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Little Timmy to poodle has at last found his forever home. He spent 6 months in a foster home and was treated for his horrendous skin condition which is now under control. He is a very happy boy and often pops back to use the groom room.

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Paw Print Newsletter



THANK YOU

As we have said goodbye to 2016 we wanted to share a few memories from the year. There have been a lot of ups and downs. We have seen many animals find amazing new homes and been overwhelmed countless times by the generosity of the public. When it has come to saving animals who need lots of veterinary treatment and donations of gifts to make the animals in our care have a more enjoyable time during their stay. We want to thank each and every person involved in the charity, here is to another year of saving animals!



We were totally overwhelmed by the amount of presents we got for our animals from members of the public for our shoe box appeal. Every single dog and cat got at least 2 presents to open and they all had a wonderful

















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Sydney and Sally

Sydney and Sally came to Animal Care last week in a terrible state. They were extremely underweight covered in fleas and poor Sally had so much poo stuck to her the vets had to shave it off and treat her for a skin infection and urine burns. At only 12 weeks old these kittens have already been though hell. After fantastic 5 star care from the Bay Vets

Ltd crew they are now setting into a foster home where they will stay until they have finished their medication and start to feel better.







Blue



end. Blue does not like other dogs so will need to be the only animal in his new home and must be kept away from other dogs when out and about. He originally came from the stray system so will need to be homed with kids over the age of 10. Anyone wanting more information on Blue please don't hesitate to contact us





Meet Betty



Say hello to Betty! Dumped a week before Christmas! Staff member Michaela found Betty alone, cold and wet. And as you can see in a very sorry state! Betty has Mange this will cause her constant intense itching and irritation. She has already started the medication she desperately needed and will spend Christmas with us.





FEBRUARY HALF TERM PARENT & CHILD WORKSHOPS -Thursday 16th February 10-12 or 1-3. Sadly our October half term sessions had to be cancelled but rest assured our February half term sessions will be happening! To avoid disappointment book early either by ringing 65495 or

emailing: michaelanimalcare@gmail.com





ANIMAL CARE Lancaster 'Helping animals every day' February Half Term Parent & **Child Workshops Come and visit Animal Care for a** fun and interesting workshop that includes; A short presentation based around what we do, with a particular focus on animal welfare - A tour of the site to see a range of our animals - Fun, creative activities, complemented by a drink of your choice and a homemade biscuit or cake. ON THURSDAY 16TH FEBRUARY oon session 1pm -3 ADULTS \$2 CHILDREN \$3 tion and to book a place a one our wo contact: Telechone: 01524 65495 michaelanimalcare@gmail.con limited for each of our sessions.

place you on a suitable sessi tered Charity Number: 508819

We made it!!

In November 2 tiny little kittens were brought into us both had pneumonia and were very poorly. After weeks of care in a foster home they recovered well and they are now in a fantastic new home together.



We often have animals handed in that need hand rearing and we are always in need of kitten powdered milk and feeding bottles. These





can be found on our Amazon wish list, vet centres any large pet shops if you would like to donate a tub to help our next litter we would be extremely grateful.

Animal Care has worked with Bay Vets for over 30 years

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Important notice for all rabbit owners

In November 2016 Animal Care went through a very stressful time .

Ann who runs the rabbit room was aware that a new strain of VHD2 was reported in UK and had spoken to our local vets for advice.

Unfortunately before we could vaccinate our rabbits the virus hand somehow been brought into the rabbit room putting every rabbit at high risk. Sadly we lost 5 of our rabbits but thankfully the others survived and have now been vaccinated against the virus



Is vaccination necessary?

This will obviously involve a risk assessment of the individual rabbit(s), but the wide geographical range of the disease, and the reported losses of several hundred rabbits throughout the UK, as well as molecular testing confirmation of cause of death in many sampled, suggests that vaccination is strongly advisable. Moredun Institute has advised RWAF that cases have been confirmed throughout the UK, so you cannot assume you are in a 'safe' area. Additionally we believe that RVHD2 will be significantly under reported. Because RHD2 doesn't always look like classic RHD1, a rabbit could be taken into hospital looking ill, but nobody would necessarily think to treat that potentially infectious case for RHD2



What am I vaccinating my rabbit for?

RVHD and Myxomatosis are diseases found throughout the UK and can be fatal to un-vaccinated rabbits. Both outdoor AND indoor rabbits are at risk. RVHD in particular is highly infectious and contagious. It is an air borne virus, it can be spread by biting insects (as can Myxo), it can be spread by direct and indirect contact with infected rabbits. For example – if you, your dog or cat has walked on ground where a VHD infected rabbit has been, you can carry it on your clothes or shoes, your other pets can carry it on fur or feet. The virus can survive in the environment for a long time and can survive cold temperatures far better than you might expect.

In total, your rabbit will now require 2 vaccinations (comprising of 3 injections) per year:

1) Nobivak combo – Just one injection covers them for myxomatosis and RHVD1.

2) Cunivak RHVD – 2 injections 3 weeks apart. This covers them against RHVD2.



CLEO

We were very sad to say goodbye to the very sweet Cleo who sadly passed away on the 22nd January. When Cleo first arrived she was so overweight she could not walk .

Her diet had included chocolate cake, chips and pies she was so overweight her heart was under a lot of strain and her legs were struggling to cope. A foster home was needed where she was placed on a very strict diet and some amounts of exercise until her body could recover. She manage to lose half her body weight with Karen and was able to live a much more comfortable lifestyle. She went everywhere with Karen and they were regular visitors to Animal Care. It was always a joy to see Cloe and all the staff loved her.



Huge thanks to Abi, Julie & Ellie for all being so wonderfulA massive thank you to all at AC for giving me the chance to be Cleo's foster mum.....

- Cleo was without a doubt the most amazing girl & the last couple of years have been
- wonderful.....I have so many fantastic memory's of her....
- RIP Beautiful girl.



Lune dog grooming had a busy day on Saturday. Eleanor always makes sure she has time to pamper some of the dogs in the rescue centre. They all looked and smelt fantastic. If you would like to book your dog in for a pamper please call **01524 65495 or 07855 345328** Animal Care is delighted to have Kathryn join our team. Kathryn stated in December and we have been keeping her busy. She has proven to be an asset to the charity and we are very excited to be working with her.







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Offering a Professional and Personal Approach to each Owner and Dog

Dog Behaviour and Training should be personal to each dog, and owner. Not a one size fits all approach. Using a clever, experienced and professional approach to each individual dog and owner, working together, instead of against each other.

Katharine joined the Animal Care team in October and has already shown to be a fantastic addition to the charity. She is extremely knowledgeable and we believe she will be a huge help to the rescues more challenging dogs.

Katharine works alongside the staff and volunteers on a weekly basis helping them understand the needs of the dog. Staff members Rachel and Toni also attend the T.U.R.D.S training session with some of our long termers.

Here at Clever Fox Canine Training and Security we have created T.U.R.D.S. – Troublesome. Unpredictable. Reactive. Dog. Support., exclusively for owners, with dogs that are dog reactive. To provide you with support and training, in order to help you conquer your dogs issues, and become a happy team together.

Kathryn is available via Animal Care to help with any dogs which have been adopted from us and might be in need of a little help. Animal Care feels its very important that once a dog is adopted it has life long support what ever the problem might be. Please call and chat to Abi for more information. 01524 65495 / abi@animalcare-lancaster.co.uk



Tel: 07891201671 Email: cleverfoxcanine@hotmail.com www.clevertraining.co.uk



Tuesday is training day





Every Tuesday Kathryn comes up to complete assessments on our dogs and if needed work with any problems.

If you are interested in offering any of our dogs a home but they may need some behavioural training Kathryn is happy to work with any new adopters and offer tips and advice to insure your can manage your new dog.

Kathryn has already worked with Oliver, Ernie and Wilbur and they have all stayed in their new homes.









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Animal Care believes every dog deserves a chance and none of them are a lost cause . If your willing to put the time in and listen to Kathryn's advice then any dog can become your new best friend.

Follow Kathryn and keep up to date with all the work Clever fox does - Clever Fox Canine Training and Behaviour Follow Animal Care to see the work Kathryn does on training Tuesday — Animal Care