**2014 SUGAR Group Neuter statistics report**

Last reported 2010

Report represents 258 neuters in the years 2011 and 2012

# of Neuters (on average) that respondents experience in a year: 2.1 / year

Average # of neuters an owner has experienced over the course of their glider journey: 5.1

Earliest age at which vets will neuter: 80% = 10-12 weeks.

 Range 8 weeks – 1 year

Earliest age at which respondents are comfortable neutering: Majority state 10 weeks.

 Range 8 weeks – 16 weeks

% of respondents who utilize a different vet from their “regular” vet for neuters: 40%

 Most common reason: Lower Cost

Average cost of neuter : $137.00

% of respondents who drop their glider off early for the procedure and leave at the office: 47%

Type of procedure vets perform:

 Pom ON = 52%

 Pom OFF = 48%

Percentage of owners who prefer:

 Pom ON: 62%

 Pom OFF: 35%

 No preference: 3%

**Complications**

% of homes/owners who have experienced a complication after a neuter: 24%

Percent of GLIDERS who experienced a complication after neuter: 07%

Of those complications,

 43% occurred following a pom ON neuter

 57% occurred following a pom OFF neuter.

In 60% of cases where there was a complication, pain medication WAS sent home with the owner.

69% of the complications were the removal of stitches/glue.

13% of the complications were the development of a hematoma at the surgical site.