



Richmond Animal Protection Society

The Richmond Pet Paper

News from the Richmond Animal Shelter and
the Richmond Animal Protection Society (RAPS)

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Drop-in Doggie Obedience Class Coming this September



Do you and your dog need to brush up on your 'sits', 'stays' and 'downs' or some proper manners? Then drop-in obedience classes might be right for you.

This September, Christine Reynard, owner and trainer at Downtown Dogs, will be offering Canine Basic Obedience classes for \$10/class. Proceeds go to RAPS and the training goes to help you and your dog! Check out the RAPS website for dates/times.

Planning on Volunteering?

The Richmond Animal Shelter is run with only a handful of staff and a lot of help from volunteers! Would you like to volunteer this summer or fall? If so, check out these guidelines. To volunteer, you must:

- a) be 16 years or older (or accompanied by an adult)
- b) be willing to clean cat boxes, clean rabbit cages, sweep, mop, do laundry or wash dishes
- c) fill out a volunteer application and waiver (see www.rapsociety.com)
- d) be available for at least one two-hour shift between 9 am and noon daily at least once a week.

We hope to see you there!

Bunny Waste for your Garden



We have lots of bunny waste FREE for pick-up at the Richmond Animal Shelter. This material is great for gardens or compost bins. Bring a box!

**Richmond Animal Shelter,
12071 No. 5 Rd, Richmond**

Ways to Help

We need the following items donated at the Richmond Animal Shelter:

- toilet paper
- paper towels
- cat food (wet and dry)
- rodent food
- garden tools ***Thanks!***

The Richmond Animal Protection Society (RAPS) is a registered charity that operates the Richmond Animal Shelter and the RAPS Cat Sanctuary. Visit us at: **12071 No. 5 Road, Richmond, BC V7A 4E9**
(604) 275-2036 / www.rapsociety.com



To receive RAPS' monthly email newsletter, sign up at:
www.rapsociety.com

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What to do if your pet gets lost?

For a pet owner, there is nothing worse than the shock of finding your pet missing. For a dog owner, hopefully the dog has been taken to the Richmond Animal Shelter. For a cat owner, it is more of a looking and waiting game to see if the cat comes home. Here are a few simple steps to increase the chances that you and your pet will be re-united should he or she stray from home.

First, ensure that your dog always wears a collar with a City of Richmond dog license and an imprinted ID tag (including your dog's name, your name and your current telephone number).

GET REAL!



REAL PET FOOD

More dogs are returned because they have an ID tag than by any other method. It is also good to take note of any tattoos your dog has or to have your dog micro-chipped.

It's best to keep your cat indoors to avoid the risk of a coyote attack or car hit. It takes only one car to kill a cat, so even in quiet neighborhoods your cat is at risk. **Should you lose your pet, start searching right away. Put up posters with a picture of your pet, and call the Richmond Animal Shelter at 604-275-2036 to let us know that your pet is missing.** We'll record your pet's information and try to match up the record to any incoming animals to the shelter.



Long-term foster homes needed for senior cats



The Richmond Animal Protection Society (RAPS) has many beautiful, loving older cats that need long-term foster care. Many of these animals simply need some tender care, and RAPS will pay for their veterinary costs while they stay in a foster home.

If you can provide a safe, warm and loving home for a senior cat, please contact RAPS for more information.



Contact the Richmond Animal Protection Society at (604) 275-2036 to find out how you can provide a foster home.



Bringing out the best in your best friend.

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