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# Summer Newsletter 2017

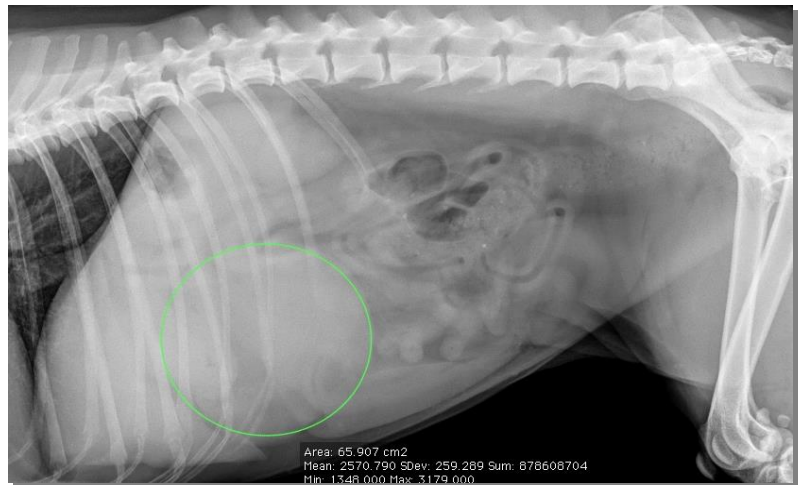
## Don't Miss Your Pet's Annual Health Check – It Could Save Their Life

Our vets often pick up a wide range of conditions which owners are unaware of, some of which can be life-threatening, when pets are brought in for their yearly health check and booster vaccination

We carry out a thorough physical examination, including checking ears, eyes, teeth, tummy and heart, and also offer advice on parasite control and weight management.

In the last few weeks, we were able to diagnose over-active thyroids in two cats who were brought in for their annual health checks. Left undetected, this can cause damage to the heart and kidneys. Both have been treated now and are doing well.

Glenn Bengtson recently discovered a tumour on the spleen of a dog brought in for her health check. Glenn felt her tummy and advised the owner that we should x-ray the dog's abdomen which enabled us to see the tumour. The dog had surgery to remove its spleen as the tumour can rupture and this can be life-threatening if untreated.



Here you can see the x-ray with the tumour circled.

We always try to remind you when your pet's health check and vaccinations are due, but do keep a note in your diary to bring your pet in every year.



## New Vet

Our Harlow surgery has a new vet. Alex Weatherley has joined us and will be working at Harlow and Epping Surgeries. Alex has just returned from a 2 week break and is overjoyed that her boyfriend proposed on the last day of their holiday. Congratulations Alex from us all at Forest.



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