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Open wide, it's time to see the dentist

August is considered dental hygiene month but we feel that looking after your pet's pearly whites and keeping gums in glowing health is an ongoing part of pet health maintenance. But we'll use this month as a reminder to you all to have your pets' teeth and gums checked for the signs of periodontal disease.

Dog-Breath Fresheners

Stinky breath isn't much fun when you're getting close to your loved one and a manky-mouthed mutt is no fun either. Make life a little fresher with these easy-to-make herby treats. Parsley and mint make for sweet breath and charcoal really absorbs icky odours. You'll be cuddling up and having pooch smooches in no time.

Charcoal tablets are available in most health food stores and can be ground up quickly by a mortar and pestle. Try to find organically grown mint and parsley—better still, grow your own.

Ingredients:

- 1 cup organic wholemeal flour
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon charcoal
- 1 egg
- 1 1/2 tablespoons safflower oil
- 1/4 cup finely chopped fresh parsley
- 1 tablespoon finely chopped fresh mint
- 1/3 cup organic milk

Method:

Preheat oven to 200°C. Grease a cookie tray. Mix dry ingredients in a bowl. In a separate bowl mix together the egg, oil, and herbs. Stir the flour mixture into the wet mix. Add the milk slowly and mix until into a nice sticky dough. Use a table-spoon to measure each treat and place on the cookie tray leaving a space of 2-3cms between each.

Bake for 12-15 minutes and then let cool. Store in an airtight jar in the refrigerator and use within a week. Portions can be frozen and stored for three months.

Remember that persistent bad breath is often a sign of more serious mouth matters such as tartar build-up and dental disease. In the US there are dental professionals that provide Non-Anaesthetic Veterinary Dental Service (NAVDS). They offer thorough dental cleanings without the use of anaesthetics.

Non-anaesthetic dental cleanings offer a safe, affordable alternative to standard anaesthetic-based cleanings. By combining extensive training and gentle handling techniques, technicians are able to effectively clean both above & below the gum line and polish while pets remain alert and comfortable.

By eliminating the risks of anaesthesia, regular dental care can be provided to most pets, including high-risk breeds, pets with medical conditions and geriatric pets. Veterinary clinics, nurses, pet-care professionals and rescue groups interested in learning more about these techniques can contact US-based Houndstooth Dental for more information about their next set of lectures in Australia.
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