Does Your Pet Walk Funny?

Health Signs To Watch For

PLUS:
- Bark in the Park
- Thank You, Volunteers!
- Upcoming Training Events
- First Saturday is Bath Day!
We've all seen an older dog that has trouble getting up or that is reluctant to run and play as they use to. Automatically, we think of arthritis.

But what about the younger dog that bunny hops around the yard, or has a sway to his walk? That could be arthritis or something more serious.

Not all dogs that hop around the yard have hip problems. Usually, they are just super excited to play, but occasionally, it’s more than just being excited. It could be hip dysplasia.

The hip is composed of a ball and socket joint. Hip dysplasia is when the joint does not fit together properly, as in the ball part (the head of the femur) is misshapen (flat or knobbed), or the neck or the femur is thick and so the joint does not sit properly in place.

The classic signs of hip dysplasia are much the same as arthritis and luxating patella (knee cap that moves out of place). Dogs will hop or quickly extend a back leg. They don’t want to climb stairs or run. They don’t want to walk on a back leg. Later signs of hip dysplasia are that the dog has less muscle mass in the hips and more in the shoulders, because they put less weight on the part that hurts, making the upper body work harder to compensate. You might even feel or hear the femur and hips grating against one another.

Most people know that genetics or certain breeds of dog are prone to hip dysplasia, but other factors contribute as well. Rapid weight gain and being overweight can put more pressure on the hips. Nutrition plays a role as well, like when a puppy’s bones grow too fast, especially large breed dogs.

Although rare, there are also a few cat breeds that have been shown to develop hip dysplasia. Larger cat breeds like Maine Coons and Persians have higher possibilities.

Diagnosis involves a physical exam, a blood chemical profile, a complete blood count, electrolyte panel, urinalysis, and x-rays. The x-rays are essential for diagnosing exactly what is going on and how severe it is.

Treatment can include one of four surgeries depending on the age and health of the dog. Weight management and inflammatory / pain medication will be needed for treatment as well.

If you see any signs of hip dysplasia or arthritis, don’t hesitate to get an exam with your veterinarian. We want our pets to live long and happy lives, so early diagnosis is key to that happy life.

Heather Moran, RVT
APRIL

All Month: Prevention of Animal Cruelty Month
Apr. 1-7: International Pooper Scooper Week
Apr. 6: National Siamese Cat Day
Apr. 7: Dog Wash, 9 AM - 3 PM
Apr. 7: Kids Fest 9 - 11:30 AM, Slate Creek Elementary School
Apr. 8-14: Animal Care & Control Appreciation Wk, National Dog Bite Prevention Week
Apr. 12: Annual Severe Weather Awareness/Storm Spotter Workshop, 6:30 PM, Sante Fe School, Lindley Hall
Apr. 13: A Small Town Family Fun Night, 5 - 8 PM, Halstead Middle School
Apr. 15-21: Animal Cruelty/Human Violence Awareness Week
Apr. 20-21: CAMP (Community Cat Alteration Mgmt. Program (Trap, neuter, and return)
Apr. 21: Bark in the Park, 10 AM - 2 PM, Centennial Dog Park
Apr. 30: Adopt a Shelter Pet Day

MAY

All Month: Responsible Animal Guardian Mo.
May 5: Dog Wash, 9 AM - 3 PM
May 6: Mayday for Mutts
May 6-12: Be Kind to Animals Week
May 7-12: Puppy Mill Action Week
May 12: Community Play Day, 10 AM - 1 PM, Athletic Park
May 12: National Animal Disaster Preparedness Day
May 18-19: CAMP (Community Cat Alteration Mgmt. Program (Trap, neuter, and return)

JUNE

All Month: Adopt a Shelter Cat Month
June 2: Dog Wash, 9 AM - 3 PM
June 16: Cookie Daze 5k, 7 AM
On March 3rd we had the Girl Scout Troop # 40018 come help us with our monthly dog wash.

While the girls were here, they also sold some of their yummy cookies.

The girls helped us hand out enrichment items to the animals. They got to walk some dogs and play with some kitties. We washed dogs for customers as they came in.

We had a lot of fun working with this Troop. Thank you for coming in and helping us out. We really appreciated having you all and would love to work with you again.

Our Volunteers Judy and Ashley did an amazing job at the Riverside Hair Station event on January 26th, 2018.

They took two of our dogs, Harley and Bubbles, to the event with them. We would like to say thank you to Tammy and her coworkers for allowing us to be a part of this event and for donating 100% of their art sales that night. We had $375 donated to us from The Riverside Hair Station along with a few other items we can use here in the building.

Judy and Ashley had a lot of fun at this event, with Harley and Bubbles being the attraction of the night. We even had someone fill out an application for adoption on Harley. This is still in the works, but way to go, Harley, showing off all your beauty. Thank you, Judy and Ashley, for helping Harley and Bubbles get to this event and for all your help with everything.

We encourage all volunteers to contact Quette Graves about our adoption events and how all of you can help. We are always looking for available volunteers to help with events such as this one and it is a fun way to help the animals find forever homes. We do have upcoming events so please come talk to Quette about getting signed up to help at one.
Happy Birthday!

We like to mention volunteers in our newsletters when we know you will be having a birthday.

If you notice that we have not listed your birthday, please talk with Quette Graves, as this means we may not have your special day in our system.

We would like to wish all of these volunteers a very happy birthday:

**APRIL**
Samantha M.
Xander M.
Kelis N

**MAY**
Lauran H.
Addison P.
Connor R.

Welcome New Volunteers!

Welcome to our team of new volunteers we look forward to working with you all.

Karen A.
Sydnee J.
Katherine M.
Connor R.
Brandon B.
Kelis N
Jason R.
Samantha H.

Welcome back to our team:
Judy and Sarah Creach.

First Saturday Is Bath Day!

Dog Wash is the first Saturday of each month 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. If you would like us to wash your dog, visit caringhandshs.org and submit a form. Prices vary by size of dog:

- **25 lbs. or less:** $15
- **26 lbs. to 50 lbs:** $20
- **51 lbs to 99 lbs:** $25
- **100 lbs and up:** $30

Pizza Perk!

**Use promo code: CHHS30 at PapaJohns.com to get 30% off your order at menu price.**

*Papa John’s will donate 10% back to Caring Hands Humane Society!*
For those of you who do not know me, I am Maverick the Extraordinaire, the boss (shelter cat) of Caring Hands Humane Society. My name says it all: nonconformist, eccentric and a rebel—but I do have a cause.

On a normal day, you can find me lounging in my lair (volunteer room). Other days, I might be in the front lobby basking in the sunshine, or tucked away in Ed Myers Room with my fellow cat friends, but don’t tell the humans where I am.

I am a busy guy and get started with my work early in the mornings when the Kennel Techs arrive. It is hard work keeping them in line. I monitor it all, from the floor mopping, to the cart trips, which I like to ride on the bottom shelf of, and even the laundry.

I’ll admit that I have on occasion been distracted by the shiny, crunchy cat toys while doing my laundry duty, but I assure you, that too is part of my work. You know, testing out the toys before we pass them off to the other cats. I gotta keep my fellow felines safe. Cats before staff!

Anyway, I should probably wrap this up as I have my volunteer friends coming soon, and I have got to watch them closely to be sure that all the cat treat boats are passed out in a timely manner (especially mine).

Until next time, stay warm my friends!

Peace out!

Mav

P.S. Have you met that good looking fella in Kennel 20, Sir Prince? He is such a cool guy! Come meet him, you won’t regret it.
Kansas State Animal Response Team

ANIMAL RESPONDER STANDARD TRAINING

Tentative schedule for 2018. Registration opens March 1.
- April 14-15 in Derby, Kansas
- April 28-29 in the Kansas City, Kansas Area
- June 23-24 in Dodge City, Kansas

What is “Train Today Respond Tomorrow”?
- A convenient weekend workshop designed to provide complete standard response training in a fun and supportive group environment.
- In two days, you can become a certified animal responder volunteer ready to help before spring storm season begins.
- Both are full days of training, 8 AM - 5 PM.

Day One includes awareness level courses in: Incident Command Structure, Pet, Human and Psych First Aid and a Kansas Animal Response Orientation

Day Two is a shelter training course (NEW in 2018)

How much does it cost?
- ONLY $30 - Two days of standard training, certification as an animal responder volunteer, emergency management ID badge, and a responder uniform t-shirt.
- ONLY $15 - Current animal responder volunteers who have completed initial standard training and need to renew any or all of the first aid courses AND/OR need to attend Level 2 training (the sheltering course).

How often and where is this offered?
- Annually each spring

Who can attend?
- NEW volunteers. No previous disaster response experience or training required.
- Active animal response team volunteers who need to complete their standard requirements to become responder certified.
- Responder volunteers needing to renew certifications in Pet, Human and/or Psych First Aid
- Responder volunteers needing to complete the NEW sheltering course (now Day 2 of TTRT)

NOTE: Minimum age is 18.

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