



# NEWSLETTER

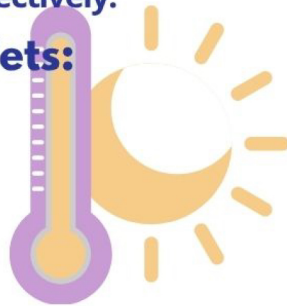
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## Heat Stroke Happens Fast, Know the Signs

As temperatures rise, so does the risk of heat stroke in pets. Heat stroke is a serious medical emergency that can occur when a pet's body temperature becomes too high and they are unable to cool themselves effectively.

### Signs of Heat Stroke in Pets:

- Excessive panting
- Heavy drooling
- Bright red gums or tongue
- Weakness or lethargy
- Vomiting or diarrhea
- Difficulty walking or stumbling
- Collapse or seizures
- Curled tongue extending farther out than normal
- Seeking shade



Spot the Signs. Save a Life.



### If you suspect your pet is experiencing heat stroke:

- Move them immediately to a cool, shaded, or air-conditioned area.
- Offer cool (not ice-cold) water if they are alert and able to drink.
- Apply cool water to their body, especially the belly, paw pads, and neck.
- Use fans to help lower body temperature.
- Contact your veterinarian or an emergency veterinary hospital immediately.

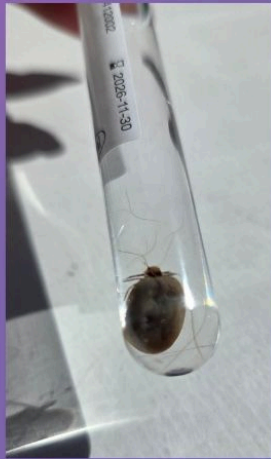
### How to Help Prevent Heat Stroke:

- Keep pets indoors during peak heat (10 AM–4 PM)
- Always provide access to fresh, cool water
- Ensure shady areas are available if outside
- Avoid hot pavement—if it's too hot for your hand, it's too hot for their paws
- Limit exercise on hot or humid days
- Never leave pets in a parked car, even for a short time
- Use fans or cooling mats to help keep indoor pets comfortable
- Monitor older pets, flat-faced breeds, and those with health issues closely—they're at higher risk

Note: Cats typically shouldn't pant. Unlike dogs, cats don't pant to cool down. If your cat is panting, it may indicate heat stress, anxiety, or an underlying medical issue and should be treated as a serious concern.



# One Bite Can Change Everything



Tick season is in full swing, and we are seeing an increase in tick borne diseases throughout Northern Kentucky. Diseases such as Lyme disease, Ehrlichiosis, and Anaplasmosis can cause serious health problems for pets, including fever, joint pain, lethargy, loss of appetite, and, in some cases, long term complications if left untreated.

The best protection is keeping your pet on year round flea and tick prevention. If remembering a monthly preventive like Quattro or giving Bravecto every three months is difficult, ask us about our yearly flea and tick injection. With just one injection, your pet receives 12 months of continuous protection, making it an easy and convenient option for busy families while helping keep your furry friend safe from tick borne diseases all year long.

HOLLY BEGAN HER CAREER WITH THE COVINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT IN FEBRUARY 2017 AND FAITHFULLY SERVED HER COMMUNITY FOR 8½ YEARS BEFORE RETIRING IN JULY 2024. AS A HARDWORKING NARCOTICS DETECTION AND TRACKING K-9, HOLLY PLAYED A VITAL ROLE IN HELPING REMOVE ILLEGAL DRUGS FROM OUR STREETS. ONE OF HER MOST NOTABLE CASES RESULTED IN THE SEIZURE OF A HALF-POUND OF HEROIN, MAKING A LASTING IMPACT ON THE SAFETY OF OUR COMMUNITY.



THROUGHOUT HER CAREER, HOLLY WORKED SIDE-BY-SIDE WITH HER HANDLER, BUILDING AN INCREDIBLE PARTNERSHIP BASED ON TRUST, DEDICATION, AND TEAMWORK. RETIREMENT DIDN'T CHANGE THAT BOND, TODAY, HOLLY CONTINUES TO LIVE WITH HER HANDLER AND HIS FAMILY, WHERE SHE HAS TRADED LONG DAYS ON THE JOB FOR A LIFE FILLED WITH LOVE, ADVENTURE, AND PLENTY OF WELL-DESERVED RELAXATION.

ALTHOUGH HOLLY HAS OFFICIALLY RETIRED, HER NOSE CLEARLY DIDN'T GET THE MEMO! SHE'S ALWAYS ON THE LOOKOUT FOR TASTY TREATS, ESPECIALLY ONES THAT MAY HAVE ACCIDENTALLY FALLEN ON THE FLOOR... OR MAYBE WEREN'T EXACTLY MEANT FOR HER. SOME OF HER FAVORITE SNACKS INCLUDE BELL PEPPERS, BANANAS, AND CHEESE.

WHEN SHE'S NOT PERFECTING HER SNACK-FINDING SKILLS, HOLLY ENJOYS MORNING WALKS, CAMPING TRIPS WITH HER FAMILY, PLAYING WITH HER TOYS, AND CLAIMING HER FAVORITE SPOT ON THE COUCH.

THANK YOU, HOLLY, FOR YOUR YEARS OF SERVICE, YOUR DEDICATION TO PROTECTING OUR COMMUNITY, AND FOR REMINDING US THAT EVEN HEROES DESERVE A HAPPY RETIREMENT. WE ARE HONORED TO CELEBRATE YOU AS ERLANGER VETERINARY HOSPITAL'S JULY PET OF THE MONTH!

## Upcoming Events



JULY  
4

4th of July-  
CLOSED

JULY  
5

Dr. Clark's 5 yr  
Anniversary

JULY  
9

Amber Park Grand  
Opening 4-6pm

JULY  
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Kayce's 6 year  
Anniversary

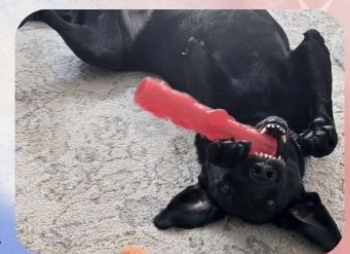
JULY  
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Rachael's 26 year  
Anniversary

## Pet of the Month:

IN HONOR OF INDEPENDENCE DAY,  
OUR TEAM IS PROUD TO RECOGNIZE  
A TRUE AMERICAN HERO AS OUR  
JULY PET OF THE MONTH—  
RETIRED K-9 HOLLY!

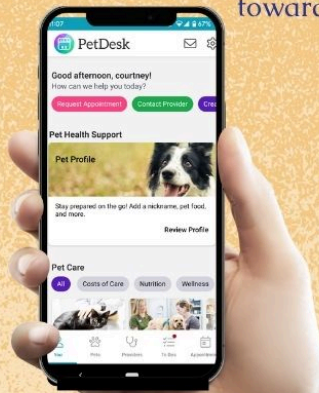
Holly





# SAVE MORE. WAG MORE.

Caring for your pet is one of the best investments you can make—but that doesn't mean you can't save along the way! At Erlanger Veterinary Hospital, we're committed to helping you get the most value from your pet's healthcare. Many of the flea, tick, and heartworm preventatives we carry include manufacturer rebates that put money right back in your pocket. Right now, Credelio Quattro offers an instant \$25 rebate on a 6-month supply or an instant \$65 rebate on a 12-month supply—no waiting, no mailing, just instant savings at checkout!



The savings don't stop there! Earn Zoetis Petcare Rewards when you purchase eligible Zoetis products and redeem those rewards toward future veterinary services. Plus, every \$1 you spend earns 1 loyalty point through our PetDesk app, and those points can be used toward future services at Erlanger Veterinary Hospital.

Ask our team how to maximize your savings! We love helping our clients take advantage of every rebate, reward, and loyalty program available so your pet can receive the care they deserve—without stretching your budget. Call us today at (859) 908-1100 to learn more!

## Booms and Barks: How to Keep Your Pet Safe During Fireworks

Fireworks may be a festive way to celebrate summer holidays, but for many pets, they're downright terrifying. The loud noises, flashing lights, and unfamiliar smells can cause serious anxiety, and even pose safety risks. As fireworks season approaches, here are some helpful tips to keep your furry friends calm, comfortable, and safe.



Try Calming Aids – Ask your vet about Thundershirts, pheromones, or meds.

Skip the Firework Shows – Leave pets at home where it's quiet.

Stay Calm – Your energy helps keep them relaxed.

Offer Distractions – Use treats or toys to keep them focused.

Create a Safe Space – Set up a quiet, comfy spot indoors.

Keep Them Inside – Close doors and windows to prevent escape.

Check ID Tags – Make sure tags and microchips are current.

Muffle the Noise – Use fans, music, or white noise.

A little preparation can go a long way in keeping your pet happy and safe this fireworks season. Reach out to us if you have questions or need recommendations!