#### Issue 5



Hiya everyone

This month means so much to me as I had an anxious dog. Unfortunately we had to put our beloved Oreo to sleep on 10th April after lifelong prolonged stress and anxiety caused irreparable damage to his gastrointestinal system, brain and heart 😭

But first let's look at microchipping. Microchipping is a legal requirement in the UK. Failing to microchip your dog could land you in trouble with a fine costing up to £500. As from 10th June 2024 this also applies to cats! It is also a legal requirement to ensure your dogs microchip is up to date! Pets must still wear a collar and tag regardless of chipping. You must make sure that your dog or cat is registered on one of the databases mentioned on the government website (www.gov.uk/get-your-dog-cat-microchipped

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Dog anxiety is more common than you may think. Like us humans, dogs can suffer too which often go unnoticed until behavioural changes are seen. Signs to look out for if your dog is anxious could be one or more of the following;

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•	Pacing
•	Panting
•	Excessive drooling
•	Restlessness
•	Destructiveness
•	Aggression
•	Excessive barking
•	Developing inappropriate
	bathroom habits
•	Trying to escape
•	Compulsive behaviors

Depression

Anxiety in your dog could be caused through;

- Genetics
- Sudden residential changes
- **Existing conditions**
- Past trauma
  - Aging

Dogs thrive on routine so establishing one is important from being a puppy. A routine is a reminder of safety and offers comfort to your dog.

If you believe your dog is suffering with anxiety or you have any concerns about your dogs behaviour consult your vet and give me a call as I am a Certified Dog Trainer, specialising in Canine Body Language and Reactivity!

Until next time...

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#### Bailey is 3.5 years old

Dogs of JASPER & BAILEY The Month

Jasper loves a trip to our local...he gets lots of fuss





When Bailey goes for a walk he likes to find a stick



You will often find Jasper trying to get in your pockets for a biscuit





Jasper loves his ball and that's mainly all he ever wants!!



Star (15) and Cordy (13) were Jasper and Bailey's sisters but unfortunately they have both recently gained their wings and crossed Rainbow Bridge

Bailey mainly likes to eat and sleep



Jasper is 6.5 years old