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*"Way down deep, we're all motivated by the same urges.  
Cats have the courage to live by them." - Jim Davis (cartoonist, Garfield)*



Welcome to  
The Pet 'N Player,  
a free monthly newsletter  
from Pet 'N Play -  
Your Personal Pet Sitters.  
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## Monthly Poll!

(Click on the question to  
answer)

[Do you brush your pet's  
teeth?](#)

## [7 Amazing Facts About Your Dog's Sense of Smell](#)



Dogster.com

People have known for millennia that a dog's sense of smell is very different than ours. But science has recently learned all kinds of wow-worthy info about our dogs' olfaction. Check out seven of latest, greatest findings about a dog's sense of smell. [Read More](#)

### **This month's pet trivia (answers below):**

- 1) What is the first sense a puppy develops?  
A) Touch B) Taste C) Smell D) Hearing
- 2) What is the name of the Egyptian goddess who looked after cats?  
A) Bastet B) Wadjet C) Cleopatra D) Hathor
- 3) What is the original purpose of spiked collars on dogs?  
A) For intimidation B) It was considered fashionable  
C) They were made for "war dogs" D) To protect the necks of

Last month's question:

**If money were no object, would you clone your pet before the end of his/her life?**

Most said they would rather adopt than clone, but a couple of you have the world's greatest dogs, and they would clone them in a heartbeat.

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### **July Pet Holidays:**

#### **Dog House Repair Month.**

#### **National Lost Pet Prevention Month™.**

Learn how to keep your pets from becoming lost in this month-long observance launched by PetHub.

July 1: **ID Your Pet Day.**

July 4: **Independence Day.** This US holiday is no holiday for dogs; the sounds of fireworks causes many dogs to panic and run, resulting in many lost dogs every year.

July 15: **National Pet Fire Safety Day.**

dogs from wolf attacks

4) Which modern cat looks most like the very first pet cats?

A) Abyssinian B) Jungle Cat C) Tiger D) Maine Coon

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*"If your dog is fat, you aren't getting enough exercise."* -

Author unknown

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### **Let's Talk About Cat Whiskers**

Catster.com

Whiskers are so much more than a beautiful facial feature to enhance a feline's good looks. They are nature's amazing version of a radar/early warning system that literally guides every step a cat takes. As a result, cats are capable of truly amazing feats such as walking on ledges, gauging and jumping distances and squeezing through narrow spaces.

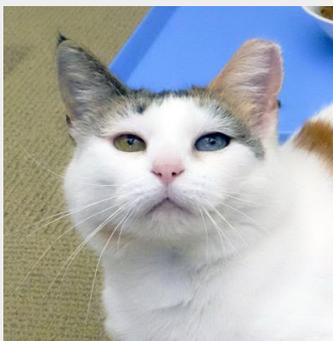
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Sponsored by the The National Volunteer Fire Council (NVFC), ADT Security Services and the American Kennel Club® (AKC).

July 21: **National Craft for your Local Shelters Day.**

July 31: **National Mutt Day.** Also see Dec. 2.

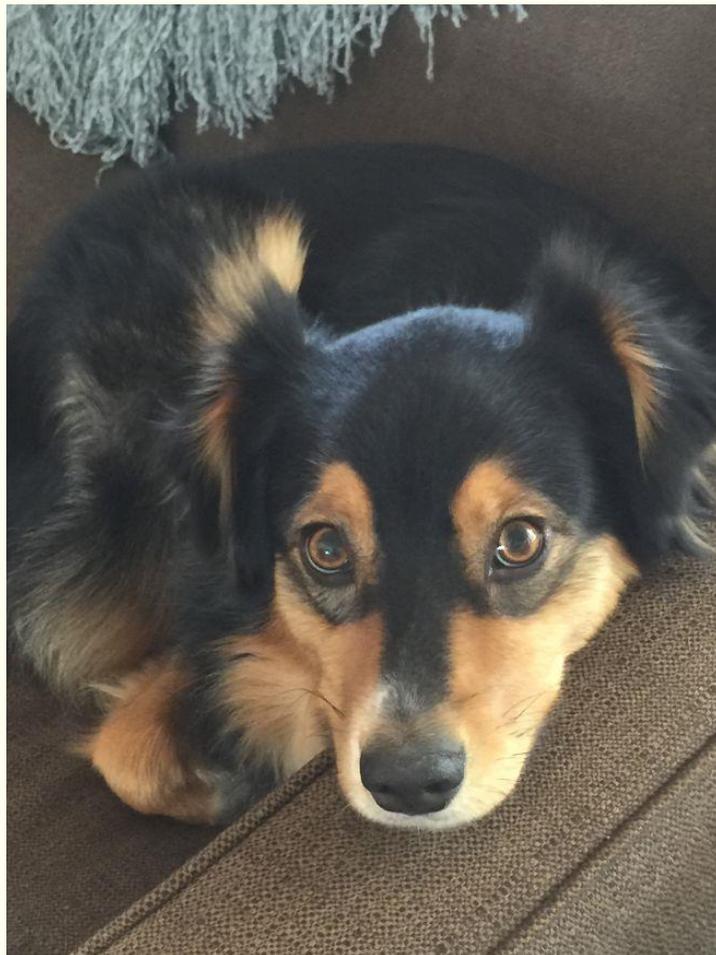


Meet Ginny Moon

[Our Adoptable Pet of the Month!](#)

From the Humane Society of Huron Valley

Available to adopt **NOW**, see all the adoptable pets of the month on our web site [here](#)



Meet Meeka -  
Featured Pet for July 2018!

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

Read their profiles, learn their likes, and find out how they found such a good home!

## [12 Things Humans Do That Annoy Dogs](#)

Moderndogmagazine.com

Despite our love of dogs, we humans sometimes do things that annoy the heck out of them. Though almost always unintentional, these things can nevertheless be irritating or even detrimental. [Read More](#)

"Making movies is like herding cats." - Eric Fellner (Movie producer, *Fargo*)

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## [12 Sounds Cats Make and What They Mean](#)

Moderncat.com

Think your cat's meows, chirps, yowls, and purrs are just random gibberish? Think again. She's actually communicating to you information about her world and about how she feels toward you. The good news is that if you listen closely, you just might begin to understand what all the meowing is about and use that understanding to your advantage. [Read More](#)

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### Fun facts about pets:

The world's rarest coffee, **Kopi Luwak**, comes from Indonesia where a wildcat known as the **luwak** lives. The cat eats coffee berries and the coffee beans inside pass through the stomach. The beans are harvested from the cat's dung heaps and then cleaned and roasted. **Kopi Luwak** sells for about \$500 for a 450g (1 pound) bag.

Dogs have lived with humans for over 14,000 years. Cats have lived with people for only 7,000 years.

A cat's jaw can't move sideways, so a cat can't chew large chunks of food.

The average dog can run about 19 mph. Greyhounds are the fastest dogs on earth and can run at speeds of 45 mph.

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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](#).

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"Do you honestly expect us to believe you were actually wagged by your own tail?!"

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"Meow. There, I said it and I'm glad."

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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.

**Saturday and Sunday, July 14-15, 2018, 10am-6pm**

**Canine Cup**

**at Frankenmuth River Place Shops**

Disc Dog competitions, pet rescues, Rock 'n Roll K-9's, retail vendors and much more!

Free Family Fun Event! Find out more at: [frankenmuthriverplace.com/canine-cup](http://frankenmuthriverplace.com/canine-cup)

**Friday-Sunday, July 20-22, 2018**

**Farmington Founders & Fido Festival**

**in Shiawassee Park**

There will be hours of entertainment, including the Ultimate Air Dogs, Rock N Roll K9's Performance Team and Disc Dogs of Michigan. Dogs can test their skills on the agility course, check out the newest dog wearables at vendor booths or participate in one of the many contests throughout the weekend. There will be rescues on site looking to place pets in their forever homes. The event will feature a variety of craft beers (and wine) to sample in the "Bark Garden". Pet related vendors will be on site showcasing their products/ services. On Friday evening, a film featuring a famous dog will be showcased on the big movie screen and on Saturday, beautiful hot air balloons will fill the park for the Light the Night event. Find out more at the [Farmington Fido Fest Facebook page](#).

We have some exciting news to share! But we are still a month or so away, but are getting closer. So stay tuned. :-)  
**Sometimes life gets in the way, but we're getting there. But we can give you a hint. We are starting a new web site devoted to animal rescues! We will be selling products, and 20% of EVERY item purchased will be donated to YOUR favorite animal rescue!**

Thank you for reading our newsletter! We hope you enjoyed it.

**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](mailto:info@pet-n-play.com)

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**Trivia answers:**

- 1) A - Touch.
- 2) A - Bastet, the feline goddess.
- 3) D - To protect the necks of dogs from wolf attacks.
- 4) A - The Abyssinian.

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