

# MCLEOD



## VETERINARY HOSPITAL

### Hours:

Monday – Thursday:

8:00 am – 9:30 pm

Friday:

8:00 am – 6:00 pm

Saturday & Sunday:

8:30 am – 3:00 pm



### *Holiday Hours*

Monday, Dec. 24:

8:00 am – 1:00 pm

Tuesday, Dec. 25 &

Wednesday, Dec. 26:

Closed

Monday, Dec. 31:

8:00 am – 1:00 pm

Tuesday, Jan. 1:

Closed

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## Laser Therapy

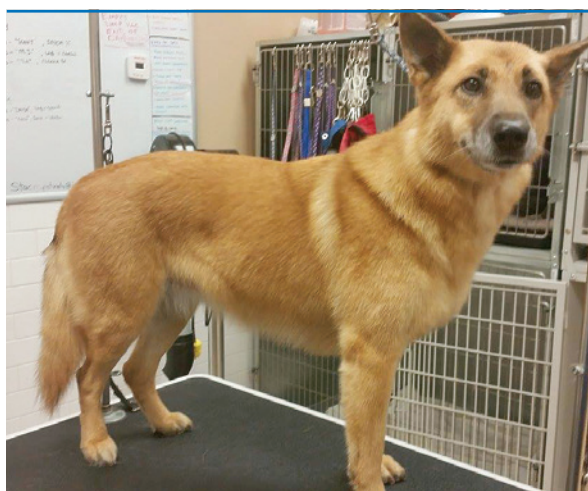
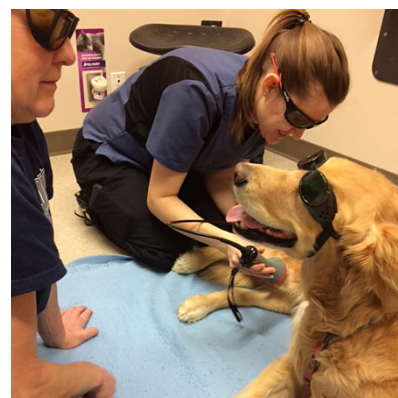
McLeod Veterinary Hospital is pleased to announce that we will now be offering laser therapy to our patients!

Laser therapy is a non-invasive treatment to reduce pain and inflammation, increase circulation, and increase healing. A laser beam is passed across the affected area, producing a small amount of heat while being absorbed by the tissues and cells. Laser therapy causes no discomfort to pets during treatment and is indicated for a variety of conditions including (but not limited to);

- Arthritis
- Wound Healing
- Skin Conditions
- Post-surgery
- Soft Tissue Trauma

Some conditions require multiple and/or routine treatments to achieve the desired goal, although many may experience relief of symptoms immediately or within the first 24 hours following treatment.

For more information about laser therapy and its benefits for your pet, contact our hospital at 204-661-3334.



## Meet Scout

Scout is a senior dog who was struggling with mobility issues due to arthritic changes in her hind end. In conjunction with anti-inflammatories and pain relief, laser therapy has significantly improved Scout's mobility and disposition.



## Feliscratch

Feliscratch is a new product by the makers of Feliway. Feliscratch encourages natural scratching behaviors in cats while directing them to an appropriate object/area to scratch. Feliscratch mimics the pheromones left behind by cats when they scratch, encouraging them to continue scratching the same area. Feliscratch works best when applied to scratching posts and provides the ideal means of redirecting inappropriate scratching.

For more information about Feliscratch and other Feliway products, contact the team at McLeod Veterinary Hospital or visit [www.feliway.ca](http://www.feliway.ca).

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### McLeod Veterinary Hospital Staff Members

#### Veterinarians

Dr. Robert Newfield  
Dr. Alison Bowles  
Dr. Jason Kellsey  
Dr. Christie-Leigh Capper  
Dr. Emily Martens

#### Animal Health Technologists

Barbe Parke  
Cindy Sontag  
Amy Weir  
Rhianne Hallows  
Jennifer Peters  
Carolyn Tschernow

#### Receptionists

Martina Korne  
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Ashley Celhar  
Carissa Shaw  
Angie Dwornick  
August Sontag

#### Veterinary Assistants

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## Nexgard and Bravecto

You may have recently seen a media release from the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). Some concerns were brought forth regarding certain types of flea/tick medications, including Nexgard, and their link to seizures in pets.

There have been no changes to these products since their launch years ago. The incidence of seizures from this class of medications is very remote.

To date, our hospital has not seen any seizure activity as an adverse reaction from Nexgard. This class of medications is still safe and we continue to recommend them to treat/prevent ticks and fleas.

Deer ticks are still prevalent at this time of year, so flea/tick prevention is still recommended for dogs at risk.

## Canadian Animal Blood Bank

McLeod Veterinary Hospital hosts regular Canadian Animal Blood Bank (CABB) donor clinics.

For information about upcoming donation dates and to find out if your pet is an eligible donor, contact us at 204-661-3334 or visit

[www.canadiananimalbloodbank.ca](http://www.canadiananimalbloodbank.ca)



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## Legalization of Cannabis



With the recent legalization of cannabis, care must be taken to eliminate accidental ingestion and potential toxicity in pets. Signs of ingestion may include; lethargy, disorientation/loss of coordination, dilated pupils, increased vocalization, respiratory depression, and a drop in body temperature. In severe cases, tremors, seizures, and coma may result. Cannabis should always be stored out of reach of pets.

CBD (cannabidiol) oil is becoming a hot topic of conversation in veterinary medicine. While these products may prove to have valuable therapeutic benefits, there currently is not enough scientific research to support safety, dosing recommendations, or treatment protocols in pets.

## K/D + Mobility

Chronic kidney disease (CKD) is a prevalent disease process among senior cats, that affects 1 out of 3 cats over the age of 12 years. Although progressive, CKD can be managed with medications and diet. Early detection is key, and with appropriate nutritional management, quality of life can be supported. Studies have shown that 90% of cats over the age of 12 years also suffer from degenerative joint disease (DJD). Hill's K/D + Mobility has been formulated to help manage these two common conditions.

CKD patients often struggle with decreased appetite which results in decreased caloric intake. When an insufficient number of calories are consumed, the body begins to break down muscle tissue to use for energy. K/D + Mobility includes Enhanced Appetite Trigger (E.A.T) Technology to stimulate appetite and increase caloric intake. Increased levels of L-Carnitine help to use fat as an energy source instead of muscle. Increased levels of essential amino acids ensure that cats can receive their total daily requirement even when only 65% of the meal is consumed. Elevated levels of Omega 3 fatty acids aid in fighting inflammation in the joints and kidneys. Improved mobility can be observed and your cat's ability to run, climb, and jump can increase in as little as 28 days.