

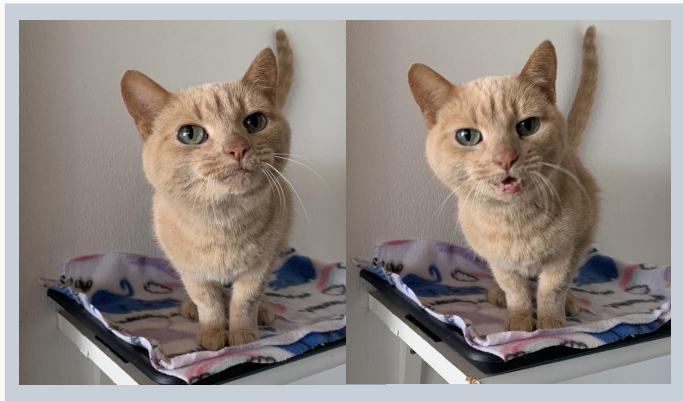


# THE SCOOP



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

[www.costamesaca.gov/pets](http://www.costamesaca.gov/pets)  
[www.pricelesspetrescue.org](http://www.pricelesspetrescue.org)  
[www.newportcenterah.com](http://www.newportcenterah.com)



Skittles - Photo Courtesy of Priceless Pet Rescue

## CAT OF THE MONTH

Skittles is a fourteen-year-old, female, Domestic Shorthair. Skittles is a sweet senior citizen!

Skittles loves receiving affection and will go up to people for ear and head pets with the goal to keep you as long as she can to keep you giving her all of your attention

Skittles has more life to share with her fur-ever family.

If you are interested in adopting or learning more about Skittles, please visit [www.pricelesspetrescue.org](http://www.pricelesspetrescue.org).



Buzz - Photo Courtesy of Priceless Pet Rescue

## DOG OF THE MONTH

Buzz is an eight-year-old, male, Chihuahua. Buzz is a total lap dog and loves receiving pets!

Buzz is small and is a good size for apartment living. He is lower in energy but plays well with other dogs even if it is at a bit of a slow pace.

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

If you are interested in adopting or learning more about Buzz, please visit [www.pricelesspetrescue.org](http://www.pricelesspetrescue.org).

## SUMMER RECREATION CLASS



### 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
16874	18+	6/13-7/25	M	4-5pm	\$120
16875	18+	6/13-7/25	M	5-6pm	\$120
16876	18+	6/13-7/25	M	6-7pm	\$120
16877	18+	6/13-7/25	M	7-8pm	\$120

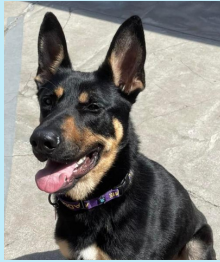
**NOTE:** Bring vaccination records and \$10 material fee to the first class, which is held without dogs.  
**LOCATION:** Downtown Recreation Center (1860 Anaheim Ave.)  
**INSTRUCTOR:** Paulette Suiter  
**NO CLASS:** 7/4



# ANIMAL SERVICES OPERATIONS



May 20 is National Rescue Dog day!



Zorro - Costa Mesa Location  
(Photo Courtesy of PPR)

June is Adopt a Shelter Cat Month!



Moon- Costa Mesa Location  
(Photo Courtesy of PPR)

Check out these pets that are currently waiting for their forever family at [www.pricelesspetrescue.org](http://www.pricelesspetrescue.org).



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

## Vaccine Clinic - TeWinkle Park

(970 Arlington Dr.)

Come out to TeWinkle Park during the Spring Bark Bash on **Saturday, May 21 from 11am-2pm** to get your dogs vaccines!

### Dog Vaccinations

Rabies	\$15
Bordetella	\$30
DAP	\$20
Corona	\$28
Canine Influenza	\$35
Deworming	\$35



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

## MAY 8 IS NATIONAL ANIMAL DISASTER PREPAREDNESS DAY DISASTER PEPAEDNESS - ASPCA

Emergencies come in many forms, and they may require anything from a brief absence from your home to permanent evacuation. Each type of disaster requires different measures to keep your pets safe, so the best thing you can do for yourself and your pets is to be prepared. Here are simple steps you can follow now to make sure you're ready before the next disaster strikes:

### Step 1: Get a Rescue Alert Sticker

This easy-to-use sticker will let people know that pets are inside your home. Make sure it is visible to rescue workers (we recommend placing it on or near your front door), and that it includes the types and number of pets in your home as well as the name and number of your veterinarian. If you must evacuate with your pets, and if time allows, write "EVACUATED" across the stickers. To get a free emergency pet alert sticker for your home, please fill out our online order form and allow 6-8 weeks for delivery. Your local pet supply store may also sell similar stickers.

### Step 2: Arrange a Safe Haven

Arrange a safe haven for your pets in the event of evacuation. **DO NOT LEAVE YOUR PETS BEHIND.** Remember, if it isn't safe for you, it isn't safe for your pets. Note that not all shelters accept pets, so it is imperative that you have determined where you will bring your pets ahead of time:

- Contact your veterinarian for a list of preferred boarding kennels and facilities.
- Ask your local animal shelter if they provide emergency shelter or foster care for pets.
- Identify hotels or motels outside of your immediate area that accept pets.
- Ask friends and relatives outside your immediate area if they would be willing to take in your pet.

### Step 3: Choose "Designated Caregivers"

This step will take considerable time and thought. When choosing a temporary caregiver, consider someone who lives close to your residence. They should be someone who is generally home during the day while you are at work or has easy access to your home. A set of keys should be given to this trusted individual. This may work well with neighbors who have pets of their own—you may even swap responsibilities, depending upon who has accessibility.

When selecting a permanent caregiver, you'll need to consider other criteria. This is a person to whom you are entrusting the care of your pet in the event that something should happen to you. When selecting this "foster parent," consider people who have met your pet and have successfully cared for animals in the past. Be sure to discuss your expectations at length with a permanent caregiver, so he or she understands the responsibility of caring for your pet.

You should also have an emergency kit for the human members of the family. Items to include: Batteries, duct tape, flashlight, radio, multi-tool, tarp, rope, permanent marker, spray paint, baby wipes, protective clothing and footwear, extra cash, rescue whistle, important phone numbers, extra medication and copies of medical and insurance information.

### Step 4: Prepare Emergency Supplies and Traveling Kits

If you must evacuate your home in a crisis, plan for the worst-case scenario. Even if you think you may be gone for only a day, assume that you may not be allowed to return for several weeks. When recommendations for evacuation have been announced, follow the instructions of local and state officials. To minimize evacuation time, take these simple steps:

- Make sure all pets wear collars and tags with up-to-date identification information. Your pet's ID tag should contain his name, telephone number and any urgent medical needs. Be sure to also write your pet's name, your name and contact information on your pet's carrier.
- The ASPCA recommends microchipping your pet as a more permanent form of identification. A microchip is implanted under the skin in the animal's shoulder area, and can be read by a scanner at most animal shelters.
- Always bring pets indoors at the first sign or warning of a storm or disaster. Pets can become disoriented and wander away from home in a crisis.
- Store an emergency kit and leashes as close to an exit as possible. Make sure that everyone in the family knows where it is, and that it clearly labeled and easy to carry. Items to consider keeping in or near your "Evac-Pack" include:
  - Pet first-aid kit and guide book (ask your vet what to include)
  - 3-7 days' worth of canned (pop-top) or dry food (be sure to rotate every two months)
  - Disposable litter trays (aluminum roasting pans are perfect)
  - Litter or paper toweling
  - Liquid dish soap and disinfectant
  - Disposable garbage bags for clean-up
  - Pet feeding dishes and water bowls
  - Extra collar or harness as well as an extra leash
  - Photocopies and/or USB of medical records and a waterproof container with a two-week supply of any medicine your pet requires (Remember, food and medications need to be rotated out of your emergency kit—otherwise they may go bad or become useless)
  - At least seven days' worth of bottled water for each person and pet (store in a cool, dry place and replace every two months)
  - A traveling bag, crate or sturdy carrier, ideally one for each pet
  - Flashlight
  - Blanket
  - Recent photos of your pets (in case you are separated and need to make "Lost" posters)
  - Especially for cats: Pillowcase, toys, scoop-able litter
  - Especially for dogs: Extra leash, toys and chew toys, a week's worth of cage liner

# 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 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

Bring home a new best friend! Join Animal Care Services in Partnership with Priceless Pets at Spring Bark Bash!

Pet Adoptions | Local Pet Vendors |  
Vaccine Clinic | Demonstrations

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:  
714-754-4918 | 714-754-5128

Costa Mesa ANIMAL CARE SERVICES | Priceless Pets

### 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](http://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.

### MARCH/APRIL 2022 (03/01/22 - 04/30/22)

- 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](http://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](http://www.costamesaca.gov/impoundedanimals)

**Adoptable Animals**  
[www.costamesaca.gov/adoptableanimals](http://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
- [www.costamesaca.gov/coyotecacher](http://www.costamesaca.gov/coyotecacher)
- Email [coyote@costamesaca.gov](mailto:coyote@costamesaca.gov)

Visit [www.costamesaca.gov](http://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](http://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](http://www.pricelesspetrescue.org/donate).
3. Make a monetary donation to the Costa Mesa Foundation for Animal Care Services online. Visit [bit.ly/CMPetDonations](http://bit.ly/CMPetDonations) to make an online donation.