

A DOG GONE GOOD  
PLACE

DOG OF THE  
MONTH:

Meet Burnsey! He is a 10 month old cream colored labradoodle! That's right he is half lab and half poodle! Even though he is still very young, this pup has grown tremendously since he has been here at ADGGP.



Burnsey loves to play with everyone, he makes sure that everyone is included in his games! Even if this means the really, REALLY big kids, like Cupcake the mastiff and Sitka the malamute. It doesn't matter the size, Burnsey loves everyone! His favorite game is to play chase with his buddies and when he can't catch them he bites their tail!

The poodle in Burnsey loves the water, so his fluffy coat turns into awesome curls when wet! With his outgoing personality and love of life spunk Burnsey is sure to become a long time favorite of the staff here at ADGGP!



# ADGGP's Inside Scoop

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## Vaccines! The why and how

We all know that our pups need vaccines, but what are they? Why do they need them?

**Bordetella:** The bordetella vaccine is used to prevent bacterial and viral infections that invade a dog's respiratory tract. Kennel cough, as it is often called, is highly contagious and is often cured with antibiotics. Dogs that are exposed to crowded places, i.e dog parks, kennels, day-cares are often suggested to receive the vaccine (intranasal or injected) every 6 months. Although the vaccine is given it is not a promised solution, much like the human version of the flu vaccine.

Source: <http://pets.webmd.com/dogs/kennel-cough-in-dogs>

**Dhpp:** The distemper combination covers canine distemper, infectious canine hepatitis, parvo and sometimes Leptospirosis. Distem-



**Wild animals like this raccoon can transmit diseases to your family!**

per is a widespread virus that targets dogs without an immune system. The virus infects the various tissues of

the body and if often fatal. Canine Hepatitis is shed in urine and can survive outside the host for weeks or months. It targets the kidneys, spleen and lungs. Parvovirus is a highly contagious virus that causes vomiting and diarrhea. Often difficult to cure, puppies are at a high risk of infection. The Coronavirus vaccine protects much like the parvovirus vaccine. Leptospirosis is a bacterial infection resulting from contact with wildlife and its waste. The bacteria infects the liver and kidneys and if often painful. Lepto can also be transmitted to humans via breaks in the skin or mucous membranes. Source: Walnut Street Vet Clinic;

## Meet Tyler and Sydney!



Tyler has been a valued employee since July of 2008. Not only is he our boarding manager, he also is helping out at the front desk as well! If you get a chance say hi to him, and his rottie-mix puppy named Sydney.

Check out his interview!

•What's the best part of your

job?

"The best part of my job would be coming in everyday knowing it is going to be different. No day is the same at ADGGP!"

•Name a couple of your hobbies? I really enjoy being outside, camping, basketball, hiking, swimming, you name

it!"

•What's the best part about having a new puppy?

"I have really enjoyed everything that comes along with a new puppy. The best part would have to be watching how quickly they learn, and how attached they become to you."



## Time for a Trim?



With the weather getting warmer, you may notice that your dog is shedding a little more than you are used to. Their undercoat is giving way to their cooler summer coat, which needs less protection against the elements. Here are a couple of helpful hints to help keep the fur off of you!

- Keeping your pet on a high quality dog food will help keep skin and fur healthy.
- Make sure that you are brushing your pup with a

**Regular grooming will keep you and your pup healthy!**

- Pups with short fur, like labs, can really benefit from a good rubber brush, such as a “ZoomGroom” brand brush.

brush that is helping you! Dogs with curly hair may need more of a comb style brush to ensure that all of the fur is getting the attention it needs, not just the easy to reach top coat.

- All breeds will benefit from a full bath with a blow-out. A blow-out is a method where the groomer used a high powered blow-dryer to dry the dog by hand. This is not only a safer method than a cage dryer, but also will pull out all of the loose hair.

Hopefully this will help you in your hairy endeavors! To schedule a grooming appointment stop by the front desk on

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## Vaccines Continued

To test for the rabies virus, brain matter must be collected from the infected animal, so if the animal is suspected of having rabies he/she will be put down to get a test result. Most states, including Oregon, requires the rabies vaccine, either a one year or three year vaccine, in order to license your pup.

Source: Walnut St Vet Clinic; Pfizer Animal Health

As you can see there are some very significant health benefits to getting your pup updated. It is company policy to not allow dog’s with expired vaccine to be allowed into the population. Go ahead and cut out the next box for a reminder for your pup’s next vaccine dates! If you are unsure of the dates, ask the front desk!

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Vaccines are due:

**Bordetella:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Dhpp:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Rabies:** \_\_\_\_\_

**My vet’s phone number:**  
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## Breed Spotlight: Australian Shepard

G'day mate! Well actually, the Australian Shepard is not from the land down under but may have gotten its name from the Basque shepherds that brought them here from Australia. The-



breed originated in Pyrenees mountains, between Spain and France. This is a breed with a high energy level and the will to work! These dogs excel in herding, agility and even fly ball! You will recognize these playful dogs by their bob tails and thick coat. This coat can come in a variety of colors ranging from black, red and even blue merle.

You will see two of our great “aussies” pictured on the left is Libby, and below is Skye! With their endless amounts of energy, Aussies excel when challenged, but will find trouble if not kept busy. Here at ADGGP we have many Australian Shepards in all of our yards.

No matter where they are they are always fun to watch!

