



Tameside Advertiser

THE BIG FREEZE: OUR SNOW HEROES

Vet John is pet topic for happy owners

VETS are known for having to work in all weathers, tending to sick animals.

But customers of John Gunn of Abbeywood vets in Denton have been overwhelmed by his dedication to looking after their pets in his own time, even with a foot of snow on the ground.

"I think he's marvellous, I didn't know there were people like that around anymore," said Harold McMinn, 71, whose dog was tended to at home, with no call out fee, one evening because he and his wife were snowbound on Tarran Grove.

And Phil Duffy also had praise for John who came to collect his ill dog from home during a blizzard before Christmas as Phil was stuck at work.


As the dog needed major surgery, John kept her at the vets and tended to her, eventually dropping her home on Christmas evening.

"The only time he wasn't available was during midnight mass and he even apologised for that! He is an absolute legend in my mind and I can't thank him enough," said Mr Duffy.

But John, a vet with 20 years' experience, said it was all part of being a community vet.

"As I'm independently owned I have more flexibility to do those things. I live above the surgery and at night normally divert the calls to an emergency service, but during the bad weather I wasn't, I was answering them myself. I was the only vet in the area open on the Tuesday so that was spent doing emergency cases. It's about being part of a community. It's definitely a vocation, not just a job."

Nose to Tail Care



We all like the best for our pets and at Abbeywood Veterinary Clinic you will find just that. Independently owned by experienced resident vet John Gunn, he provides the community with the very best in veterinary care for your pets. His services and facilities enable John to be open throughout the day and be available for advice, administer treatment and perform operations on site.

Abbeywood's priority is to keep costs low so pet owners can benefit from our **Price Match on**

- ✓ Routine neutering operations
 - ✓ Internet drugs
 - ✓ Flea and worming treatments
 - ✓ Pet food or prescription diets
- Vaccinations include**
- ✓ Full health and weight check
 - ✓ Free insurance cover note with puppy and kitten courses
 - ✓ Restart lapsed courses at no extra charge

We understand that accidents or sudden illness can occur with your much-loved pet when you are least expecting them, so **Abbeywood** offer **direct claims** on current pet insurance. If you have any concerns regarding your pet or would like further information please call us at the surgery.