



National Pet Dental Health Month

February is National Pet Dental Health Month, so our spotlight for February is “Dental Health”. Common indications of oral disease include bad breath, a change in eating or chewing habits, pawing at the face or mouth, and depression.

According to the American Veterinary Dental Society, an astounding 80 percent of dogs and 70 percent of cats show signs of oral disease by age 3. Oral disease is the single most frequently diagnosed health problem for our furry companions.

Dog breath is nothing to smile about ...



... even for a cat.

Bacteria combines with food debris and saliva to cause plaque formations that accumulate on the tooth. As bacteria grow and calcium salts are deposited, plaque turns to tartar. Tartar enhances bacterial attachment to further plaque development, which can irritate gingival (gum) tissues and eventually lead to periodontal disease.

The first step in preventing oral disease is a routine physical exam with a look at those choppers. Owners should practice a regular dental care hygiene regimen at home, which may include brushing their teeth with a pet specific toothpaste (please don't use the human varieties) or use other options such as Sea Dent, water additives, chewable dental bones, or raw bones.

Dental Products & Raw Bones



20% off

Salon Tooth Brushing Service

50% off!

(Requires a Full-Service Groom Package)

February 1st – 28th

(Limited to stock on hand - Discount taken at register)

8 Tips for a Healthier Pet

These tips come directly from Dr. Karen Becker, DVM, founder of Mercola's Healthy Pets (which is one of our favorite resources for great pet health information).

#1 – Feed Fresh. The goal is to feed your pet a diet that helps them to thrive. If you can't feed fresh every meal, even small steps like fresh snacks can really help.

#2 – Exercise with your pet. Your furry friend can help you keep that New Year's resolution of getting back in shape, simply by taking a few more walks.

#3 – Replace that retractable leash. While they may give your pet more freedom, the main purpose of a leash is to keep your pet safe and under your control. Retractable leashes often do the exact opposite.

#4 – Crate train your pet. Most people assume crate training is just for dogs, but it's just as beneficial for cats.

#5 – Refuse unnecessary vaccinations. She isn't recommending becoming an “anti-vaxxer”. She is referring to recognizing the difference between too many vaccinations and protective ones. Be informed. It's ok to question your vet.

#6 – Do your homework before adopting. It's a lifelong commitment. Evaluate both your readiness and ability to be a good pet parent and learn the disposition of your potential breed or rescue companion to be sure they will fit your lifestyle.

#7 – Learn about predisposed genetic diseases. There are steps you can take to prevent your pet from acquiring those diseases, and there are ways to treat or effectively manage those that do occur.

#8 – Provide ongoing training and socialization. Well socialized pets make great companions and providing daily opportunities to interact with new people and places is key.

Private Label Products

Have you ever wondered how Naturally 4 Paws selects the products that we offer? We have strict criteria that we follow when examining any new product, but we are the most discerning when it comes to food and treats that are ingested by our furry friends.

While most of our food products are made right here in the U.S., there are a few high-quality brands imported from Canada and New Zealand. We also guarantee that none of our food or treat products (or their ingredients) come from China.

We strive to offer products that are as local or regional as possible. There are raw food diets produced right across the Sound in Seattle, and a couple more in Portland.

But what could be more locally made than products we create and sell in-house. Do you recognize the logo below?



Paws Gourmet Bakery is our own private label company! When you see a product with this logo, you can be confident that our team sourced the ingredients, hand-crafted the product, and packaged it right here in Silverdale. While you may recognize our products in the bakery case and Treat Bar, be sure to look for our newest products; home-made frozen bone broths and freshly made packaged jerky!

Training Center

The next round of training classes begins on the first part of March. Registration for Friday & Saturday classes opens February 8th and for Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday classes on February 15th.

For complete details on schedules, pricing, class descriptions, and trainer biographies, refer to our website or Training Brochure.



February

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22	23 Make-Up Day 5p Basic & Puppy 6p Skill & CGC 7p Tricks, Nose, & Rally	24	25	26	27	28

Friday & Saturday classes: Registration for the next round opens 02/08 with the classes starting 03/05 & 06

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday classes: Registration for the next round opens 02/15 with those classes starting the week of 03/08

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