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Letter from Pam Clayton-CEO

Fall is upon us and I am looking forward to some cooler weather and moving past hurricane season! I thank our staff, volunteers, and donors for supporting our mission so we may continue to find forever homes for our community's vulnerable and homeless animals.

Hurricane Ian dramatically impacted our community. A small team of dedicated staff remained at the shelter to continue to provide care for more than 200 animals. While our facilities survived the hurricane with little damage, others did not fare as well. Please accept my heartfelt condolences to those who endured so much worse, were displaced from their homes, or experienced major damage from Hurricane Ian. Our thoughts are with you.

At the height of the storm I received a call from Volusia County Animal Services, asking for our assistance to evacuate 70 animals from the Edgewater Animal Shelter, which was taking on water and flooding. We prepared our box truck for animal transport, joined the Volusia County Animal Control emergency response team, and caravanned 26 miles to the Edgewater facility. It was probably the scariest drive of my life as tree limbs flew and rising water made maneuvering a daunting challenge. My fear was that our vehicles would stall out in deep water and we would not make it in time, but that was not the case. All animals were recovered and moved to safety.

This excursion reminded me of what a great, dedicated, and caring team we have at HHS. Staff was committed to help another shelter and save their animals from the storm, even though they were already caring for so many. Their commitment never ceases to amaze me.

Thank you for your continued support, and please donate as your heart leads you. We can't do what we do without your kindness and generosity.



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Fostering Saves Lives

When you foster an animal you give them a chance for a loving life.

When it comes to fostering dogs, cats and other pets, there are countless great reasons to get involved. Here are a few of the most common:

They Want to Help Rescues and Shelters—And the Pets They Serve

Animal foster parents are tremendous resources for rescues and shelters. That's because, when a foster agrees to care for an animal in their own home, it frees up space in the rescue or shelter for other animals in need. Some animals need more one-on-one attention, like newborn kittens or animals with special medical or behavioral needs. An animal foster parent can help provide the special care that rescue and shelter staff may not have the resources to give.

They Can't Commit to Adopting, But Still Want Pets in Their Life

When you're an animal lover, the calling to add a pet to your family can feel painfully strong. But responsible pet people know that adopting means committing to years of caring for a pet—and they also know when their lives just aren't set up to make that commitment. That's where animal fostering comes in. Fostering is a great way to fulfill an individual's desire to help an animal without having to make a long-term commitment. It affords the flexibility that some people need and allows them to support the life-saving mission of shelters and rescues.

They Want to Try Out Pet Parenthood

For many animal lovers, fostering is like a "test drive" before they decide to adopt a pet. If you don't have much animal experience, it's natural to want to get a feel for taking care of a pet before jumping into a commitment. Taking in a foster cat or dog offers the full pet parenthood experience—with an end in sight.

They're Finding Out if a Certain Pet Is a Good Match

In some cases, a person may be interested in adopting a specific animal, but they want to find out if that pet is a good fit for their home and lifestyle before they make it official. Shelters and rescues will often let prospective pet parents foster animals in advance of adopting them. The pets still get the benefit of living in a home environment while their parents decide if they've made a good match.

They Love Animals

Maybe it goes without saying, but of all the reasons people decide to foster pets, this is the most common one. Foster parents deeply love animals and want to help them in any way, shape, or form they can. What better reason could there be?

Happy Tails!

*We help over 25,000 animals each year.
Here are a few of their stories.*

It's amazing what great medical care and a dedicated foster parent can accomplish. This is Clav. When he came into the shelter we didn't think he was going to survive. As you can see he was in terrible shape and emaciated. He was placed on meds and stayed with his foster for two-months. Happy news is the foster parent is now Clav's pet parent. With your support, we are able to accomplish great things like saving the life of a little kitty. Please donate to our emergency medical fund today so more animals like Clav can get the care they deserve. Donate at www.halifaxhumanesociety.org/donate



Update on Elsa in her new forever home-

Elsa and I are living the good life together and I've never been happier about a decision.

I also wanted to say thanks again to Kristin for her arranging our meeting. She overcame my apprehensions and introduced me to the dog of my dreams.

Thank you all for what you do.



Brussell Sprout says being in a foster home is FUN!! He got to spend the morning frolicking on the beach and diving in the water. Brussell Sprout wants to know if you would foster a dog in need! There are so many dogs that would benefit from getting out of the shelter, experiencing the home life, and being advertised outside of a kennel.

On 9/18/22, Brussell Sprout was adopted and is now in his forever home. If you want to open your home and heart to a dog in need, please email fostertransfer@halifaxhumanesociety.org

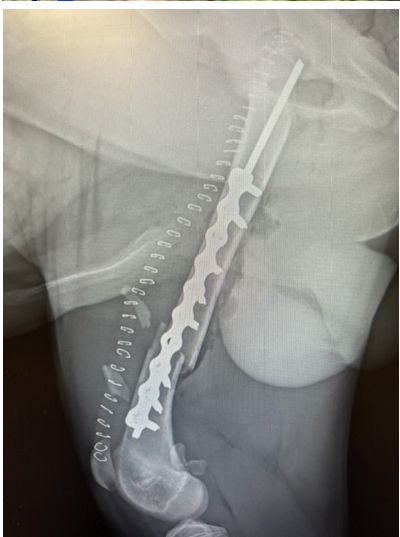


Tails from Vet Services

Our veterinarian staff, led by Veterinary Services Director Dr. Jennifer Green, help thousands of animals each year. Over 10,000 spay/neuter procedures are performed at our Redinger Spay Neuter Clinic & HHS campus annually. Animals who need surgical operations are fortunate to arrive at HHS for a chance for a full recovery and then off to a happy and loving forever home.



Jonas (pictured left), was hit by a vehicle and needed surgery to save his left hind leg. We reached out to our Facebook followers and asked for their help to save Jonas from having his leg amputated. Our followers stepped-up in a big way and raised over \$10,000 for the orthopedic procedure where a metal rod was inserted into the femur bone (see x-ray image below.)



Jonas (now Jona) went to a foster home recovering from his surgery. He plays with two other dogs in the home and seems to enjoy visiting the staff at HHS on a regular basis. Jona went to his forever home on 10/21/22. The cost of Jona's surgery was \$6700.00. The balance of the funds raised have been placed in the emergency medical fund for the next Jona.





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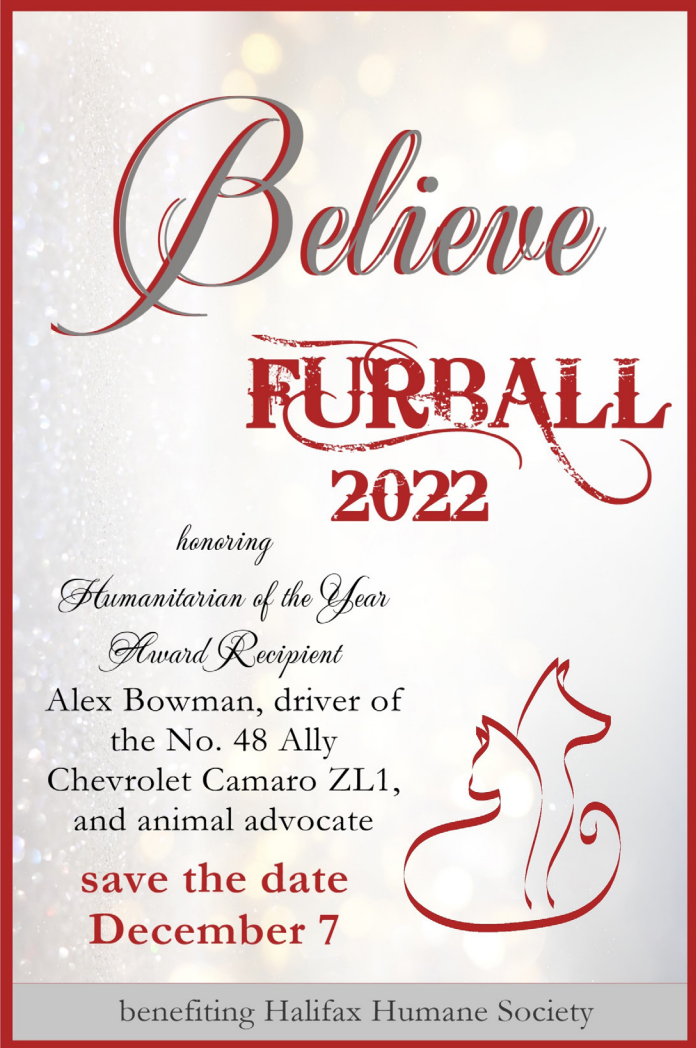
Having been cancelled the past two years due to Covid restrictions, Fur Ball 2022 promises to be magical. A celebration of the power of belief and of better days.

We are thrilled to announce Alex Bowman, driver of the No.48 Chevrolet Camaro ZL1 and devoted animal advocate will be awarded the 2022 Halifax Humane Society Humanitarian of the Year.

Mr. Bowman and his unwavering commitment to animal welfare has captured the hearts of millions while saving millions of animals lives. His use of the national stage to promote happy and healthy pets makes him a stellar example to all. Mr. Bowman has been a donor to our shelter numerous times and being located in Daytona Beach, FL, the birthplace of NASCAR, we welcome the opportunity to celebrate his work.

The theme for the gala is "BELIEVE!" We BELIEVE in better days. We BELIEVE in magic. We BELIEVE in second chances. We BELIEVE in saving lives and our animals BELIEVE in us. **Register at www.HHSFurball.org**

Sponsorship opportunities available at this time. Please email sponsorships@halifaxhumanesociety.org to learn more.




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the No. 48 Ally
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Alex Bowman and his pups,
Roscoe and Finn.



Letter from the
Director of Development
Dawn B Duncan

Dear Cherished Friends and Supporters,

Believe!

The power of the word “believe” is immense. Do you believe in magic? What about miracles? How about second chances? At Halifax Humane Society WE BELIEVE!

The animals arriving to our shelter are often in the ultimate state of vulnerability. Each of the circumstances bringing them to us may differ but all require our staff to believe we can make an impact on their lives. And our hope is each animal will believe in us to do so.

Our amazing staff work tirelessly to rebuild, repair and regain the trust of the animal. Many need to learn to accept kindness. We take immense pride when an animal forgives past behaviors and regains belief in trusting humans again. All because the hearts and souls of the dedicated and compassionate staff at HHS never stop believing that kindness and trust will prevail.

Every animal adopted from our shelter has received this exceptional care. As we celebrate them finding their forever homes we believe their journey of broken patterns and newly learned behaviors of trust will continue.

As a supporter of our mission we thank you for believing in what we do, in the difference we make to these animals, and in the value we bring to our community. Thank you for believing in us with your continued donations, your heartwarming responses to our calls for action and for standing by our side in times of crisis. We are so very grateful to have you on this journey with us to truly BELIEVE we can bring better days to the animals in our care.



Believe,

Dawn B Duncan
Director of Development



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HURRICANE IAN

Amid the sad and devastating news emerging in the wake of Tropical Storm Ian, a happy story involving local pets came out of Edgewater on the Friday of the hurricane.



Volusia County Animal Services, the Southeast Volusia Humane Society and the Halifax Humane Society (HHS) teamed up on Thursday evening – as the storm raged outside – to evacuate 71 cats and 19 dogs from the Edgewater Animal Shelter on Mango Tree Drive.

Volusia County Animal Services Director Adam Leath said the division had been in contact with the Edgewater shelter (as it had with other animal shelters in the county) to monitor its situation.

They reported that a nearby retention pond had been rising. What they didn't see coming was that pond water overflowing three hours later, lapping over their front door, and putting the animals' lives in danger.

Rescue operation

"We mobilized a team very quickly," Leath said. "We had four large vehicles, as well as the HHS box truck and the staff to accompany them to immediately rush, remove and then safeguard, provide safe housing for all of the animals that were removed.

"Nothing can be closer to the tip of the spear for animal welfare, for Volusia, than it was last night," Leath said. "Seeing those pets in peril, seeing those shelter volunteers employees, who had done nothing but provide excellent care for these pets, suddenly found themselves in quite a dangerous situation."

Leath said this was a situation that the division is "prepared" and "trained for." Getting to the shelter through flooded

Animal Services and Halifax Humane Society rescue 71 cats, 19 dogs from Edgewater animal shelter during tropical storm

roads, especially at nightfall, was the biggest challenge, he added.

"But when the moment happens, there is a huge flux of adrenaline," Leath said. "We're all quickly trained to get the resources — people were in the right place at the right time."

He added: "To be able to see those pets bed down for the night, to be able to get the resources that they need and know that they are on the road to recovery, there is nothing better."

The cats initially went to the Southeast Volusia Humane Society in New Smyrna Beach, while the dogs went to the Halifax Humane Society's Daytona Beach location.

Some pets left behind

Leath said that some people have made the decision to leave pets behind.

"Pets are priority here for Volusia," Leath said. "I can't imagine what it might be like for someone who is facing the decision to leave without their pets. We don't want to see that happen. Unfortunately, there are individuals who made that decision."

Leath encouraged people who may have left pets behind, who know of neighbors who left their pets behind, and residents who might need resources for their pets to reach out to animal services.

"All of these things we can help with," he said. "Provide resources, help shelter those pets in place, and that can be coordinated with our citizen information center directly."



(Staff members of Halifax Humane Society, Edgewater Animal Shelter, and Volusia County Animal Services helped evacuate animals during Hurricane Ian.)



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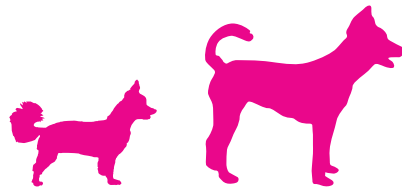


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Special thanks to Teledyne Marine for their generous donation for the homeless animals! Thank you for your kindness and generosity!



Are you interested in donating to help our community's animals?

You can make a monetary donation by visiting

<https://www.halifaxhumane.org/donate/index>

If you would like to make a food donation, please drop off or drop ship your donation to 2364 LPGA Blvd., Daytona Beach, FL 32124. No open food please. Our new visiting hours are 12 noon to 6 pm, 7-days a week, however donations may be dropped off beginning at 10:00 am.

Support Comes in Different Ways!



Another great night for HHS at Mimi's Original Art /SR Perrott. Thanks to all who attended.

Shown above: (left to right) Board members JJ Roberts, Vonda Sullivan, and Mike Leonard. Michele Connors, owner of Mimi's and S.R. Perrott, Maggie Evans, Special Events Manager with Mimi's, and Pam Clayton, HHS CEO.



31 cats from one household entered the already overcapacity shelter, on Sept. 19th. By Sept. 21st, our Facebook followers had already raised over \$4,700.00 for the cats and other animals in need of care. Thank you for your kindness.



Petco Love awarded HHS a grant check for \$55,000 to be used for reduced fee spay/neuter surgeries. *Shown above: (left to right) HHS Development Manager- Michelle Hebb, HHS COO- Christina Sutherin, Petco Store Manager-Randy Wickham, HHS CEO- Pam Clayton, and HHS Director of Development- Dawn Duncan.*

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2022 Putts Fore Mutts & Ruff Ride

Special thanks to Brown & Brown for sponsoring the Putts Fore Mutts Golf Tournament on September 10, 2022. The golf event raised over \$27,000 for HHS.



A Special Thank You to our Grantors!



Ruff Ride raised over \$10,000 for our community's animals. Sponsored by first stop, Politis & Matovina, P.A., the other poker run stops included Daytona's Original First Turn, Caribbean Jack's Ormond Brewing Company, and Iron Horse Saloon who donated dinner and drinks.



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Why are humans so drawn to dogs and puppies? With their big, round eyes, button noses, and large heads, puppies share many of the same physical characteristics as human babies. And like babies, kittens, teddies, and many cartoon characters, puppies provoke an automatic ‘cute response’ in us. They grab our attention. We enjoy looking at them; at a neural level, they trigger activity associated with reward, compassion, and empathy.

In humans and other animals this response is an evolved, innate behavior that motivates adults to look after helpless infants and to be more sensitive to their needs and feelings. It makes sense then, that a recent study found that puppies reach peak cuteness at eight weeks of age, just the time when their canine mothers leave them to fend for themselves.

Studies have shown that even small interactions with dogs cause the human brain to produce oxytocin, a hormone called the “cuddle chemical.” Oxytocin increases feelings of relaxation, trust, and empathy while reducing stress and anxiety.

A 2016 study focused solely on dogs was published, showing that dog owners feel their dogs have made their life better in some way. Seven in ten (71%) dog parents say their pup has made them happier, with nearly four in five saying it’s easier to wake up in the morning because their dog greets them.

Do puppies understand when you say, “I love you?”

Yes, your dog knows how much you love him! Dogs and humans have a very special relationship, where dogs have hijacked the human oxytocin bonding pathway normally reserved for our babies. When you stare at your dog, both of your oxytocin levels go up, the same as when you pet them and play with them.

If you are interested in adding a new family member to your home, please visit HHS and adopt, don’t shop.





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On May 5, 2021, Daytona Dog Beach, Inc. was founded as a nonprofit organization. Thanks to hard work and support from our board, volunteers, partners and sponsors, our organization continues to flourish. We've come a long way. **We've got so much more to do!**

The **PURPOSE** of our organization is to work with community partners to promote, support and educate the public in furtherance of safe, environmentally sound, and courteous **dog friendly beaches** in the **Greater Daytona Beach area of Volusia County**. It will require a majority vote of Volusia County Council to lift the dog ban and allow us to achieve this. We are hopeful that in 2023 county council will work with us to make this a possibility. In the meantime, we have made good use of our time, building partnerships, demonstrating our presence as a value added organization in the community, and raising funds to pay for a dog beach should the county accept our donation. A few of our recent community contributions are listed below.

In 2021, our monthly beach cleanups removed 221 lbs of trash from our adopted stretch of Daytona Beach. In 2022, we began to host monthly dog inclusive **"People & Paws Beach Cleanups"**. In the first 9 months, we removed another 268 lbs of trash, none of it from dogs!

We continue to co-host weekly dog-friendly **Yappy Hours** every Thursday from 5-7 pm at the **Streamline Hotel's** beautiful **Sky Rooftop Bar**. The view is spectacular!



We spearheaded the effort that resulted in The City of Daytona Beach receiving **Pet-Friendly Certification** through the **"Better Cities for Pets"** program from Mars Petcare. The certification recognizes cities that have met or exceeded pet-friendliness standards. We look forward to working with the city and other sister cities to implement a **Pets Welcome Program** that will expand and enhance pet policies for residents, visitors and their pets. Check out Daytona Beach's listing on Mars Petcare site, www.bettercitiesforpets.com

We invite you to visit our website, www.daytonadogbeach.org, like our Facebook page **Daytona Dog Beach, Inc.**, join our Facebook group, **Daytona Dog Beach** or follow us on Instagram **daytonadogbeachinc**. We hope to see you at our community events and encourage you to reach out for more information at info@daytonadogbeach.org

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Christina Sutherin, COO

Christina joined HHS in July of 2022. Christina's experience includes being the Kennel and Procurement Manager, K9s for Warriors - Ponte Vedra, FL which consisted of her overseeing kennel Operations and the procurement process

for K9s and to develop standard operating procedures for best practices in kennels. We are happy to have Christina on board.



**Tim Killeen
Training and Success Manager**

For the last 33 years Tim has been in the Hospitality industry in that time he has operated, owned and was an executive for many management companies, restaurants, nightclubs, bars and a hotel. There are many attributes that he brings

to HHS but his favorite thing to do is to train people and build a positive culture. Tim recently relocated to Florida from his lifelong home of Denver, Colorado. Tim is a valued asset to HHS.



**Holly Popple
Special Events Manager**

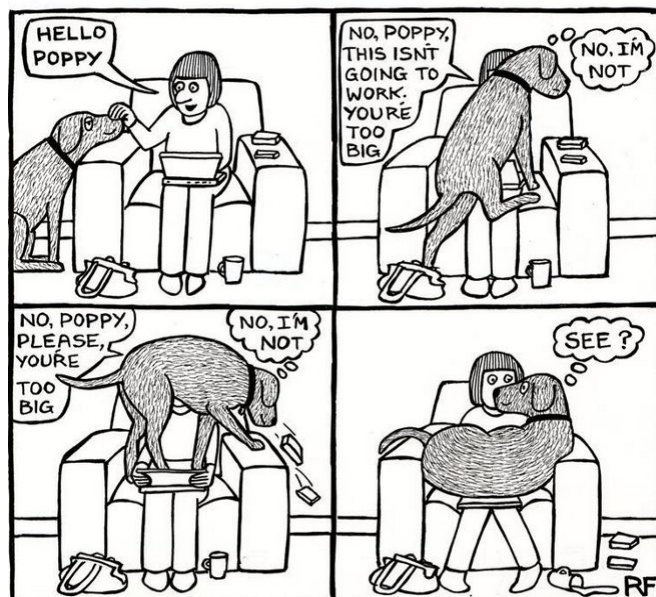
Holly recently relocated to Florida. She comes from Northern Virginia where she has been an event manager for the past 24 years. Holly lives with two rescued Maine Coon/Tabby mixes, Vesper and Minuet (aka "Babies").



**Amanda Perez
Director of Operations
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Amanda is excited and honored to join the Halifax Humane Society Team as the Director of Operations.

Before coming to Halifax Humane Society, She worked as the Animal Care Specialist Coordinator at Miami Dade Animal Services.



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**Baylee Witt
Program Manager**

Baylee has worked in the animal industry for nine exciting years. The majority of her experience comes from working in animal hospitals ranging from kennel technician and

vet assistant to veterinary customer service manager. She switched gears to manage pet resorts before finding her place at Halifax Humane Society as Program Manager.

(Dog shown in photos is Jona. See page 6 for information)



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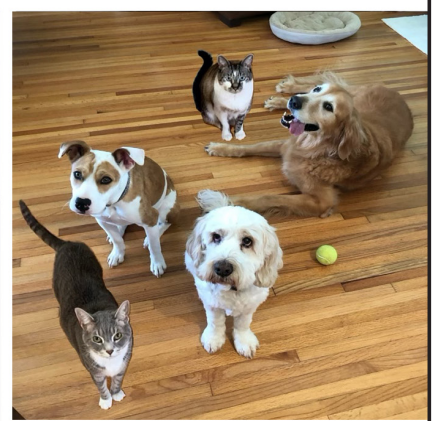
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"All five of our pack rescued their humans at HHS. As a board member, I'm proud of the work we do for our community's animals."

Ask the Behaviorist

Help! My dog Jona, a 9-month old Goldendoodle has a terrible habit of swallowing socks! He will throw them up the following day, but we are worried that the socks will get stuck in his intestine. Why is he eating socks?

Exasperated in Edgewater

Dear Exasperated,

Dogs are notorious for eating things they shouldn't, and many of those things are not necessarily food. Dogs can chew and gulp down almost anything. So, if your dog ate a sock, you're not alone — it's a commonly swallowed item.

"Dogs seem to love cloth," says Kelly Diehl, DVM, Dipl. ACVIM, scientific communications advisor for the Morris Animal Foundation, a nonprofit foundation that funds animal health research. "I've pulled out a lot of socks and underwear. Amongst us gastroenterologists, people kick around the idea that sometimes dogs eat inappropriate materials because they have some kind of GI problem, whether that's a food allergy or intolerance. I also think there's a behavioral component to it, which we can't really explain, but some dogs just seem to be sock eaters."

Whether your dog ate a sock or some other item he has no business swallowing, several things might happen. If the dog is big and the item is small like a sock, the dog might simply vomit it back up — either right away or a day or two later. If that doesn't happen, it's possible that the dog might pass the sock and eventually poop it out. This could take several days, and you will want to take a close look every time your dog poops to check for the sock.

If your dog swallowed a sock and is not getting rid of it on its own, then you need to take your dog to your vet for professional medical assistance.

The best thing to do is to ensure all socks and underwear are out of reach of the dog.



My one-year old Cockalier is very aggressive to larger dogs. He loves to play with them but he growls like he is trying to kill them. We tell him to play nice but he plays very hard. What can we do so he is better behaved?

Naughty in New Smyrna

Dear Naughty,

Many smaller dogs have what is referred to as a "Napoleon Complex." They feel threatened by the size of a larger dog even if the larger dog is friendly. A larger dog will want to check out the smaller dog, sniffing the dogs

behind. The smaller dog should want to do the same to the larger dog, for this is the way dogs greet each other. Unfortunately, a smaller dogs is sometimes so small they cannot reach the larger dogs behind and thus will assume the larger dog is a threat since they cannot prove otherwise. Short of (no pun intended) picking up your smaller dog and letting him smell the larger dogs behind, try to have the larger dog lay down so the smaller dog is not as threatened.



I have two house cats that are constantly fighting with each other. They will scratch and bite each other and scream like wild animals. Is this a common behavior for house cats? Both have been neutered.

Ornery in Ormond

Dear Ornery,

There are many reasons why cats fight. Cats are territorial animals and they will often fight to defend what they believe is their territory. This is most common with cat fights that happen outside the house, where your cat believes another cat has encroached on their land. Alternately, a feral cat could believe your cat should not be here. But such fighting is also common among cats who live together. Cats mark their territories with scent, and your house is no exception. If you have more than one cat living at home, they will often fight about this issue.

Some cats can be aggressive by nature. Male cats are especially aggressive and these cats keep fighting. Sometimes, they also dominate female cats. Your cat may need to act out their aggression by picking fights with their brothers and sisters or by causing a fight with a strange cat.

Sometimes cats can be playing and it can get rough. Cats are rough when they play — this may look like aggression and fighting, but it is not. Still, such play could escalate into a fight or cause harm to both or one of the cats. In such cases, it is best to separate your cats if you can do so safely.

Cats are not pack animals, and they don't generally enjoy living in groups, small or large. There are ways to make space sharing less stressful including: providing separate feeding areas for each cat, providing numerous water stations, and creating lots of quiet, private hiding areas for 'me time'. Using cat-appeasing pheromone products (either sprays to use on furniture around the home or plug-in diffusers) can help to reduce feelings of stress and therefore reduce aggressive behaviour. These techniques will help with the introduction of a new cat or to reduce any signs of cat aggression in a household that already has multiple pets.

The Gang's all here!



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