



# MANUKAU

## AFTER HOURS

### VETERINARY CLINIC

**09 277 8383**

2/586 Great South Road, Manukau City, NZ, 2014

**Monday-Thursday: 6pm-8am (following morning)**

**Friday: 6pm-9am Saturday**

**Midday Saturday until 8am Monday**

**Open all public holidays**

## OUR TEAM

**Vets:** Susan Farquahr  
Mary-Ruth Doole  
Melissa Alley  
Heather Jackson  
Sue Crow  
Inge Bolt  
Anna Jolly  
Max Clout  
Tanya Grey  
Lawrence Dodi

**Manager:** Jedda Ford

**Head Nurse:** Kirsty Spemann

Rachael Turner  
Katy Lodge  
Kim Watson  
Kendell Winchester  
Stacey Brodrick  
Angela Drower  
Nicole Naidu  
Jas Singh  
Bronwyn Armstrong  
Rachel Finlayson  
Victoria Smith

## SERVICES:

After Hour Consultations.

We are a full-service Emergency Animal Care Hospital available to help in all Afterhours Veterinary Situations.

## Boon's Story...

Like so many of our patients, Boon was a very sweet dog. Despite being sick and having abdominal pain he put on a brave face for having blood samples taken and an intravenous catheter placed.

I am often very moved by how animals allow us to do these procedures, granting us their trust even though we cannot explain why we do the things we do and that there will be a little discomfort but not for long. This is not always the case! But it was with Boon.

He arrived midway through a long weekend because he had "gone downhill", He was drinking a lot but not keeping water down. So as with any animal (or human!) that is vomiting repeatedly there was the concern of dehydration.

There were a few pre-existing health issues, he was due to have surgery at his own vet in the near future for a cancerous condition and had some age related long nerve degeneration which manifested with a degree of malfunction of his larynx – causing a distinctive noisy breathing and a lot of panting.

Dr Inge, the Vet on duty, found some abdominal pain and a possibly distended abdomen with the suspicion of an enlarged kidney being involved. Laryngeal paralysis can often also be complicated by aspiration pneumonia, especially when there has been vomiting, so this concern would also have been in the background as well.

A plan of supportive treatment with iv fluids, blood tests, anti-emetics and pain relief was instigated.

Once the blood results had come through – usually taking less than ½ an hour with our wonderful in-house lab machine set up, it became apparent that Boon was suffering from Pancreatitis with an associated sepsis, luckily his renal parameters appeared OK so antibiotics and further medications were added as appropriate.

With obvious exceptions for straightforward cases like trauma, wounds and abscesses etc, we can't always get to the absolute bottom of problems during emergency afterhours treatment. This can be frustrating for all concerned but our job in many cases is to get as close to a diagnosis as possible with the resources on hand and treat to stabilize a patient, with further diagnostics and treatment being provided via the animal's usual clinic down the line.

However, this intervention is vital for animal welfare, owner distress and is often lifesaving in and of itself.

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Boon ready to go with his multi coloured leg, he still had his catheter in!



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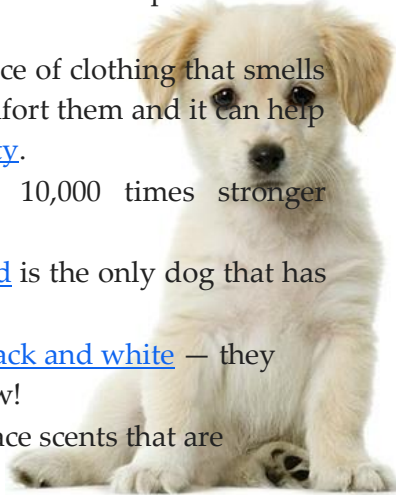
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## Boon's Story cont/d...

Boon responded nicely to his treatment and over the next 24 hours we were able to start feeding him on small amounts of a low fat gastrointestinal food that is designed for animals with Pancreatitis. He was able to go home the next night -which is always a happy outcome! He spent a couple more days at his own vet after the long weekend and I am sure the nurses there got pretty attached to him as well. We don't know them for long but these special pets often enrich our lives in the time we have with them also – I guess that is why we do what we do!

## FUN DOG FACTS

1. You can lower your [blood pressure](#) just by petting your pup!
2. [Corgi](#) is Welsh for "dwarf dog."
3. The reason dogs [curl up](#) is because of an age-old instinct to keep themselves warm and to protect vital organs while they sleep.
4. [Anything smelly](#) your dog rolls in only smells gross to you--to them it's DIVINE.
5. Dogs have wet noses because it helps to absorb scent [chemicals](#).
6. If you leave your dog a piece of clothing that smells like you, the scent will comfort them and it can help curb their [separation anxiety](#).
7. Dogs' sense of smell is 10,000 times stronger than [humans](#)'.
8. The [Norwegian Lundehund](#) is the only dog that has six toes on each foot!
9. Dogs don't ONLY see in [black and white](#) – they can also see blue and yellow!
10. Bloodhounds are able to trace scents that are over [300 hours old](#).



## WE PROVIDE

Afterhours care and monitoring by veterinarians and veterinary nurses.

- Complete diagnostic lab for immediate results
- Emergency surgery with experienced veterinary surgeons
- Digital Radiography
- Oxygen therapy
- Blood transfusions
- Pulse-Oximetry and blood pressure
- ECG monitoring
- Continuous rate infusion for fluid therapy and medications
- Advanced pain management
- Nutritional support
- Cremations

## OUR EQUIPMENT INCLUDES:

- Complete sterile surgery set up and equipment
- Anesthetic machines
- Infusion therapy pumps
- ECG
- Digital X-Ray
- Hematology and Chemistry Lab equipment
- Pulse-Ox
- Bair-hugger and heat mats for warming patients
- Blood pressure Doppler
- Oxygen therapy set up
- Ophthalmoscopes
- Microchip Scanner
- Emergency trolley



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