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Well it's hard to believe another year has passed and 2009 is now upon us. I hope you all had a safe and great holiday. All of us at **SPOT** sure did but it is so good to be back amongst all the pups again. The snow did not really keep me and my dogs back too much, as I am sure you all know how frisky all the dogs get in the snow. Murphy (although going on 7) was just like a pup out there snorkeling in the snow, making dog angels and running around like a mad dog. Summer had more of a struggle given the snow was up to her shoulders and her feathers covered in snow balls most of the time so she basically had to hop along. Nonetheless we all had a super holiday and are ready for 2009!

Here is a look back at 2008 at A Spot For Spot

North Shore Readers Choice – We Won!

Huge thanks to all of you who voted for us as the **Best Dog Daycare** on the North Shore. We are so proud and happy to have won this great honour. With your support you make our company the success it is today.

2nd Annual Howloween Costume Party.

As part of our Halloween party Kate Morris took photos of the costumes dogs for \$20, and donated \$10 of that to PADS. We raised just under \$100. Nicely done!

1st Annual Dogfest.

SPOT'S first DOGFEST was a huge success. It was so nice to see so many SPOT clients and many new faces. For those of you who came out even on the rainy day we hope you enjoyed yourselves, learned lots and met some of the local dog

business that were on hand. We had a blast and will defiantly do it again next year. Special thanks to all the vendors, services and organizations that volunteered their time to pass on such valuable information about what they have to offer and a special thanks to those of you who took part in the silent auction; we raised just over \$500 that was donated to PADS. Way to go!

Kate's Photo Studio opened

It's been sometime coming, but my photo studio is now open! So as part of the services offered at **SPOT**, we now have a fully operational studio to take professional photos of your dogs, kids, you, whatever you wish. Space is booking fast so don't be disappointed and book early, especially for Valentine's Day which is just around the corner. Call me at **Spot** 604-990-7768 and we can set up a time for you to come in to see my portfolio and talk about setting up a photo session. I am currently finishing up work on my new photo website, very exciting. I hope to have a preview for you in next months news release. Enjoy these happy guys from recent photo shoots.



Alana moved to Australia.

Yes Alana, one of the original faces at **Spot** moved to Australia in September. We keep in regular contact with her, mainly through her mom Teri who is working with us at **Spot** right now, and Alana is loving the work and living experience as well as the travel opportunities to all those great south pacific islands. We look forward to welcoming her back in June of this year.

SPOT celebrated 287dog birthdays and over 120 people took the DOGSAFE Canine First Aid course taught here by Michelle Sevigny. www.dogsafe.ca. Quite the year here at **A Spot For Spot Dog Daycare**.

Meet RIVER, SPOTS new PADS Sponsored Puppy.

From all the fund raising **SPOT** did during 2008, together we raised over \$1000 which was donated to Pacific Assistant Dog Society (PADS). With this generous donation, **SPOT** sponsored puppy RIVER'S first year of training and caring to get him ready for advanced training. The cost of raising and training each dog from puppy to independence is over \$35,000. PADS raises and trains assistant dogs for people who are facing the daily challenges of life with a disability. PADS highly skilled dogs provide physical assistance, love, encouragement, companionship 24

hours a day and enhance the quality of life. **SPOT** will keep you posted on RIVER'S progress throughout the year as well as any new fund raising we do in ' ;09.

2009 Dog Licenses

With the New Year comes the renewal of your dog's annual license and if you own a dog you are required to have a current license for your dog.

Why?

- If your dog leaves your property or is lost and is discovered by someone else the license helps identify your dog so you can be contacted and hopefully get your dog back.
- If you live in the District and purchase your dog's license from there the fees help to provide care, food, shelter to lost, abandoned or abused animals as well as handle public safety concerns of stray, aggressive and dangerous dogs and prevent cruelty to dogs.
- The license fees help the District administer the animal adoption program.
- It is the law! The fine for a dog over 4 months old with no license or failure to attach the dog license is \$150.00. Because at Spot we take your dog out for a leash walk twice a day while he or she is with us, we would hate for you to get charged with a violation.

Where?

It depends where you live but there are a couple of locations:

District Municipal Hall, 355 Queens 604 990 2488

City of North Vancouver City Hall, 141 W 14th St. 604 985 7761

District of North Vancouver Shelter, 299 Mansfield Place. 604 981 3111

West Vancouver SPCA, 1020 Marine Dr. 604 922 4622

If you wish to renew an existing license a renewal notice would probably have been sent to you in the mail and you can then renew the license either on line or in person. If it is your first time to purchase a license you need to go to a location above and show proof of spay/neutering.

How much in North Vancouver?

\$25.00 for every spayed or neutered dog

\$59.00 for every un-spayed or un-neutered dog

When?

Due by January 2nd, 2009.

January Birthdays

Sadie Hunt, Charlie Soles, Cesar Hammond, Mu-Qui Turner, Halle Wozney, Spike Dalby, Murphy Richardson, Star Thompson, and Jack Kovacic, Midnight Campos, Emma Son, Bambi Son, Koko Brown, Izzy Porter, Koda Peden, Rocky/Riely Fletcher, Mika Gorecki, Suka McLean, Cooper Niermann, Maggie Godrey, Murphy James, Ayla Procaccini, Lucky Maconachie, Granby Maxey, Cocoa Knoph, Didi Zuccato, Mylo Ridgedale, Murphy Richardson, Star Thompson, Stella Gillies, Spike Dalby, Lulu Elworthy, Halle Wozney, Jack Kovacic, Mu-Qui Turner, Cesar Hammond, Otis Bertram, Charlie soles, Sadie Hunt.

Happy birthday you dogs and come see us for your free day of daycare on your birthday!

LOVE & HEAD RUBS!!

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