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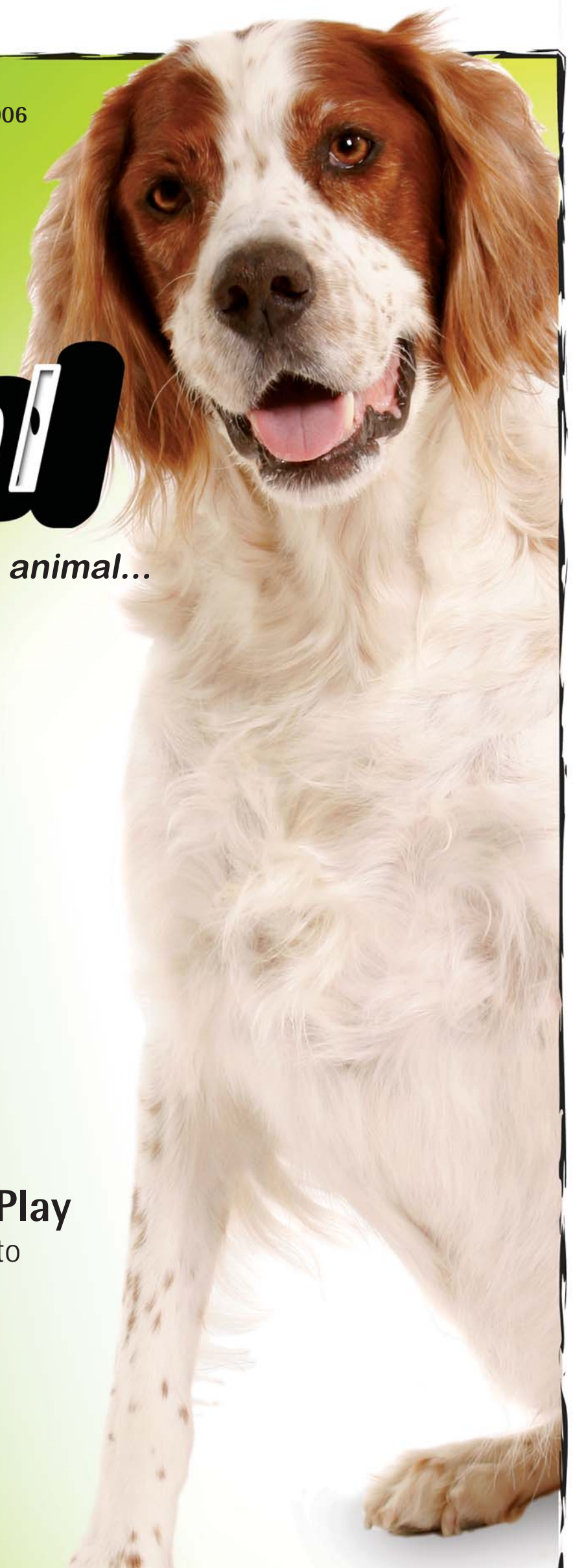
Is Your Dog a Dog Park Dog?

Why Some Dogs Aren't Suited to Dog Parks



Cats and the Importance of Play

Play Can Be Beneficial to Your Feline Friends



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YOUR NEIGHBOURS ARE WILD!
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Send any press releases to Managing Editor Lisa Treen at lisa@urbananimal.net or by fax to (02) 9557 7788. We will consider them on their merits as they relate to our editorial ethics and content.

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We don't publish letters to the editor as our policy but we welcome feedback, suggestions, criticism, bouquets and brickbats either by email at critters@urbananimal.net, by fax on (02) 9557 7788 or by mail to Urban Animal Letters, 20 Hordern St., Newtown NSW 2042

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