



THE SCOOP



Staff Contact: (714) 754-5128
 Animal Control: (714) 754-5674
 Animal Licensing: (714) 754-5300

www.costamesaca.gov/pets
www.pricelesspetrescue.org
www.newportcenterah.com



Mike T. - Photo Courtesy of Priceless Pet Rescue

CAT OF THE MONTH

Mike is a six-year-old, male, domestic short hair, brown tabby cat who is known to be gentle and loves affection.

Mike enjoys head pets and neck scratches for as long as you are willing to give them. He is also happy to find a sunny spot to take a nap if you are busy.

Mike has previously lived with a cat before, so he may do well living with another gentle cat with proper introduction.

If you are interested in adopting or learning more about Mike in person, please visit www.pricelesspetrescue.org.



Bruce - Photo Courtesy of Priceless Pet Rescue

DOG OF THE MONTH

Bruce is a two-year-old, male, American Bulldog/American Staffordshire Terrier. Bruce is noted to be the happiest boy!

Bruce is described as a friendly meatball who gets excited when meeting people and wants to be everyone's friend. He is good with other dogs and is a social butterfly!

If you are looking for a lovable friend, Bruce is the one for you!

If you are interested in adopting or learning more about Bruce, please visit www.pricelesspetrescue.org.

PET RELATED CONTRACT CLASSES

Sport Dog & Agility Foundation A

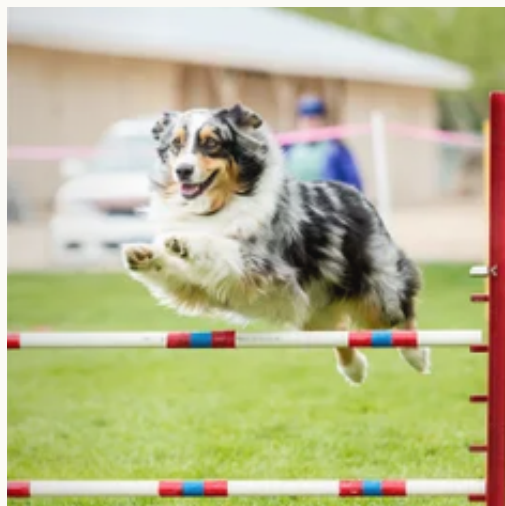
Train your dog athlete. For active dogs and people to prepare for dog sports, agility, & speedway. We will use agility jumps, tunnels, and fitness equipment. Improve strength and flexibility for your dog by making everything into a game!
 Dogs (6mos and older) must be friendly with people and other dogs. Some obedience training recommended. Class is held at Downtown Recreation Center in the Backyard Field.

CODE	AGES	DATE	DAY	TIME	FEE
16620	18+	3/14-4/18	M	4-5 pm	\$120
16621	18+	3/14-4/18	M	5-6 pm	\$120
16622	18+	3/14-4/18	M	6-7 pm	\$120
16623	18+	3/14-4/18	M	7-8 pm	\$120

NOTE Bring vaccination records and \$10 material fee to the first class, which is held without dogs.

LOCATION Downtown Recreation Center (1860 Anaheim Ave.)

INSTRUCTOR Paulette Suiter



ANIMAL SERVICES OPERATIONS



March 30 is Take a Walk in the Park Day! Although not exclusively a pet holiday, this day makes a great time to explore a new park with your dog! Check out these dogs currently waiting for their forever family at www.pricelesspetrescue.org.



Dudley - Costa Mesa Location
(Photo Courtesy of PPR)



Ella - Costa Mesa Location
(Photo Courtesy of PPR)



April 30 is Adopt a Shelter Animal Day! Check out the available pets currently waiting for their forever home at www.pricelesspetrescue.org.



Poppy - Costa Mesa Location
(Photo Courtesy of PPR)



Chester - Costa Mesa Location
(Photo Courtesy of PPR)



Newport Center
**ANIMAL HOSPITAL
& PET HOTEL SUITES**

Lost and Found Pets

Animals that are picked up or turned in to Costa Mesa Control go to the Costa Mesa Shelter.

Impounded animals can be found on the City's impounded animals page by visiting www.costamesaca.gov/impoundedanimals

(1333 Avocado Ave. Newport Beach, CA 92660)

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



PEOPLE FOODS TO AVOID FEEDING YOUR PETS ASPCA

Our Animal Poison Control Center experts have put together a handy list of the top toxic people foods to avoid feeding your pet. As always, if you suspect your pet has eaten any of the following foods, please note the amount ingested and contact your veterinarian or the ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center at (888) 426-4435.

Alcohol: Alcoholic beverages and food products containing alcohol can cause vomiting, diarrhea, decreased coordination, central nervous system depression, difficulty breathing, tremors, abnormal blood acidity, coma and even death. Under no circumstances should your pet be given any alcohol. If you suspect that your pet has ingested alcohol, contact your veterinarian or the ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center immediately.

Avocado: Avocado is primarily a problem for birds, rabbits, donkeys, horses, and ruminants including sheep and goats. The biggest concern is for cardiovascular damage and death in birds and rabbits. Horses, donkeys and ruminants frequently get swollen, edematous head and neck.

Chocolate, Coffee and Caffeine: These products all contain substances called methylxanthines, which are found in cacao seeds, the fruit of the plant used to make coffee, and in the nuts of an extract used in some sodas. When ingested by pets, methylxanthines can cause vomiting and diarrhea, panting, excessive thirst and urination, hyperactivity, abnormal heart rhythm, tremors, seizures and even death. Note that darker chocolate is more dangerous than milk chocolate. White chocolate has the lowest level of methylxanthines, while baking chocolate contains the highest.

Citrus: The stems, leaves, peels, fruit and seeds of citrus plants contain varying amounts of citric acid, essential oils that can cause irritation and possibly even central nervous system depression if ingested in significant amounts. Small doses, such as eating the fruit, are not likely to present problems beyond minor stomach upset.

Grapes and Raisins: Although the toxic substance within grapes and raisins is unknown, these fruits can cause kidney failure. Until more information is known about the toxic substance, it is best to avoid feeding grapes and raisins to dogs.

Nuts: Macadamia nuts can cause weakness, depression, vomiting, tremors and hyperthermia in dogs. Signs usually appear within 12 hours of ingestion and can last approximately 24 to 48 hours. Nuts, including almonds, pecans, and walnuts, contain high amounts of oils and fats. The fats can cause vomiting and diarrhea, and potentially pancreatitis in pets.

Milk and Dairy: Because pets do not possess significant amounts of lactase (the enzyme that breaks down lactose in milk), milk and other dairy-based products cause them diarrhea or other digestive upset.

Xylitol: Xylitol is used as a sweetener in many products, including gum, candy, baked goods and toothpaste. It can cause insulin release in most species, which can lead to liver failure. The increase in insulin leads to hypoglycemia (lowered sugar levels). Initial signs of toxicosis include vomiting, lethargy and loss of coordination. Signs can progress to seizures. Elevated liver enzymes and liver failure can be seen within a few days.

COSTA MESA BARK PARK

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

ANIMAL CONTROL



Costa Mesa | (714) 754-5674

The Bark Park

The Bark Park is be open Thursday - Tuesday from 7:30 a.m. to 8:45 p.m. The park is closed on Wednesdays for regular maintenance.

For park updates during inclement weather, please call the Costa Mesa Mudline at (714) 754-5041.



Upcoming Animal Care Services Event:

CITY OF COSTA MESA
ANIMAL CARE SERVICES

Spring Bark Bash

No Entry Fee Required!

Saturday, May 21
11am- 2pm

TEWINKLE PARK
970 ARLINGTON DRIVE

SAVE THE DATE

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
714-754-4918 | 714-754-5182

Costa Mesa ANIMAL CARE SERVICES | Priceless Pets

Join Animal Care Services, in partnership with Priceless Pet Rescue, at the Spring Bark Bash! The event will take place at TeWinkle Park in the grass area near the Tennis Center.

Come out and meet some great local pet vendors, get your pets vaccines updated, and enjoy much more!

Here are some reasons why you should adopt your next pet!

To save a life: Not just one, but two lives. When you adopt, you save the life of the pet you take home and help make room for another to be cared for.

It's a great deal: Most adoption fees already include the cost of microchipping, spaying/neutering, and up-to-date vaccines.

Variety: Animal shelters have a wide variety of pets to choose from, more than 25 percent of which are purebred. If you have a particular breed in mind, check your local shelters and breed specific rescues.

Support adoption: Adopting stops the exploitation of animals. If you do decide to purchase a pet, make sure you find a reputable breeder. The breeder should allow you to meet both parents of your soon to be pet and be able to provide you with the animal's complete health history.

It's good for the environment: Adopting helps combat overpopulation. More than 80 percent of animals in shelters are there because of owner neglect. Adopting is ecofriendly and recycled pets are the best kind!



For information on adoptable animals, please visit:
www.costamesa.gov/adoptableanimals

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.

JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2022 (01/01/22 - 02/28/22)

- Total impounds to shelter: 63
- Animals returned to owners: 19
- Animals transferred to adoption care: 37
- Total adoptions: 33

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

Love Your Dog, Love Your Park
Costa Mesa

TAKE THE LEAD...

Parks Make Life Better!

& SCOOP THE POOP!

TIPS FOR NATIONAL PET ID WEEK

AMERICAN HUMANE

Statistics show that one out of three pets become lost at some point in their lifetime, and missing pets rarely find their way home. Approximately 10 million pets are lost or stolen in the United States each year, and more than 6 million animals wind up in the nation's animal shelters.

Given that dogs and cats in shelters without ID are much less likely to be reunited with their owners, identification can mean the difference between life and death for your best friend.

April 17-23 is National Pet ID Week, an opportunity to ensure your pet is equipped with ID tags and/or microchips to maximize the chance of their safe return if they stray from home or are lost on vacation.

As a pet owner, it is critical that your furry companion is protected.

Many pets have tags and most who have been adopted from shelters in recent years have already been microchipped by the staff there, but you should still check to make sure your pet has at least one form of identification, or preferably two.



We provide the following tips to help keep your pet safe:

- Make sure your pet always wears a collar with a current ID tag, rabies tag, and city/county license (where applicable).
- Include a contact name, correct address, and daytime and evening phone numbers on all ID tags.
- Keep your pet's licenses, ID tag, and microchip current – make sure to update the tag if you change your address or phone number.
- If you are traveling, put a temporary tag on your pet with the contact information of someone who knows how to reach you.
- Tag your cats even if you never let them outside. They could slip through an open door and quickly become lost in the neighborhood.
- Take the added security precaution of having your pet microchipped. Microchipping provides an additional layer of protection in the event the pet's collar and tag fall off or are removed, and nearly all animal shelters across the country routinely scan every animal upon intake for the presence of a microchip.

In honor of National Pet ID Week, some organizations, such as Pet Supplies Plus, are offering discounted microchipping services and name identification tags, so it's easy to do!

Losing a pet can be absolutely devastating, but pets with ID tags and microchips are much more likely to find their way home to their loving family. Follow our tips and keep your family together.

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/adoptableanimals

COYOTE SAFETY

Tips to keep coyotes away:

- Do not leave small pets in the backyard unattended
- 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 coyote 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.

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.