

09/23/02 17:27:09 <KristaTiger> Hi Lisa...

09/23/02 17:27:34 <* KristaTiger> (Plays Sound: horn.wav) horn

09/23/02 17:27:57 <Lisa_and_Gorb> that noise just scared me to death i'll have you know ;)

09/23/02 17:28:17 <* KristaTiger> (Plays Sound: evillaugh.wav) That was the plan!

09/23/02 17:28:27 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i had the window minimized then all of a sudden the horn lol

09/23/02 17:28:30 <Lisa_and_Gorb> how are you all tonight?

09/23/02 17:28:38 <KristaTiger> We all is fine.

09/23/02 17:28:43 <KristaTiger> You?

09/23/02 17:29:03 <Lisa_and_Gorb> pretty good...we're having a bit of ""indian summer"" here in boston

09/23/02 17:29:09 <KristaTiger> Has Gorb recovered from his runin with the younger of the species?

09/23/02 17:29:15 <Lisa_and_Gorb> so had to turn the a/c's back on in september

09/23/02 17:29:30 <Lisa_and_Gorb> oh he loves Georgie - but Georgie loves Gorb and doesn't like to let him sleep

09/23/02 17:29:33 <KristaTiger> We are too. We've had great weather the past couple of days. It's downright humid today.

09/23/02 17:30:10 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i hate humid - i don't like super hot either but on humid days even with a/c on you get sticky sitting on the couch

09/23/02 17:30:12 <KristaTiger> Tiger's not much good around kids - not much experience with them. He used to beans who leave him alone.

09/23/02 17:30:17 <Lisa_and_Gorb> not a lot of fun ;)

09/23/02 17:30:29 <Lisa_and_Gorb> ours are okay with kids - our maine coone loves kids

09/23/02 17:30:34 <Lisa_and_Gorb> gorb prefers babies :)

09/23/02 17:30:46 <KristaTiger> I don;t mind. I like the heat. Weird, I know.

09/23/02 17:31:20 <Lisa_and_Gorb> its so cold in my office i love getting out at lunch on super hot days -

09/23/02 17:31:28 <Lisa_and_Gorb> just cuz it brings my body temp back up :)

09/23/02 17:31:51 <KristaTiger> No a/c at work. It's only really a problem for about one week a year.

09/23/02 17:32:27 <Lisa_and_Gorb> wow - our a/c is on every day - everyone has a portable heater on even in summer

09/23/02 17:33:15 <KristaTiger> Jeesh. Seems like overkill. And a waste too.

09/23/02 17:33:30 <Lisa_and_Gorb> yup - big waste - and yet 2 years later still a problem ;)

09/23/02 17:33:34 <Lisa_and_Gorb> welcome kitty!

09/23/02 17:34:16 <Janet_and_Binky> Hi, all!

09/23/02 17:34:34 <KristaTiger> I don't even have a/c in my car. Every summer I think about it, but by the time it's really bad, it's all over again.

09/23/02 17:34:39 <KristaTiger> Hi Janet!

09/23/02 17:34:40 <Lisa_and_Gorb> welcome Janet and Binky!

09/23/02 17:34:48 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i couldn't get by w/o the a/c...

09/23/02 17:35:13 <Lisa_and_Gorb> nor could the kitties

09/23/02 17:35:15 <KristaTiger> I'm so used to *not* having it, I hardly even think about it. Besides, I hate being cold.

09/23/02 17:35:29 <KristaTiger> Tiger just sleeps in the tub when it's really hot.

09/23/02 17:35:41 <Lisa_and_Gorb> our maine coone does that

09/23/02 17:35:52 <Lisa_and_Gorb> how's things with you and Binky today Janet?

09/23/02 17:36:29 <KristaTiger> That's Tiges! All that fur makes me feel bad for him, but he never seems to be too out of sorts.

09/23/02 17:37:06 <Janet_and_Binky> Pretty good, I think. I've been dosing him with vitamin E more than usual, so he's feeling pretty perky. It's real hot here, too (Sacramento) -- supposed to be about 100 today.

09/23/02 17:37:23 <Janet_and_Binky> How is everyone else doing?

09/23/02 17:37:28 <Lisa_and_Gorb> does he get a hair cut? Persy gets a regular trim in the summer months

09/23/02 17:37:45 <Lisa_and_Gorb> well - we're not *that hot* thank goodness :)

09/23/02 17:38:02 <Lisa_and_Gorb> I've got a food ? for you before everyone else straggles in and I lose you ;)

09/23/02 17:38:18 <Lisa_and_Gorb> familiar with IVD hi-factor or Triumph's Evolve canned line?

09/23/02 17:39:18 <Janet_and_Binky> Hi, Cindy!

09/23/02 17:39:32 <CindyW> Hey Janet!

09/23/02 17:39:49 <Lisa_and_Gorb> welcome Cindy!

09/23/02 17:40:08 <CindyW> Hope you don't mind my popping in...

09/23/02 17:40:30 <Janet_and_Binky> Lisa, I'm familiar with IVD Hi-Factor, which I think is a high-fiber high-carb food, at least the dry. I've heard of Triumph, but don't know much about it.

09/23/02 17:40:37 <KristaTiger> Not hardly.

09/23/02 17:41:09 <Lisa_and_Gorb> all are welcome (Cindy :) takes awhile for folks to straggle in so we're just shooting the stuff LOL

09/23/02 17:41:13 <CindyW> I'm Kiki (GA)'s mom, I'm not sure anyone remembers me

09/23/02 17:41:46 <Janet_and_Binky> I remember you, Cindy. It's hard to believe that it's been so long.

09/23/02 17:41:49 <Lisa_and_Gorb> sounds familiar to me :) how have you been lately? don't think we've seen you around in a bit

09/23/02 17:42:04 <CindyW> 2 years, Janet. Same week as Electra went.

09/23/02 17:42:29 <Janet_and_Binky> Yes, I read your response to Electra. That was one of those really bad weeks, for sure.

09/23/02 17:42:39 <Janet_and_Binky> Oops, I mean Serra!

09/23/02 17:42:49 <CindyW> I've been fine, thx! I read the board still because I'm on the IMOM DPF committee and I like to keep up with everyone

09/23/02 17:43:22 <CindyW> this past week wasn't so great either :(

09/23/02 17:43:40 <KristaTiger> There've been a few bad weeks lately.

09/23/02 17:43:44 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i don't think we've had an ""easy"" week for a while

09/23/02 17:44:04 <Janet_and_Binky> But you know, I was commenting to Robin recently that I think the death *rate* has dropped since I was first on the board.

09/23/02 17:44:23 <CindyW> maybe because of the board itself

09/23/02 17:44:31 <CindyW> the knowledge sharing and all

09/23/02 17:44:37 <KristaTiger> A lot of them don't seem to be diabetes related - more cancer

09/23/02 17:44:43 <Lisa_and_Gorb> do you think its actually lowered or more folks are just coming out of the woodwork so survivors outnumber those that are lost?

09/23/02 17:44:44 <Janet_and_Binky> We lose a lot of cats, but we also have a lot of members. It seems to me that when I started, every other person who logged on lost their cat fairly quickly.

09/23/02 17:45:03 <CindyW> I lost Kiki to cancer too

09/23/02 17:45:08 <Janet_and_Binky> Hi, Deanie!

09/23/02 17:45:09 <Lisa_and_Gorb> welcome Deanie :)

09/23/02 17:45:15 <CindyW> Hiya Deanie!

09/23/02 17:45:15 <Lisa_and_Gorb> welcome Ellen and Kis :)

09/23/02 17:45:26 <deanie> hello

09/23/02 17:45:34 <KristaTiger> Hi Deanie, Ellen...

09/23/02 17:45:40 <EllenandKis> Hello

09/23/02 17:46:06 <KristaTiger> How are the ""boys""?

09/23/02 17:47:35 <EllenandKis> who's boys?

09/23/02 17:47:45 <deanie> i was wondering that too!

09/23/02 17:47:49 <EllenandKis> lol

09/23/02 17:47:55 <KristaTiger> Boo for one!

09/23/02 17:48:01 <EllenandKis> hi jenny

09/23/02 17:48:02 <Lisa_and_Gorb> welcome jenny :)

09/23/02 17:48:23 <Janet_and_Binky> Lisa, I just found the Triumph web page, at <http://www.triumphpet.com/triumphcatcan.html>

09/23/02 17:48:37 <jenny> hello

09/23/02 17:48:38 <deanie> boo is prowling the back yard

09/23/02 17:48:50 <Lisa_and_Gorb> thanks - i sent them an email earlier about nutritional analysis

09/23/02 17:48:58 <Lisa_and_Gorb> if i get anything back i'll forward it along

09/23/02 17:49:12 <deanie> he just ate his dinner out there

09/23/02 17:49:19 <KristaTiger> So, is Sweetie staying?

09/23/02 17:49:23 <Janet_and_Binky> The ingredient list looks okay, except for the rice flour. Except for the senior, the guaranteed analysis looks pretty promising, too.

09/23/02 17:49:44 <jenny> is boo hard to handle outside?

09/23/02 17:49:51 <Lisa_and_Gorb> it looks like good stuff - i picked it up for civi but was thinking of giving Gorb a little variety :)

09/23/02 17:50:15 <CindyW> Does anyone here make their own catfood?

09/23/02 17:50:24 <Lisa_and_Gorb> we used to - not any more

09/23/02 17:50:34 <deanie> LOL, cindy, i don't make my own people food half the time!

09/23/02 17:50:43 <EllenandKis> i can hardly get ""people food"" right

09/23/02 17:50:43 <jenny> me either!!!

09/23/02 17:51:00 <KristaTiger> The kitchen is a really big drinking fountain.

09/23/02 17:51:00 <CindyW> LOL!! I have to because my Magi has IBD and possibly cancer, and it occurred to me it might be good for sugarcats

09/23/02 17:51:02 <deanie> no, boo is good outside--unless he sees a boy cat

09/23/02 17:51:19 <Lisa_and_Gorb> its a tricky business - you need to make sure to get all the nutrition in there and balanced

09/23/02 17:51:25 <EllenandKis> Bombs away!!!!!!!

09/23/02 17:51:26 <Janet_and_Binky> Home-made food *is* good for sugarcats, but I'm too lazy.

09/23/02 17:51:35 <EllenandKis> (Kis going poo)

09/23/02 17:51:42 <CindyW> I add a supplement called Call of the Wild - only thing missing is Taurine I think

09/23/02 17:51:50 <jenny> what do you give for peolpe food ?

09/23/02 17:51:58 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i was gonna say i was too busy too - but lazy is a better description :)

09/23/02 17:52:17 <Janet_and_Binky> Definitely lazy for me; my life revolves around not being busy.

09/23/02 17:52:24 <Janet_and_Binky> Cindy, why do you think Magi has cancer?

09/23/02 17:52:39 <* CindyW> MOTIONS/smile.gif give for people food? what do I feed people?

09/23/02 17:52:50 <CindyW> her WBC count is off the scale

09/23/02 17:52:55 <Janet_and_Binky> Soylent Green, maybe?

09/23/02 17:52:59 <KristaTiger> I'm too busy to be lazy. When I am home, I want to rest.

09/23/02 17:53:01 <deanie> i'll be back in a few--his highness needs to go for his walk

09/23/02 17:53:06 <jenny> no homemade food.

09/23/02 17:53:22 <Janet_and_Binky> Jenny, there's a lot of good ""starting information"" at holisticcat.com

09/23/02 17:53:28 <CindyW> I boil chicken leg qtrs for Magi, bone them and put them thru the food processor

09/23/02 17:53:31 <KristaTiger> Later! I'm only here for a few more minutes - have to trundle off to bed soon.

09/23/02 17:53:46 <CindyW> nite Krista

09/23/02 17:53:49 <jenny> i will check it out, can you give that and reg cat food?

09/23/02 17:53:56 <Lisa_and_Gorb> night Krista - thanks for stopping in :)

09/23/02 17:53:58 <Janet_and_Binky> Basically, you mix meat, veggies, maybe some grain (light on the grain for sugarcats), and get the nutrients right

09/23/02 17:54:06 <Janet_and_Binky> Good night, Krista!

09/23/02 17:54:12 <jenny> or do you switch completely?

09/23/02 17:54:12 <EllenandKis> nite krista

09/23/02 17:54:16 <Janet_and_Binky> Yes, you can mix home-made and regular.

09/23/02 17:54:16 <CindyW> oh yes. IBD cats often can't tolerate grain so it's a mostly protein diet

09/23/02 17:54:17 <Lisa_and_Gorb> you can do either

09/23/02 17:54:28 <KristaTiger> Night! (It is 10pm here - not wimping out...)

09/23/02 17:54:39 <jenny> my other cat ahs IBD

09/23/02 17:54:42 <Janet_and_Binky> Or, if you're lazy like me, you can give mostly canned food, and supplement with a little raw on the side.

09/23/02 17:54:58 <Janet_and_Binky> Where is it 10 pm?

09/23/02 17:55:01 <CindyW> if Magi could tolerate cat food believe me I'd do it but she had diarehhea for weeks

09/23/02 17:55:17 <Lisa_and_Gorb> welcome pat :)

09/23/02 17:55:34 <Janet_and_Binky> Hi, Pat! Hi, Sally!

09/23/02 17:55:36 <jenny> hello

09/23/02 17:55:36 <Lisa_and_Gorb> did you try a premium brand with little or no grains like wellness or innova cindy?

09/23/02 17:55:40 <Lisa_and_Gorb> welcome Sally :)

09/23/02 17:55:48 <Sally_and_Penny> Hi everyone

09/23/02 17:56:10 <Lisa_and_Gorb> okay - now that we're filling up - let's try to steer this kinda towards the topic :)

09/23/02 17:56:13 <jenny> has anyone heard of ""missing link"" as a supplement in their food?

09/23/02 17:56:28 <Lisa_and_Gorb> lots of folks use missing link - mostly for efa supplement i think

09/23/02 17:56:29 <CindyW> yes!

09/23/02 17:56:34 <Sally_and_Penny> Yes, but I don't use it
09/23/02 17:56:41 <patcatpet> Hi all! Slept in!!! Fed Cats, did washing (change and rain due in one hour but hot northerly so should dry. Now I MUST gave some breakfast - impaired GT and no food for 18 hours - not good. will stay on line and pop back between juice and gulps!

09/23/02 17:56:44 <CindyW> Do you know the creator of that is one of IMOM's leading vets?

09/23/02 17:56:46 <Janet_and_Binky> Yes, some people have used it with good success. Others have had sensitivities to some of the ingredients.

09/23/02 17:57:06 <CindyW> we get more referrals from Dr Collett than any other vet in the country

09/23/02 17:57:07 <Lisa_and_Gorb> good trivia factoid (Cindy :)
09/23/02 17:57:22 <CindyW> <--wrote an article about him last issue - lol
09/23/02 17:57:27 <CindyW> of PetScoop
09/23/02 17:57:49 <CindyW> I fed IVD for a while, then Magi got sensitive to that, then I tried Wysong

09/23/02 17:58:07 <Lisa_and_Gorb> did you try novel protein? like rabbit or venison?
09/23/02 17:58:08 <CindyW> a holisitc vet said if I was going to do that I might as well do homemade and save \$\$
09/23/02 17:58:26 <CindyW> no, I can't get it where I live easily
09/23/02 17:58:27 <EllenandKis> The topic tonite on ""most frustrating aspect of diabetes?""

09/23/02 17:58:42 <CindyW> least frustrating would be a shorter list
09/23/02 17:58:44 <EllenandKis> or something to that effect?

09/23/02 17:59:05 <Lisa_and_Gorb> yup - ""what is the toughest thing to deal with?""
09/23/02 17:59:12 <deanie> hardest aspect to deal with, biggest fear, etc--that sort of thing

09/23/02 17:59:23 <jenny> i agree...
09/23/02 17:59:34 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i think cindy touched on a good point earlier - bad weeks

09/23/02 17:59:38 <Sally_and_Penny> I agree too
09/23/02 17:59:59 <Lisa_and_Gorb> its hard to stay positive when you see so much bad news sometimes

09/23/02 18:00:06 <deanie> we've been lucky--our bad weeks were in the first few months and haven't been back
09/23/02 18:00:16 <EllenandKis> LOL
09/23/02 18:00:19 <CindyW> I think what was worst for me was when I knew Kiki felt awful and I was trying so hard to regulate her and it wasn't working

09/23/02 18:00:20 <Janet_and_Binky> Well, I have it pretty easy, because Binky isn't on insulin. But for me, the hardest thing is not feeling that I can leave him for any length of time.

09/23/02 18:00:22 <EllenandKis> wish I could say the same
09/23/02 18:00:22 <Lisa_and_Gorb> welcome Alita :)
09/23/02 18:00:29 <jenny> so far we have been lucky too
09/23/02 18:00:29 <Alita> Hi all!
09/23/02 18:00:35 <deanie> but i still worry about him constantly

09/23/02 18:00:47 <Sally_and_Penny> We won't leave Penny for more then 2 hours at a time
09/23/02 18:00:54 <CindyW> wow
09/23/02 18:00:55 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i had the same ""separation anxiety""
09/23/02 18:00:58 <Janet_and_Binky> We used to do overnights in Reno. And I'm terrified that when I go home for Christmas, I'll come back to a dead or dying cat.

09/23/02 18:01:01 <deanie> i have to physically see him the minute i get up and the minute i get home
09/23/02 18:01:14 <Alita> I worry about all the kitties on the board.
09/23/02 18:01:27 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i'm that way too deanie - also Gorb sleeps with me every night so if I wake up at 3 and he's not there yet I panic

09/23/02 18:01:28 <jenny> i am afraid to leave boo
09/23/02 18:01:29 <Sally_and_Penny> after Penny hypoed so many times in the begiining, we got paranoid
09/23/02 18:01:34 <deanie> i haven't left town since boo was dx (dec. 2000)
09/23/02 18:02:06 <Janet_and_Binky> I live 2000 miles away from my mom; I feel like I'm skimping on seeing her because I'm tied to the cat.

09/23/02 18:02:09 <Sally_and_Penny> no vacations here in 3 and a half yrs
09/23/02 18:02:11 <Lisa_and_Gorb> what have you found helps (if anything) when you have these overwhelming fears?
09/23/02 18:02:12 <jenny> do you ever have to have anyone else give the shot?

09/23/02 18:02:24 <Alita> I was like that with Rikki. He hypoed so much, I used to come home from work every day to check on him.

09/23/02 18:02:27 <Lisa_and_Gorb> that's tough Janet - on everybody

09/23/02 18:02:36 <EllenandKis> I get frustrated with the fact that Kis's insulin needs are always changing

09/23/02 18:02:47 <deanie> janet, so do i--i have a 2 yr old nephew i haven't even met

09/23/02 18:03:02 <EllenandKis> As soon as I think ""we're there"" - ""we ain't""

09/23/02 18:03:03 <jenny> i have to go home at christmas, don't know what to do, no vacation in three years either

09/23/02 18:03:13 <Sally_and_Penny> Penny's needs are always changing too

09/23/02 18:03:15 <Alita> You guys should take Boo and Binky and go on the road!

09/23/02 18:03:26 <deanie> LOL, boo would fight with binky

09/23/02 18:03:35 <Lisa_and_Gorb> we've had to tailor our travel plans - now we only go where Gorb can go to

09/23/02 18:03:35 <Alita> I used to travel all over Florida with Spat.

09/23/02 18:03:36 <Janet_and_Binky> Binky isn't a road cat!

09/23/02 18:03:36 <Lisa_and_Gorb> sugarcat road trip LOL

09/23/02 18:03:39 <jenny> come get me and miss boo

09/23/02 18:04:00 <deanie> and if iw ent home, he would fight with the cats there and be terrified of the dog

09/23/02 18:04:03 <Alita> LOL

09/23/02 18:04:04 <Janet_and_Binky> I understand the frustration about the moving target on the insulin dose; at least I can get a petsitter.

09/23/02 18:04:08 <deanie> it's easier to just stay here

09/23/02 18:04:08 <CindyW> jenny where are you??

09/23/02 18:04:22 <jenny> alabama

09/23/02 18:04:32 <CindyW> anyone on the help list nearby?

09/23/02 18:04:32 <deanie> i have a great sitter--home tests and all--just haven't used her!

09/23/02 18:04:33 <EllenandKis> Thanks Janet :)

09/23/02 18:04:38 <CindyW> aw Deanie

09/23/02 18:04:53 <Alita> Deanie, you need a break.

09/23/02 18:04:57 <Sally_and_Penny> No one else here but me to give the shots

09/23/02 18:05:02 <Lisa_and_Gorb> deanie you need to give her a road test :)

09/23/02 18:05:13 <Sally_and_Penny> DH won't, says he's afraid to hurt her

09/23/02 18:05:16 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i've had to travel on business since dx but DH takes over

09/23/02 18:05:16 <Janet_and_Binky> When Fitzgerald was still alive, I used to correspond with Janet practically every day; talk about a moving dose! Brittle as all get out.

09/23/02 18:05:23 <deanie> alas, no \$* for a trip--i've put it all into the cat

09/23/02 18:05:40 <jenny> home is only one hour away but shot time is 730pm and christmas is 600pm

09/23/02 18:05:43 <EllenandKis> Kis's needs just keep increasing a little at a time

09/23/02 18:05:46 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i've got one of those breeds too - gold-plated sugarcat LOL

09/23/02 18:05:47 <patcatpet> I feed raw meat - kangaroo, steak, and I am adding human grade rabbit today. Use a Vetsallnatural supplement for essential vitamins etc. and The missing Link Much more economical than canned food and better for them Chicken necks after eating three times a week for teeth. Tried them on a canof Innova - didn't like it - too soft I think. At \$4.00/can too expensive to waste. Going to try a can of Precise and if they don't li [msg continues in 22 s

09/23/02 18:05:52 <Alita> I traveled a few times and left Rikki and Kevi with a friend (neighbor to watch them. I taught her how to hometest and everything.

09/23/02 18:05:52 <Janet_and_Binky> Sally, your husband won't give a shot? Or won't hometest?

09/23/02 18:05:54 <Sally_and_Penny> Penny's dose goes up & down, .5u sid - 1u sid

09/23/02 18:06:04 <CindyW> Pat are you the pat from aust?

09/23/02 18:06:08 <patcatpet> ke that they will have to stick with present diet. [msg complete]

09/23/02 18:06:17 <Sally_and_Penny> neither

09/23/02 18:06:18 <jenny> i am afraid to trust anyone else to give the shot too.

09/23/02 18:06:37 <jenny> i have become a reculse.

09/23/02 18:06:43 <Janet_and_Binky> Kangaroo steak? Which other Pat could it be?

09/23/02 18:07:02 <patcatpet> Yes, Cindi - spring - hate it sunny one minute and thunderstorm the next ! Had to rescue the almost dry laundry

09/23/02 18:07:06 <deanie> i have this great schedule, a wonderful sitter and no \$\$ to go anywhere

09/23/02 18:07:16 <Lisa_and_Gorb> oh jenny you need to get out more :) not good for you and boo

09/23/02 18:07:23 <jenny> i have no \$\$ or sitter.

09/23/02 18:07:32 <Lisa_and_Gorb> you eat those poor little kangaroos? lol

09/23/02 18:07:32 <Janet_and_Binky> Deanie, you should hire out your services as a diabetic pet consultant. The money should roll in.

09/23/02 18:07:46 <deanie> but i do get out here--movies, concerts, ball games

09/23/02 18:07:50 <Alita> Anyone who wants to go on a trip, can drop off kitties here. I'll babysit.

09/23/02 18:07:50 <CindyW> sorry I lost connection

09/23/02 18:07:56 <Janet_and_Binky> Or, you could use my uncle's idea. He thinks we should sell ""Donner Pass Meat Pies.""

09/23/02 18:07:58 <deanie> LOL, Janet--does that pay?

09/23/02 18:08:02 <Lisa_and_Gorb> welcome Laura :)

09/23/02 18:08:08 <Alita> As long as you come back and get them eventually!

09/23/02 18:08:12 <laural> yo

09/23/02 18:08:25 <jenny> hey laura

09/23/02 18:08:26 <EllenandKis> lol alita

09/23/02 18:08:26 <CindyW> Pat did you answer me?? I lost the page...

09/23/02 18:08:45 <Janet_and_Binky> Maybe you could put up notices in your vet's office . . . will visit homes and teach them to hometest for \$40.

09/23/02 18:08:49 <patcatpet> The storm is too close for comfort so I am shutting down and finishing breakfast in case the power goes. Looks like Pamela didn't make it! Bye all.

09/23/02 18:08:50 <Lisa_and_Gorb> so besides separation anxiety lol - and an ever changing target - what else is tough for you all?

09/23/02 18:08:54 <jenny> deanie, would boo let someone else give him the his shot?

09/23/02 18:08:58 <CindyW> bye

09/23/02 18:09:05 <Sally_and_Penny> Bye

09/23/02 18:09:05 <deanie> LOL, the cat I spend do much time worrying over....

09/23/02 18:09:08 <Lisa_and_Gorb> by Patricia - take care of yourself and the kkitties

09/23/02 18:09:17 <Janet_and_Binky> I need to take off, too. It's past time to go home.

09/23/02 18:09:18 <patcatpet> Cindi - yes it is me but severe storm so must shut down. Bye

09/23/02 18:09:27 <Alita> bye patricia.

09/23/02 18:09:27 <EllenandKis> bye janet and patricia

09/23/02 18:09:29 <Janet_and_Binky> I understand I'm supposed to wait for people to say ""goodbye."" :-)

09/23/02 18:09:29 <Lisa_and_Gorb> bye Janet - thanks for stopping in :)

09/23/02 18:09:36 <Alita> bye, janet

09/23/02 18:09:39 <CindyW> me too...dinner time I'm afraid

09/23/02 18:09:39 <laural> lol bye Janet

09/23/02 18:09:40 <deanie> ...is in the yard looking for the neighbor cat so he can kick some tabby a\$\$

09/23/02 18:09:47 <Sally_and_Penny> I think other people are frustrating

09/23/02 18:09:48 <EllenandKis> bye cindy

09/23/02 18:09:52 <Alita> bye, cindy

09/23/02 18:09:53 <deanie> bye janet

09/23/02 18:09:55 <Janet_and_Binky> see y'all. I may log back on after I get home.

09/23/02 18:10:03 <CindyW> night all, and thanks for all you do for IMOM

09/23/02 18:10:03 <Sally_and_Penny> The ""it's only a cat"" thing

09/23/02 18:10:08 <Lisa_and_Gorb> yeah -- they can be...tell us more Sally

09/23/02 18:10:17 <Lisa_and_Gorb> night (Cindy :) thanks for coming by!

09/23/02 18:10:35 <laural> the ha ha ha --do you give shots!?

09/23/02 18:10:50 <Sally_and_Penny> Like my Mom, thought I should pts just because Penny had diabetes

09/23/02 18:10:51 <Alita> I hear ya' Sally.

09/23/02 18:11:05 <EllenandKis> until they walk in your shoes, they just have no clue

09/23/02 18:11:08 <laural> mine too and my grandma--they were here soon after Clark

09/23/02 18:11:12 <laural> s dka

09/23/02 18:11:13 <deanie> most of my co-workers have been great--at the old job and now the new one

09/23/02 18:11:24 <Lisa_and_Gorb> we've been pretty lucky too I think

09/23/02 18:11:25 <Sally_and_Penny> I told her, you have diabetes, should I put you to sleep?

09/23/02 18:11:32 <laural> coworkers are better than family

09/23/02 18:11:35 <Lisa_and_Gorb> what did she say to that Sally? lol

09/23/02 18:11:38 <laural> what did she say

09/23/02 18:11:41 <Alita> That is my mom too. That's why kitties can only come visit. If I take on another one, my mom will disown me.

09/23/02 18:11:52 <Sally_and_Penny> She said she saw my point

09/23/02 18:11:58 <deanie> my family is even better--my dad just sent a \$50 check for Boo

09/23/02 18:11:58 <laural> I'll bet

09/23/02 18:11:59 <Lisa_and_Gorb> most of my coworkers got to meet Gorb the early days when I feared hypos constantly

09/23/02 18:12:09 <deanie> not for me, mind you--he specified it was for Boo

09/23/02 18:12:13 <Lisa_and_Gorb> good for your dad :)

09/23/02 18:12:16 <EllenandKis> lol deanie

09/23/02 18:12:25 <EllenandKis> gotta take care of the ""grandcat""

09/23/02 18:12:25 <Sally_and_Penny> Penny hypoed 56-60 times in the first 14 months

09/23/02 18:12:28 <Lisa_and_Gorb> our families have been pretty understanding

09/23/02 18:12:29 <laural> I bet Boo knows how to spend it

09/23/02 18:12:30 <jenny> yea!!! spend wisely boo

09/23/02 18:12:39 <deanie> when boo was first dx, i spent my christmas \$\$ from them at the vet

09/23/02 18:12:45 <Lisa_and_Gorb> yikes! i had no idea Penny had been that bad Sally :(

09/23/02 18:12:48 <EllenandKis> brb

09/23/02 18:12:52 <laural> how many hypos?

09/23/02 18:12:56 <deanie> they turned around and sent a 2nd check in a get well card

09/23/02 18:12:58 <Sally_and_Penny> Yup, chronic rebound

09/23/02 18:12:59 <Lisa_and_Gorb> he probably blew it all on catnip

09/23/02 18:13:06 <deanie> No, shrimp

09/23/02 18:13:15 <laural> did he share

09/23/02 18:13:17 <Sally_and_Penny> 56-60 hypos in 14 months

09/23/02 18:13:27 <jenny> he likes living the good life huh?

09/23/02 18:13:33 <laural> omg

09/23/02 18:13:51 <deanie> i never get shrimp in this house

09/23/02 18:13:51 <Sally_and_Penny> Our Vet didn't have a clue how to treat

09/23/02 18:13:59 <laural> no kidding

09/23/02 18:14:08 <jenny> i spend more on boo than i ever thought of spending on myself

09/23/02 18:14:16 <Sally_and_Penny> He had her up to 25u bid & wanted us to increase to 30u bid

09/23/02 18:14:20 <EllenandKis> back - missme?

09/23/02 18:14:21 <Lisa_and_Gorb> trial by fire - thank god you figured out what you needed to before further damage could be done

09/23/02 18:14:22 <EllenandKis> lol

09/23/02 18:14:26 <deanie> i remember that

09/23/02 18:14:34 <Alita> Kids are like that too. You always end up spending more on them.

09/23/02 18:14:36 <laural> actually that's my most frustrating beef--the ignorance out there

09/23/02 18:14:36 <Lisa_and_Gorb> we did of course :)

09/23/02 18:14:47 <deanie> i remember lisa's first posts too

09/23/02 18:14:53 <laural> the vets that constantly give such bad advice

09/23/02 18:14:57 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i only have meat in the house for kitties - dh gets none

09/23/02 18:15:02 <Sally_and_Penny> I hate seeing when Vets increase too fast

09/23/02 18:15:17 <laural> just come spend two days on FDMB, and we'll set you straight.

09/23/02 18:15:27 <laural> an offer to all vets

09/23/02 18:15:28 <jenny> remember boo's old vet started her off on 4U of N 2x daily...

09/23/02 18:15:50 <jenny> everyone talked me into getting another opinion. thank god

09/23/02 18:15:57 <Lisa_and_Gorb> Gorb's ER vet didn't know how to treat fd either, but

09/23/02 18:16:03 <deanie> at least he didn't have us raise fast well, i'm trying to fish out the bad vets in Phx but it's a lot of work!

09/23/02 18:16:18 <Alita> I know Deanie and I have the same beef about vets starting newbies on 5 units of N.

09/23/02 18:16:22 <laural> good luck D.

09/23/02 18:16:25 <Alita> and WD food.

09/23/02 18:16:27 <EllenandKis> bad fd vets or bad in general?

09/23/02 18:16:32 <jenny> boo is not regulated on 2u

09/23/02 18:16:52 <Alita> bad fd vets. Most likely good vets.

09/23/02 18:16:56 <deanie> our first vet was ok

09/23/02 18:16:59 <laural> WD and N and starting high and going fast

09/23/02 18:16:59 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i think in a lot of cases its not ""bad"" its ""inexperienced"" to a frightening degree and uninformed

09/23/02 18:17:16 <laural> Our Vet is good with other things, just not FD

09/23/02 18:17:16 <Sally_and_Penny> he didn't know much but was willing to admit it-- started us out on 1 unit of N BID

09/23/02 18:17:19 <deanie> Thanks Lisa - that's what I meant

09/23/02 18:17:24 <laural> and unwilling to keep up with the lit

09/23/02 18:17:37 <laural> and unwilling to admit they don't know

09/23/02 18:17:37 <deanie> and when I said I wanted to switch, he was willing to listen

09/23/02 18:17:42 <jenny> boo's new vet treats only cats and has many diabetics

09/23/02 18:17:48 <Lisa_and_Gorb> its understandable that its hard to keep up with the joneses...but gorb's current vet is amazing we love our new vet

09/23/02 18:18:03 <jenny> my vet is good about doing what I suggest

09/23/02 18:18:08 <laural> The way I see it, most vets love animals (otherwise they wouldn't be doing what they are). They mean well, but don't have a clue and are too proud to admit it.

09/23/02 18:18:14 <Lisa_and_Gorb> ours is cat only too jenny and has a handful of diabetics - all on different protocols

09/23/02 18:18:15 <Lisa_and_Gorb> firm believer in the ""every cat is different"" thing

09/23/02 18:18:24 <Lisa_and_Gorb> good point Alita!

09/23/02 18:18:32 <EllenandKis> LOL - Talk about cautious - Kis's vet has me increasing .25u at a time right now while we search for her new dose

09/23/02 18:18:39 <deanie> our current vet treats dogs but they're on the other side of the clinic

09/23/02 18:18:44 <Lisa_and_Gorb> also, a lot of folks (us included) find out in a crisis situation and see a hospital vet

09/23/02 18:18:46 <deanie> cats only on boo's side!

09/23/02 18:19:04 <laural> I rarely consult my vet anymore (but did today)

09/23/02 18:19:06 <Lisa_and_Gorb> a lot of hospital vets are still residents and have never been in private practice so aren't familiar with long term treatment

09/23/02 18:19:06 <Sally_and_Penny> diabeticx dogs are easier to regulate

09/23/02 18:19:19 <Sally_and_Penny> oops, should be diabetic dogs

09/23/02 18:19:20 <Lisa_and_Gorb> deanie do they have separate entrances? lol

09/23/02 18:19:24 <jenny> we don't have a good er vet

09/23/02 18:19:28 <laural> I suggested DM once upon a time, I decided to go to BCP

09/23/02 18:19:28 <EllenandKis> Hi erimess

09/23/02 18:19:29 <Lisa_and_Gorb> welcome erimess :)

09/23/02 18:19:30 <deanie> yes, they do!

09/23/02 18:19:35 <Alita> Hi Erimess.

09/23/02 18:19:40 <Erimesse> Hi!

09/23/02 18:19:45 <jenny> hi

09/23/02 18:19:51 <Lisa_and_Gorb> as long as you've got a vet to work with when you need it Laura you're probably fine as you are the desk separates the 2 sides

09/23/02 18:19:52 <deanie>

09/23/02 18:19:53 <Sally_and_Penny> hi

09/23/02 18:20:12 <jenny> boo's old vet is that way

09/23/02 18:20:15 <laural> small town woes

09/23/02 18:20:23 <Alita> COMMUNICATION is the KEY!

09/23/02 18:20:33 <Lisa_and_Gorb> amen to that :)

09/23/02 18:20:37 <EllenandKis> Kis goes to a new ""cat's only"" clinic - very quiet

09/23/02 18:20:41 <deanie> and calm
nice thing about the big city--there's got to be some good vets here!

09/23/02 18:20:42 <jenny> amen!!!

09/23/02 18:20:49 <Sally_and_Penny> smalltown here too, not many good Vets

09/23/02 18:20:50 <Lisa_and_Gorb> so would you all agree finding the *right* vet is a difficulty as well? lol

09/23/02 18:21:00 <jenny> yes!!!!

09/23/02 18:21:02 <Alita> Yes.

09/23/02 18:21:03 <Erimesse> Yep

09/23/02 18:21:08 <Lisa_and_Gorb> we've got lots here - and a great hospital or 2

09/23/02 18:21:14 <laural> mine is probably good--just a little stubborn and not ""up"" on the new things

09/23/02 18:21:14 <EllenandKis> The right vet for YOU and YOUR CAT - Yes

09/23/02 18:21:28 <Erimesse> I just got back from the vet about 2 hours ago

09/23/02 18:21:30 <deanie> i got lucky there too--maybe it was walking in the door wearing cat scrubs but they definitely listen to me

09/23/02 18:21:34 <Sally_and_Penny> We don't even have a 24 hour er here

09/23/02 18:21:37 <Lisa_and_Gorb> how's sammy?

09/23/02 18:21:41 <jenny> i had one vet tell me there was nothing that could really be done for diabetes but ride it out

09/23/02 18:21:49 <jenny> or pts

09/23/02 18:21:52 <laural> brb

09/23/02 18:21:53 <Erimesse> He has 2 teeth extractions that are having some problems

09/23/02 18:22:12 <Alita> A lot of it is personality. I referred someone to my vet who has a diabetic cat and they did not get along. My vet is very knowledgeable, but again, communication is key.

09/23/02 18:22:15 <Lisa_and_Gorb> yikes - glad you didn't listen to that one jenny

09/23/02 18:22:31 <jenny> never went back again.

09/23/02 18:22:46 <Lisa_and_Gorb> sorry sammy's not doing too well with all the dental work

09/23/02 18:23:04 <deanie> still having tooth trouble?

09/23/02 18:23:10 <Erimesse> Put on more anti-biotic & we'll see how that goes.

09/23/02 18:23:12 <jenny> boo needs her teeth cleaned, i am scared to do so

09/23/02 18:23:21 <EllenandKis> infected sockets?

09/23/02 18:23:30 <deanie> my boo's teeth are ok

09/23/02 18:23:35 <Erimesse> My understanding is that guy took all the roots out & apparently didn't

09/23/02 18:23:41 <jenny> what is involved with a diabetic cat?

09/23/02 18:23:41 <deanie> vet says he doesn't need a dental so we'll skip!

09/23/02 18:23:50 <Erimesse> Infected sockets? Talking to me? Anyway, yes.

09/23/02 18:23:56 <Lisa_and_Gorb> gorb had a dental last year - stressful but worth it

09/23/02 18:24:02 <EllenandKis> Yes - sorry erimesse

09/23/02 18:24:05 <Lisa_and_Gorb> jenny every vet has a different protocol

09/23/02 18:24:17 <EllenandKis> Kis had one in Feb - no prob

09/23/02 18:24:24 <Lisa_and_Gorb> usually there's reduced food and insulin before procedure, prelim blood work to check liver and kidney function

09/23/02 18:24:31 <jenny> why other than the usual worries?

09/23/02 18:24:32 <Sally_and_Penny> Penny's teeth are good so far, knock wood.(where's DH's head when you need it?)

09/23/02 18:24:33 <EllenandKis> and high bgs at the time as well

09/23/02 18:24:43 <Lisa_and_Gorb> and isofluorane as the anesthesia as its more gentle than some other options

09/23/02 18:24:46 <Alita> Rikki had one and had all his back teeth extracted with no problems.

09/23/02 18:24:50 <deanie> LOL, Penny!

09/23/02 18:25:02 <Lisa_and_Gorb> yeah - gorb was nowhere near regulated when he had his dentail

09/23/02 18:25:06 <deanie> my civvie JD was so drugged out after his dental

09/23/02 18:25:18 <Erimesse> What's lincomycin?

09/23/02 18:25:19 <laural> neither was Clark--and then soon after honeymoon

09/23/02 18:25:23 <EllenandKis> Kis will probably need another one next year though

09/23/02 18:25:34 <laural> Clark, too

09/23/02 18:25:35 <EllenandKis> tartar build up already

09/23/02 18:25:42 <jenny> boo has lost a molar, needs a cleaning bad

09/23/02 18:25:53 <laural> Do it, Jenny.

09/23/02 18:25:58 <Lisa_and_Gorb> gorb's got buildup but vet says doesn't need a dental now - kinda wish he did his breath is absolutely foul LOL

09/23/02 18:26:05 <EllenandKis> LOL

09/23/02 18:26:12 <EllenandKis> Kis's will KNOCK YOU DOWN

09/23/02 18:26:20 <Sally_and_Penny> LOL

09/23/02 18:26:23 <EllenandKis> DM - YUM

09/23/02 18:26:24 <jenny> boo's isn't too bad.

09/23/02 18:26:27 <Lisa_and_Gorb> everyone should get their dentals in february - its feline dental health month and lots of vets have discounts on the procedure

09/23/02 18:26:35 <EllenandKis> Oh Yea!

09/23/02 18:26:41 <jenny> really??

09/23/02 18:26:46 <Lisa_and_Gorb> gorb's always had foul breath - i've tried brushing and everything...doesn't work

09/23/02 18:26:46 <Alita> Good to know, Lisa.

09/23/02 18:26:50 <laural> mine does

09/23/02 18:26:50 <Eriness> Cool, since I think Sammy needs more root extractions.

09/23/02 18:26:52 <deanie> boo's breath is ok--it's the stink from the other end that'll kill ya!

09/23/02 18:27:01 <EllenandKis> I think when Kis's was done - 3 others on the board did too

09/23/02 18:27:06 <EllenandKis> LOL

09/23/02 18:27:10 <Lisa_and_Gorb> our vet has some decent specials and lots of pet store websites have lots of info and links to vets with sales/discounts

09/23/02 18:27:37 <EllenandKis> Kis's was cheap vet even did the blood work free

09/23/02 18:27:40 <Lisa_and_Gorb> maybe we should try to get group discounts city by city? lol

09/23/02 18:27:40 <laural> but if they need it now, I wouldn't wait

09/23/02 18:27:59 <laural> group discounts for FDMB, perios

09/23/02 18:28:01 <laural> period

09/23/02 18:28:04 <Lisa_and_Gorb> ok - here's another on-topic point then - do you think worry about complications not just FD become a bigger issue than normal with your sugarcats?

09/23/02 18:28:09 <jenny> lisa that is a great idea!!

09/23/02 18:28:10 <EllenandKis> The risks of not doing it when needed are greater than the procedure itself

09/23/02 18:28:22 <Lisa_and_Gorb> meaning things you probably wouldn't think about 2x are now stressing you out big time?

09/23/02 18:28:30 <laural> like crf

09/23/02 18:28:43 <Eriness> Yep

09/23/02 18:28:44 <Lisa_and_Gorb> and you're finding problems sometimes where maybe there are none?

09/23/02 18:28:44 <EllenandKis> OH YES!!!!

09/23/02 18:28:55 <Eriness> You mean are we paranoid. :-)

09/23/02 18:28:55 <jenny> yes, i stay stressed. especially when she throws up

09/23/02 18:28:57 <Sally_and_Penny> Penny has other conditions: megacolon & cataracts

09/23/02 18:29:00 <laural> like why is he leaving a little bit of food

09/23/02 18:29:09 <EllenandKis> every bump, rash etc -

09/23/02 18:29:18 <laural> why is the bg 25 pt higher

09/23/02 18:29:18 <EllenandKis> not finishing a meal

09/23/02 18:29:19 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i mean look how fascinated we all are when a cat pees LOL

09/23/02 18:29:26 <EllenandKis> ""hot ears""

09/23/02 18:29:29 <jenny> yes, not finishing a meal

09/23/02 18:29:30 <EllenandKis> sleeping alot

09/23/02 18:29:32 <Eriness> Peeing is good

09/23/02 18:29:33 <laural> those dang hot ears

09/23/02 18:29:46 <Eriness> I can't get ears hot

09/23/02 18:29:48 <EllenandKis> dialated eyes

09/23/02 18:29:50 <laural> why is he going down to the basement?

09/23/02 18:29:52 <Lisa_and_Gorb> and we never let the poor kids have a break - poor Gorb's looking like a pin cushion this week

09/23/02 18:29:54 <deanie> and worrying about your other cats too!

09/23/02 18:29:56 <laural> dialated eyes!

09/23/02 18:30:04 <EllenandKis> you bet

09/23/02 18:30:09 <laural> good point deanie
09/23/02 18:30:09 <Lisa_and_Gorb> oh yes - we've checked everyone for FD in the past 6 months!
09/23/02 18:30:12 <deanie> i've seen abbey at the water bowl more often this week
09/23/02 18:30:13 <jenny> yes, poor kirby has IBD
09/23/02 18:30:18 <Lisa_and_Gorb> first sign of trouble - get the glucometer :)
09/23/02 18:30:20 <EllenandKis> when Kis's bgs are higher - eyes are more dialated
09/23/02 18:30:25 <deanie> LOL< she got tested--only 59
09/23/02 18:30:30 <Sally_and_Penny> Well, our Vet said Penny might have other problems with her organs (like her heart) as she got older from the infection she had
09/23/02 18:30:41 <Alita> I test my two year old civies- just in case!
09/23/02 18:30:42 <Lisa_and_Gorb> most of ours end up at L0 when we tested them :)
09/23/02 18:30:47 <laural> when s.o. was dizzy two weeks ago, I got the glucometer out
09/23/02 18:30:58 <Sally_and_Penny> That it could have damaged them, so I'm paranoid about that
09/23/02 18:31:09 <Alita> Hey, that's how I found out I had diabetes.
09/23/02 18:31:12 <deanie> and know that i think of it, i don't think she's drinking more but i had 4 days off and spent it at the computer working on boo's site
09/23/02 18:31:15 <Lisa_and_Gorb> how bad is the megacolon Sally? is it not acting up currently?
09/23/02 18:31:20 <EllenandKis> A ""hairball"" is a catastrophe - LOL - ""BREAK OUT THE METER!!!""
09/23/02 18:31:23 <laural> was that the good vet or the bad vet that said that?
09/23/02 18:31:29 <Alita> I used Rikki's glucometer and my bg's were over 300!
09/23/02 18:31:36 <Sally_and_Penny> It acts up all the time
09/23/02 18:31:41 <deanie> she was near the bowl in the room with the computer so i noticed it more
09/23/02 18:31:54 <Lisa_and_Gorb> when our civi Elvis got sick I swore he wouldn't drink and I was convinced he was CRF - we set up the video camera at night to catch him drinking
09/23/02 18:32:14 <Sally_and_Penny> I have to give her slippery elm everyday & extra elm & vaseline every 4 or 5 days
09/23/02 18:32:14 <jenny> smart
09/23/02 18:32:16 <laural> you're a menace with that camera
09/23/02 18:32:29 <deanie> LOL, I love the gorbycam!
09/23/02 18:32:38 <Eriness> Big Brother's watching you, Elvis.
09/23/02 18:32:43 <EllenandKis> I love Gorbs pink blankey
09/23/02 18:32:44 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i know - if you ever see things you shouldn't - just email me and say ""lisa - left the cam on - work out some more this week"" lol
09/23/02 18:32:47 <laural> I was gonna say Gig Brother
09/23/02 18:32:49 <jenny> what brand of hairball remedy does everyone use?
09/23/02 18:32:54 <Alita> I was going to say, Gorbycam keeps me awake at work!
09/23/02 18:32:58 <laural> big brother
09/23/02 18:33:01 <EllenandKis> vaseline
09/23/02 18:33:03 <Lisa_and_Gorb> sorry 'bout that Alita LOL
09/23/02 18:33:09 <Lisa_and_Gorb> we use vetbasis
09/23/02 18:33:10 <Sally_and_Penny> vaseline
09/23/02 18:33:14 <laural> the other cats get to vote each other out
09/23/02 18:33:17 <laural> vaseline
09/23/02 18:33:17 <deanie> no hairball stuff here except the food
09/23/02 18:33:21 <jenny> we use vetbasis too
09/23/02 18:33:33 <Eriness> My vet gave me a free sample of Laxatone
09/23/02 18:33:41 <jenny> how much do you pay per tube
09/23/02 18:33:42 <Alita> No, Lisa, that's good!
09/23/02 18:33:48 <Lisa_and_Gorb> laxatone has a lot of sugars in it i think Eriness
09/23/02 18:33:49 <EllenandKis> doesn't that contain sugar - laxatone
09/23/02 18:33:55 <Sally_and_Penny> Laxatone puts Penny's BG up at least 100 points
09/23/02 18:33:57 <laural> I have that too, but why use something with sugar when I can use vaseline
09/23/02 18:33:59 <Lisa_and_Gorb> okay - as long as you're boss is happy :)
09/23/02 18:34:03 <Eriness> Then it's good that Sammy doesn't have much hairball trouble
09/23/02 18:34:05 <Alita> LOL
09/23/02 18:34:17 <Lisa_and_Gorb> vaseline shouldn't be used daily - it leaches

09/23/02 18:34:25 <Sally_and_Penny> nutrients out of the digestive tract
 I use laxatone for hypos!
 09/23/02 18:34:29 <Lisa_and_Gorb> we have to use stuff daily with our maine coone so we
 use the vetbasis
 09/23/02 18:34:32 <laural> I only use it every couple months
 09/23/02 18:34:37 <Lisa_and_Gorb> that's why we keep it around sally :)
 09/23/02 18:34:37 <jenny> since we started using vetbasis, hairballs are way
 down
 09/23/02 18:34:41 <EllenandKis> I use it every so often - maybe twice a month at most
 09/23/02 18:34:48 <Lisa_and_Gorb> as long as its not every day clark should be fine :)
 09/23/02 18:34:50 <EllenandKis> (vaseline)
 09/23/02 18:34:50 <laural> my vet used laxatone for a hypo, too
 09/23/02 18:35:04 <Erimesse> Actually, it's my Civie who has the hairballs, but
 using it for hypos is interesting idea
 09/23/02 18:35:09 <laural> this week more often --just in case
 09/23/02 18:35:10 <EllenandKis> there's a thought laura
 09/23/02 18:35:11 <deanie> hey, whatever works!
 09/23/02 18:35:12 <Lisa_and_Gorb> we also have a tube of nutrical sitting around too
 09/23/02 18:35:40 <deanie> we had one of those but it was so old, i finally
 tossed it
 09/23/02 18:36:06 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i check the ""drawer"" every couple of months - ours
 is pretty new we got it when our civi got anorexic
 09/23/02 18:36:06 <laural> Deanie, can't decide if I like your bubble-blower or
 devil better
 09/23/02 18:36:23 <deanie> i like the devil!
 09/23/02 18:36:25 <EllenandKis> how about the koala
 09/23/02 18:36:32 <laural> Sundevils!
 09/23/02 18:36:33 <EllenandKis> lol - I mean the ""heart""
 09/23/02 18:36:36 <EllenandKis> hee hee
 09/23/02 18:36:36 <deanie> knock it off, ellen!
 09/23/02 18:36:42 <deanie> that was no koala!
 09/23/02 18:37:02 <Lisa_and_Gorb> those w/o avatars should not be throwing stones -
 isn't that how the saying goes?
 09/23/02 18:37:02 <EllenandKis> sure whatever
 09/23/02 18:37:11 <laural> oh, btw, ot,
 09/23/02 18:37:19 <laural> My tree didn't fall
 09/23/02 18:37:25 <Alita> LOL
 09/23/02 18:37:27 <EllenandKis> hey - I had one with ""kismet"" - just couldn't
 remember my password lol
 09/23/02 18:37:37 <* laural> (Plays Sound: door.wav) even though the storms were
 rough all weekend
 09/23/02 18:37:44 <Lisa_and_Gorb> okay - here's another segway to the topic - has the
 FD interfered with your personal relationships, ie
 DH/partner/kids/friends/etc
 09/23/02 18:37:54 <Lisa_and_Gorb> glad the tree is okay - as well as the nearby house
 and car :)
 09/23/02 18:38:08 <laural> it was just the nearby fence in trouble
 09/23/02 18:38:17 <Erimesse> A little -- I can't hang around chatting with my
 brother as long
 09/23/02 18:38:24 <deanie> yup...was dating someone when boo was dx but not
 anymore!
 09/23/02 18:38:25 <laural> s.o., Clark, and Frooch think I spend too much time
 online
 09/23/02 18:38:36 <Sally_and_Penny> No it hasn't, DH is supportive, just won't give shots
 or test.
 09/23/02 18:38:36 <jenny> yes, don't go out at all unless absolutely have to.
 09/23/02 18:38:51 <laural> that's too bad
 09/23/02 18:38:58 <laural> we go out whenever we want to
 09/23/02 18:39:01 <Lisa_and_Gorb> do you think other folks are jealous of attention our
 sugarcats get?
 09/23/02 18:39:03 <laural> but traveling . . .
 09/23/02 18:39:04 <Alita> Oooh, What relationships? Dates just don't understand
 when you tell them you have to go home early to shoot
 the kitty!
 09/23/02 18:39:07 <jenny> husbands family is always palnning something around
 shot time.
 09/23/02 18:39:10 <Erimesse> It also tends to cut back on the out-of-town getaways
 09/23/02 18:39:11 <deanie> but he was never going to live with 5 cats anyway so
 throwing boo into an argument was just a handy excuse
 09/23/02 18:39:21 <Alita> Or....

09/23/02 18:39:28 <Lisa_and_Gorb> he wasn't a keeper than Deanie :)

09/23/02 18:39:28 <Erimesse> I don't think anyone I know is jealous

09/23/02 18:39:38 <laural> not jealous of Clark

09/23/02 18:39:38 <deanie> he said i loved the cat more

09/23/02 18:39:45 <laural> of course

09/23/02 18:39:47 <deanie> and what's wrong with that?

09/23/02 18:39:53 <Erimesse> I take that back -- Pounce is jealous

09/23/02 18:39:56 <deanie> LOL, it was true!

09/23/02 18:39:57 <Lisa_and_Gorb> DH does more of Gorb's grunt work than I - and he also knows Gorb comes first and accepts it

09/23/02 18:40:02 <jenny> i agree with that deanie

09/23/02 18:40:04 <Sally_and_Penny> Hmm, I don't think anyone is jealous. Don't really care if they are!

09/23/02 18:40:17 <Lisa_and_Gorb> what about other pets?

09/23/02 18:40:18 <Alita> When dh gives the insulin shot three hours after you already gave it....That's why I got divorced! (LOL Just Kidding!)

09/23/02 18:40:28 <deanie> jd is sooooo jealous!

09/23/02 18:40:28 <Erimesse> Pounce has to investigate the blood test materials

09/23/02 18:40:38 <Erimesse> He's also jealous of all the canned food

09/23/02 18:40:38 <Lisa_and_Gorb> our elvis has become anorexic and we think Gorb's diagnosis is pretty much the cause of it

09/23/02 18:40:46 <deanie> one night he wouldn't get out of the way for me to test Boo

09/23/02 18:40:48 <Sally_and_Penny> No, my other pets aren't. I make sure they get plenty of attention

09/23/02 18:40:54 <deanie> so i stuck him instead

09/23/02 18:41:00 <Sally_and_Penny> LOL

09/23/02 18:41:02 <laural> lol

09/23/02 18:41:03 <Lisa_and_Gorb> you're more well rounded than me Sally :)

09/23/02 18:41:03 <deanie> he moved away pretty quick then!

09/23/02 18:41:05 <jenny> kirby isn't jealous of shot time, treats, etc.

09/23/02 18:41:21 <deanie> I asked him"" do you really want what Boo gets?""

09/23/02 18:41:26 <Alita> LOL, Deanie!

09/23/02 18:41:27 <Lisa_and_Gorb> Elvis was really jealous - and he's got some ""issues"" anyway

09/23/02 18:41:38 <Erimesse> I told Pounce if he gets the canned food, he gets the ear pricks too :-)

09/23/02 18:41:48 <laural> Froochy's a drooler. He'd be jealous no matter what.

09/23/02 18:41:51 <Alita> My kinda woman!

09/23/02 18:41:59 <Lisa_and_Gorb> its tough when they don't eat the same foods :)

09/23/02 18:42:00 <Sally_and_Penny> Penny is the jealous one! Give someone else attention, she butts in, LOL

09/23/02 18:42:05 <laural> brb

09/23/02 18:42:24 <deanie> i could put down 5 bowls of the same food and jd would still push someone away to get to their bowl

09/23/02 18:42:32 <Alita> brb....

09/23/02 18:42:36 <Erimesse> Different foods can be tough -- I feed Pounce in a different part of the house

09/23/02 18:43:00 <Erimesse> They're both jealous right now -- of the computer. :-)

09/23/02 18:43:07 <laural> I have to give Clark fluids after a while

09/23/02 18:43:07 <Lisa_and_Gorb> Gorb has a special spot for shots/feeding/tests so its easy to keep his meals separate from the rest of the gang :)

09/23/02 18:43:30 <deanie> they're also jealous because boo gets to go out

09/23/02 18:43:30 <Lisa_and_Gorb> oh they're always jealous of the computer...whenever I say laptop Gorb thinks I'm referring to him LOL

09/23/02 18:43:33 <jenny> have to go check on miss boo, good night. might sign back on later.

09/23/02 18:43:36 <laural> Clark eats on the table (or bed) so the dog won't gobble his food

09/23/02 18:43:40 <Sally_and_Penny> The other 2 eat dry, we really have to watch that Penny doesn't get into it

09/23/02 18:43:42 <deanie> but he's the only one who behaves out there

09/23/02 18:43:44 <laural> see ya Jenny

09/23/02 18:43:48 <deanie> night, jenny

09/23/02 18:43:48 <Lisa_and_Gorb> night Jenny :) thanks for stopping in !

09/23/02 18:44:00 <jenny> sure thing!

09/23/02 18:44:01 <laural> I have to be careful Clark doesn't get the drooler food

09/23/02 18:44:14 <kismet> Gee - no need to boot me off Lisa ;)

09/23/02 18:44:16 <Lisa_and_Gorb> 2 of ours get dry but they all eat in the same room so its a lot of goal tending at meal time

09/23/02 18:44:21 <kismet> LOL

09/23/02 18:44:30 <Erimesse> Wait, are cats allowed unattended?

09/23/02 18:44:32 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i just wanted to see the avatar LOL

09/23/02 18:44:35 <laural> it's been an issue since Froochy went on Nutro lamb and rice or chicken and rice

09/23/02 18:44:37 <kismet> heehee

09/23/02 18:44:39 <deanie> i get up at 4 am--there's no time for goal tending here

09/23/02 18:44:57 <Lisa_and_Gorb> welcome kittymom :)

09/23/02 18:45:29 <deanie> that was fast

09/23/02 18:45:29 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i'm not a great goalie first thing in the am - but DH has am duty anyways LOL

09/23/02 18:45:35 <* laural> (Plays Sound: bark.wav) can we get a whimper sound?

09/23/02 18:45:44 <* kismet> (Plays Sound: door.wav) door

09/23/02 18:45:52 <laural> sounds like my tree

09/23/02 18:45:55 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i don't do the sounds I'm afraid - but I'll email the sw asking...

09/23/02 18:46:02 <* kismet> (Plays Sound: flush.wav) flush

09/23/02 18:46:05 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i did ask for a meow - we'll have to wait and see :)

09/23/02 18:46:05 <laural> but they sawed all the weight off today

09/23/02 18:46:06 <* deanie> (Plays Sound: horn.wav) horn

09/23/02 18:46:16 <* laural> (Plays Sound: bark.wav) bark

09/23/02 18:46:22 <deanie> nice, ellen!

09/23/02 18:46:25 <kismet> LOL

09/23/02 18:46:28 <laural> Froochy jumps everytime the bark barks

09/23/02 18:46:46 <Erimesse> The bark on your trees bark?

09/23/02 18:46:55 <* laural> (Plays Sound: bark.wav) bark

09/23/02 18:46:59 <Lisa_and_Gorb> brb

09/23/02 18:47:04 <kismet> lol - laura

09/23/02 18:47:20 <* kismet> (Plays Sound: sci-fi.wav) sci-fi

09/23/02 18:47:25 <laural> Kismet gets hot ears and dialated pupils too?

09/23/02 18:47:33 <kismet> yep!!!

09/23/02 18:47:36 <* deanie> (Plays Sound: scream.wav) scream

09/23/02 18:47:40 <laural> any opinion from vet?

09/23/02 18:47:40 <kismet> around shot time

09/23/02 18:47:51 <kismet> no

09/23/02 18:47:55 <laural> oh, Clark gets it when high, I think

09/23/02 18:48:03 <laural> I think it's high blood pressure

09/23/02 18:48:11 <kismet> said it could be a number of things - most likely high bgs

09/23/02 18:48:30 <laural> His pupils are dialated too much most of the time

09/23/02 18:48:30 <kismet> any stress to the system

09/23/02 18:48:36 <laural> but not when he's outside

09/23/02 18:48:48 <* laural> (Plays Sound: scream.wav) scream

09/23/02 18:48:51 <kismet> Kis is fine most of the day - just around shot time - ie bgs higher

09/23/02 18:48:55 <laural> right

09/23/02 18:48:57 <deanie> old mr. boo is napping under the bougainvillea--he's so cute!

09/23/02 18:48:58 <* Lisa_and_Gorb> (Plays Sound: music.wav) music

09/23/02 18:49:06 <laural> It's still light there

09/23/02 18:49:12 <laural> yuck music

09/23/02 18:49:33 <deanie> ok, now you'r ejust playing!

09/23/02 18:49:42 <* laural> (Plays Sound: drip.wav) gorbtschat code talkers

09/23/02 18:49:51 <Lisa_and_Gorb> so glad you all like the sound effects :) that will look great in the transcript LOL

09/23/02 18:50:05 <Lisa_and_Gorb> folks will be like ""why was someone saying ""moo"" all the time! lol

09/23/02 18:50:06 <kismet> OMG

09/23/02 18:50:13 <Lisa_and_Gorb> oh don't be sorry - i think its funny :)

09/23/02 18:50:13 <kismet> that scared me alita

09/23/02 18:50:19 <Alita> Well, that was fun!

09/23/02 18:50:21 <* Eriness> (Plays Sound: roar.wav) Sorry to re-send this but it won't delete

09/23/02 18:50:26 <Sally_and_Penny> Well that roar has my dog nervous LOL

09/23/02 18:50:29 <* laural> (Plays Sound: bong.wav) the transcripts are weird to read

09/23/02 18:50:53 <Lisa_and_Gorb> too funny deanie!

09/23/02 18:51:46 <* Eriness> (Plays Sound: laugh.wav) We probably all need the good laugh

09/23/02 18:52:04 <Eriness> Wow, that sounded like me

09/23/02 18:53:19 <Lisa_and_Gorb> nobody gets in trouble here unless they talk trash about me and gorb :)

09/23/02 18:53:22 <kismet> I have one for the topic - how about the emotional rollercoaster of having a feline diabetic really lol

09/23/02 18:53:23 <laural>

09/23/02 18:53:26 <Lisa_and_Gorb> all other evil discussion is welcome

09/23/02 18:53:42 <laural> what about it Ellen?

09/23/02 18:53:47 <Lisa_and_Gorb> go ellen -->

09/23/02 18:53:55 <Alita> Yep, it exists.

09/23/02 18:54:04 <kismet> To me - that's probably the hardest thing to go through - the ups & downs

09/23/02 18:54:08 <Eriness> You mean like being elated one day & thinking your baby's dying the next?

09/23/02 18:54:09 <Sally_and_Penny> How about the extra cost of hair dye, to hide the gray hairs you get

09/23/02 18:54:19 <kismet> yep

09/23/02 18:54:31 <laural> I do better, knock wood, since finding the board

09/23/02 18:54:39 <laural> and a glucose meter!

09/23/02 18:54:44 <Eriness> I don't have gray hairs, thanks.

09/23/02 18:54:50 <Alita> FDMB is there to help us keep our sanity (not sure mine is still intact).

09/23/02 18:54:50 <laural> me either

09/23/02 18:54:51 <Lisa_and_Gorb> its tough - and i do dye often :)

09/23/02 18:54:53 <kismet> I think that is one of the biggest things FDMB helps with

09/23/02 18:55:07 <kismet> Oh I just let the grey show

09/23/02 18:55:19 <laural> if I had all those cameras, I'd worry more about my appearance

09/23/02 18:55:30 <Alita> LOL

09/23/02 18:55:30 <laural> ;)

09/23/02 18:55:54 <Lisa_and_Gorb> Gorb dyes his grey spot - its been fading into nothingness as he ages :)

09/23/02 18:56:04 <Alita> LOL

09/23/02 18:56:05 <Sally_and_Penny> LOL

09/23/02 18:56:08 <laural> I wonder what the median age of sugar cat owners is?

09/23/02 18:56:09 <kismet> That's another thing I love about Kis's vet - she's my biggest cheerleader

09/23/02 18:56:10 <Eriness> Then he wouldn't be Gorb anymore

09/23/02 18:56:12 <Lisa_and_Gorb> hey guess what? Gorb is getting one of Jenny's great pet portraits!

09/23/02 18:56:17 <kismet> COOL

09/23/02 18:56:29 <deanie> you'll love it!

09/23/02 18:56:29 <Alita> Cool

09/23/02 18:56:32 <Lisa_and_Gorb> he'll probably want to shoe polish the spot before the portrait is done :)

09/23/02 18:56:40 <Sally_and_Penny> can't wait to see it

09/23/02 18:56:45 <Lisa_and_Gorb> Gorb has a very special friend that commissioned the portrait for him - we can't wait

09/23/02 18:56:58 <deanie> lisa, i'm going to set up apage for jenny at boo's place too

09/23/02 18:57:00 <Alita> You notice how everyone skipped over the age thing.....

09/23/02 18:57:03 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i have to keep everything secret 'til I know his friend wants to go public :)

09/23/02 18:57:05 <kismet> I'm sure it will be absolutely amazing ;)

09/23/02 19:01:28 <laural> The vet was worried I was overfeeding, but I was really glad.

09/23/02 19:01:33 <laural> see how I did that

09/23/02 19:01:39 <kismet> Gorb has put on a few ounces - Kis has to catch up

09/23/02 19:01:40 <Sally_and_Penny> Penny's between 11 & 12 lbs. Right were she should be :)

09/23/02 19:01:44 <Eriness> I've been counting calories -- the vet would freak
09/23/02 19:01:53 <laural> I count calories
09/23/02 19:01:53 <Alita> Rikki was 18 lbs of muscle pre diagnosis and dropped to less than 9 lbs in 3 months.
09/23/02 19:01:59 <laural> scary
09/23/02 19:02:02 <Lisa_and_Gorb> yikes Alita!
09/23/02 19:02:11 <Eriness> Sammy was like Rikki
09/23/02 19:02:12 <deanie> boo is at a really nice weight--the vet doesn't want him to change at all
09/23/02 19:02:21 <Sally_and_Penny> Penny was down to 4 or 5 lbs at her worst
09/23/02 19:02:22 <laural> I don't have good records on Clark--he was scary thin after dka
09/23/02 19:02:23 <Lisa_and_Gorb> our anorexic civi is at 12.5 now and is still skin and bones - he's a 15 lb'er
09/23/02 19:02:26 <kismet> Kis is ""fluffy"" - LOL
09/23/02 19:02:31 <Alita> Yep. That's how we found out he was diabetic. He was starving.
09/23/02 19:02:33 <kismet> like a marshmallow
09/23/02 19:02:39 <deanie> we count no calories in this house! (people or cats)
09/23/02 19:02:40 <Lisa_and_Gorb> Gorb's a fluff ball too
09/23/02 19:02:41 <laural> Lisa, you sure that's not a medical problem?
09/23/02 19:02:42 <kismet> Hi mary
09/23/02 19:02:46 <Lisa_and_Gorb> welcome Mary :)
09/23/02 19:02:47 <marymiracle> hi all
09/23/02 19:02:47 <Eriness> Hi!
09/23/02 19:02:52 <deanie> hi mary
09/23/02 19:03:00 <laural> I count after feeding 600 cal a day blindly
09/23/02 19:03:00 <Alita> Then he gained back and was 15 lbs.
09/23/02 19:03:01 <Lisa_and_Gorb> yup - the anorexia is psychological
09/23/02 19:03:15 <Alita> hi mary
09/23/02 19:03:19 <marymiracle> hi alita
09/23/02 19:03:26 <kismet> How was work Mary?
09/23/02 19:03:27 <laural> I had an anorexic/bulemic roommate once
09/23/02 19:03:40 <Eriness> I had an anorexic music student
09/23/02 19:03:45 <marymiracle> you will never believe what happened at work
09/23/02 19:03:46 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i've known a lot of folks with eating disorders - not pleasant
09/23/02 19:03:50 <laural> I've had tons of anorexic students
09/23/02 19:04:03 <Eriness> I'd believe anything that happened at work
09/23/02 19:04:10 <laural> living with someone and hearing them vomit while you're trying to fall asleep
09/23/02 19:04:14 <kismet> do tell Mary
09/23/02 19:04:16 <Lisa_and_Gorb> Elvis took Gorb's dx really hard - put on about 3 lbs in a month
09/23/02 19:04:23 <Alita> LOL
09/23/02 19:04:27 <marymiracle> she weighs less than 1/2 lb and is anemic from fleas, can U guess what she is?
09/23/02 19:04:30 <Lisa_and_Gorb> then reversed completely into anorexia
09/23/02 19:04:36 <deanie> i had a bulemic roommate once--go away for a weekend and she would eat and then barf up all your food
09/23/02 19:04:38 <* laural> MOTIONS/shocked.gif no way
09/23/02 19:04:39 <kismet> a cat?!?!?!?
09/23/02 19:04:44 <Alita> and by the way, tell us how much you weigh...
09/23/02 19:04:44 <marymiracle> yup
09/23/02 19:04:46 <deanie> could have killed her!
09/23/02 19:04:52 <Alita> Just kidding!!!
09/23/02 19:04:59 <marymiracle> kitten
09/23/02 19:05:10 <laural> mine ate everything before leaving for xmas break, and I was broke and in town for another week
09/23/02 19:05:11 <kismet> Oh mary ...
09/23/02 19:05:19 <laural> for you, Mary?
09/23/02 19:05:19 <marymiracle> i have a sister who is anorexic
09/23/02 19:05:28 <marymiracle> just what i need
09/23/02 19:05:45 <marymiracle> another baby
09/23/02 19:05:50 <Lisa_and_Gorb> mary you're a needy cat magnet
09/23/02 19:05:58 <kismet> no kidding!
09/23/02 19:06:00 <marymiracle> not sure she is going to evenlive the night

09/23/02 19:06:09 <Lisa_and_Gorb> is she home with you or at vet?
09/23/02 19:06:14 <kismet> is she eating?
09/23/02 19:06:27 <marymiracle> she is so anemic and so riddled with fleas that i bathed her
09/23/02 19:06:30 <* laural> MOTIONS/smiley.gif what's wrong with her specifically--can't get rid of this face, sorry
09/23/02 19:06:39 <Alita> You should read Poose's story...very inspirational.
09/23/02 19:06:45 <marymiracle> yes she is but after i bathed her she just about quit on me
09/23/02 19:06:47 <laural> it is, but . . .
09/23/02 19:06:49 <marymiracle> I did
09/23/02 19:06:59 <marymiracle> Poose is another true miracle
09/23/02 19:07:02 <kismet> So weak ...
09/23/02 19:07:07 <laural> Martina is the miracle.
09/23/02 19:07:08 <kismet> what are you feeding her?
09/23/02 19:07:09 <Lisa_and_Gorb> do you have rescue remedy mary?
09/23/02 19:07:09 <Alita> You are stuck with the face, Laura. heehee
09/23/02 19:07:14 <Lisa_and_Gorb> administer a drop every hour or so
09/23/02 19:07:25 <laural> It's gone now
09/23/02 19:07:33 <Alita> LOL
09/23/02 19:07:35 <* laural> MOTIONS/mad.gif
09/23/02 19:07:42 <Lisa_and_Gorb> your mom told you if you kept your face like that it would freeze lol
09/23/02 19:07:42 <Alita> LOL
09/23/02 19:07:42 <marymiracle> she is anemic and starved to start. The girls at the nursing home fedher milk so she has diareheea
09/23/02 19:07:56 <marymiracle> Yes I have RR
09/23/02 19:07:58 <Alita> ROTFLMAO!
09/23/02 19:08:05 <laural> you didn't know I could get my photo on here did you?
09/23/02 19:08:06 <Lisa_and_Gorb> do you have eggs? super fresh? mix them in a little bit of milk and warm it - feed her that
09/23/02 19:08:12 <deanie> do you have KMR?
09/23/02 19:08:22 <laural> how about yogurt instead of milk?
09/23/02 19:08:31 <marymiracle> no, but I am having hubby get me some if he can
09/23/02 19:08:33 <laural> the lactose is already broken down
09/23/02 19:08:51 <marymiracle> she is not eating now
09/23/02 19:08:53 <Lisa_and_Gorb> if you can't do kmr do the milk + eggs - do you have any brewer's yeast?
09/23/02 19:09:03 <marymiracle> she is also dehydrated and i am out of fluids
09/23/02 19:09:11 <marymiracle> I am thinking some tuna water
09/23/02 19:09:11 <Lisa_and_Gorb> if yes, add that to the mix (from anitra frazier's mock nursing formula for abandoned kitties)
09/23/02 19:09:12 <kismet> tuna water?
09/23/02 19:09:15 <deanie> i saw emergency feeding kits in Petsmart--a bottle and a small pack of powdered KMR
09/23/02 19:09:33 <deanie> i'm going to get one to have at all times
09/23/02 19:09:34 <marymiracle> yes I do have the brewers yeast
09/23/02 19:09:41 <Eriness> Kis, are you smacking your lips?
09/23/02 19:09:46 <deanie> you never know when you're going to find a abay kitty!
09/23/02 19:09:51 <Lisa_and_Gorb> mix that with the milk and egg
09/23/02 19:09:57 <kismet> sorry - could you hear me smackin?
09/23/02 19:10:06 <Eriness> Yes!
09/23/02 19:10:09 <kismet> LOL
09/23/02 19:10:15 <marymiracle> man, can you believe this, whats up with this
09/23/02 19:10:36 <kismet>
09/23/02 19:10:36 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i can look up the full recipe but chances are you won't have all the stuff handy - the kmr is easier but if you can't find it - go with as close to mock formula as you can
09/23/02 19:10:40 <marymiracle> I go to work to try to pay for the ones i have and find one in worse shape than Miracle was!
09/23/02 19:10:56 <laural> poor little ki
09/23/02 19:11:08 <marymiracle> she is so smallla nd her eyes are so big!
09/23/02 19:11:09 <Alita> Approximately, how old is the kitten, Mary?
09/23/02 19:11:11 <deanie> try to keep her warm too--if she's anemic, she'll be cold
09/23/02 19:11:16 <Eriness> Mary, where do you work?

09/23/02 19:11:20 <marymiracle> i am guessing maybe 4-5 weeks
09/23/02 19:11:24 <marymiracle> very young
09/23/02 19:11:30 <Lisa_and_Gorb> hot water bottle or keep her in a pocket of
sweatshirt or something
09/23/02 19:11:32 <marymiracle> teeth are not all the way through
09/23/02 19:11:38 <deanie> 4-5 weeks isn't that young
09/23/02 19:11:40 <marymiracle> I have her on a heating pad
09/23/02 19:11:46 <deanie> i had boo at 3 weeks and he made it
09/23/02 19:11:48 <* laural> M0TI0NS/sad.gif
09/23/02 19:11:51 <Lisa_and_Gorb> our civi Aly was about 3 weeks when found and we had
to do the mock nursing formula
09/23/02 19:12:02 <Alita> The face is back, Laura!
09/23/02 19:12:06 <marymiracle> I am going to try that nursing formula
09/23/02 19:12:06 <Sally_and_Penny> careful with the heating pad, you can accidently cook
them
09/23/02 19:12:08 <laural> a new one
09/23/02 19:12:17 <laural> I got an avatar
09/23/02 19:12:18 <marymiracle> yeah i know
09/23/02 19:12:18 <Alita> and the old one.
09/23/02 19:12:22 <deanie> put a towel over the heating pad so she isn't
directly on it
09/23/02 19:12:28 <marymiracle> she is so anemic that she is cold
09/23/02 19:12:33 <Alita> you're important now.
09/23/02 19:12:49 <laural> I thought you were talking to Mary
09/23/02 19:12:50 <marymiracle> I gave her a little karo when she got shocky on me
and she has come around a littl
09/23/02 19:12:53 <Lisa_and_Gorb> if you have baby vitamins w/iron add that to mix
09/23/02 19:12:55 <Sally_and_Penny> my Buffy was 2 weeks old when we got her
09/23/02 19:12:56 <marymiracle> purrs when i touch ehr
09/23/02 19:13:09 <kismet> brb
09/23/02 19:13:23 <deanie> sally, i remember buffy's baby pics!
09/23/02 19:13:26 <marymiracle> sissie and boobus were 2 weeks when i got them
09/23/02 19:13:28 <laural> I'm going to attempt fluids now
09/23/02 19:13:37 <Alita> aw! I hope she is okay, Mary.
09/23/02 19:13:39 <laural> wish me luck
09/23/02 19:13:49 <deanie> good luck!
09/23/02 19:13:54 <marymiracle> luck laura
09/23/02 19:14:02 <Sally_and_Penny> You see her now, 10 months old & about 8 lbs
09/23/02 19:14:02 <Alita> Good Luck, Laura.
09/23/02 19:14:05 <Lisa_and_Gorb> good luck laura :)
09/23/02 19:14:09 <kismet> back - luck laura
09/23/02 19:14:13 <Sally_and_Penny> good luck
09/23/02 19:14:17 <marymiracle> wish i had some fluids
09/23/02 19:14:23 <marymiracle> got to get soem
09/23/02 19:14:35 <marymiracle> i used the last of them last night on sissie
09/23/02 19:14:37 <kismet> the needle would be bigger than her
09/23/02 19:14:43 <marymiracle> it would be
09/23/02 19:15:02 <marymiracle> I would have to use a much smaller needle and amount
09/23/02 19:15:06 <Alita> Just need to get her eating. Formula will give her
some fluids as well.
09/23/02 19:15:09 <* Erimes> M0TI0NS/smile.gif Speaking of fluids, I'm gonna go
get some sherbet
09/23/02 19:15:11 <kismet> maybe an insulin syringe ...
09/23/02 19:15:12 <marymiracle> i will
09/23/02 19:15:16 <deanie> the formula will be liquid enough to help her
09/23/02 19:15:18 <marymiracle> thank you all for the help
09/23/02 19:15:20 <Sally_and_Penny> brb, gotta test & shoot Penny
09/23/02 19:15:30 <marymiracle> I am so glad i remembered this chat was tonight
09/23/02 19:15:38 <deanie> erimes, do you have neough to share with everyone?
09/23/02 19:15:39 <kismet> I'm glad to see ya
09/23/02 19:15:53 <Alita> LOL, Deanie
09/23/02 19:15:56 <Erimes> Not if you want more than about 2 tablespoons
09/23/02 19:16:11 <* marymiracle> (Plays Sound: laugh.wav) laugh
09/23/02 19:16:42 <Alita> Welcome back, Lisa.
09/23/02 19:16:44 <* marymiracle> (Plays Sound: roar.wav) my personal favorite

09/23/02 19:16:47 <marymiracle> wb lisa
09/23/02 19:16:51 <Alita> LOL
09/23/02 19:16:57 <Lisa_and_Gorb> got kicked out of my own room - how's that for service LOL?
09/23/02 19:17:01 <kismet> lol
09/23/02 19:17:02 <marymiracle> lol
09/23/02 19:17:05 <deanie> gorb did it
09/23/02 19:17:15 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i doubt that - he hasn't moved in hours ;)
09/23/02 19:17:16 <Alita> I already tried that on them, Mary and I scared them.
09/23/02 19:17:29 <kismet> well ... you scared me anyway
09/23/02 19:17:36 <marymiracle> i scarred someone the first night i was here
09/23/02 19:17:40 <Lisa_and_Gorb> did u get my suggestion on using a syringe for administering a tiny bit of fluids :)
09/23/02 19:17:47 <Alita> Has the nephew been around to play with Gorb again today?
09/23/02 19:17:51 <marymiracle> no but thats a good idea
09/23/02 19:18:05 <Erimesse> I was off getting sherbet - what was that roar about?
09/23/02 19:18:09 <marymiracle> she is so tiny i may be able to use the insulin syringes
09/23/02 19:18:11 <Lisa_and_Gorb> oh no - he's only over on the weekends to torment/ i mean play with the kitties
09/23/02 19:19:08 <kismet> I would think that would be your only bet if she won't drink enough on her own
09/23/02 19:19:51 <marymiracle> i am not satisfied with her drinking at all, she has had very little but i am going to have to wait till tomorrow, Im out
09/23/02 19:20:03 <Alita> and true!
09/23/02 19:20:09 <marymiracle> ok
09/23/02 19:20:09 <kismet> do you have BD syringes?
09/23/02 19:20:16 <kismet> or a feeding syringe?
09/23/02 19:20:17 <marymiracle> yup
09/23/02 19:20:26 <Lisa_and_Gorb> a very young kitty won't drink a whole lot of water - they get all their nutrients from mother's milk for the most part
09/23/02 19:20:39 <Lisa_and_Gorb> so she probably doesn't ""get"" why she'd need to drink water
09/23/02 19:20:44 <deanie> mary, the formula will give her fluid
09/23/02 19:20:54 <kismet> you can take a BD syringe and pull the needle hub off with a pair of pliers - instant tiny feeder
09/23/02 19:20:56 <Sally_and_Penny> I think too much water is not good for them, like babies
09/23/02 19:21:03 <Alita> She needs formula.
09/23/02 19:21:04 <marymiracle> i have any kind of syringe from the 3/10 insulin syringes to a 120 cc dose syringe an all of them inbetween!
09/23/02 19:21:22 <Lisa_and_Gorb> good point sally - you don't want a colicky kitten
09/23/02 19:21:39 <marymiracle> ok i am going to go make her some formula
09/23/02 19:21:39 <Lisa_and_Gorb> collick is the stomach thing right? not when you have to run the shower for steam?
09/23/02 19:21:50 <Lisa_and_Gorb> make sure to warm it up - you may have to syringe feed her
09/23/02 19:21:53 <Alita> Yes, Lisa.
09/23/02 19:21:56 <marymiracle> Milk, eggs and brewers yeast? how much of what?
09/23/02 19:21:56 <Lisa_and_Gorb> welcome back Janet :)
09/23/02 19:22:07 <Alita> wb, Janet
09/23/02 19:22:15 <deanie> hang on, mary--i can probably find that for you quick
09/23/02 19:22:17 <marymiracle> she is already colicky
09/23/02 19:22:21 <marymiracle> k
09/23/02 19:22:25 <Lisa_and_Gorb> my book is in my car - you want to mix fresh each time so small amounts - i'll look too :)
09/23/02 19:22:33 <marymiracle> ok
09/23/02 19:22:34 <Erimesse> Hi Janet
09/23/02 19:22:44 <Janet_and_Binky> Hi, guys. What's the recipe for?
09/23/02 19:22:45 <marymiracle> she is not well after the nurses got hold of her
09/23/02 19:22:52 <marymiracle> baby
09/23/02 19:22:57 <kismet> ""on the fly"" kitten formula
09/23/02 19:22:58 <marymiracle> baby baby
09/23/02 19:23:05 <Lisa_and_Gorb> 2 cups whole milk 2 raw organic egg yolks 2 tablespoons protein powder b drops liquid vitamins

for childrfen. Beat with a fork or whisk. Warm the formula first to bath temp (101 deg) by standing feeder in a bowl of hot water. Feed kittens in a doll bottle or pet nurser.

09/23/02 19:23:09 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i beat deanie!

09/23/02 19:23:10 <Alita> Mary found a baby kitten at work. Recipe is for formula.

09/23/02 19:23:26 <marymiracle> lol

09/23/02 19:23:39 <Janet_and_Binky> Whole milk might be a problem -- lots of allergies to the protein. Maybe goat milk?

09/23/02 19:24:15 <Janet_and_Binky> Kittens should be able to digest lactose, but a digestive aid or probiotics might help any intestinal upset.

09/23/02 19:24:26 <deanie> i found one that says 8 oz. hwole milk, 2 egg yolks, 1 tsp salad oil and 1 drop pediatric liquid vitamins

09/23/02 19:24:37 <marymiracle> can i print this conversation?

09/23/02 19:24:39 <Lisa_and_Gorb> goat milk would be preferable - but if you've got to use what you've got better than nothing

09/23/02 19:24:39 <Lisa_and_Gorb> oh god no salad oil

09/23/02 19:24:45 <Janet_and_Binky> I'm basing these ideas of what I know of human babies and breastfeeding, about which I know an astonishing amount. 8-)

09/23/02 19:24:45 <kismet> hmmm - what's the salad oil for?

09/23/02 19:24:49 <Lisa_and_Gorb> that can be dangerous stuff

09/23/02 19:24:50 <deanie> but it also says NOT to give food to a cold kitten

09/23/02 19:25:13 <marymiracle> no, she is shocky right now

09/23/02 19:25:14 <Lisa_and_Gorb> you can highlight, copy and paste into something else to print mary

09/23/02 19:25:19 <marymiracle> shocky and clod

09/23/02 19:25:24 <deanie> to give small amts of warmed pedialyte

09/23/02 19:25:32 <Lisa_and_Gorb> need to warm her up a bit - keep going with the rescue remedy too

09/23/02 19:25:41 <marymiracle> what does the RR do?

09/23/02 19:25:44 <deanie> mary, tuck her into your shirt

09/23/02 19:25:59 <marymiracle> she is all balled up in a heating pad

09/23/02 19:26:05 <Lisa_and_Gorb> rr is used to handle shock/trauma situations - its really not to be used the way most folks use it

09/23/02 19:26:18 <Lisa_and_Gorb> its kind of an flower essence emergency first aid thing

09/23/02 19:26:23 <marymiracle> ok

09/23/02 19:26:32 <marymiracle> ok, how many drops?

09/23/02 19:26:34 <laural> he only let me give about 50 Then went straight to his food. The 18 needles are slow

09/23/02 19:26:38 <marymiracle> she needs that now

09/23/02 19:26:42 <Lisa_and_Gorb> we keep rr in the car and first aid kit - don't use it for anything but emergency situations

09/23/02 19:26:46 <laural> sorry not about the drops, about the fluids

09/23/02 19:27:16 <marymiracle> brb gonna check her

09/23/02 19:27:16 <Lisa_and_Gorb> we used it to keep a neighbor's cat with us after he was run over 2x and i was trying to find transport to hospital

09/23/02 19:27:30 <laural> Wow, Clark finished dinner. I've been doubting he needed the fluids, but maybe so

09/23/02 19:27:41 <kismet> did you say one drop rubbed in the ear every so often, Lisa?

09/23/02 19:27:52 <laural> So people shouldn't use RR for vet trips or hometesting?

09/23/02 19:27:57 <Lisa_and_Gorb> we don't do the ear method - straight in the mouth

09/23/02 19:27:58 <laural> maybe just on themselves

09/23/02 19:28:00 <Erimesse> What the heck is ""brb""?

09/23/02 19:28:05 <kismet> be right back

09/23/02 19:28:05 <laural> be right back

09/23/02 19:28:10 <kismet> beat ya!

09/23/02 19:28:11 <laural> jinx

09/23/02 19:28:14 <Lisa_and_Gorb> its better to use an individual essence more suited to the cat

09/23/02 19:28:19 <* Erimesse> MOTIONS/smile.gif Oh, I thought people were burping or something.

09/23/02 19:28:26 <deanie> LOL!

09/23/02 19:28:27 <Alita> LOL

09/23/02 19:28:29 <Sally_and_Penny> LOL

09/23/02 19:28:32 <* laural> (Plays Sound: laugh.wav) ha
09/23/02 19:28:34 <Lisa_and_Gorb> though rr is used by a lot of vets in a spray bottle during vet visits and travel times
09/23/02 19:28:44 <laural> where do you get it anyway?
09/23/02 19:28:53 <Lisa_and_Gorb> this is not a monday night football chat - we try to have a little more decorum LOL
09/23/02 19:29:05 <marymiracle> can you past pics here?
09/23/02 19:29:06 <Lisa_and_Gorb> RR is available at most markets, health food stores, internet drug stores and pet shops
09/23/02 19:29:12 <Alita> Health food stores or some pet shops carry it.
09/23/02 19:29:19 <Lisa_and_Gorb> don't think so - you can try though :)
09/23/02 19:29:26 <laural> and while we're talking shopping
09/23/02 19:29:32 <laural> markets? Walmart?
09/23/02 19:29:42 <laural> where do I buy needles for giving fluids?
09/23/02 19:29:42 <Lisa_and_Gorb> do you have a whole foods nearby? they'll have all the flower essences and info on the individual essences
09/23/02 19:29:44 <kismet> doubtful
09/23/02 19:29:46 <Alita> Target!
09/23/02 19:30:01 <laural> Whole Foods, of course, just 2.5 hours away.
09/23/02 19:30:01 <kismet> target has it ?!?!?
09/23/02 19:30:10 <Lisa_and_Gorb> our supermarkets have natural food sections within them - don't know about walmart
09/23/02 19:30:12 <marymiracle> she was up on top of the pad so i guess she git hot
09/23/02 19:30:13 <laural> Target, just 45 minutes by country roads
09/23/02 19:30:17 <Alita> Some have pharmacies.
09/23/02 19:30:24 <kismet> yes ...
09/23/02 19:30:30 <Lisa_and_Gorb> dear god laura where do you live LOL? (asks the city girl)
09/23/02 19:30:30 <Janet_and_Binky> I wouldn't expect Target to have it.
09/23/02 19:30:33 <marymiracle> eyes look a little swollen from the bath
09/23/02 19:30:34 <kismet> but isn't RR more holistic in nature?
09/23/02 19:30:49 <laural> Pittsburg
09/23/02 19:30:51 <laural> Kansas
09/23/02 19:30:58 <Lisa_and_Gorb> yup but a lot of wholistic stuff is pretty common in regular drugstores
09/23/02 19:31:05 <kismet> k
09/23/02 19:31:14 <Lisa_and_Gorb> like calms forte - a super popular sleep aid you can get just about anywhere
09/23/02 19:31:17 <Janet_and_Binky> Hi, Victor's Mom!
09/23/02 19:31:18 <kismet> Hi victor's mom
09/23/02 19:31:18 <deanie> we have Wild Oats here that stocks all that stuff
09/23/02 19:31:20 <laural> where do I buy needles again?
09/23/02 19:31:21 <Alita> She's talking needles.
09/23/02 19:31:23 <Lisa_and_Gorb> welcome victor's mom
09/23/02 19:31:40 <Alita> hi victor's mom
09/23/02 19:31:49 <* laural> MOTIONS/sad.gif Now I'm talking needles (Wild Oats I miss Tempe)
09/23/02 19:31:53 <Sally_and_Penny> hi victor's mom
09/23/02 19:31:59 <deanie> victor's mom, do you have a name?
09/23/02 19:32:07 <Janet_and_Binky> LOL, Deanie, you beat me to it!
09/23/02 19:32:08 <marymiracle> i'll post a pic of her on my fdmb profile brb
09/23/02 19:32:11 <laural> don't get personal Deaine
09/23/02 19:32:18 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i think most folks get their sub q needles online
09/23/02 19:32:18 <Lisa_and_Gorb> yes - i've been wondering as well vm LOL
09/23/02 19:32:34 <laural> And fluids?
09/23/02 19:32:35 <deanie> laura, you can always come back!
09/23/02 19:32:37 <victorsmom> hello, all. I've never been in a room before. I'm learning all sorts of new things thanks to feline diabetes!
09/23/02 19:32:41 <Alita> I live right near a Wild Oats and a Whole Foods Market (major city girl here) and I find Whole Foods Market much cheaper.
09/23/02 19:32:49 <Lisa_and_Gorb> you deserve an identity all your own :)
09/23/02 19:32:52 <kismet> welcome aboard
09/23/02 19:32:54 <laural> rub it in Alita
09/23/02 19:32:57 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i find whole foods cheaper 'cuz dh works there

09/23/02 19:33:11 <deanie> we only have wild oats--i take what i can get
 09/23/02 19:33:15 <laural> Deanie, ever go to the food co-op in Tempe?
 09/23/02 19:33:25 <deanie> though i also have a Trader Joe's around the corner
 09/23/02 19:33:30 <deanie> nope, never been
 09/23/02 19:33:36 <deanie> i get lost in tempe
 09/23/02 19:33:38 <* laural> MOTIONS/sad.gif Trader Joe's
 09/23/02 19:33:40 <Janet_and_Binky> Our Wild Oats closed, but we have a great food co-op right in our town
 09/23/02 19:33:46 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i love TJs
 09/23/02 19:33:47 <laural> Ha. That's not possible
 09/23/02 19:33:51 <Eriness> V's Mom - for what it's worth, this is the first I've done of a chat room for many years
 09/23/02 19:34:03 <Lisa_and_Gorb> how is victor doing tonight?
 09/23/02 19:34:11 <deanie> laura, i cannot get around the east valley at all!
 09/23/02 19:34:23 <laural> The co-op is very granola crunchy. They had good azuki bean sandwiches.
 09/23/02 19:34:35 <laural> People work there for discounts
 09/23/02 19:34:54 <laural> It's on a major street, but I've forgotten the name of it.
 09/23/02 19:34:56 <deanie> the only time i go to tempe is for the arts festival!
 09/23/02 19:35:06 <laural> It's on the way to the arts festival
 09/23/02 19:35:22 <victorsmom> thanks. I'm really stumped. Yesterday's curve was flat - high 200s, tp 340. Went to 1.5 units last night, and now think he's rebounding again. I am scared.
 09/23/02 19:35:28 <* laural> MOTIONS/sad.gif arts festival I'm cryin' now
 09/23/02 19:35:49 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i remember you raised the dose - did you do spot tests today that make you fear rebound?
 09/23/02 19:35:53 <* deanie> MOTIONS/cry.gif sorry!
 09/23/02 19:35:53 <kismet> Could just be not enough juice yet VM
 09/23/02 19:35:57 <laural> Victor's mom, flat with high 200s was okay.
 09/23/02 19:36:05 <deanie> maybe it was a missed shot?
 09/23/02 19:36:07 <Janet_and_Binky> VM, you'd be surprised at how resilient cats are. If Victor managed so well on 1.1 units, he'll do fine on 1.5 until you get things figured out.
 09/23/02 19:36:29 <victorsmom> yes. I had to go to work, but I did one at +10 and he was 338, after a ps of 362.
 09/23/02 19:36:37 <Alita> Remember, a dose needs to settle....
 09/23/02 19:36:37 <laural> Try not to worry so much over the day to day #s
 09/23/02 19:36:42 <Janet_and_Binky> I can't figure out either whether Victor is dealing with rebound. The only way to know for sure is to cut the dose and see what happens.
 09/23/02 19:36:44 <laural> Yes let it settle
 09/23/02 19:36:50 <Alita> Patience is our friend...
 09/23/02 19:36:51 <laural> slow slow slow
 09/23/02 19:37:03 <Lisa_and_Gorb> if you can get some +2 and +3 numbers that will tell you how fast Victor is dropping
 09/23/02 19:37:04 <laural> lol Alita and Laura tag team
 09/23/02 19:37:11 <kismet> It does take time to fully kick in
 09/23/02 19:37:20 <Alita> We're a good team!
 09/23/02 19:37:25 <Lisa_and_Gorb> if its rebound there's a good chance he'd be dropping too fast instead of or in addition to too low
 09/23/02 19:37:33 <laural> and the cats are resilient. They can handle the higher #s
 09/23/02 19:37:33 <victorsmom> Do i go down to .5 now?
 09/23/02 19:37:41 <kismet> I wouldn't
 09/23/02 19:37:42 <Janet_and_Binky> I think going to 1.5 was a reasonable guess. So there's little harm in staying with it for a while.
 09/23/02 19:37:44 <laural> how long have you been at 1u
 09/23/02 19:37:50 <laural> I mean 1.5
 09/23/02 19:37:52 <Alita> How long has he been on 1.5?
 09/23/02 19:38:03 <Alita> GMTA!
 09/23/02 19:38:05 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i'd stick with 1.5 or a fat 1 at least - you let that one settle for over a week, right?
 09/23/02 19:38:10 <laural> gmta?
 09/23/02 19:38:17 <laural> 10 days
 09/23/02 19:38:19 <Lisa_and_Gorb> great minds think alike
 09/23/02 19:38:21 <Alita> Great Minds Think Alike!

09/23/02 19:38:26 <Lisa_and_Gorb> jinx :)
 09/23/02 19:38:26 <laural> of course
 09/23/02 19:38:31 <Alita> LOL
 09/23/02 19:38:38 <deanie> sweetie just came to visit me for a minute!
 09/23/02 19:38:55 <Alita> Deanie, are you going to keep her?
 09/23/02 19:38:59 <laural> Victor's mom, how long have you been on 1.5? And which insulin is that?
 09/23/02 19:39:04 <deanie> i don't know yet
 09/23/02 19:39:19 <* laural> MOTIONS/smirk.gif Not like you're getting any pressure from the board, Deanie
 09/23/02 19:39:30 <Alita> I think you should. Boo and the others will adjust (and forgive).
 09/23/02 19:39:40 <victorsmom> At 1 u for a week. He was on 1l units bid when I did my first curve. He had two 2Bs in a row last! His pm ps was 149, so I skipped a dose altogether. and he's been getting 1 unit bid since - Humulin N.
 09/23/02 19:39:41 <deanie> abbey isn't crazy about her
 09/23/02 19:39:57 <laural> How many do you have Deanie (not counting Sweetie?)
 09/23/02 19:40:03 <laural> I'd stick with lu
 09/23/02 19:40:08 <deanie> and abbey is my happy, purry girl--i don't want to upset her happy home either
 09/23/02 19:40:13 <deanie> i have 5 kitties
 09/23/02 19:40:25 <Alita> What was the dose for the 149?
 09/23/02 19:40:33 <laural> 1.5 is probably okay, but I'm not sure you're getting bad numbers on it?
 09/23/02 19:40:36 <deanie> jd, boo, raven, abbey and peaches
 09/23/02 19:40:48 <deanie> LOL, laura, haven't you seen allthe pics?
 09/23/02 19:40:48 <Janet_and_Binky> Laura, she posted a curve today which was pretty flat, and got two answers: one ""raise to 1.5"" and one ""lower to 0.5"".
 09/23/02 19:40:50 <kismet> hi dbs
 09/23/02 19:40:53 <laural> But if you don't get duration, you might have to change insulins
 09/23/02 19:40:55 <Lisa_and_Gorb> that's more than me so i can't sugget you bring another one in
 09/23/02 19:41:00 <Lisa_and_Gorb> hi dbs :)
 09/23/02 19:41:06 <Janet_and_Binky> Hi, dbs.
 09/23/02 19:41:13 <deanie> and who is dbs?
 09/23/02 19:41:15 <victorsmom> I read some Somogyi info and it says that one of the clues is a flat curve. I can't figure it out. every spot check I did for the past three days showed him to be around 300.
 09/23/02 19:41:30 <laural> N has a quick drop and short duration
 09/23/02 19:41:32 <Janet_and_Binky> It's no secret that I intensely dislike Humulin N, so I agree that changing the insulin is a good long-term goal.
 09/23/02 19:41:37 <Alita> vm- I'd stick with 1 unit for at least 10 days.
 09/23/02 19:41:41 <laural> Deanie, 1 more and you're over the legal limit
 09/23/02 19:41:52 <deanie> LOL, laura!
 09/23/02 19:41:57 <Lisa_and_Gorb> or you've got enough for one of those sports teams you follow
 09/23/02 19:42:00 <Eriness> I now intensely dislike N too!
 09/23/02 19:42:07 <Lisa_and_Gorb> dbs are you here for the sugarcats chat?
 09/23/02 19:42:07 <deanie> i hate N
 09/23/02 19:42:07 <Sally_and_Penny> Humulin N is quick & short I Lentin II N is different
 09/23/02 19:42:07 <laural> I hate N
 09/23/02 19:42:09 <kismet> True ... but I wouldn't think you'd see that on lu or 1.5u of N
 09/23/02 19:42:13 <Alita> So, where does that put Jerri?
 09/23/02 19:42:14 <laural> gmta
 09/23/02 19:42:26 <Janet_and_Binky> Of course, it's better than 70/30, which some people started on!
 09/23/02 19:42:33 <Sally_and_Penny> I love I Lentin II N, Penny gets 24 hrs duration on it
 09/23/02 19:42:43 <Alita> 39 over the limit!
 09/23/02 19:42:45 <laural> is ilentin beef?
 09/23/02 19:42:52 <Lisa_and_Gorb> do you still have to wave the bottle over her heard three times? lol
 09/23/02 19:42:52 <Sally_and_Penny> pork
 09/23/02 19:42:56 <deanie> oh, that 70/30 is scary stuff!
 09/23/02 19:42:59 <* laural> MOTIONS/kiss.gif

09/23/02 19:43:00 <Sally_and_Penny> LOL, yes

09/23/02 19:43:06 <Eriness> What's wrong with 70/30? If I could be home to feed Sammy later I thought it would work well.

09/23/02 19:43:07 <Alita> Rikki was regulated on three units of N for 4 years.

09/23/02 19:43:16 <deanie> 70/30 is faster than N

09/23/02 19:43:26 <Eriness> Oh, never mine.

09/23/02 19:43:31 <deanie> it's between N and R

09/23/02 19:43:31 <laural> Every cat is different

09/23/02 19:43:47 <Eriness> Sammy crashed really bad on N.

09/23/02 19:43:57 <Alita> 70/30 is for humans, not cats.

09/23/02 19:43:59 <kismet> some are more different than most ;)

09/23/02 19:44:09 <Lisa_and_Gorb> welcome back mary :)

09/23/02 19:44:12 <laural> I can't keep track of which insulins Clark was on when

09/23/02 19:44:25 <marymiracle> ok she is up and moving around, acts like she has a serious tummy ache

09/23/02 19:44:28 <Alita> dbs- who are you?

09/23/02 19:44:34 <victorsmom> I got the ketostix, and of, course, Vic peed only once the whole day, till this evening. We missed him both times. Now I'm worried he isn't getting enough insulin. Also, he's on acarbose twice a day and the DM, so maybe he doesn't need too much anyway?

09/23/02 19:44:52 <Sally_and_Penny> Penny was on 3 different pills, I Lentin I N, Humulin N, Humulin L, & now I Lentin II

09/23/02 19:45:04 <marymiracle> her pic is on my fdmb profile

09/23/02 19:45:07 <Eriness> dbs is staying in disguise

09/23/02 19:45:08 <marymiracle> she is so small

09/23/02 19:45:09 <Janet_and_Binky> Acarbose and DM are definitely designed to reduce insulin requirements.

09/23/02 19:45:24 <* laural> MOTIONS/playful.gif he's okay. You're not getting high #s. Set up the litterbox so you don't have to be there to catch urine

09/23/02 19:45:43 <Janet_and_Binky> And, as we always say, better ""not enough insulin"" than ""too much insulin"".

09/23/02 19:45:48 <marymiracle> gonna go for now, cya later all thanks for the help

09/23/02 19:45:52 <victorsmom> I tried the ketostix today, but Vic only peed once all day and my husband missed it. He peed tonite, but missed it again. He's also on acarbose twice a day and the DM, so maybe he doesn't need too much insulin?

09/23/02 19:45:56 <laural> Good luck Mary

09/23/02 19:45:56 <Janet_and_Binky> Keep us posted, Mary!

09/23/02 19:46:03 <marymiracle> gonna see if she will potty

09/23/02 19:46:05 <marymiracle> i will

09/23/02 19:46:18 <Janet_and_Binky> So, dbs, how is your cat?

09/23/02 19:46:23 <laural> What kind of litter do you use, VM? Do you use liners?

09/23/02 19:46:35 <laural> Does Victor pee in one spot?

09/23/02 19:46:38 <Lisa_and_Gorb> night mary :)

09/23/02 19:46:41 <laural> too late

09/23/02 19:46:42 <kismet> She so soooooooooo cute!!!!

09/23/02 19:46:48 <deanie> omg, that kitten is cute

09/23/02 19:46:49 <* victorsmom> MOTIONS/scared.gif

09/23/02 19:46:56 <kismet> So fuzzy!

09/23/02 19:47:03 <laural> what are you talking about?

09/23/02 19:47:09 <laural> how do you see that?

09/23/02 19:47:13 <deanie> but she's not that tiny

09/23/02 19:47:20 <deanie> in mary's fdmb profile

09/23/02 19:47:32 <Alita> Oh, she is adorable.

09/23/02 19:47:32 <kismet> Maybe older - like 8-10 weeks

09/23/02 19:47:48 <kismet> Abby was that size around then

09/23/02 19:47:57 <Alita> She looks big enough to start some solid food with the formula.

09/23/02 19:48:09 <deanie> at least 5-6 weeks

09/23/02 19:48:11 <kismet> but the teeth not being completely through ...

09/23/02 19:48:34 <kismet> could that be from malnutrition?

09/23/02 19:48:40 <kismet> if she is older

09/23/02 19:48:46 <deanie> kittens have tiny teeth--they might just look that way because they're so small

09/23/02 19:48:46 <Lisa_and_Gorb> that's the kitten - she's huge

09/23/02 19:49:02 <Lisa_and_Gorb> our civi aly was palm size for well over a month

09/23/02 19:49:05 <Alita> LOL, Lisa.
 09/23/02 19:49:24 <deanie> boo was 1.25 lbs
 09/23/02 19:49:25 <kismet> Mary is a little lady though
 09/23/02 19:49:26 <Sally_and_Penny> the ears are too big to be only 4 or 5 weeks
 09/23/02 19:49:36 <kismet> petite
 09/23/02 19:49:42 <Alita> I think she's at least 6 weeks.
 09/23/02 19:49:48 <kismet> so can't compare with hand size
 09/23/02 19:49:49 <deanie> probably, i was under guess-timating
 09/23/02 19:49:50 <Sally_and_Penny> at least
 09/23/02 19:49:57 <laural> cute kitty, Maybe someone should tell Mary she's older
 and can eat food
 09/23/02 19:49:57 <Lisa_and_Gorb> its probably good that she's older - ups her chances of
 pulling through
 09/23/02 19:50:03 <laural> yep
 09/23/02 19:50:12 <Janet_and_Binky> I agree, that's not just a baby. Maybe it (she?) wants
 some meat.
 09/23/02 19:50:14 <Lisa_and_Gorb> aly didn't have fleas or anything but didn't have more
 than 48 hours according to vet
 09/23/02 19:50:19 <laural> I don't think I can rescue a cat
 09/23/02 19:50:25 <Sally_and_Penny> Buuffy didn't get ears that big until she was about 8
 weeks old
 09/23/02 19:50:26 <victorsmom> We use Scoop Away. I could get something else, but don't
 you still have to be Janie on the spot to get fresh pee?
 09/23/02 19:50:38 <Sally_and_Penny> should be Buffy
 09/23/02 19:50:50 <laural> You can set the liner up so pee catches in the plastic?
 09/23/02 19:51:00 <laural> not supposed to be a q
 09/23/02 19:51:01 <Alita> you can use aquarium gravel.
 09/23/02 19:51:22 <laural> you can stick a dixie cup (or butter dish lid) in the
 spot where he pees
 09/23/02 19:51:25 <deanie> lol, you should have seen my quick action with a garden
 shovel when boo peed in the yard
 09/23/02 19:51:28 <Alita> it's non absorbant.
 09/23/02 19:51:41 <laural> but you have to go buy it and wash it and dry it
 09/23/02 19:51:45 <Alita> LOL, Deanie.
 09/23/02 19:51:48 <deanie> but at least i didn't pull a Cheryl.....
 09/23/02 19:51:52 <laural> mary says use newspaper, I think
 09/23/02 19:51:55 <deanie> and catch it in my hands!
 09/23/02 19:52:01 <Janet_and_Binky> Okay, anyone want to guess who dbs is?
 09/23/02 19:52:32 <kismet> about the kitten and possible age
 09/23/02 19:52:38 <laural> aha
 09/23/02 19:52:43 <deanie> remember them, janet?
 09/23/02 19:52:55 <Janet_and_Binky> Aha! How could I forget the other Binky?
 09/23/02 19:53:00 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i'm talking to dbs - sorry for drifting
 09/23/02 19:53:05 <Janet_and_Binky> Donna and I have corresponded with each other
 occasionally.
 09/23/02 19:53:05 <deanie> or a cat named sununu?
 09/23/02 19:53:08 <laural> 's okay
 09/23/02 19:53:19 <laural> not 's okay
 09/23/02 19:53:19 <Lisa_and_Gorb> problems with br pzi and falling off the regulation wagon
 09/23/02 19:53:23 <Janet_and_Binky> Republican fat cat!
 09/23/02 19:53:27 <laural> lol
 09/23/02 19:53:32 <* laural> MOTIONS/mad.gif
 09/23/02 19:53:47 <Alita> What's up, Laura?
 09/23/02 19:53:50 <laural> the rams are blowing it btw
 09/23/02 19:53:55 <Alita> LOL
 09/23/02 19:53:59 <laural> making a face about Republican fat cat
 09/23/02 19:54:04 <laural> not the rams
 09/23/02 19:54:16 <* laural> (Plays Sound: crash.wav) though they are blowing it
 09/23/02 19:54:23 <deanie> so are the d'backs
 09/23/02 19:54:36 <laural> I used to follow the Suns
 09/23/02 19:54:43 <Lisa_and_Gorb> sports? is that what you're talking about? lol
 09/23/02 19:54:48 <deanie> the suns used to be worth following
 09/23/02 19:54:48 <Janet_and_Binky> Okay, this is my cue to leave and spend quality time with
 the cats and the other primate.
 09/23/02 19:54:51 <laural> but then they started changing players every week
 09/23/02 19:54:57 <Janet_and_Binky> Good night, all!

09/23/02 19:54:59 <laural> we'll stop
 09/23/02 19:55:02 <Lisa_and_Gorb> good night janet :)
 09/23/02 19:55:02 <kismet> lol janet
 09/23/02 19:55:02 <laural> bye janet
 09/23/02 19:55:02 <deanie> night, janet!
 09/23/02 19:55:05 <Sally_and_Penny> Bye
 09/23/02 19:55:10 <victorsmom> You guys are way too fast for me tonite. And it's nearly
 11pm here. I'm going to check on Vic and go to sleep.
 I'll keep him on 1 unit, but i am so nervous. And I'll ty
 the pee again tomorrow. Thank you all for your concern.
 This is such a great, great idea, Lisa. You've been a
 godsend to me.Nytol!
 09/23/02 19:55:11 <Alita> good night, Janet
 09/23/02 19:55:17 <Janet_and_Binky> No, no, I have to sign off anyway. Good opportunity.
 Enjoy the sports.
 09/23/02 19:55:25 <deanie> night!
 09/23/02 19:55:27 <Lisa_and_Gorb> night vm! glad you stopped in :)
 09/23/02 19:55:29 <laural> Keep breathing vm
 09/23/02 19:55:31 <Alita> VM- stay with one unit!
 09/23/02 19:55:32 <kismet> nite VM
 09/23/02 19:55:35 <Lisa_and_Gorb> ditto!
 09/23/02 19:55:38 <Alita> nite, vm
 09/23/02 19:55:56 <laural> She worries a lot
 09/23/02 19:56:04 <kismet> i remember those days
 09/23/02 19:56:05 <Alita> We all do, LOL
 09/23/02 19:56:11 <Eriness> It's easy to worry
 09/23/02 19:56:15 <laural> Should have heard our discussiion of ""paranoia""
 09/23/02 19:56:16 <Alita> yep
 09/23/02 19:56:20 <kismet> harder to relax
 09/23/02 19:56:23 <laural> Look at me this week
 09/23/02 19:56:23 <Lisa_and_Gorb> yeah - seems like just yesterday i was freaking out about
 something LOL
 09/23/02 19:56:40 <Lisa_and_Gorb> oh wait - i was :)
 09/23/02 19:56:44 <Alita> Has that changed Miss Gorbycam? LOL
 09/23/02 19:56:50 <Sally_and_Penny> LOL
 09/23/02 19:56:56 <* laural> (Plays Sound: swish.wav) swish
 09/23/02 19:57:00 <Lisa_and_Gorb> oh no - when we go out we've got to have net access so I
 can check upon him
 09/23/02 19:57:19 <laural> How do you get him to stay in front of the camera?
 09/23/02 19:57:29 <Eriness> Tuna juice
 09/23/02 19:57:35 <Alita> He sleeps all day.
 09/23/02 19:57:36 <laural> Everytime I try to look in, I'm at the wrong time
 09/23/02 19:57:39 <Lisa_and_Gorb> in case you haven't watched gorbycam he just kinda sits
 there and sleeps all day :)
 09/23/02 19:57:42 <laural> In the same spot?
 09/23/02 19:57:51 <Lisa_and_Gorb> yeah - moving is too much work
 09/23/02 19:57:52 <laural> How can you tell if that's okay?
 09/23/02 19:57:54 <Eriness> Oh, yeah, a Gorb at rest stays at rest
 09/23/02 19:58:02 <Lisa_and_Gorb> you've got it eriness :)
 09/23/02 19:58:03 <Alita> Can you tell, I'm a regular. LOL
 09/23/02 19:58:07 <kismet> too bad they can't develop something similar to that
 device older folks wear that they can use to call for
 help. Remember the commercial ""I've fallen and I can't
 get up""?
 09/23/02 19:58:17 <laural> who could forget it
 09/23/02 19:58:18 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i used to call him and yell through the answering machine
 09/23/02 19:58:27 <laural> oh right you said that last chat
 09/23/02 19:58:29 <Eriness> Did he answer back?
 09/23/02 19:58:30 <deanie> now that's bad
 09/23/02 19:58:31 <Alita> That kills me, Lisa
 09/23/02 19:58:33 <laural> poor Gorb
 09/23/02 19:58:38 <Lisa_and_Gorb> he rolls over a lot and he's a twitcher when dreaming so
 i know he's okay
 09/23/02 19:58:38 <laural> Well, I just come home
 09/23/02 19:58:50 <laural> Clark's a twitcher when hypoing
 09/23/02 19:58:53 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i'm truly pathetic - i know :)
 09/23/02 19:58:56 <Alita> I used to do the same thing (but with out the gorbycam).

09/23/02 19:58:59 <laural> just to give you something else to worry about
09/23/02 19:58:59 <deanie> i skipped my morning break at work one day to come home and check on boo
09/23/02 19:59:07 <Lisa_and_Gorb> gorb's asymptomatic during hypo
09/23/02 19:59:13 <deanie> and ate a palin bagel in the car on the way back
09/23/02 19:59:17 <Alita> So's Rikki
09/23/02 19:59:23 <Eriness> I wish I had a spy camera to see what my kitties do when the answering machine goes off
09/23/02 19:59:23 <deanie> that would be a plain bagel!
09/23/02 19:59:27 <Lisa_and_Gorb> but he's a very vivid dreamer...you can see him getting the bird, eating the bird, its funny
09/23/02 19:59:35 <laural> Clark is too, except for a vague twitching around eyes and whiskers
09/23/02 19:59:39 <Sally_and_Penny> Penny yowls, throws up, then poos on the floor when she hypos
09/23/02 19:59:45 <Alita> So, who do you think dbs was?
09/23/02 19:59:55 <deanie> we know who it was
09/23/02 19:59:55 <laural> So, excuse me for being nosy Lisa, but what are you checking for then
09/23/02 20:00:03 <laural> where you been?
09/23/02 20:00:04 <Lisa_and_Gorb> it was donna of binking and sununu
09/23/02 20:00:10 <laural> binky
09/23/02 20:00:19 <Lisa_and_Gorb> she has a dialup connection and i think got bumped
09/23/02 20:00:38 <Lisa_and_Gorb> laura which checking do you mean? when gorb hypos?
09/23/02 20:00:40 <Alita> Oh. I don't remember them.
09/23/02 20:00:45 <laural> yep
09/23/02 20:00:55 <laural> once when Clark hypoed he fell over and pooped
09/23/02 20:00:59 <Lisa_and_Gorb> we didn't check - just caught both times by accident
09/23/02 20:01:10 <laural> I was already taking him to the vet
09/23/02 20:01:12 <kismet> poor clark!
09/23/02 20:01:15 <Lisa_and_Gorb> no hypo's since home testing - gorb's the king of rebound
09/23/02 20:01:25 <kismet> i bet you were freakin laura
09/23/02 20:01:27 <laural> No, Lisa, I mean what are you looking for on the webcam
09/23/02 20:01:30 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i dose a smidge too high and i'll get that high preshot the next day
09/23/02 20:01:32 <Alita> Nope, Rikki was the hypo king.
09/23/02 20:01:47 <laural> yea, sort of, but the vet's 15 min away
09/23/02 20:01:52 <laural> or a little less
09/23/02 20:01:53 <Lisa_and_Gorb> we weren't hometesting when we first set up the cam - i was just worried i'd leave him alone and come home to a dead cat
09/23/02 20:01:59 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i used to poke him when he'd fall asleep
09/23/02 20:02:02 <deanie> boo has dropped as low as 40 but never had any symptoms other than sleeping
09/23/02 20:02:02 <laural> I know that feeling
09/23/02 20:02:04 <Alita> He would hypo daily on 6 units N before I learned to hometest.
09/23/02 20:02:08 <Lisa_and_Gorb> so the cam was just to make sure he was breathing :)
09/23/02 20:02:14 <laural> 40 ain't as low as L0
09/23/02 20:02:26 <Eriness> Sammy doesn't get symptoms at 40 either
09/23/02 20:02:28 <laural> and now it's just because of his public
09/23/02 20:02:35 <deanie> no, 40 isn't bad--i jst slipped him some food and he was fine
09/23/02 20:02:36 <Lisa_and_Gorb> Gorb spent over an hour at L0 on the elite xl at least that we know of
09/23/02 20:02:58 <laural> No hypos since home-testing, knock wood
09/23/02 20:03:00 <Lisa_and_Gorb> took 3+ hrs to get him over 100 that first time
09/23/02 20:03:11 <kismet> well ... I better go been fun guys!
09/23/02 20:03:14 <Alita> When I learned to hometest, I learned his bg's were dropping between 20 and 40 daily. I think the wd dry I free fed him was the only thing that kept him alive.
09/23/02 20:03:17 <Lisa_and_Gorb> night ellen :)
09/23/02 20:03:19 <Sally_and_Penny> Bye
09/23/02 20:03:22 <deanie> geez, lisa, i would have been at the vet after 1 hour!
09/23/02 20:03:26 <Alita> good night, Ellen.
09/23/02 20:03:26 <deanie> night ellen
09/23/02 20:03:26 <Lisa_and_Gorb> thanks for stopping in
09/23/02 20:03:39 <* laural> M0TI0NS/cheesy.gif I think dry food saved Clark, too.

09/23/02 20:03:42 <Lisa_and_Gorb> nope - i was brave and we did it - didn't want to waste time either

09/23/02 20:03:47 <Lisa_and_Gorb> needed to act right then

09/23/02 20:03:55 <Sally_and_Penny> Penny always hypoed when the Vet was closed, always good timing

09/23/02 20:04:02 <Eriness> When I learned to home test I think Sammy must've been in 40's every day for a while and in constant rebound

09/23/02 20:04:02 <deanie> i would have squirted him full of karo and taken off

09/23/02 20:04:03 <laural> We probably shouldn't encourage diet change with people who are using N or high doses

09/23/02 20:04:15 <deanie> proabaly not

09/23/02 20:04:19 <* laural> MOTIONS/thumbup.gif

09/23/02 20:04:29 <Lisa_and_Gorb> we did food - wasn't doing enough - so karo'd and food

09/23/02 20:04:39 <Eriness> That's what my vet did -- changed diet on N & never suggested lowering dose

09/23/02 20:04:39 <Alita> Not right away, anyway. Change insulin and then diet.

09/23/02 20:04:47 <Lisa_and_Gorb> again, no symptoms so we knew he was still doing okay for the most part

09/23/02 20:04:50 <* laural> MOTIONS/winky.gif I used to use karo before hometesting

09/23/02 20:05:03 <Lisa_and_Gorb> we only used it that first time, 2nd time dry food did the trick

09/23/02 20:05:15 <Sally_and_Penny> Penny hypoed so bad once she was out, barely even breathing

09/23/02 20:05:21 <laural> my vet ordered dm for me at my request, but didn't know it would mean I'd need to lower dose.

09/23/02 20:05:26 <Sally_and_Penny> almost died

09/23/02 20:05:33 <Alita> That is scary.

09/23/02 20:05:36 <Eriness> The vets don't seem to tell us much, do they?

09/23/02 20:05:38 <Lisa_and_Gorb> that had to be scary Sally!

09/23/02 20:05:40 <laural> I can't believe Penny had so many hypos, you must have been a nervous wreck

09/23/02 20:05:43 <Sally_and_Penny> no Vet then either, all closed

09/23/02 20:05:52 <laural> what'd you do?

09/23/02 20:05:52 <Sally_and_Penny> I was!!

09/23/02 20:06:04 <* laural> MOTIONS/surprise.gif

09/23/02 20:06:06 <Sally_and_Penny> put sugar on her gums

09/23/02 20:06:34 <* laural> MOTIONS/star.gif this one's nice:

09/23/02 20:06:41 <laural> why can't that be my avatar

09/23/02 20:06:46 <Sally_and_Penny> when she could swallow again I switched to sugar water

09/23/02 20:06:50 <laural> doh

09/23/02 20:06:51 <Eriness> What's with this avatar thing?

09/23/02 20:06:59 <deanie> use the heart....i mean, koala!

09/23/02 20:07:05 <laural> the homer simpson or devil or whatever

09/23/02 20:07:19 <laural> you get it in your options/profile

09/23/02 20:07:36 <Eriness> To me an Avatar is a character in a game.

09/23/02 20:07:38 <laural> I can't see what some of them are and am afraid to use them

09/23/02 20:07:45 <Alita> Talk to the management, Laura.

09/23/02 20:07:47 <deanie> lol, be brave!

09/23/02 20:07:48 <laural> right, they're our characters

09/23/02 20:07:59 <laural> sure, and end up with the buns

09/23/02 20:08:39 <Lisa_and_Gorb> its a koala - honest to goddess :)

09/23/02 20:09:10 <deanie> what's this one?

09/23/02 20:09:16 <laural> This ain't no koala

09/23/02 20:09:31 <laural> lol deanie, apple with a bite out

09/23/02 20:09:37 <Sally_and_Penny> LOL

09/23/02 20:09:40 <Alita> It's a Koala.

09/23/02 20:09:47 <deanie> not funny!

09/23/02 20:09:50 <laural> I see the Koala

09/23/02 20:09:52 <Lisa_and_Gorb> thank you Alita :)

09/23/02 20:10:09 <* laural> (Plays Sound: evillaugh.wav) evillaugh

09/23/02 20:10:18 <deanie> i still don't

09/23/02 20:10:22 <Alita> Deanie, LOL

09/23/02 20:10:29 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i think that's the most popular sound in the room :)

09/23/02 20:10:32 <Eriness> Love the laugh

09/23/02 20:10:32 <laural> deanie, do you wear glasses for work?

09/23/02 20:10:48 <deanie> nope

09/23/02 20:10:50 <Alita> What is this?
 09/23/02 20:10:52 <laural> could you find my roll over vein?
 09/23/02 20:10:55 <Lisa_and_Gorb> are you implying she should?
 09/23/02 20:11:00 <deanie> of course i could!
 09/23/02 20:11:04 <Lisa_and_Gorb> that's chef from south park
 09/23/02 20:11:12 <Sally_and_Penny> I better go, got to do some work :(
 09/23/02 20:11:15 <laural> you'd be almost the first?
 09/23/02 20:11:19 <deanie> byw sally
 09/23/02 20:11:20 <laural> Bye Sally
 09/23/02 20:11:24 <Alita> bye, Sally
 09/23/02 20:11:26 <Sally_and_Penny> bye everyone
 09/23/02 20:11:30 <Lisa_and_Gorb> sally so glad you could come by :)
 09/23/02 20:11:33 <Lisa_and_Gorb> have a good night!
 09/23/02 20:11:39 <deanie> laura, i can get blood from a rock
 09/23/02 20:11:43 <Alita> and this?
 09/23/02 20:11:50 <Lisa_and_Gorb> that's chef alita
 09/23/02 20:11:54 <laural> gmta
 09/23/02 20:11:54 <deanie> god knows i drew nearly dead people in the ER
 09/23/02 20:12:01 <Eriness> That's great if you need to get blood from a rock
 09/23/02 20:12:03 <Alita> This is a new one.
 09/23/02 20:12:07 <Lisa_and_Gorb> probably couldn't get my blood -
 09/23/02 20:12:16 <Lisa_and_Gorb> its still chef I'm afraid :)
 09/23/02 20:12:24 <deanie> yes, i could--trust me!
 09/23/02 20:12:31 <Alita> You have good eyesight, Lisa.
 09/23/02 20:12:39 <laural> every one says, ""I can see it. No problem"" and then no blood
 09/23/02 20:12:40 <Lisa_and_Gorb> usually takes several pokes to find it - and i'm super pale so you can see the blood running through me - don't know what this issue is
 09/23/02 20:12:50 <laural> It doesn't look the same to me--this chef
 09/23/02 20:13:02 <Lisa_and_Gorb> they also can't find my blood pressure most of the time - i get the ""you sure you're alive"" joke a lot
 09/23/02 20:13:04 <laural> I usually have to have blood taken out of my hand
 09/23/02 20:13:07 <deanie> i remember one patient we had who was curled up in a fetal position
 09/23/02 20:13:11 <Lisa_and_Gorb> if i'm dead to i have to pay the copay?
 09/23/02 20:13:18 <laural> of course
 09/23/02 20:13:29 <deanie> i was the only one who could get his blood and it was from this tiny vein over a knuckle
 09/23/02 20:13:29 <Alita> Ah, come to Florida, Lisa, and we'll make you not so pale.
 09/23/02 20:13:32 <Lisa_and_Gorb> wait alita - now i see a diff pic
 09/23/02 20:13:49 <* Alita> (Plays Sound: evillaugh.wav) evillaugh
 09/23/02 20:13:56 <Lisa_and_Gorb> oh i don't tan - i come from a mediterranean family - bunch of blond greeks
 09/23/02 20:13:59 <deanie> LOL, i can do arterial sticks too, you know!
 09/23/02 20:13:59 <laural> but you can't see the koala?
 09/23/02 20:14:13 <* laural> (Plays Sound: evillaugh.wav) evillaugh
 09/23/02 20:14:19 <Alita> LOL
 09/23/02 20:14:20 <Eriness> I like the banana
 09/23/02 20:14:22 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i've got irish coloring - don't ask too many ?s'
 09/23/02 20:14:31 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i can't tell what yours is frankly alita :)
 09/23/02 20:14:35 <Eriness> Gotta a temper to go with it?
 09/23/02 20:14:38 <laural> it doesn't feel like me. You should go get the banana
 Eriness
 09/23/02 20:14:45 <Alita> I can't tell, either.
 09/23/02 20:14:51 <Lisa_and_Gorb> oh the bad temper is all greek :)
 09/23/02 20:14:55 <Eriness> I'm trying to register and pay attention at the same time
 09/23/02 20:14:55 <laural> x files or some movie thing?
 09/23/02 20:15:03 <deanie> LOL, yes she does and I know someone who will agree!
 09/23/02 20:15:14 <laural> lol
 09/23/02 20:15:32 <Alita> Now, now.
 09/23/02 20:15:39 <Lisa_and_Gorb> r u saying i've got anger management issues?
 09/23/02 20:15:45 <Alita> LOL
 09/23/02 20:15:45 <laural> You better edit this Lisa
 09/23/02 20:15:51 <Alita> LOL

09/23/02 20:15:53 <Lisa_and_Gorb> oh yeah i will ernie
 09/23/02 20:16:00 <laural> ain't I cute
 09/23/02 20:16:11 <laural> there's not much here anyway
 09/23/02 20:16:11 <* Alita> (Plays Sound: laugh.wav) laugh
 09/23/02 20:16:26 <* laural> M0TI0NS/undecided.gif
 09/23/02 20:16:26 <deanie> L0L< we demand better avavtars
 09/23/02 20:16:41 <Lisa_and_Gorb> hey you know what - its free - work with what you've got
 L0L
 09/23/02 20:16:44 <Eriness> I have Irish in me and I always say it's just enough to
 give me a temper
 09/23/02 20:16:44 <deanie> i, for one, would like to have a koala available
 09/23/02 20:16:46 <Alita> Here ya' go, my tag team partner.
 09/23/02 20:16:53 <laural> BETTER AVATARS BETTER AVATARS BETTER AVATARS BETTER
 AVATARS
 09/23/02 20:17:05 <Lisa_and_Gorb> don't make me boot you laura - you've heard about my
 temper ;)
 09/23/02 20:17:16 <Eriness> What temper?
 09/23/02 20:17:23 <* laural> (Plays Sound: evillaugh.wav) you asked for it
 09/23/02 20:17:24 <Alita> Deanie, IT'S A KOALA!
 09/23/02 20:17:26 <deanie> boo is here to say hello!
 09/23/02 20:17:28 <Lisa_and_Gorb> nice way to get on my good side :)
 09/23/02 20:17:30 <laural> Eriness got a coffee cup
 09/23/02 20:17:40 <laural> I have a coffee cup too
 09/23/02 20:17:42 <Eriness> Yep, that's me
 09/23/02 20:17:49 <laural> I mean a koala--doh
 09/23/02 20:17:51 <Lisa_and_Gorb> did boo kick neighbor cat butt tonight?
 09/23/02 20:17:55 <Alita> no, you are ernie.
 09/23/02 20:18:01 <deanie> no but he wanted ot
 09/23/02 20:18:10 <laural> no it's a koala (tell Deanie it is anyway).
 09/23/02 20:18:11 <deanie> mean mom won't let him fight
 09/23/02 20:18:17 <laural> good mom
 09/23/02 20:18:27 <Eriness> 'scuse a sec -- gotta a sugarcat to feed
 09/23/02 20:18:27 <Alita> good mom
 09/23/02 20:18:30 <deanie> i hosed the neighbor cat off the roof yesterday
 09/23/02 20:18:37 <Lisa_and_Gorb> tell him to just beat up his flatmates - that's what we
 teach the kids to do
 09/23/02 20:18:39 <laural> mean mom
 09/23/02 20:18:50 <laural> yep, Clark
 09/23/02 20:19:01 <laural> 's allowed to kick froochy butt any day
 09/23/02 20:19:12 <deanie> boo beats jd
 09/23/02 20:19:21 <Lisa_and_Gorb> gorb and elvis fight all the time - they're brothers
 09/23/02 20:19:26 <deanie> but he's not allowed ot be mean to the girls
 09/23/02 20:19:31 <laural> Wonder where Jim is? Were the other chats on Mondays?
 09/23/02 20:19:33 <deanie> they're smaller than him
 09/23/02 20:19:39 <Lisa_and_Gorb> but gorb gets the biggest kicking out of stalking the
 maine coone - boy he loves that :)
 09/23/02 20:19:52 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i think this is the week Jim is travelling
 09/23/02 20:20:07 <laural> Clark used to beat up Marilyn (GA) everynight when I had
 a roommate.
 09/23/02 20:20:19 <laural> he waited till Marilyn's ""mom"" was in the shower
 09/23/02 20:20:30 <laural> I don't like saying the cat's my child
 09/23/02 20:20:31 <Alita> Smart Clark.
 09/23/02 20:20:32 <Lisa_and_Gorb> oh poor thing
 09/23/02 20:20:40 <laural> and I don't like saying I'm his owner
 09/23/02 20:20:51 <laural> Marilyn was mean
 09/23/02 20:21:01 <Lisa_and_Gorb> oh that's different then
 09/23/02 20:21:05 <laural> she never let me pet her in 10 years
 09/23/02 20:21:08 <Alita> You're his mom and he is your child.
 09/23/02 20:21:13 <laural> no
 09/23/02 20:21:18 <laural> he's my companion
 09/23/02 20:21:26 <Alita> there you go!
 09/23/02 20:21:29 <laural> bosom companion
 09/23/02 20:21:38 <Lisa_and_Gorb> you're hetero life partner?
 09/23/02 20:21:44 <deanie> i call boo my best buddy
 09/23/02 20:21:54 <Lisa_and_Gorb> gorb's my baby - just what he is and how he acts :)

09/23/02 20:22:07 <laural> Clark doesn't act like a baby
 09/23/02 20:22:14 <Lisa_and_Gorb> gorb does :)
 09/23/02 20:22:20 <laural> Clark
 09/23/02 20:22:23 <Alita> Tiger does.
 09/23/02 20:22:25 <Lisa_and_Gorb> needs to be attached to me 24/7
 09/23/02 20:22:27 <laural> s more independent.
 09/23/02 20:22:46 <Lisa_and_Gorb> you probably get to go into the bathroom by yourself
 don't you? LOL
 09/23/02 20:22:53 <* laural> MOTIONS/embarassed.gif everytime I go for the apostrophe,
 I hit return
 09/23/02 20:23:02 <Lisa_and_Gorb> welcome back mary :)
 09/23/02 20:23:04 <deanie> i haven't had a bathroom to myself for the past 11 years
 09/23/02 20:23:08 <laural> no way. Clark or Frooch on my lap
 09/23/02 20:23:25 <marymiracle> well she ate a little like she was never going to see
 food again!
 09/23/02 20:23:30 <laural> Did you try real food Mary?
 09/23/02 20:23:34 <marymiracle> yes
 09/23/02 20:23:37 <laural> good
 09/23/02 20:23:37 <Alita> Not here, Tiger has free roam of all rooms and often
 comes in and jumps in my pants while I'm going to the
 bathroom.
 09/23/02 20:23:52 <marymiracle> and the eggs and milk and brewers yeast
 09/23/02 20:23:59 <deanie> LOL, lisa, edit this too, ok?
 09/23/02 20:24:01 <laural> I meant no way did I get to go alone
 09/23/02 20:24:08 <Lisa_and_Gorb> yikes - our gang needs to be in the bathroom but they use
 the time to clean and the like
 09/23/02 20:24:12 <* laural> MOTIONS/embarassed.gif yes please
 09/23/02 20:24:13 <Alita> What's funny is when someone else uses my bathroom and he
 jumps in their pants!
 09/23/02 20:24:20 <laural> oh no
 09/23/02 20:24:35 <marymiracle> if we are discussing the bathroom, I have noth had one to
 myself unless it was a public restroom
 09/23/02 20:24:40 <marymiracle> lol
 09/23/02 20:24:43 <laural> that's what we were saying
 09/23/02 20:24:50 <deanie> mary, that kitten is cute
 09/23/02 20:24:54 <laural> very cute
 09/23/02 20:24:55 <Lisa_and_Gorb> ladies - gorb and i need to sign off now
 09/23/02 20:24:56 <marymiracle> I like when they open the door with a guest!
 09/23/02 20:25:02 <laural> see ya Lisa
 09/23/02 20:25:11 <Lisa_and_Gorb> but you're welcome to chat as long as you like :)
 09/23/02 20:25:15 <marymiracle> she is so small and her eyes take up her entire face
 09/23/02 20:25:18 <marymiracle> she is a doll
 09/23/02 20:25:20 <Lisa_and_Gorb> i'll edit - just don't talk trash about me of course :)
 09/23/02 20:25:25 <marymiracle> lol
 09/23/02 20:25:31 <laural> you can read it if we do
 09/23/02 20:25:36 <Lisa_and_Gorb> have a good night everyone - thanks for coming to chat :)
 09/23/02 20:25:38 <Alita> Good night, Lisa.
 09/23/02 20:25:42 <laural> that L***
 09/23/02 20:25:48 <marymiracle> have a good night and thanks again lisa
 09/23/02 20:25:55 <Lisa_and_Gorb> very funny LOL
 09/23/02 20:26:04 <marymiracle> o an lisa, the toys were a ig hit
 09/23/02 20:26:08 <* laural> MOTIONS/tongue.gif
 09/23/02 20:26:09 <Lisa_and_Gorb> see you all tomorrow - sweet dreams :)
 09/23/02 20:26:14 <Lisa_and_Gorb> oh i'm glad mary :)
 09/23/02 20:26:14 <deanie> night lisa
 09/23/02 20:26:15 <marymiracle> ditto
 09/23/02 20:26:18 <Lisa_and_Gorb> nighth all!
 09/23/02 20:26:57 <laural> an uncomfortable silence
 09/23/02 20:27:06 <Alita> LOL
 09/23/02 20:27:16 <* laural> (Plays Sound: whistle.wav) whistle
 09/23/02 20:27:31 <Alita> Come on, we can't all be falling asleep!
 09/23/02 20:27:33 <* laural> (Plays Sound: train.wav) train
 09/23/02 20:27:35 <deanie> well, i have to get up at 4 am tomorrow
 09/23/02 20:27:42 <laural> poor deanie
 09/23/02 20:27:47 <Eriness> We can trash Lisa now.
 09/23/02 20:27:49 <Alita> That's just in a few hours.

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09/23/02 20:27:55 <laural> I have to prep for my classes still
 09/23/02 20:28:00 <deanie> so it's pretty close to my bedtime too
 09/23/02 20:28:04 <marymiracle> well, wonder what that was about
 09/23/02 20:28:06 <laural> Erimess, you mean L***
 09/23/02 20:28:11 <deanie> no, 4 am AZ time!
 09/23/02 20:28:15 <Erimes> Oh, sorry
 09/23/02 20:28:21 <marymiracle> me too, just wanted you to know she ate and to thank you
 all
 09/23/02 20:28:35 <deanie> it's 7 1/2 hours away for me
 09/23/02 20:28:37 <laural> Lisa said not to trash her after she signed off
 09/23/02 20:28:38 <Alita> Good, Mary. I'm glad.
 09/23/02 20:28:42 <laural> go to bed deanie
 09/23/02 20:28:43 <marymiracle> me too
 09/23/02 20:28:49 <marymiracle> she is a little more active
 09/23/02 20:28:51 <laural> night Mary
 09/23/02 20:28:53 <Alita> She looks about 6 weeks old and she should be fine.
 09/23/02 20:28:55 <marymiracle> night all
 09/23/02 20:28:57 <marymiracle> hugs
 09/23/02 20:29:03 <Alita> night, Mary.
 09/23/02 20:29:10 <Alita> Are you going to keep her?
 09/23/02 20:29:18 <laural> she left
 09/23/02 20:29:18 <Alita> I missed her.
 09/23/02 20:29:23 <laural> but what do you think?
 09/23/02 20:29:25 <deanie> night all
 09/23/02 20:29:25 <Alita> Oh, well.
 09/23/02 20:29:31 <laural> Night Deanie
 09/23/02 20:29:37 <Alita> night, Deanie.
 09/23/02 20:29:53 <Alita> I think Deanie is going to keep Sweetie.
 09/23/02 20:30:04 <Erimes> Who's Sweetie?
 09/23/02 20:30:19 <Alita> and I think Mary will keep the kitty.
 09/23/02 20:30:33 <Erimes> I found a little kitten at work last night
 09/23/02 20:30:34 <Alita> Sweetie is a cat she has been fostering.
 09/23/02 20:30:49 <laural> Sweetie is the Mama of the kitties Deanie fostered
 09/23/02 20:30:49 <Alita> Did you keep it.
 09/23/02 20:31:01 <deanie> alita, i saw that just as I was leaving!
 09/23/02 20:31:01 <Alita> Hi Deanie.
 09/23/02 20:31:05 <Erimes> She was trying to get into a ""doggie bag"" with left
 over fish in it
 09/23/02 20:31:18 <Erimes> I can't keep another stray kitty
 09/23/02 20:31:18 <laural> Anyone hear from Jackie and Doe today--I just didn't get
 a chance to check the board
 09/23/02 20:31:19 <deanie> no talking about me after I'm gone, LOL!
 09/23/02 20:31:20 <Alita> I just said you are most likely going to keep Sweetie.
 09/23/02 20:31:40 <laural> You know it's true--even though you'll be otll
 09/23/02 20:31:41 <deanie> maybe, maybe not--i say ok but there are 5 other votes to
 be cast
 09/23/02 20:31:44 <Alita> I hope...
 09/23/02 20:31:55 <Alita> I hear ya'
 09/23/02 20:31:56 <laural> Do you still have her last kitty
 09/23/02 20:32:00 <deanie> raven won't like it but i knew that
 09/23/02 20:32:09 <deanie> no her kittens are gone
 09/23/02 20:32:21 <deanie> still 2 kittens fromt he 2nd litter though
 09/23/02 20:32:29 <laural> Does she like them?
 09/23/02 20:32:42 <deanie> sweetie? she loves the babies
 09/23/02 20:32:51 <laural> Maybe someone would take her and a baby
 09/23/02 20:32:56 <deanie> i doubt it
 09/23/02 20:33:00 <laural> Too bad
 09/23/02 20:33:05 <deanie> but we'll keep trying
 09/23/02 20:33:10 <deanie> night again!
 09/23/02 20:33:11 <Alita> They are her babies, right? Or is she just fostering
 them?
 09/23/02 20:33:25 <laural> Bye Deanie
 09/23/02 20:33:28 <Alita> Night, Deanie....Shutting up now....
 09/23/02 20:33:32 <deanie> no, her litter was rocky, gracie, emma and teddi--they're
 all placed

09/23/02 20:33:33 <laural> The second litter she fostered
 09/23/02 20:33:52 <laural> That's why she's a Sweetie
 09/23/02 20:33:57 <Alita> yep.
 09/23/02 20:34:08 <Alita> So where are you all located?
 09/23/02 20:34:08 <Eriness> They're all sweeties
 09/23/02 20:34:15 <Eriness> Dayton, Ohio
 09/23/02 20:34:22 <laural> Pittsburg
 09/23/02 20:34:27 <Alita> I'm in Ft Lauderdale.
 09/23/02 20:34:30 <laural> Kansas
 09/23/02 20:34:45 <Eriness> Well, the one in PA has an ""h"" on the end
 09/23/02 20:34:50 <laural> Did Jackie and Doe post today? Anyone know?
 09/23/02 20:34:58 <Alita> That's funny, when you said Pittsburg, I was thinking PA.
 09/23/02 20:35:00 <laural> She's in Kansas now
 09/23/02 20:35:04 <laural> Of course
 09/23/02 20:35:13 <laural> I wanted to trick you for a second
 09/23/02 20:35:22 <* laural> (Plays Sound: evillaugh.wav) evillaugh
 09/23/02 20:35:23 <Alita> I think so. Hold on, I'll check.
 09/23/02 20:35:30 <Alita> LOL
 09/23/02 20:35:36 <laural> I'll check too. BRB
 09/23/02 20:35:51 <Eriness> That's the second time you've posted the city & state
 separate like that
 09/23/02 20:36:27 <Eriness> OK, while you two are both checking and leaving me by
 myself I think I'll start on my autobiography.
 09/23/02 20:36:36 <laural> I'm back
 09/23/02 20:36:47 <Eriness> I was born about 5 blocks from here...
 09/23/02 20:36:53 <laural> She didn't post. That might be bad news. I think her cat
 has dka
 09/23/02 20:37:04 <laural> in Dayton, OH
 09/23/02 20:37:10 <laural> where there's a law school
 09/23/02 20:37:16 <Eriness> Yes, in Dayton, OH
 09/23/02 20:37:23 <Eriness> Law school? Probably at UD
 09/23/02 20:37:31 <laural> Not far from Springfield, OH
 09/23/02 20:37:41 <Alita> LOL, Eriness.
 09/23/02 20:37:41 <Eriness> The law school, or me?
 09/23/02 20:37:52 <Alita> I didn't see an update.
 09/23/02 20:37:57 <laural> where I stayed in one of the most horrible hotels ever
 (oh, but this was your autobiography)
 09/23/02 20:38:00 <Alita> hello, Emily
 09/23/02 20:38:02 <laural> Hi Emily
 09/23/02 20:38:08 <laural> Alita, I checked too.
 09/23/02 20:38:09 <emily_and_obie> hi
 09/23/02 20:38:15 <Eriness> Anything near Springfield is humble.
 09/23/02 20:38:20 <Eriness> Hi Emily
 09/23/02 20:38:23 <laural> She was supposed to see the specialist today
 09/23/02 20:38:35 <laural> Humble is hyperbole
 09/23/02 20:39:03 <* Eriness> MOTIONS/sillysmile.gif That was my polite opinion
 09/23/02 20:39:12 <laural> We were driving to Maine from MO. I wanted to stop in
 Dayton--my cousin was in law school there
 09/23/02 20:39:14 <Alita> dka is bad news...
 09/23/02 20:39:31 <laural> but my s.o. hadn't met any of the family and was too
 nervous.
 09/23/02 20:39:40 <Eriness> Still think it was probably U of D
 09/23/02 20:40:04 <laural> Especially since Jackie's vet sent her away saying see
 the specialist on Monday!
 09/23/02 20:40:11 <Eriness> Bad news how?
 09/23/02 20:40:20 <laural> At least she got her to the hospital Sat night.
 09/23/02 20:40:29 <laural> You don't want to know
 09/23/02 20:40:40 <laural> But it's why we check for ketones a lot
 09/23/02 20:40:54 <Eriness> Yeah, actually I do
 09/23/02 20:41:04 <Alita> My Kevi died of DKA and Rikki had a stroke as a
 complication of DKA.
 09/23/02 20:41:16 <laural> \$1500 or more plus what Alita said
 09/23/02 20:41:19 <Alita> It killed both my diabetic babies.
 09/23/02 20:41:27 <laural> though Clark survived
 09/23/02 20:41:27 <laural> and so did Boo
 09/23/02 20:41:27 <Eriness> I keep seeing those letters crop up and wonder what it is

09/23/02 20:41:29 <laural> & how to look for it
 09/23/02 20:41:40 <laural> and Miracle
 09/23/02 20:41:44 <laural> diabetic ketoacidosis
 09/23/02 20:41:52 <laural> check for ketones
 09/23/02 20:41:54 <Eriness> and worry if they stop eating
 09/23/02 20:42:01 <Alita> If it only requires ketone tests I -- oh, I see I'm right
 09/23/02 20:42:03 <Eriness> I'm still paying off vet bill. It was horrendous.
 09/23/02 20:42:10 <laural> I do that as often as I can
 09/23/02 20:42:14 <Eriness> Sorry about that Alita
 09/23/02 20:42:24 <laural> I'd have a tough time affording that
 09/23/02 20:42:35 <laural> Well, I wasn't hometesting at the time
 09/23/02 20:42:47 <Alita> He'd had #s too high for too long
 09/23/02 20:42:52 <Eriness> Many cats have survived it as well, but it can be nasty.
 09/23/02 20:43:04 <Alita> The vet today seemed impressed that I check for ketones
 09/23/02 20:43:21 <laural> I hope Doe is being treated.
 09/23/02 20:43:29 <Alita> But when he had ketones last month (cause of the place I
 09/23/02 20:43:37 <Eriness> boarded him), I caught it pretty quick and treated it at
 09/23/02 20:43:44 <laural> home with fluids and they didn't progress
 09/23/02 20:43:46 <Eriness> Here's another on topic question....
 09/23/02 20:43:50 <laural> OK, shoot
 09/23/02 20:44:17 <Alita> Doe was on R and an iv drip on Sat. night. Jackie
 09/23/02 20:44:25 <Eriness> actually never mentioned ketones
 09/23/02 20:44:26 <laural> (since I missed the entire beginning of this anyway)
 09/23/02 20:44:33 <emily_and_obie> we were supposing that
 09/23/02 20:44:36 <Alita> How many people on the board were told to check for
 09/23/02 20:44:39 <Alita> ketones when their kitties were diagnosed?
 09/23/02 20:44:47 <Alita> must be a long q
 09/23/02 20:44:52 <Eriness> Not me
 09/23/02 20:45:02 <laural> none I'll bet
 09/23/02 20:45:04 <emily_and_obie> told by the vet? not me.
 09/23/02 20:45:06 <Alita> No, I'm just tired and making a ton of typos.
 09/23/02 20:45:12 <Eriness> LOL
 09/23/02 20:45:16 <laural> Not me.
 09/23/02 20:45:28 <Eriness> I wasn't even told to feed him any way special
 09/23/02 20:45:37 <Alita> My vet told me one day that he'd just treated a cat for
 09/23/02 20:45:41 <laural> ketones and it was okay now. I said did you tell the
 09/23/02 20:45:50 <Eriness> owner to check for ketones?
 09/23/02 20:45:56 <Alita> the vets seem pretty useless to me.
 09/23/02 20:46:01 <laural> Yet, it is very important and fairly easy to do.
 09/23/02 20:46:09 <Eriness> I was also started on N once a day
 09/23/02 20:46:16 <laural> He said, No, she's still freaked out about the shots.
 09/23/02 20:46:24 <Eriness> But ketones are much easier than shots!!!!
 09/23/02 20:46:25 <emily_and_obie> yep.
 09/23/02 20:46:33 <laural> And I thought, and you don't think that ketones are
 09/23/02 20:46:40 <laural> freaking her out--or the emergency--or your bill!
 09/23/02 20:46:47 <Alita> Good point
 09/23/02 20:46:59 <emily_and_obie> yep
 09/23/02 20:47:06 <Eriness> but I didn't say that
 09/23/02 20:47:19 <Eriness> Maybe you should've
 09/23/02 20:47:25 <emily_and_obie> I was really afraid Obie wouldn't let me do urine
 09/23/02 20:47:33 <Alita> tests... but I put a spatula under his butt and he
 09/23/02 20:47:36 <Alita> doesn't seem to mind at all
 09/23/02 20:47:40 <laural> A spatula?
 09/23/02 20:47:47 <Alita> spoon, i mean
 09/23/02 20:47:59 <emily_and_obie> Today, my vet told his tech that I do ""just about
 09/23/02 20:48:06 <Eriness> everything that his job entails""
 09/23/02 20:48:14 <Eriness> spatula was cracking me up
 09/23/02 20:48:21 <laural> who would? We take what our vets tell us at face value. I
 09/23/02 20:48:28 <Alita> did. I had been using him for over 10 years. I trusted
 09/23/02 20:48:35 <Alita> him.
 09/23/02 20:48:42 <Alita> Just another tip from the great people at the web!
 09/23/02 20:48:49 <Alita> I use the dixie cups. I was using the same jar and
 09/23/02 20:48:56 <Alita> washing it all the time until the dixie cups were
 09/23/02 20:49:03 <Alita> suggested
 09/23/02 20:49:10 <Alita> I trusted the vets until one almost killed Sammy
 09/23/02 20:49:17 <Alita> I didn't say, all your clients with diabetic pets should
 09/23/02 20:49:24 <Alita> be doing what I do
 09/23/02 20:49:31 <Alita> I just stuck the strip under Rikki's butt.

09/23/02 20:47:41 <Eriness> Someone sitting next to me today said they thought they had a diabetic

09/23/02 20:47:53 <Eriness> So I started telling them stuff about it

09/23/02 20:48:07 <Eriness> I was going to give them the FDMB but forgot -- dummy me

09/23/02 20:48:17 <laural> I met a woman in the clinic who has a diabetic, and gave her my #, but she didn't call (she doesn't have internet, I guess).

09/23/02 20:48:26 <laural> She looked a little crazy anyhow

09/23/02 20:48:40 <emily_and_obie> My mother suspects her cat is diabetic and she's afraid to get diagnosis coz she thinks she couldn't do what I do.

09/23/02 20:48:54 <Alita> A lot of people can't handle all the info. There are many pet owners out there that have the "it's just a cat" attitude.

09/23/02 20:49:00 <Eriness> I was afraid of the cost

09/23/02 20:49:10 <laural> Do you ever think that if you met some of the FDMBers for real, you might just not "click"

09/23/02 20:49:17 <laural> I was afraid of him dying

09/23/02 20:49:20 <Eriness> It NEVER occurred to me not to treat him

09/23/02 20:49:26 <Eriness> I was afraid of him dying too

09/23/02 20:49:35 <Eriness> I still am

09/23/02 20:49:41 <emily_and_obie> i think that about FDMBers, some seem judgemental and extreme to me

09/23/02 20:49:52 <emily_and_obie> didn't occur to me to not treat Obie either

09/23/02 20:50:08 <Eriness> I haven't really sensed judgmental

09/23/02 20:50:24 <laural> Somehow I knew that excessive thirst was a sign of diabetes. Don't ask me how I knew that, but I told the secretary at work that I was headed to the vet that my cat might have diabetes and . . .

09/23/02 20:50:34 <Alita> *remember* the transcripts will be available for anyone to read****

09/23/02 20:50:52 <emily_and_obie> I think it's great that we can treat our cats, but don't think that everyone can.. it's a personal choice.

09/23/02 20:50:57 <Eriness> At least she didn't mention names

09/23/02 20:51:02 <laural> Lisa promised to edit--but they still might be available

09/23/02 20:51:03 <Alita> LOL

09/23/02 20:51:21 <emily_and_obie> It's ok if people see that, but thanks for the reminder.

09/23/02 20:51:24 <Eriness> I think there really are people who wouldn't be able to do what we do

09/23/02 20:51:33 <laural> so this secretary tells me how her cat had diabetes and she didn't treat it and it died a horrible starving death

09/23/02 20:51:45 <Eriness> That's awful

09/23/02 20:51:50 <emily_and_obie> oh my, that is awful.

09/23/02 20:51:53 <Eriness> They should at least find someone to take care of it

09/23/02 20:51:56 <laural> By the time I got to the vet's (and I'd never been there before), I was crying my eyes out

09/23/02 20:52:17 <laural> This was years ago (it had died by the time she told me).

09/23/02 20:52:23 <Alita> Being someone that offers advice, I think people on the board get emotional. I don't see anyone that is extreme or judgemental.

09/23/02 20:52:25 <Eriness> brb -- gotta do a pre-shot -- wish me luck

09/23/02 20:52:54 <laural> I think the vet and techs must have thought I was crazy. When she told me that, I thought it would happen to Clark

09/23/02 20:53:13 <Alita> I know it's hard to be a newbie and have all these people telling you your vet is wrong and you have to do this and that.

09/23/02 20:53:17 <laural> I still haven't forgiven her (for telling me and for not treating the cat)

09/23/02 20:53:26 <laural> I think we are judgmental sometimes

09/23/02 20:53:27 <emily_and_obie> Alita -- it's just my opinion and I don't think everyone is that way or it's all the time..

09/23/02 20:53:50 <emily_and_obie> I personally think that people that don't want to do hometesting would stay away from the board..

09/23/02 20:53:52 <laural> some of us are really frank with our opinions

09/23/02 20:54:00 <laural> they do, unfortunately

09/23/02 20:54:10 <Alita> I remember, when I first found the board, I was very taken back by what people were saying...

09/23/02 20:54:38 <laural> I'd already been through so much shit with Clark that I was already on board with what I was hearing

09/23/02 20:54:47 <Alita> Again, I trusted my vet. The board was right and my vet was wrong. Rikki was up to 9 units N and on WD dry food.

09/23/02 20:54:52 <laural> I'd practically prayed for the ability to home test.

09/23/02 20:55:02 <Alita> Sound familiar?

09/23/02 20:55:05 <laural> I didn't know that it was possible until I found the board

09/23/02 20:55:15 <laural> and I really had wanted that ability for so long

09/23/02 20:55:33 <emily_and_obie> I read the board before the vet gave me the diagnosis. It is still overwhelming and I didn't post for 2 months..

09/23/02 20:55:39 <laural> Clark had just come off a 9 mo honeymoon and I couldn't imagine going through the whole hypo, dka thing again

09/23/02 20:56:00 <laural> I don't see how we can ""fix"" that.

09/23/02 20:56:01 <Alita> I'm just stating my opinion. I'm not saying anyone is right or wrong.

09/23/02 20:56:21 <emily_and_obie> i was afraid to post until I could conquer home testing and it took me awhile to get there.

09/23/02 20:56:45 <laural> If someone's on llu N and their cat's sick, I can't shut up.

09/23/02 20:56:59 <laural> But we'd have helped you a lot with getting there, I think

09/23/02 20:57:29 <laural> It helped me to come on at the same time as Patricia. She was completely freaking out in her attempts to home test.

09/23/02 20:57:48 <laural> Well that's a mean way to say that. But I remember her saying she was shaking and in tears

09/23/02 20:57:54 <emily_and_obie> I appreciate all the advice -- I didn't want to belabor the point about thinking sometimes stuff is judgemental - - somebody asked if we'd like FDMB people in person and I just gave my honest opinion.

09/23/02 20:58:09 <laural> That just made more determined

09/23/02 20:58:26 <laural> Emily--I hear you--it's okay to talk about this.

09/23/02 20:58:45 <emily_and_obie> I went thru same thing... crying, couldn't get blood, my parents were in town and wouldn't tell me. It was horrible

09/23/02 20:58:46 <laural> I've learned a lot about how to talk to people on the board through conversations like this

09/23/02 20:59:09 <Alita> Laura, sometimes (okay, most of the time), I can't shut up either.

09/23/02 20:59:11 <laural> your parents wouldn't tell you what?

09/23/02 20:59:37 <laural> But I've done email interventions when I felt like the board was coming on too strong sometimes.

09/23/02 20:59:39 <Alita> I think it's okay as well, Emily.

09/23/02 20:59:52 <emily_and_obie> sorry, they wouldn't HELP me try to home test. Dad says"" you should learn to do it alone"". I felt like strangling him.

09/23/02 20:59:59 <Alita> I have done that as well, Laura.

09/23/02 21:00:04 <laural> I had to do it alone

09/23/02 21:00:27 <laural> I almost had that one woman who would never say the name of her cat convinced to treat, I think

09/23/02 21:00:45 <laural> but the fact that she wouldn't name her cat was always a bad sign

09/23/02 21:01:04 <emily_and_obie> Well, I ended up doing it alone since nobody would help but at the time Obie was acting funny and I was freaking out and would've appreciated some assistance!

09/23/02 21:01:22 <laural> I didn't have real problems hometesting Clark. I wanted it so bad

09/23/02 21:01:24 <Alita> I have trouble talking with those type of people. I just shut up and back off.

09/23/02 21:01:51 <Alita> Someone like that doesn't want to treat their cat, just upset other people.

09/23/02 21:01:56 <laural> I printed everything off the sites, read it all, but then Clark and I went out of town and I forgot the instructions and didn't have internet

09/23/02 21:02:03 <laural> so I just stabbed away.

09/23/02 21:02:24 <emily_and_obie> Compared to what a lot of people say, Obie has been a saint about it.

09/23/02 21:02:35 <laural> yes, but sometimes they have real problems that are preventing them from treating as much or as well as some of us can

09/23/02 21:02:37 <Alita> I remember finding Harry's page and reading up on hometesting.

09/23/02 21:02:45 <emily_and_obie> I contacted a pet psychic and had her ""talk"" to Obie about it and she also helped me feel better about it.

09/23/02 21:02:47 <laural> Clark is a saint

09/23/02 21:02:55 <laural> how did that work?

09/23/02 21:02:59 <Alita> I agree.

09/23/02 21:03:19 <emily_and_obie> how did the psychic work, you mean?

09/23/02 21:03:37 <laural> I think when we ""pile on"" and the original poster doesn't reply, we should stop ""piling on""

09/23/02 21:03:50 <laural> yes, how did the pet psychic talk to obie?

09/23/02 21:04:02 <Eriness> I'm back -- PS at 412. Up his dosage and his PS's go up. Great

09/23/02 21:04:03 <Alita> I agree Laura

09/23/02 21:04:18 <laural> What are you up to Eriness?

09/23/02 21:04:27 <Eriness> Now I gotta catch up -- I tried to scroll up and read.

09/23/02 21:04:30 <laural> Other possible reasons for the increase? Food?

09/23/02 21:04:31 <Alita> That's a classic sign of rebound, Eriness.

09/23/02 21:04:37 <Eriness> I'm up to about 5 foot.

09/23/02 21:04:38 <emily_and_obie> to my knowledge, they ""talk"" psychically, and use pictures. Have you ever watched the Pet Psychic on Animal Planet?

09/23/02 21:04:45 <laural> ha how many units

09/23/02 21:04:49 <Alita> LOL

09/23/02 21:04:52 <laural> I""ve never seen it

09/23/02 21:04:57 <Eriness> He never went low enough today for rebound

09/23/02 21:05:01 <emily_and_obie> Great show, well worth watching.

09/23/02 21:05:14 <Eriness> It's more likely stress. He hasn't been thrilled about the tests recently and we also had vet visit today.

09/23/02 21:05:16 <laural> Did the pet psychic meet Obie?

09/23/02 21:05:19 <Alita> could also be the points per unit drop.

09/23/02 21:05:32 <laural> vet visit or points per unit drop?

09/23/02 21:05:39 <laural> not a q actually

09/23/02 21:05:43 <Eriness> Huh?

09/23/02 21:05:46 <emily_and_obie> No, she did it remotely. I had worked with her before with my cats and found it very helpful.

09/23/02 21:06:03 <laural> If they drop too fast they dont' have to go to low to experience rebound

09/23/02 21:06:07 <laural> tricky isn't it

09/23/02 21:06:14 <laural> Emily, that's wild

09/23/02 21:06:21 <Eriness> Oh, uh, where's my calculator?

09/23/02 21:06:35 <emily_and_obie> well, I'm pretty wild, so it fits for me and worked for me too :-)

09/23/02 21:06:38 <laural> But it could be the vet visit, don't you think

09/23/02 21:06:44 <Alita> How many units are you on and how long have you been there?

09/23/02 21:06:51 <emily_and_obie> Not much crazier than poking your cat several times a day :-)

09/23/02 21:06:54 <laural> How much did it cost?

09/23/02 21:06:59 <laural> different

09/23/02 21:07:05 <Eriness> 2 units & today

09/23/02 21:07:15 <laural> And what were you on before

09/23/02 21:07:23 <Eriness> how do I figure points per unit drop?

09/23/02 21:07:26 <Eriness> 1.5

09/23/02 21:07:34 <Alita> So, the numbers are just higher after you increased today?

09/23/02 21:07:44 <Eriness> A little bit higher.

09/23/02 21:07:48 <laural> that doesn't necessarily mean anything

09/23/02 21:07:59 <laural> He needs time to adjust.

09/23/02 21:08:01 <Alita> But, you just increased today?

09/23/02 21:08:04 <laural> He, right?

09/23/02 21:08:04 <Eriness> But he's had a few higher readings lately cause I think he's gotten too stressed

09/23/02 21:08:09 <Eriness> Yes, I increase today

09/23/02 21:08:09 <emily_and_obie> It was pricey.. her price per hour is about \$60, but it took 2-3 hours.

09/23/02 21:08:16 <laural> whoa

09/23/02 21:08:26 <Alita> The dose needs at lewast a week to settle.

09/23/02 21:08:31 <emily_and_obie> heck, that's just 1 visit to the vet!

09/23/02 21:08:34 <laural> and probably longer

09/23/02 21:08:41 <Eriness> He was on 1.5 for about a week & a half

09/23/02 21:08:47 <laural> this is mine and Alita's tag team routine

09/23/02 21:08:58 <laural> I think the increase was probably okay

09/23/02 21:09:17 <laural> of course I haven't seen your curve. Just don't expect immediate results

09/23/02 21:09:17 <Alita> leave him at 2 for at least a week and then do a curve.

09/23/02 21:09:25 <Eriness> Post it at FDMB.
09/23/02 21:09:28 <emily_and_obie> So, now how do I figure the points per unit thing?
09/23/02 21:09:32 <Alita> I've saved that much by hometesting.
09/23/02 21:09:32 <Alita> his is my recommendation.
09/23/02 21:09:32 <laural> and then probably wait another week
09/23/02 21:09:41 <laural> yup
09/23/02 21:09:51 <Alita> Laura is my tag team soul mate!
09/23/02 21:09:55 <laural> You probably don't need to worry about that
09/23/02 21:10:01 <* laural> (Plays Sound: laugh.wav) laugh
09/23/02 21:10:04 <Eriness> OK.
09/23/02 21:10:25 <emily_and_obie> Laural, are you the one I was talking to the other day in chat?
09/23/02 21:10:26 <Eriness> I was gonna leave him on 2 units for a while. I'll see how a curve looks next week.
09/23/02 21:10:33 <Alita> The dose needs to settle before you will get any useful info.
09/23/02 21:10:38 <laural> But what you do is look at a curve and see if there's a big quick drop. Like 200 points in 3 hours or less--right Alita
09/23/02 21:10:55 <Eriness> He dropped 230 today in over 4 hours.
09/23/02 21:10:59 <laural> Emily, yes.
09/23/02 21:11:00 <Alita> yep
09/23/02 21:11:10 <laural> I was glad I was there to talk to you
09/23/02 21:11:21 <laural> cause you were getting bad advice about food
09/23/02 21:11:24 <Alita> That's a big drop.
09/23/02 21:11:28 <laural> and I could see you were on the ball
09/23/02 21:11:37 <emily_and_obie> Me too, it helped. Well, I didn't believe *** on the food at all!
09/23/02 21:11:49 <Alita> But not tooo bad. 100 points per 2 hours.
09/23/02 21:11:51 <laural> I don't see how he could not know that
09/23/02 21:11:56 <emily_and_obie> I don't have lots of experience yet, but I've read extensively!
09/23/02 21:12:02 <laural> Agree it's not too bad Alita
09/23/02 21:12:16 <emily_and_obie> I agree, I always wonder if people actually read the board or just post their questions and only read those answers.
09/23/02 21:12:21 <Eriness> It was a bigger drop than I expected
09/23/02 21:12:24 <laural> As far as I'm concerned, the food charts are basic knowledge
09/23/02 21:12:32 <Eriness> I read *some* of the stuff on the board
09/23/02 21:12:39 <Alita> I agree, soulmate.
09/23/02 21:12:42 <Eriness> There's waaaay too much to read
09/23/02 21:12:56 <emily_and_obie> I try to read everything, just in case it'll be helpful.
09/23/02 21:12:56 <Eriness> I tend to pick certain cats out and read about them
09/23/02 21:12:59 <laural> Don't worry about keeping up with the whole board
09/23/02 21:13:09 <laural> but do read Janet's faqs and some of the links
09/23/02 21:13:20 <Eriness> I've read the other stuff -- some of it anyway
09/23/02 21:13:32 <laural> At one point I convinced myself that Clark might have CRF
09/23/02 21:13:35 <emily_and_obie> I hate all the posts about Kitty's dying -- they upset me so much. I cry for every one and don't even know any of the cats.
09/23/02 21:13:39 <Eriness> I'd like to study some things some more, when I have time
09/23/02 21:13:46 <Eriness> The kitties dying gets me too
09/23/02 21:13:56 <Alita> me too. :-(
09/23/02 21:13:58 <emily_and_obie> I realize everyone doesn't have time to read it all...
09/23/02 21:13:59 <Eriness> It's sad to think what those people are going through
09/23/02 21:14:01 <laural> I'd been avoiding reading about CRF (just didn't want to worry about it), and then this one weekend I thought he might have it
09/23/02 21:14:12 <Eriness> And it always scares me -- it just reminds me that Sammy could die too
09/23/02 21:14:24 <laural> so then I realized I had to read everything and know as much as I could and so I tried to read it all
09/23/02 21:14:24 <emily_and_obie> I've never had a cat die and I dread the time.....
09/23/02 21:14:33 <Alita> I was going to ask, Laura, why are you giving fluids?
09/23/02 21:14:51 <laural> my last cat died at only 8--a big surprise one night. I wept and wept.
09/23/02 21:14:56 <Eriness> I've had cats die in the past, but Sammy's always been more special for some reason

09/23/02 21:15:14 <* laural> MOTIONS/wink.gif Well, if you'd read the board
09/23/02 21:15:20 <laural> Vet said to
09/23/02 21:15:20 <Alita> Becausew he is sooo sweet!!!
09/23/02 21:15:32 <emily_and_obie> Obie and Wanda are 14, siblings, and have been with me since I got divorced. I think it will be really bad when one of them dies.
09/23/02 21:15:41 <Alita> I haven't kept up, I apologize.
09/23/02 21:15:44 <emily_and_obie> are you doing subq fluids?
09/23/02 21:15:54 <Eriness> ObieWan - haha
09/23/02 21:16:08 <laural> b/c Clark's #s went up on 9/13 for no apparent reason-- yes sub-qs
09/23/02 21:16:13 <emily_and_obie> hardly anyone gets that, I think it's funny too.
09/23/02 21:16:27 <emily_and_obie> gosh, I read about sub-q's and thought -- no way can i do that!
09/23/02 21:16:38 <Eriness> I caught it immediately -- too much Star Wars
09/23/02 21:16:41 <Alita> Have they checked his renal numbers, Laura?
09/23/02 21:16:46 <laural> and then he started to eat more and drink more
09/23/02 21:16:59 <laural> and then he started only eating half a meal
09/23/02 21:17:10 <laural> the vet just did a physical exam. Clark
09/23/02 21:17:17 <laural> s been acting okay in many ways
09/23/02 21:17:27 <laural> playful sometimes purry
09/23/02 21:17:32 <Eriness> The apostrophe isn't over that far
09/23/02 21:17:37 <laural> so I don't know what's up
09/23/02 21:17:42 <laural> yeah yeah
09/23/02 21:17:47 <Alita> but did they do bloodwork? This will tell you if it is CRF.
09/23/02 21:18:07 <laural> Oh that whole CRF thing was a total false alarm--sorry should have said that
09/23/02 21:18:18 <Eriness> So now what's CRF?
09/23/02 21:18:18 <Alita> LOL
09/23/02 21:18:23 <laural> He's had blood work within the last few months.
09/23/02 21:18:33 <laural> We're thinking hairball or uti
09/23/02 21:18:33 <emily_and_obie> chronic renal failure
09/23/02 21:18:39 <Alita> Chronic Renal Failure- kidney failure.
09/23/02 21:18:46 <Eriness> Ah, not good
09/23/02 21:18:55 <Alita> nope.
09/23/02 21:18:57 <laural> Many cats get it when they're old. Like heart attacks and humans
09/23/02 21:19:00 <Alita> not good.
09/23/02 21:19:11 <Eriness> Sammy has one kidney a bit larger than the other -- but some vets don't even notice so it's not bad
09/23/02 21:19:18 <laural> Diabetics are likely to end up there, I think
09/23/02 21:19:20 <Eriness> They just check it every time I go in and see if it's changed
09/23/02 21:19:27 <laural> if they live a good long time
09/23/02 21:19:40 <laural> So the vet said to give fluids just in case
09/23/02 21:19:47 <Alita> some do, some don't. who knows.
09/23/02 21:20:00 <emily_and_obie> Every time I tell someone my cat is diabetic, they say ""well, he's old"" like I should just let him die. It pisses me off.
09/23/02 21:20:05 <Alita> Fluids should help keep the bg's lower.
09/23/02 21:20:18 <Eriness> I haven't had anyone react to the diabetes like that
09/23/02 21:20:23 <laural> that's the plan
09/23/02 21:20:33 <emily_and_obie> you must know nicer people than me :(
09/23/02 21:20:39 <Alita> Tell them he's a kitten.
09/23/02 21:20:51 <Eriness> They do think it's weird that I have to give him insulin
09/23/02 21:21:00 <Eriness> Weirder that I've started testing him!
09/23/02 21:21:06 <laural> about giving sub-qs, I was surprised at how many people responded to my post today saying they don't think they could do that
09/23/02 21:21:27 <laural> It's an irrational fear I think. Like the fear of giving a shot.
09/23/02 21:21:31 <emily_and_obie> Oh yes, guys at work tell me that they'll shoot the cat and put him out of his misery.
09/23/02 21:21:42 <Alita> I had to give Rikki subq's and I found it very difficult.
09/23/02 21:21:44 <emily_and_obie> I read about the sub-q thing and it doesn't sound easy to me
09/23/02 21:21:45 <Eriness> More like put it out of *their* misery

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09/23/02 21:21:49 <laural> not sure irrational is the right word. but you worry about it and then it's not that hard

09/23/02 21:22:00 <laural> How was it hard for you Alita?

09/23/02 21:22:24 <Eriness> I should have the vet show me how to do sub-q, to be ready just in case

09/23/02 21:22:27 <Alita> Rikki would get combative (he didn't like to be restrained and it was a two or three person mission. Not fun.

09/23/02 21:22:48 <laural> L*** said she didn't think she could give G****che* fluids. I think she could

09/23/02 21:22:55 <Eriness> I think sometimes the restraint bothers them more than whatever you're doing.

09/23/02 21:23:10 <emily_and_obie> Laura, do you do it alone?

09/23/02 21:23:10 <laural> I agree, the restraint's the hard part.

09/23/02 21:23:22 <Alita> I always had to hometest him ""on the go""

09/23/02 21:23:33 <Eriness> That's hard

09/23/02 21:23:43 <laural> yes, I do it alone. Last month when I learned he had ketones and didn't feel well. He was absolutely cooperative and purred

09/23/02 21:23:59 <laural> I almost cried. In fact I tear up just talking about it.

09/23/02 21:24:24 <laural> I had a hard time with the big dull needle the vet gave me, and he was so patient. And then when he purred I couldn't believe it.

09/23/02 21:24:28 <laural> I love him

09/23/02 21:24:30 <Alita> So subq's was difficult. Plus the l8 guage needle freaked me out a bit, along with the fact you had to hold the hole closed when you take the needle out, etc.

09/23/02 21:24:32 <emily_and_obie> that is good to know that he was OK with it.

09/23/02 21:24:58 <Eriness> Do you do this into a vein?

09/23/02 21:25:00 <laural> but today he feels better and kept trying or succeeding in walking away.

09/23/02 21:25:06 <laural> no into the scruff

09/23/02 21:25:08 <emily_and_obie> gives me shivers just thinking about it, but then I was needle phobic before having to do shots....

09/23/02 21:25:16 <laural> subcutaneous (under the skin)

09/23/02 21:25:18 <Alita> No, just under the skin.

09/23/02 21:25:25 <laural> tag

09/23/02 21:25:25 <Eriness> How big's l8 guage?

09/23/02 21:25:30 <Alita> lol

09/23/02 21:25:33 <emily_and_obie> do you give insulin in scruff or elsewhere?

09/23/02 21:25:35 <Alita> big!

09/23/02 21:25:38 <laural> tiny compared to the 22 the vet gave me

09/23/02 21:25:47 <Alita> Oh, no!!

09/23/02 21:25:49 <laural> l8's too slow. That's what we used today

09/23/02 21:25:55 <Eriness> I give insulin usually behind his shoulder blades

09/23/02 21:26:06 <laural> that's where you do subqs

09/23/02 21:26:20 <Alita> I rotated the insulin up and down the back.

09/23/02 21:26:22 <laural> I didn't know I was supposed to hold it closed when I pulled the needle out.

09/23/02 21:26:27 <Alita> on the sides.

09/23/02 21:26:38 <emily_and_obie> I've read some people say to give insulin lower like towards belly ?

09/23/02 21:26:47 <laural> I give insulin on the sides (abdomen area). Clark tolerates that better than scruff.

09/23/02 21:26:47 <Eriness> I alternate where I do insulin too -- but that's the general area

09/23/02 21:26:50 <Alita> Doesn't the fluid back out?

09/23/02 21:26:50 <laural> That's me

09/23/02 21:26:56 <laural> just a little

09/23/02 21:27:07 <laural> He was walking off the needle.

09/23/02 21:27:15 <laural> It's a two-person job, I think

09/23/02 21:27:26 <Eriness> I'd be in trouble -- no other persons live here

09/23/02 21:27:32 <laural> I was only able to give him about half what the vet told me to.

09/23/02 21:27:35 <emily_and_obie> same here

09/23/02 21:27:39 <laural> me too

09/23/02 21:27:42 <Alita> That's the problem I had. Rikki would leave the building like Elvis.

09/23/02 21:27:44 <laural> the dog is no help at all

09/23/02 21:27:53 <Eriness> Oh I'm sure
09/23/02 21:27:54 <laural> but they move when they feel better.
09/23/02 21:28:00 <emily_and_obie> well, i don't think Wanda would want to help poke her brother :)
09/23/02 21:28:16 <laural> After about 50, Clark headed right for his food bowl
09/23/02 21:28:25 <Alita> It's just me and my 9 y/o daughter.
09/23/02 21:28:27 <emily_and_obie> is it just water?
09/23/02 21:28:38 <laural> not exactly
09/23/02 21:28:45 <laural> lactated ringers whatever that is
09/23/02 21:28:53 <laural> it looks like water
09/23/02 21:29:14 <Alita> It's fluids (water with vitamins and minerals).
09/23/02 21:29:15 <laural> Alita, I think you'd have had more success with a bigger needle
09/23/02 21:29:38 <Alita> Probably. I was pretty traumatized. LOL
09/23/02 21:29:38 <laural> I did much better with the 22 than the 18. It's so much faster.
09/23/02 21:30:21 <Alita> If I didn't faint first.
09/23/02 21:30:23 <laural> But I can hardly get the 22 into him. I need to try another brand. All the web sites say terumo needles are the best, but my vet swears monoject are sharper (who to believe?).
09/23/02 21:30:56 <Alita> I've heard good things about the terumo needles.
09/23/02 21:31:00 <laural> and I can't find out where to buy needles. People keep telling me I have to get them on line. what a pain.
09/23/02 21:31:16 <emily_and_obie> I have a link to info on where to buy online
09/23/02 21:31:38 <laural> D****e sent me the terumos and they seem sharper, but she didn't send me any 20s or 22s.
09/23/02 21:31:49 <Alita> Well, my vet gave them to me, but I think in order to get the ones you want, maybe try www.hocks.com?
09/23/02 21:32:01 <laural> Probably Hocks. I want to buy them in town. I don't plan on needing many.
09/23/02 21:32:12 <Eriness> Convenient, since they're about 20 minutes from me
09/23/02 21:32:26 <laural> Hocks?
09/23/02 21:32:38 <Eriness> They're in Vandalia, next town north of Dayton
09/23/02 21:33:04 <laural> They've got everything. Will they donate to imom if you shop in the store?
09/23/02 21:33:10 <Eriness> That's where I got my meter, so I didn't have to wait to order it
09/23/02 21:33:10 <Alita> There ya' go, ask Erimes to check em out!
09/23/02 21:33:17 <emily_and_obie> <http://www.feline-crf-support.org/supplies/>
09/23/02 21:33:41 <Alita> Good one, Emily.
09/23/02 21:33:46 <Eriness> I can always call Hocks if anyone wants to know anything -- they have a big supply of stuff behind the store
09/23/02 21:33:59 <laural> Thanks, Emily
09/23/02 21:34:11 <emily_and_obie> I investigated when Obie had ketones...
09/23/02 21:34:21 <laural> Did you give fluids then?
09/23/02 21:34:43 <emily_and_obie> no, I gave tuna juice, crossed my fingers and hoped for the best and he got over them.
09/23/02 21:35:02 <laural> Go ahead and learn the fluids thing next time. It's easier
09/23/02 21:35:04 <Alita> Tuna juice is good stuff.
09/23/02 21:35:08 <laural> Hi Corinna How's Mau
09/23/02 21:35:19 <Alita> Hi Corinna.
09/23/02 21:35:21 <emily_and_obie> the vet didn't want to see him... it was quite a difficult time coz the board was pushing me to go to a vet..
09/23/02 21:35:25 <emily_and_obie> hi corinna
09/23/02 21:35:28 <Corinna> Hi all
09/23/02 21:35:47 <Corinna> ohh... my english *bg*
09/23/02 21:35:47 <Eriness> Hey, Corinna, always wanted to ask -- where you from?
09/23/02 21:35:49 <laural> I don't understand your vet's reasoning. Good thing you crossed your fingers
09/23/02 21:36:18 <laural> all the more reason to learn to give fluids and have the stuff on hand
09/23/02 21:36:34 <laural> I'm a home-testing and fluid-giving pusher.
09/23/02 21:36:42 <laural> Corinna's from Germany.
09/23/02 21:36:47 <emily_and_obie> oh well, it all worked out. From the board, so many vets seem useless and full of bad advice -- I'm pretty hesitant to turn my cat over to one :)
09/23/02 21:36:49 <laural> I bet we're typing too fast.

09/23/02 21:36:49 <Eriness> That's what I thought
09/23/02 21:36:49 <Corinna> Mau is ok.. the crea is good but BUN is high
09/23/02 21:37:12 <laural> What do you do for that?
09/23/02 21:37:16 <Eriness> BUN, that's it. That's what the vet told me today
09/23/02 21:37:30 <Eriness> Isn't that the liver thing?
09/23/02 21:37:35 <laural> Told you what about BUN, Eriness?
09/23/02 21:37:50 <Corinna> liver is ""ALT""
09/23/02 21:37:58 <Eriness> Sammy's was a teeny bit high, but he said it wasn't anything to worry about & would probably come down as his bg's come down
09/23/02 21:38:28 <laural> think I've heard that before
09/23/02 21:38:31 <Alita> Emily, Vets are good. I'm sure they all care about animals (otherwise they would be doing something else!). I just think many don't know how to treat FD and are too proud to say so.
09/23/02 21:38:55 <laural> Emily, learn all you can and be hesitant
09/23/02 21:39:11 <Alita> Good tag, Laura.
09/23/02 21:39:23 <* laural> MOTIONS/kiss.gif
09/23/02 21:39:25 <Eriness> I've gotten so I follow my instincts when it comes to vets
09/23/02 21:39:32 <laural> you better
09/23/02 21:39:36 <* Alita> MOTIONS/cheesy.gif
09/23/02 21:39:41 <laural> instincts + knowledge
09/23/02 21:39:56 <* Alita> MOTIONS/playful.gif = power!
09/23/02 21:39:56 <emily_and_obie> I need to find a new vet. I like mine, but he doesn't know about FD and just says ""give more insulin"".
09/23/02 21:40:01 <* laural> MOTIONS/notsure.gif the face is back
09/23/02 21:40:03 <Eriness> And as for that BUN, it really was only a Teeny bit high, cause he showed me normal too.
09/23/02 21:40:27 <* Alita> MOTIONS/thumbup.gif
09/23/02 21:40:36 <laural> Emily, the option is new vet or educate this one. Will he/she listen?
09/23/02 21:40:45 <Eriness> What's with that face?
09/23/02 21:40:58 <* Alita> MOTIONS/smirk.gif
09/23/02 21:40:59 <laural> Eriness, if you can get a photocopy, you can post on the board with stuff like that.
09/23/02 21:41:06 <Corinna> With Mau is the urine-close not ok. Probably she has an inflammation of the kidneys.
09/23/02 21:41:08 <* emily_and_obie> MOTIONS/thumbdown.gif I don't think he'll listen..
09/23/02 21:41:27 <Eriness> I'll be going back in 2 weeks & I can get the numbers then. I'm trying to remember them.
09/23/02 21:41:27 <laural> Are you giving an antibiotic, Corinna?
09/23/02 21:41:50 <emily_and_obie> he knows about fdmb but still follows old info. Showed me the book that says to treat by weight.
09/23/02 21:42:07 <Corinna> With Mau is not the urine-close ok. Probably she has an inflammation of the kidneys.
09/23/02 21:42:11 <* laural> MOTIONS/cool.gif cool is smoking a cigarette????!! We need to complain to the management
09/23/02 21:42:15 <Eriness> Hi Beth
09/23/02 21:42:23 <Corinna> Hi Beth
09/23/02 21:42:29 <emily_and_obie> hi beth
09/23/02 21:42:32 <Beth> Hi, how did it go tonight, any newbies?
09/23/02 21:42:50 <* Alita> MOTIONS/hahaha.gif Oh, I want to find that one!
09/23/02 21:42:53 <* Eriness> MOTIONS/smile.gif I'm a newbie *here*
09/23/02 21:43:13 <Eriness> Is that a laughing face?
09/23/02 21:43:14 <* laural> MOTIONS/EEK.gif Beth and ??cat??
09/23/02 21:43:34 <emily_and_obie> I've never been in gorb chat before either
09/23/02 21:43:41 <Corinna> What time is it? with you? Here it is almost 7 o'clock in the morning. Now I am awake 27 hours.
09/23/02 21:43:43 <* Alita> MOTIONS/devil.gif yep. I'm trying to find Laura's face.
09/23/02 21:43:45 <* laural> MOTIONS/glasses.gif this is only the second one, I think
09/23/02 21:43:47 <Eriness> Stop playing with the faces!
09/23/02 21:43:49 <* emily_and_obie> MOTIONS/embarassed.gif
09/23/02 21:43:59 <Eriness> It's 12:45 a.m. here
09/23/02 21:44:00 <laural> Oh no, Corinna. It's almost midnight in Kansas
09/23/02 21:44:02 <Beth> Beth and Max, I haven't been to Gorb Chat before either

09/23/02 21:44:25 <Eriness> But we're not in Kansas anymore
 09/23/02 21:44:25 <Corinna> wohoo... I think I must go sleeping :-)
 09/23/02 21:44:28 <Alita> Here to, I'm starting to get giggly...
 09/23/02 21:44:34 <Eriness> But it's morning there.
 09/23/02 21:44:35 <laural> ah, yes Beth and Max
 09/23/02 21:44:58 <emily_and_obie> yep, me too on that sleep thing.. Thanks for chatting
 everyone, it's been fun.
 09/23/02 21:45:04 <* laural> MOTIONS/angry.gif (it was the ""cool"" face)
 09/23/02 21:45:10 <* Eriness> MOTIONS/kiss.gif Beth always answers when I'm up late
 09/23/02 21:45:12 <Alita> Good night, emily.
 09/23/02 21:45:24 <Corinna> Good night, emi
 09/23/02 21:45:25 <Beth> Corrina how have you been lately?
 09/23/02 21:45:26 <Eriness> Sleep? What's that?
 09/23/02 21:45:37 <Beth> Good Night Emily
 09/23/02 21:45:45 <emily_and_obie> night all... til next time
 09/23/02 21:45:53 <laural> Shoot, I better be a good girl and go to work. Have to be
 up in 7.5 hours
 09/23/02 21:45:54 <* Alita> MOTIONS/cool.gif Oh, thanks, Laura.
 09/23/02 21:46:08 <Beth> Yeah, I'm one of the Left Costers, so I try to take the
 late shift
 09/23/02 21:46:09 <Alita> It is too cool. Good night.
 09/23/02 21:46:30 <Eriness> I'm an East Coaster -- I just stay up late
 09/23/02 21:46:39 <* laural> MOTIONS/playful.gif L*** will be proud that we actually
 got back on topic.
 09/23/02 21:46:41 <Alita> I have to be up in a few hours for work as well. Good
 night all. I had fun.
 09/23/02 21:46:48 <laural> night
 09/23/02 21:46:54 <Corinna> good night
 09/23/02 21:46:57 <Beth> Night Alita!
 09/23/02 21:46:57 <Alita> Me too, Eriness.
 09/23/02 21:47:12 <Corinna> <--- can say ""good night"" LOL
 09/23/02 21:47:31 <Eriness> Looks like everyone is leaving
 09/23/02 21:47:36 <Eriness> Beth, you got here too late
 09/23/02 21:47:43 <Corinna> yes..
 09/23/02 21:47:44 <Beth> I'm probably going to go, too I am supposed to be
 balancing my bank account
 09/23/02 21:48:08 <Beth> See y'all next time, if I can get the kids to bed
 earlier!
 09/23/02 21:48:19 <Eriness> I probably should be giving my ISP a rest
 09/23/02 21:48:40 <Eriness> Uh, I don't know how to log off...
 09/23/02 21:49:03 <Beth> Good Night! See ya' at FDMB (Me either)
 09/23/02 21:49:15 <Corinna> What time is it? with you? Here it is almost 7 o'clock in
 the morning. Now I am awake 27 hours.
 09/23/02 21:49:30 <Corinna> Now I sleeping must go. Danke that you so dearly to me
 since. I soon come again. Here I can learn certainly
 English
 09/23/02 21:49:40 <Eriness> It's after midnight here, on the same day as you
 09/23/02 21:49:51 <Corinna> Thursday
 09/23/02 21:49:57 <Corinna> in the mornig :-)
 09/23/02 21:50:11 <Corinna> I have nightshift
 09/23/02 21:50:20 <Eriness> Night shift is cool
 09/23/02 21:50:35 <Corinna> yes... No boss there :-)
 09/23/02 21:50:45 <Eriness> Speaking of English, it's ""Now I must go to sleep""
 09/23/02 21:50:59 <Corinna> Thank you !!!!!
 09/23/02 21:51:09 <Eriness> You're welcome.
 09/23/02 21:51:10 <Corinna> ok one: Now I must go sleep
 09/23/02 21:51:26 <Beth> Good night Corinna, kiss Mau and Suspa for me
 09/23/02 21:51:29 <Eriness> Ok. good-night.
 09/23/02 21:51:41 <Corinna> Good Night
 09/23/02 21:52:03 <Beth> Eriness did you find the log off button, it's up by the
 question mark
 09/23/02 21:52:15 <Eriness> Yeah, I just saw that. Thanks.
 09/23/02 21:52:33 <Beth> Well, good night!
 09/23/02 21:52:41 <Eriness> Night.

