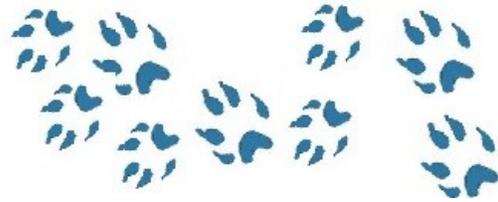


Issue: July, 2016 – Special Ferret in Need, Hot Weather Alert, Ferret Ornaments, Shelter Forum arrives soon!



Paw Print eNews



Get your Ferret an Air Conditioner!

With heat advisories blanketing large parts of the US, make sure your ferrets are safe. When the temperature rises over 85 degrees, ferrets can suffer from hyperthermia. Hyperthermia – also known as heat stroke or heat exhaustion – can be fatal. According to veterinarians, as little as 10 minutes confined in temperatures over 90 damage a ferret's internal organs.

Heat stroke/exhaustion symptoms include:

- Open-mouth breathing, progressing to rapid panting
- Weakness/lethargy
- Red tongue/pale gums
- Vomiting/diarrhea
- Fainting or coma

If your ferret shows these signs in hot weather, lower their body temperature by immersing their body in room-temperature (not cold!) water. Place them on a damp towel and, as soon as possible, transport to the vet in an air conditioned vehicle so a doctor can determine if they require further supportive care.

Prevention is the best medicine. Ferrets are designed for temperate zones. High heat and humidity is more serious for them than for people – pets can't control



Please help.

Sesame and his friend, Tofu, were found in a dumpster. It was only sheer luck they were found before the really hot weather - or the dump truck - arrived. Sesame had a badly broken back leg. To save his life, it had to be amputated.

It was touch & go at first, but Sesame rallied and during the last 3 weeks, has grown stronger and more active. He's now beginning to play! Surgery and several days of intensive care were costly. We've launched a [crowdfunding page on loveanimals.org](#) to help pay his bills.

If YOU agree that this little fellow deserved better, **please help**. If everyone receiving this donated \$2, Sesame's bill would be paid in full.

Your gift will let Sesame start his new life debt-free!

their environment. Be sure to keep ferret cages
the sun on days when temps will rise, and never
house a ferret outdoors.

With the cost of a room-sized air conditioner as low as
\$100, it's foolish to risk your ferret's health; the cost of
an emergency vet visit will be hundreds more.

If you can't install an air unit, at least move your
ferret's cage to a basement during heat waves, where
the surrounding ground keeps spaces cooler. But
closely monitor air quality, since unfinished
basements can be damp & musty.



New ferret ornaments have arrived!

Exclusively ours, these 2.5" felt ferrets are handsewn
and padded for a slight 3-D effect. They have seed
bead eyes, embroidered faces, and come with thread
to hang. Our regular price will be \$6 each; as a
special summer promotion, we're offering the set of 3
for \$17.50 including US shipping. (overseas or for
more than 1 set, please [contact us](#) for ship cost.)

**And it tells the world YOU
believe a "broken" ferret
isn't garbage; it's a
precious, valued life.**



Shelter Forum

There's still time to register
for the August 27 forum!
With all the ferrets needing
care, it's hard to take time
for an educational event. But
learning ways to streamline
operations, raise more
money, or take in LESS
ferrets is an investment in
their - and your - future.
Details are [here](#). Remember,
you can also attend online!
We're still working out the
specifics for remote
attendance, but promise to
make it as easy as possible!
But we urge you to register
by August 15 so we can
include you in online testing.
Questions? [Contact](#) us.
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