

# Welcome to Heather's Petcare Quarterly Newsletter

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Heather's Petcare aims to provide the highest level of care for your much-loved animals. We are an alternative to kennels and catteries. If you need your pets looked after when you are at work, on holiday, weekends away, or just for the day; we can cater for you and your Pets needs. We are fully licensed (by the local council), fully insured and Police checked. (All documents available to view at anytime). Any questions contact us on 01225 460841 or 07784626598 or email us at heather@heatherspetcare.co.uk



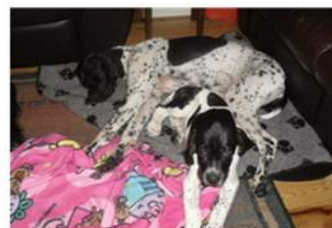
## Dog of the Quarter- Tribute to the elders

Every issue there will be a pet of the quarter. I will pick the most improved/funniest/favourite pet of the quarter! This time:

I have chosen 3 pets to include in my pet of the quarter with a tribute to the older ones!

Meet Shaun and Shane, they are 12 years old and are litter brothers. Shaun and Shane come for walkies with me twice a week and although health wise they have their ups and downs, they are coping extremely well and enjoying their solo walks!

Last but not least meet Ridley. Ridley is a 12 year old collie who is very young at heart! Ridley enjoys walkies at Warmley either solo or with others, where he can run and swim.



This is Lexie and Yogi, Lexie and Yogi are pointers and they live with Holly a border collie. Lexie is 1 year old, Yogi is around 5 months now and Holly is 15 years old. They all enjoy visits from me, where we have a good play and get to go into the garden.



This is Asia, Asia is a year and a half and she is a staffordshire bull terrier. Asia has stayed as a boarder with us and attended the show at Arnos Vale park this september.

## This issue's Newcomers

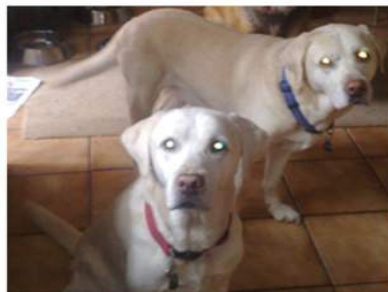
We have taken on a few new-comers at once this past few months, i am unable to include all of them but some are below!



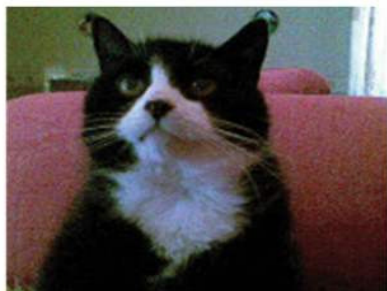
Meet Zulu a mere few months old. Zulu comes to us for day care and enjoys walkies with the group, playing with our dogs and snuggles on the sofa with me!



This is Didget, Didget is a Poodle x Springer, who joins us on a daily group walk. Didget is just under 1 year old and loves to play and run around with his friends. Didget also stays with us on occasions either boarding or daycare.



This is Gungy, Gungy is the oldest of all the pets I have ever looked after. Gungy is 21 years old and he has become deaf in his old age. Gungy has regular visits from me where I administer medication to him, feed him and give him plenty of cuddles and attention.



## Cats Corner



Jack



Sophie



Saffron



Tom



Sam

## Hints and Tips

### Fireworks

Not every dog is frightened by fireworks BUT many are absolutely terrified and who wants a terrified pooch? This is a list of some ideas that I have found useful. Please read them and choose whatever is best for your situation and please seek advice from your vet before putting any of these into practice.

- \*Minimise the effect by walking earlier in the evening before the displays start, \*Close the curtains and consider background music
- \*Provide a "safe place" with familiar objects or blankets
- \*Ensure that your dog can be identified if he runs away. (It is a legal requirement to have a name tag)
- \*Ask your vet about D.A.P (dog appeasing pheromone). These help relax a frightened dog
- \*Start your preparations early, especially if you are considering DAP (Dog Appeasing Pheromone)

## My Fave walk this issue

*Westonbirt Arboretum*

We went to Westonbirt for the first time this year. Wow what a fantastic place for walkies! We will defo be going back again and again. We spent hours at Westonbirt and the doggies loved it too!



You can take your dog in roughly two thirds of Westonbirt in an area called Silk wood. There is a dog free zone, so make sure you check the map before setting off! Silk wood is where you can let your dog off lead and explore the whole area. This area is less formal than the rest and you could walk for hours! There is no water at Westonbirt, however there are muddy puddles which my dogs loved to play around in! (take Towels)!!



Fact File:

The Area: Westonbirt, The National Arboretum is situated in Gloucestershire on the A433 approximately 3 miles south west of Tetbury. Look out for the brown signs.

Directions: From M4 (approx 15 mins). Exit Motorway at Junction 18 Take the A46 north towards Stroud After a few miles turn right onto the A433 (signed Cirencester). Continue on this road for approx 3 miles and the Arboretum is on your left.



## Events- Past and Present

This year we took part in Arnos Vale Park's dog show. What a fab day it was and an amazing turnout!! Thanks to all who came and supported me and my business. It was great to see you all!



We raised enough money to buy a few tins of dog food for bristol dogs home in fact we bought about 50 tins! So thanks to all who entered the comp! the winner was Wendy with India, guessing that there were 99 bits of kibble in the jar! Wendy kindly donated her prize back into the Dogs home and Danleine charities! Thank you!!



## Our New Website

Most of you would have already seen our new website! It went live in september. Cosmic computers have been working hard to get the website exactly how I wanted it to be for a few months and have done a tremendous job! Thank you Cosmic Computers! If you havent already looked at it check it out [www.heatherspetcare.co.uk](http://www.heatherspetcare.co.uk) and if you get 5 mins upload a testimonial, feedback is always welcome! You may even spot your dog on the photos (where we walk section). We also have a facebook account which is updated regularly, so please do check it out and try and spot your dog having fun with us!

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## Our New Uniform

Heather's Petcare now has a uniform. You may have spotted it in the pics already? The only prob is that i tend to live in my uniform now! We had custom body warmers, tops and t-shirts made, so we can be easily spotted whilst we are out! We are also going to try and get special Heather's Petcare collars embroidered for all the dogs that stay in our care.



## Our New Vehicle

We have also bought a new van for the doggies, which i have named Tiggz! I managed to track down an ex-police dog van which has lots of room and a special air conditioning unit to keep the dogs cool! We have put duvets in the van for extra comfort!



## Walkies

Here are a few pic from our walkies in the last few months enjoy!



*Paulton*



*Purdown*



*Vassalls*

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