



## Tick season has arrived *Start your prevention NOW!*

### *An Important Reminder*

It can take up to 6 weeks for topical tick preventatives to start being effective. It is vital that all dogs & cats that go outside are on a tick preventative. The deadly paralysis tick is very common in this area of Sydney. They are found all year round, but particularly in the spring & summer months; September – February. If you're not sure what they look like then we are happy to show you.



Daily tick searches will give you a chance to find the tick before paralysis sets in. About 70% of ticks are found in the front half of the body – head, neck, shoulder and under the arms – so focus your search to these areas. Remember your pets should be searched daily for ticks as NO product is 100% effective!

### *We Recommend:*

#### DOGS

Use the topical product ADVANTIX every 2 weeks as directed, NEXGARD orally every month or BRAVECTO orally every three months. A KILTIX collar can be used in conjunction with these products and must be changed every 6 weeks.



#### CATS

Use FRONTLINE SPRAY every 3 weeks (preferable) or if your cat will not tolerate being sprayed, FRONTLINE PLUS spot on can be used fortnightly – but it's not registered for this purpose.

**\*\* ADVANTIX, NEXGARD OR BRAVECTO MUST NOT BE USED ON CATS \*\***

### *Early warning signs of tick paralysis*

- A change in your pets voice (the vocal chords become paralysed)
- Vomiting/regurgitating food
- Wobbly back legs
- Reluctance to get up from a sitting position
- Heavy breathing

Animals showing any of these signs should be seen by a vet urgently as the earlier they are treated with the antiserum, the better the chances are for survival.