



*"Did you ever walk into a room and forget why you walked in?
I think that is how dogs spend their lives." - Sue Murphy*



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Monthly Poll:

(Click on the question to answer)

[Certain breeds of dogs, including many show dogs, have their ears cropped and/or their tails docked \(cut short\). Do you think it is okay for dogs to have their](#)

What every pet owner should know about preventing fleas and ticks

Care2

The thought of insects crawling on your skin and living off your blood probably, well, makes your skin crawl. Yet, too often as pet owners, we allow fleas and ticks to treat our pets like bed-and-breakfasts. And it is only after these pests make themselves at home that we might realize showing them the door can be difficult, expensive and painfully slow. [Read More](#)

This month's pet trivia (answers below):

1) Apart from greyhounds, what other breed of dog occasionally race at racetracks?

A) Italian Greyhound B) Afghan Hound C) Irish Wolfhound D) Toy Poodle

2) What kind of person would own a cat called Pyewacket?

3) Lady, from "Lady and the Tramp," was what kind of dog ?

A) Collie B) Bloodhound C) Cocker Spaniel D) Poodle

4) What is the name given to the type of whip much used in the navy?

[ears cropped or tails docked?](#)

The results of last month's poll question:

Declawing cats is an emotionally charged and hotly debated topic. Do you think that owners should be allowed to declaw their cats?

50% of you said yes, it is up to the owner; 33% said yes, but would not do it to their own cats; and the remainder said no, it is cruel and painful to the cats.

June Pet Holidays:

Adopt-a-Cat Month®.

From the [American Humane Association](#).

Adopt-a-Shelter-Cat Month. From the [ASPCA](#).

National Pet Preparedness Month. This month, timed for the first month of hurricane season, urges people with pets to make preparations in case they should be hit by a disaster...and that includes making plans for what you would do with your dog in case of a hurricane, tornado, flood or other natural disaster.

June 1-7, 2015: **Pet Appreciation Week.**

June 4, 2015: **Hug Your Cat Day.**

"To err is human, to forgive, canine." - Anonymous

Are cats domesticated?

Smithsonian

Given the subjective nature of the question, there may never be an answer as to whether dogs or cats make better pets. But in all likelihood, dogs were domesticated long before cats — that is, if cats are actually even domesticated. [Read More](#)



Meet Auggie & Bella, Featured Pets for June.

[See all of our past Featured Pets here!](#)

Study: 'Puppy eyes' help dogs bond with humans

LiveScience

When people call their dogs their "fur babies," they may be onto something, at least on a chemical level. Dogs that make so-called puppy eyes at their owners get a spike in the "love hormone" oxytocin — and their owners do too, according to a new study. [Read More](#)

June 9, 2015: **World Pet Memorial Day.**

June 10-14, 2015: **World Dog Show**, Milan, Italy.
This large show is hosted by a different county every year.

June 17-23, 2015: **Animal Rights Awareness Week.**

June 26, 2015: [Take Your Dog to Work Day.](#)



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Organ donations for your pet?

The Daily Beast

There's a bold, expanding world out there, animal lovers: pet organ transplants and donations. For Karthik Ramachandran, it's the future, and the purpose of his startup company devoted to pet organ research, Likarda. The company focuses on the development of cell-based therapies for companion animals. In practice, that means pet owners (whose cat, for example, has been euthanized), may donate their pet's healthy pancreas for research. Specifically, the company is working on a cure for feline diabetes.

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"To err is human, to purr, feline." Robert Byrne



How to read your dog's body language

Newsmax

Dogs have been humans' best friends for tens of thousands of years, but we still have a hard time decoding their behavior. But dogs are highly social animals that communicate quite clearly through their bodies, ears, tails, eyes, and behaviors, the Wall Street Journal reports. [Read More](#)

Fun facts about pets:

Abraham Lincoln loved cats. He had four of them while he lived in the White House.

Abraham Lincoln's cat, Tabby, was the first of several White House cats. French poodles did not originate in France. Poodles were originally used as hunting dogs in Europe. The dogs' thick coats were a hindrance in water and thick brush, so hunters sheared the hindquarters, with cuffs left around the ankles and hips to protect against rheumatism. Each hunter marked his dogs' heads with a ribbon of his own color, allowing groups of hunters to tell their dogs apart. Ailurophobia is the fear of cats. Julius Caesar, Henry II, Charles XI, and Napoleon all suffered from this and would nearly faint in the presence of a cat. Lassie was played by several male dogs, despite the female name, because male collies were thought to look better on camera. The main "actor" was named Pal.

We hope you get a laugh at one of the comics below. There are new comics every day on our web site, just click on a comic. They are brought to you by [Andertoons](http://www.undertoon.com).



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Pet Sitter's Corner

Each month in the Pet Sitter's Corner we will keep you up to date on changes with Pet 'N Play, local events, and other interesting news.

For those of you that came out, thank you for making the 36th annual Humane Society of Huron Valley's Walk & Wag the best year ever. They raised over **\$295,000** for homeless, abused and injured animals, and they couldn't have done it without **YOU**. Relive the day and [check out photos here](#).

The next Yappy Hour is June 15, from 4-6pm, at Olson Park. This month's theme is Paw Paint Party! Let your dog create stunning artwork for you to take home and frame. [Learn more here](#).

Sunday, June 28, 2015, starting at 3pm at Gallup Park is the **3rd Annual Puppy Up! Walk**. Come out for a 2 mile walk to promote awareness of canine cancer and help raise funds for cancer research to benefit both pets and people. Help raise money and awareness, become a sponsor, or just come out and enjoy the event. [Click here to find out how you can help](#).

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And please feel free to share it with anyone and everyone.**

Send any pet sitting questions you have to us at: info@pet-n-play.com

Trivia answers:

1) B - Afghan Hound 2) A witch 3) C - Cocker Spaniel 4) Cat-O-Nine Tails

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