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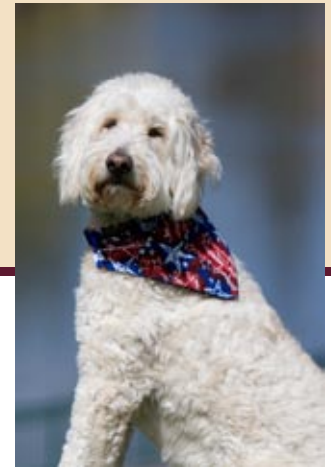
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Porter models our new Spindrift Bandana Collar
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Dog Park Etiquette

Mare Shey, CPDT

Watching dogs play, frolic and joyfully run around can be one of life's simple pleasures. Now with dog parks becoming more available in most cities, dogs have fast access to dog buddies to meet, greet and go full force into dog play. While a fun time of exercise and socialization for all is the goal, at times a more frustrating and disappointing event is experienced. To enhance your visit to Bend's fabulous new dog parks, creating a few ground rules and understanding polite park etiquette for you and your dog can be helpful. It is important to keep your visit safe and enjoyable.

Before you enter a dog park look around to see how the mix of dogs are interacting, playing, sniffing and experiencing their visit. If you feel at all uncomfortable, find a different place to play. If you observe dogs bullying each other, being aggressive, guarding their toys or humans you might want to think about if this is the experience you want for your dog. If your dog is fearful or aggressive, a dog park is not the place to socialize them. They often become overwhelmed and their fears accelerate. Seek a professional dog behaviorist. Pay attention to your dog and be ready to intervene if necessary. Know that it is best if dogs play in smaller groups. Large packs can be trouble. Re-direct your dog to you or to another area of the park.

In addition:

- Pick up all dog waste and dispose of properly.
- Remove toys if they become a reason for possessiveness or aggression.
- Always have a leash handy if needed
- Closely supervise young children or do not bring them. Dogs perceive kids as other young dogs.
- Do not bring more dogs than you can control, which for most people is maximum of three, well-trained, responsive dogs.
- It is best to not let dogs display inappropriate dominance –this includes humping, pinning, prolonged body stiffening or body slamming.

Young Dogs:

- Please take caution with young dogs as they need to have all shots, be 4 months of age, and should be supervised at all times. Puppy socialization is often better coming from a supervised puppy class
- One intense fearful event can create a long-term behavior problem.
- It is best if young dogs play with dogs that have a nice temperament to learn appropriate behaviors.
- If your dog plays rough with older dogs they could be learning adult level battle skills.
- Young dogs often misinterpret play– young dogs perceive other dogs as litter mates- older dogs perceive young dogs as strangers.

'Ears to our Pet of the Week Photo Contest!



Submit a fun photo of your dog or cat in our Pet of the Week Photo Contest and we'll feature your favorite friend on our website for the week! Enter at BendPetExpress.com.

Better signage, more colorful, easier to find what you're looking for. Same expert staff if you need us...

Featured Products:

Buddy Bowl

When traveling or hiking with your favorite four-legged friend, hydration needs to be top of mind for both of you. The Buddy Bowl uses a unique, patented, funneled interior that prevents water from splashing in transit or spilling if the bowl tips. The Buddy Bowl is perfect for trucks, cars, planes, RVs, campers, kitchens, and crates. \$17 and up



Bio-Spot

It's that time of year again. Make sure you protect your pets from harmful pests such as mosquitoes (that transmit heartworm disease), fleas, flea eggs and deer ticks. Bio-Spot will repel these pests for one month and the package comes with a 3-month supply. Know your pet's weight before purchasing. from \$14



Spindrift Bandana Collar

Just in time for the Bend Pet Express 4th of July Pet Parade. These collars are not only sporty they're high design! The leash clip is on top and the tag ring on the bottom, keeping your dog at the height of style at all times. \$18



Upcoming Events (all seminars are at 3pm at the Eastside location unless noted)

6/14/09 Backpacking with your Dog - Mare Shey from Dancin Woofs

6/28/09 Pet Food 101 - Chris Baldasaro from Bend Pet Express

6/20/09 Shot Clinic - Westside Bend Pet Express 10am-2pm see story below

Pet Vaccinations

Pets need the following vaccinations to keep them healthy:

Puppies: 6 in 1 vaccination DHLPP (Distemper, Hepatitis, Leptospirosis, Parainfluenza and Parvovirus) and Bordetella at eight weeks of age and then once every three to four weeks until the puppy reaches 4 months of age. Then once each year. Rabies vaccination is given at 4 months of age, then again within 12 months, then every 3 years.

Dogs: 6 in 1 vaccination DHLPP (Distemper, Hepatitis, Leptospirosis, Parainfluenza and Parvovirus) and Bordetella every 12 months. Rabies vaccination every 3 years.

Kitten: FVRCP (Feline Viral Rhinotracheitis, Calicivirus, Panleukopenia) and Chlamydia at eight weeks of age, then once every 3 to 4 weeks until the kitten reaches 4 months of age, then once each year. Rabies is due at 4 months, then again within 12 months, then every 1-3 years depending on vaccination.

Cats: FVRCP (Feline Viral Rhinotracheitis, Calicivirus, Panleukopenia) and Chlamydia every 12 months. Rabies every 1-3 years depending on vaccination.

Important: The above are basic vaccinations. It is critical that you work with your veterinarian regarding the vaccinations necessary to keep your pet healthy. Many veterinarians suggest additional vaccinations and treatments.

Westside Bend Pet Express will be hosting a shot clinic on Saturday, June 20, 2009 from 10am - 2 pm. All dog and cat vaccines will be \$15.00 each and we will be inserting Microchips for only \$25.00

please note, we will not have giardia vaccines or feline bordatella - please contact Bend Spay and Neuter for more info.