

# Natural Therapy for Animals Centre

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Newsletter September 05

## OUR OPENING

I am really pleased to announce that the Centre is now ready and invite you to our Grand Opening on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September.

My new team and I look forward to showing you what we have achieved so far and whilst more work needs to be done we feel that the time has now come to open our doors and hope you will join us for a glass of champagne to celebrate!

### TIMETABLE FOR THE DAY:

- 10am Tour of site
- 10.15 Hydrotherapy presentation  
(including swimming pool, water treadmill & spa)
- 10.45 Dog rehabilitation demonstration
- 11 am Horse treatment demonstration
- Followed by champagne and chocolates!

The same programme will start again at 1pm and 3.30pm. Please let us know soon which you can attend.

Dr Vav Simon DC MMCA AMC MCC

**PS** I know lots of four-legged patients want to come too, but please put them off - it would just be too chaotic!

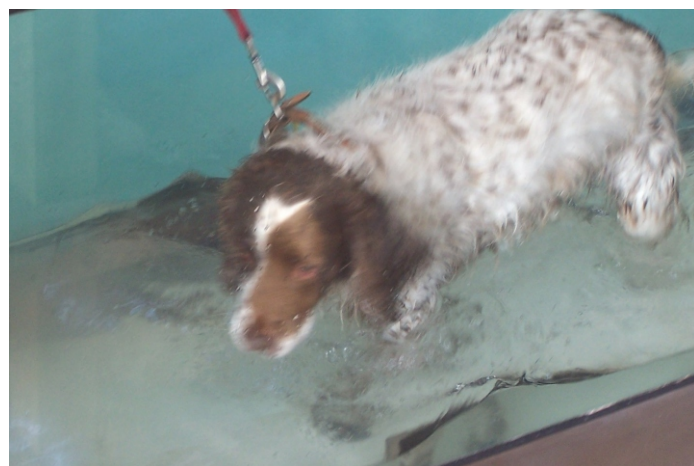
## New Clinics and Talks

We are arranging special clinics to take place on a regular basis. Russell Pettit is a Remedial Saddler who works closely with Vav. His technical skills in making your saddle sit properly on your horse are second to none. The Centre will be taking appointments and we are expecting him to be here every two weeks.

Roger Meacock, a vet who specialises in natural therapies, will be talking about the Scenar machine. This Russian device is at the meeting point of modern technologies and natural therapies. Roger is a member of the British Holistic Veterinary Medicine Association. He will talk on Friday 30th Sept starting at 7pm. A glass of wine will be served. Tickets are £5: to book, call us on (01983) 566009.

## Focus on Dog Hydrotherapy

We have installed a **Heated Swimming Pool**. Being rectangular, it allows animals who are recovering from injury or operation to work in straight lines. This is important in minimising muscular strain while encouraging exercise. For rehabilitation, it is usually better to swim dogs in water kept at optimum temperature to aid relaxation and speed oxygen transportation to the muscles to help the repair process.



We can swim the dogs free in the water, with aids or against powerful jets. These jets can also be used to help improve fitness and aid in weight-loss. Specific rehabilitation programmes and fitness regimes are tailored to your dog's individual needs.

At 12ft by 10ft, our pool is large enough for your dogs to have fun and play, so it's ideal for fun sessions.



There's plenty of space for two dogs to have fun in the water and we have a range of water toys on offer!

In some cases cold water treatment is more beneficial. We can control the temperature in our **Water Treadmill**, which allows us to create a special programme to improve muscles and rehabilitate specific joints as well as enhancing a general training schedule.

Our **Warm Water Spa** is a purpose-built bubbling jacuzzi which eases stiff joints and is especially good for the older dogs who find mobility a problem. It can take all sizes of dogs from Yorkie to Great Dane!



A specially designed hoist system allows us to work with very large dogs. It is also useful for dogs with problems ranging from mild immobility to total spinal impairment. This way they can be moved easily in and out of the Spa or Pool, and gain extra support whilst in the water.

All our staff are trained and qualified to deliver your pet's treatment. We operate a rigorous water management programme

with checks made routinely throughout the day, cleanliness is of the highest priority and fundamental to our ethos of Excellence.

Our facilities can be used in several ways:

- Rehabilitation after injury or surgery
- Preventative Treatments to reduce wear and tear
- Fitness Training for health or competition
- Quality of Life improvement for older animals
- Leisure Swim sessions: fun for both of you!

Please phone (01983) 566009 to book an appointment.

## Our New Team



I would like to introduce you to my new team who you will meet at the Centre. From left to right, they are Alex Purdy, Jayne Parsons, Julia Talbott and Di Rayner.

After much complaint, teasing and rude remarks about the picture of me in the last newsletter I thought I would include one in a more normal pose.



## How to find us:

**From Newport, follow signs for Ryde through:**

- **Binstead.** From Binstead head towards Ryde and go straight through the traffic lights at the junction with Queens Road. Continue along Pellhurst Road until the T junction. Turn right onto Upton Road and drive until you see the newly laid hedge on your left. That's us!
- **Havenstreet.** Go through Havenstreet and at the top of the hill follow the road round to the junction with Stroudwood Road. Turn right and follow this road to the mini-roundabout at Upton Cross. Turn left and go 200 yards until you see us on your right.
- From the **Downs road**, follow Ashy Road to the mini-roundabout by Smallbrook Stadium. Turn left up the hill and then right at the next mini-roundabout at Upton Cross. Drive 200 yards until you see us on your right.

**From Brading, St Helens, Bembridge etc:**

- Head towards Ryde past Tesco. Turn left at the lights at Bullen Cross onto Great Preston Road. Take the first left onto Smallbrook Lane. Go straight over at the mini-roundabout and continue to the next mini-roundabout at Upton Cross. Turn right and The Natural Therapy Centre for Animals is on the right hand side.