

# THE VIP (VERY IMPORTANT PETS) NEWSLETTER

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## PARASITE PREVENTION SEASON HAS BEGUN!!

We encourage pets to visit their veterinary office to start dog on a parasite prevention on program, Ticks are “early bird” parasites in the spring and can start to feeding when the temperature reaches 1c for this reason, dogs at risk should consider tic prevention year-round in Ontario especially during mild winters. Fleas start to hatch in April and live outdoors until the first frost. Heartworm transition occurs from June 1<sup>st</sup> until November 1<sup>st</sup>. Intestinal parasite prevention should be given regularly throughout the year, learn more about emerging parasites and products that can address all of you dogs needs visit your vet’s office.



**Employee Spotlight!** If you have been to ARF in the mornings, chances are you have seen Des zipping around the farm greeting your pets and shuttling them into the farm facility, in just a short while Des has graduated to our Assistant Dog Handler Position & has earned her BLUE lead, she is eagerly working on advancing to her Red lead, Want to know more about ARF’s staff levels & education? Visit <http://www.appleridgefarm.ca/who-is-watching-your-pet.html>

*Book your pet for Boarding Easter Weekend & between April Break 9<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>*

**And Receive a FREE Easter cookie for your Pet!**



April 2<sup>nd</sup> The Farm is open 9am-5pm to observe Good Friday.

April 1<sup>st</sup> We are excited to launch our new exit bath service for boarding and daycare: Lather, Rise and towle dry! \$10- \$25 per pet, Let us know on drop off and your pet will be looking and smelling clean on pickup!

May 1<sup>st</sup> -We will be implimenting a 10% price increase for all farm services, The good news we are removing CC payment fee's

This price increase helps us to run the best possible dog boarding and doggie daycare we can. It helps to pay for new staff, all day care, continuing education, top of the line toys and cleaners. All the “extras” behind the scenes you don't necessarily see but help to make us the top-of-the-line pet care facility we strive to be for you! We always want to provide the best pet care and customer service to you and your babies! Your continued loyalty and business mean's so much to us. We truly love all of your dogs! We look forward to seeing them all soon. Amanda and Farm Team.



### Easter Dog Cookies

Available April 1<sup>st</sup> -18<sup>th</sup>  
\$2 each or 3 for \$5.

### It's Upper Respiratory Awareness Month!

WHAT IS KENNEL COUGH? Kennel cough in dogs is similar in a way to a chest cold in humans. And unless there are other complicated issues present, the seriousness of the disease is about the same. One thing is for sure, it's highly contagious in dogs.

It's an upper respiratory problem, which affects dogs around the world. It can easily be picked up anywhere. If your dog comes into contact with an infected dog's cough, droplets or spray, your dog will likely get the infection.

**VACCINATION AND PREVENTION** of course are the only way to prevent your dog from ever getting kennel cough or other infectious diseases.