

Dental



Pennard Vets
beyond the ordinary

DENTAL TREATMENTS



'Blaidd' Stone

- **Signs your pet is struggling and in discomfort are any of the following symptoms:**

Abnormalities, such as dental fractures

Bad breath

Red, inflamed, bleeding gums

Visible tartar on the teeth

Loss of appetite, or a change in eating habits

Pawing at the mouth

Excess dribbling

You need to book an appointment to see us and bring them in right away

- **Caring for your pet's teeth and mouth is crucial for their long term health**

There are a lot of good reasons to ensure your pet's teeth and mouth are kept in good condition, but they boil down to one simple fact – good dental health helps your pet to live a long, happy and healthy life.



If we have to treat your pet's teeth we will put them under anaesthetic and perform a scale and polish. This removes tartar and plaque and delays the build of bacteria and the onset of dental disease.

We will also perform an x-ray of your pet's teeth to assess whether there is any structural damage and whether individual teeth are viable.

If we find that a tooth has passed the point of saving – perhaps due to bone loss or loss of structure around the tooth that won't improve – then we will remove them.

It always astounds us how resilient pets can be in living their lives after tooth removal. Gums harden and food can be eaten as normal – it isn't always necessary to change a pet's diet long term after tooth loss.

The teeth that we always endeavour to save are the canines, as they provide the mouth with structure. Pets who lose their canine teeth will have to relearn how to hold their tongue in their mouth.

A lot of the time the damaged tooth will be very uncomfortable for your pet, and removing it will see your pet seeming immediately more happy and comfortable, sometimes even surprisingly so.

And of course, the long-term benefits to their health may not be possible to measure.

■ Worried about your pet's teeth? Join our **Pet Health Club** and get unlimited free vet visits!

We do things differently, and have been for over 125 years. We're the world's largest employee-owned vet group – something we're very proud of. Our **Pet Health Club** works differently, too.

We offer our members unlimited consults with our vets and nurses throughout the year as standard. We love our patients, and we believe in giving them the right care, in the right way and at the right time. We feel that the best way to do this is to empower you to bring them in to see us, or chat to us via a video consult, whenever you have a concern about their wellbeing.

That means if your pet is having problems with their dental health, you can bring them in to see us with no charge, and our lovely team will be happy to help you to work out what the problem is, and how best to solve it.

Sign up via our website, or speak to us in your local branch for more information.

