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# Paw Print Newsletter

## Dogs finding new homes after waiting so long!

Fantastic News! Bella has just been adopted! After nearly a year in kennels she is happy with her new family including a new big brother. Special thanks to the staff who work so hard on her issues and Clever Fox Canine Training and Behaviour for all the help and advice for the new owner. Happy ever after Bella!







Brian finds a new home after waiting 10 months



Bella finds a new home after waiting 9 months



#### SAVE THE DATE



Animal Care will be holding a special event on November 17th at the Lancaster Brewery. Including food, live music and a auction and

raffle which has some amazing prizes.

Tickets will be available soon .



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# Happy Goats





Our 3 resident goats are cheeky chaps and constantly up to no good. We put an appeal out for any donations of wooden wheels for them to play on. We were delighted to have 3 huge wheels donated by a committee member and the goats love them.



## Tanya Turkey

Tanya the Turkey went to Bay Vets last week for an operation

Tanya is a resident at Animal Care and was struggling with "Bumble foot" which is an infection of the foot. She is now recovering and enjoying her yummy grub.

We are delighted to have one of our very own as a finalist in the Bay living awards 2017

Michael is in the final 3 for best employee of the year for his hard work and dedication in his mission to educate children in animal welfare!

We are extremely lucky to have such a fantastic team of staff at Animal Care who all work so hard and give everything to the job!

Fingers crossed for Michael to win one for the Animal Care Team





#### ... IN OUR LANCASTER CHARITY SHOP

Help required behind the till, tidying stock & helping customers.

Whatever time you can spare; a couple of hours a week or a couple of days!

Monday to Saturday • 9:30am to 4:30pm

#### 61 Market Street, Lancaster CALL Sue on 01524 840673 ....IN OUR TEA ROOM



Help needed baking cakes, taking orders, making food & drinks and serving customers.

Cooking experience required.

Monday to Sunday • 10am to 3pm

Animal Care, Blea Tarn Road, Lancaster CALL: Gill or Pauline on 01524 65495

MORE VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES ON OUR WEBSITE www.animalcare-lancaster.co.uk A massive THANK YOU to Ian Mercer and his friends and colleagues from Lancaster University who have once again supported Animal Care with the Coast to Coast cycle. Ian has raised hundreds of pounds for Animal Care and Coronary Care. Thank you to everyone who has taken part since 2009 and to all the support teams who have helped make the events possible. The money will be spent enhancing the lives of the animals whilst they live with us until they are chosen to live in a forever home.





In January Animal Care applied for a charity welfare grant via Pet Plan. The grant was to buy dog igloos for all our dogs. Being in the kennels is a very scary place for dogs especially if they have never experienced a kennel environment. We want to make the stay with us, however long, as stress free as possible. The igloos give each dog the chance to hide if they feel worried.

We were delighted to have won the award and today 20 brand new igloos arrived. Animal Care would like to thank all at Petplan UK for awarding us with this grant. It will help all of our dogs for many years to come.

#### **FANTASIC STAFF**

Some photos from our colourful day running for the animals. We can't thank you all enough for the generous donations you have given. All money will being going to the upkeep of the animals, helping to cover the cost of vet treatment and funding those with special dietary requirements.

Over £700 was made!



#### Thinking of adopting a bunny?

We have lots for adoption at Animal Care.

All our rabbits come with a lifetime of advice and support, full vaccinations and have been neutered.

To find out if we have a rabbit to suit you please call and chat to Ann 01524 65495 between 11am-3pm 7 days a week.

Not got a hutch yet? Don't worry Ann will be happy to give you the best advice on











Needed Black / brown leather sofa in good condition if anyone has one we would be very grateful and can collect if needed.

#### **Do Staffordshire Bull Terriers Make Good Pets For Families?**

Its been staffie crazy this months with lots of puppies needing help. Both litters were brought to us via the RSPCA. Unfortunately the breeding of the Staffie is still very common and back yard breeders don't ever think of the consequences.

People are often put off by the SBT breed due to their misunderstood reputation but they are a delightful breed who will do almost anything to please their owners.



"The Staffordshire Bull Terrier is rugged, energetic, and impulsive. "Why walk when you can run and play games?" is his motto.

He requires rigorous exercise as an outlet for his energy and to maintain his splendid muscle tone.

The people-oriented Stafford craves companionship and wants to be with you all the time. With proper socialization, he is friendly with everyone. "



"They are quiet, generally calm dogs, easy going and trustworthy, and the Staffy is much lauded as potentially the most loyal and loving family dog. "

#### Parent and child school holiday workshops

Fantastic morning at Animal Care's parent and child workshop. Pops was a legend, she listened to Michael talk about the animals and answered questions like a pro, she told him they needed food, water and exercise and when Michael asked "where could you find out more about keeping a pet?" she answered "a computer" and Michael said "where else?" Pops answered "a book".

Whilst some people may think so what? This is fantastic on so many levels:

1) Pops went somewhere she has never been before and coped amazingly well.

2) She went into the noisey dog Kennels with her hands and my hands over her ears - she managed in that environment (although she did say she wanted to go home - a lot, she physically wasn't bolting for the door or shaking so I knew she wasn't too stressed.

3) She answered questions - from a stranger in an appropriate and accurate manner (I nearly fell off my chair) and she was really, really pleased with herself when she knew she was right.

I was so proud and chuffed beyond belief, it could have so gone the other way.

And no, we have not come back with any new family members 😊 (yet).





We visited Animal Care for a parent & child workshop after being told about the shelter from friends of ours who adopted their dog Lola from the shelter.

We had a fantastic afternoon and both adults & kids thoroughly enjoyed it. It was great to see behind the scenes of your animal shelter and what amazing work all your staff and volunteers do on a daily basis.

Michael was an excellent host & tour guide providing us with lots of information and was excellent with the children, keeping them engaged throughout.

Also special mention to the cake, which was excellent!

Places are available August 17th/24th /31st 10am-12 on Thursdays Adults £2 Children £3

