5 at 12 and 16 wks ◆ Start heartworm prevention if < 6 months ◆ Heartworm test if > 6 months then start on heartworm prevention ◆ Start flea/tick control 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OHE/Neuter • Preanesthetic bloodwork and urinalysis
Adult - 1 to 7 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ External Health Check yearly ✓ Discuss dental care ◆ C5 vaccine yearly ◆ Bronchi shield III vaccine every 6 months if Boarding ◆ Heartworm test yearly ◆ Deworming every 3 months ◆ Continue heartworm, flea, tick and intestinal parasite prevention 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dental cleaning as needed • Internal Health Check yearly 6 months after vaccination includes: • Full labwork (CBC, chemistry, electrolytes, urinalysis)
Golden years > 7 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Full physical exam every 6 months ✓ Monitor for weight changes ✓ Discuss age related diet changes ✓ Discuss dental care ✓ Discuss ongoing health problems ✓ Discuss arthritis and pain management ◆ C5 yearly ◆ Bronchi shield III vaccine every 6 months if Boarding ◆ Deworming every 3 months ◆ Continue heartworm, flea, tick and intestinal parasite prevention 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Internal Health Check yearly 6 months after vaccination includes • Full labwork yearly (CBC, chemistry, electrolytes, urinalysis) • Dental cleaning as needed