

# THESCOOP

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(Nova, pictures courtesy of Priceless Pet Rescue)

### CAT OF THE MONTH

Nova is a female Domestic Short Hair kitty who enjoys a nice pet of the head. This three-year-old girl is a little shy, but with proper introductions, she will accept your affection.

Nova enjoys the company of other cats and would do well in a home with other kitties. In fact, she quickly created a social club with two other cat friends to pass the time.

Nova can't wait to find her forever home. For more information on how to adopt or meet Nova in person, please visit www.pricelesspetrescue.org.



(Mimosa, pictures courtesy of Priceless Pet Rescue)

### **DOG OF THE MONTH**

Mimosa is a four-year-old female Pit Bull Terrier who is a sweet and affectionate lady. She is extremely social and truly loves everyone she meets.

Mimosa is quite energetic and greets each new day with excitement, promising never to have a dull day with her by your side. Just be read for those sloppy kisses.

Mimosa prefers to be the queen of her castle, but if you are interested in adopting or learning more about Mimosa, please visit www.pricelesspetrescue.org.



# COSTA MESA SUMMER RECREATION GUIDE: PET RESOURCES



### **Sport Dog & Agility Foundation**

Train your dog athlete. For active dogs and people to prepare for dog sports and agility. We will use agility jumps, tunnels, and fitness equipment. Improve strength and flexibility for your dog by making everything into a game!

Dogs (6 months and older) must be friendly with people and other dogs. Some obedience training recommended. Class is held at TeWinkle Park in the bowl area (behind the tennis courts).

To register: www.cmclassesonline.com

CODE	AGES	DATE	DAY	TIME	FEE
16257	18+	6/28-8/9	М	4-5 pm	\$99
16258	18+	6/28-8/9	М	5-6 pm	\$99
16259	18+	6/28-8/9	М	6-7 pm	\$99
16260	18+	6/28-8/9	М	7-8 pm	\$99

**NOTE:** Bring the \$10 material fee and shot records to the first class,

which is held without dogs.

NO CLASS: 7/5

LOCATION: TeWinkle Park Bowl Area (970 Arlington Dr.)

INSTRUCTOR: Paulette Suiter

### **ANIMAL SERVICES OPERATIONS**







With the Fourth of July right around the corner, lets not forget to prepare for the worst case scenario...losing our beloved pet. Dogs and cats alike may not be the biggest fans of the loud celebratory booms fireworks make and often times become startled and slip out your door.

To ensure the safe return of your pet in the event they get loose, license your dog, get your cats and dogs microchipped, and place an ID tag on their collar.

A pet microchip is approximately the size of a grain of rice and the procedure is no more painful than a routine vaccination. The microchip is placed in loose skin just below the shoulder blade. The microchip contains a unique identification number that you must register with a national lost pet registry.

Should your pet get lost, any veterinarian or Animal Control Officers can scan them for a microchip. Only the pet registry keeps a record of your contact information. It is therefore essential that you keep your address and telephone number updated.

If you find a lost pet in Costa Mesa, be sure to call Animal Control immediately at (714) 754-5674.

# **HOT WEATHER TIPS FOR YOUR PET**

#### WEBMD VETERINARY REFERENCE FROM ASPCA

We all love spending the long, sunny days of summer outdoors with our furry companions, but being overeager in hot weather can spell danger, warn ASPCA experts.

www.pricelesspetrescue.org

"Even the healthiest pets can suffer from dehydration, heat stroke and sunburn if overexposed to the heat," says Dr. Lila Miller, ASPCA Veterinary Advisor, "and heat stroke can be fatal if not treated promptly."

Take these simple precautions, provided by ASPCA experts, to help prevent your pet from overheating.

1. Make sure your pets have a shady place to get out of the sun, be careful to not over-exercise them, and keep them indoors when it is extremely hot.

- 2. Know the warning signs of dehydration and heat stoke. They can include seizures, bloody diarrhea, and vomit along with elevated body temperature over 104 degrees.
- 3. Never leave your animals alone in a parked car! On a hot day, a parked car can become a furnace even with the windows open.
- 4. Do not leave pets unsupervised around pols. Not all dogs are good swimmers.
- 5. keeps walks during hot days to a minimum. Know the 5-second rule, if the asphalt is too hot for you, then it is too hot for your pet! Protect their paws!



### 890 Arlington Drive | Costa Mesa | (714) 754-5041

Bark Park is an area where the public can take their dogs and legally allow them to run and play off-leash. Access to Bark Park is off Arlington Drive just before Newport Boulevard in the southeast corner of TeWinkle Park.

### <u>Tips for dog owners while at the Bark Park:</u>

- Don't forget your doggy bags! Pick up after your dog(s).
- Stay within your dogs sight so they can find you easily.
- Be mindful of other dogs, keep an eye on your dogs interaction with others.
- If you dog is being aggressive to other dogs or people, please remove your dog from the park.
- Walk your dog(s) in and out of the Bark Park on a leash for their safety.

Park hours are 7:30 am to 8:45 pm. Closed Wednesdays for maintenance.

\*\*For closure notifications please call (714) 754-5041 and choose option 3.



### **MONTHLY STATISTICS**

Animal Care Services provides monthly statistics to track the animals entering the shelter, returning to their owners, transferring into the adoption center, and adoptions.

### MAY AND JUNE 2021 (05/01/21 - 06/30/2021)

- Total impounds to shelter: 100
- Animals returned to owners: 27
- Animals transferred to adoption care: 41
- Total adoptions: 16

For more detailed statistics, please visit: www.costamesaca.gov/pets

# ANIMAL CONTROL

### **KITTEN SEASON HAS ARRIVED!**



### DON'T KIT-NAP!





KITTEN SEASON IS HERE? What if i find a kitten?

Are they in immediate danger?
(Busy road, predator nearby, etc.)

Are they hurt or sick?

NO
Leave them
alone.

YES

Call Animal

Control.



If the animal is contained, call (714) 754– 5674 or take the pet to the Costa Mesa Police Department at 99 Fair Drive.

Take it Directly
To the Shelter

All impounded animals are brought to the shelter. Animals receive vaccinations, a microchip, and are spayed/ neutered following the seven- day holding period.

















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### Tips to keep coyotes away:

• Do not leave small pets in the backyard unattended

**COYOTE SAFETY** 

- Feed your pets indoors and do not leave pet food outside
- Pick up fallen fruit from trees off of the ground
- Protect all water sources including pools

### If you spot a coyote:

- Haze the covote by making yourself big and loud
- Log onto the Coyote Cacher to report your encounter
- https://ucanr.edu/sites/CoyoteCacher/
- Email coyote@costamesaca.gov

Visit www.costamesaca.gov for more information.

# **4TH OF JULY PET SAFETY TIPS**

#### ASPCA (THE AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY OF ANIMALS)

For many people, nothing beats lounging in the backyard on the Fourth of July with good friends and family—including furry friends. While it may seem like a great idea to reward your pet with scraps from the grill and bring him along to watch fireworks, in reality some festive foods and activities can be potentially hazardous to him.

The **ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center** offers the following tips:

Never leave alcoholic drinks unattended where pets can reach them. Alcoholic beverages have the potential to poison pets. If ingested, the animal could become very intoxicated and weak, severely depressed or could go into a coma. Death from respiratory failure is also a possibility in severe cases.

Do not apply any sunscreen or insect repellent product to your pet that is not labeled specifically for use on animals. Ingestion of sunscreen products can result in drooling, vomiting, diarrhea, excessive thirst and lethargy. The misuse of insect repellent that contains DEET can lead to neurological problems.











Always keep matches and lighter fluid out of your pets' reach. Certain types of matches contain chlorates, which could potentially damage blood cells and result in difficulty breathing—or even kidney disease in severe cases. Lighter fluid can be irritating to skin, and if ingested can produce gastrointestinal irritation and central nervous system depression. If lighter fluid is inhaled, aspiration pneumonia and breathing problems could develop.

Keep your pets on their normal diet. Any change, even for one meal, can give your pet severe indigestion and diarrhea. This is particularly true for older animals who have more delicate digestive systems and nutritional requirements. And keep in mind that foods such as onions, chocolate, coffee, avocado, grapes, raisins, salt and yeast dough can all be potentially toxic to companion animals. Please visit our People Foods to Avoid Feeding Your Pets page for more information.

Do not put glow jewelry on your pets, or allow them to play with it. While the luminescent substance contained in these products is not highly toxic, excessive drooling and gastrointestinal irritation could still result from ingestion, and intestinal blockage could occur from swallowing large pieces of the plastic containers.

Keep citronella candles, insect coils and tiki torch oil products out of reach. Ingestion can produce stomach irritation and possibly even central nervous system depression. If inhaled, the oils could cause aspiration pneumonia in pets.

Never use fireworks around pets! While exposure to lit fireworks can potentially result in severe burns and/or trauma to the face and paws of curious pets, even unused fireworks can pose a danger. Many types contain potentially toxic substances, including potassium nitrate, arsenic and other heavy metals.

Loud, crowded fireworks displays are no fun for pets, who can become frightened or disoriented by the sound. Please resist the urge to take them to Independence Day festivities, and opt instead to keep them safe from the noise in a quiet, sheltered and escape-proof area at home.



### **RESOURCES**

**Animal Care Services** (714) 754-5128 (714) 754-4918

Costa Mesa Animal Control (714) 754-5674

Newport Center Animal Hospital (Shelter) 1333 Avocado, NB (949) 447-5959 Hours: 10am - 5pm; Mon-Sat Closed Sundays

Impounded Animals www.costamesaca.gov/ impoundedanimals

Adoptable Animals
www.costamesaca.gov/
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# **LOST AND FOUND PETS**

If you find a lost pet, call Animal Control immediately at (714) 754-5674. You can view some of the City's found pets at www.costamesaca.gov/impoundedanimals

If you believe your pet may be at the City's shelter (Newport Center Animal Hospital), please call (949) 447-5959.

## **LOOKING TO DONATE?**

Donating to assist in the well-being and care of Costa Mesa's sheltered and adoptable animals is as easy as 1, 2, 3.

- **1.** Donate your time by becoming a volunteer or foster caretaker with Priceless Pet Rescue. Visit www.pricelesspetrescue.org for more information on how to volunteer.
- **2.** Purchase pet supplies through Priceless Pet Rescue's Chewy.com and Amazon wish lists or donate directly to their organization. For more information, please visit www.pricelesspetrescue.org/donate.
- **3.** Make a monetary donation to the Costa Mesa Foundation for Animal Care Services online. Visit bit.ly/CMPetDonations to make an online donation.