



Success for vet student Henry

Henry is a 5th year veterinary student at Cambridge University. Some of you may recognise Henry as he has spent a lot of time at Acorn House in recent years – initially as a work experience student from Wootton Upper School, and then on practical placements from the vet school in Cambridge. This year Henry spent some time at the Cats Protection National Cat Adoption Centre. Whilst there, Henry wrote a report on ways to reduce the stress experienced by cats when they move into new environments and this has been awarded first prize in the Cats Protection annual vet student awards. Henry was interested to see how Acorn House is using many of the methods he has studied to make hospital stays as stress-free as possible for our feline patients.



Ralph



Ralph looks like a puppy but at 2 ½ years old, he is definitely fully grown! In March Ralph suffered from an acute bout of inflammatory gastritis and spent 5 days in hospital with us, being fed through a special tube straight into his stomach. As Ralph's condition improved, he was allowed to go home, but only if his owners were able to continue the tube feeds and complicated regime of medications. Ralph's owners rose to the challenge and helped Ralph make a full recovery, having his tube removed after 16 days. Here is Ralph with Sophie, one of the lovely nurses that cared for him during his hospitalisation.

Watch out for parasites

As the weather warms up, make sure that your pets are fully protected against parasites. For dogs and cats this means regular treatment for fleas, ticks and worms; and for rabbits it means applying products to the coat to prevent fly eggs from being laid around the rabbit's bottom.



Princess

Despite his name, Princess is actually a young male cat, who broke his front leg whilst playing at home (his owners suspect that he jumped off the top bunk bed!) Princess' radius was repaired using two fine metal pins in a cross shape, as shown on this X-ray. After 4 weeks the bone had healed and the pins could be removed. Princess is relieved to be free again after a period of cage rest!



BSAVA Congress

This April, several of our vets and nurses attended the annual British Small Animal Veterinary Association Congress in Birmingham. Lecturers shared new advances in many areas of veterinary medicine, and new products and equipment were demonstrated. Acorn House Managing Director Sheldon Middleton is also the treasurer of the BSAVA and addressed the conference as part of his role.



Opening Hours
Mon-Fri: 8am-8pm;
Sat: 8am-4:30pm;
Sun: Closed
Consultations by appointment

