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July 2016



Open Day 2016 huge success

WHAT A TRULY AMAZING
DAY!!!!

The staff at Animal Care work really hard each year to try and make the open day as fun for everyone as possible.

It takes months to organize and lots of hard work.

Without our business sponsors and the generosity of local businesses and amazing volunteers events like these could not be possible.

A huge thank you to all our volunteers who gave up their free time to help set up and run stalls!

Thank you to all our charity and local business stall holders who joined us !

Thank you to each and every person that came to support us. We were overwhelmed by the support we have received and feel humbled by people's kindness.

Events like the open day are the lifeline we need to keep the charity running and to find out we have so much support is truly wonderful.

It was fantastic to see so many Animal Care dogs looking so happy with their new families and taking part in our dog show which had over 350 entries.

Thank you to the Bay Vets Team for supporting the event and making wonderful judges in the dog show! (Our busiest yet)



Thank you to all of you for showing Animal Care so much support it is very much appreciated.

We hope to see you next year.



On the 7th June Animal Care made an appeal

It's time to ask for your help again.

On Sunday Animal Care got an alarming call from the police that a 7 week old puppy needed urgent care.

Summer was seized by the police and taken straight to the vets. Summer has multiple breaks in her front leg and foot which is so badly damaged the only option to help summer is to amputate her leg.

The staff were heartbroken to see such a young little soul in so much pain.

At such a young age it is devastating to think what she has been through and the pain she has felt. The operation to remove the leg will be done as soon as possible.

Summer was lucky enough to be saved just in time and now has the opportunity to start her life again out of pain. Summer has a big operation ahead of her and is in need of lots love and aftercare.

The police and the vets have entrusted Animal Care to do the very best we can for summer with your help we know summer can be as happy as a young puppy should be.

To help us raise the funds to pay for summer's operation, medication and care please donate whatever you can.

Please help summer every penny really will help.

Thank you xx



We were amazed that by 6pm that day we managed to raise a
whopping £610!!!



Summer had a little message to say to everyone :

Hello everyone

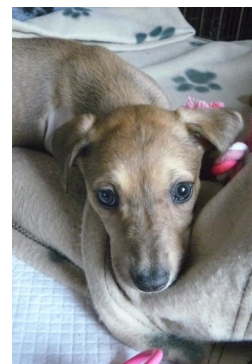
Iv had my operation and I feel so much better now.

The staff told me that all their wonderful supporters paid for me to get better. I can't tell you how grateful I am that you have all been so kind and so generous. This is the first time I have felt out of pain. It's going to take a while for me to get used to it but I'm feeling determined.

I was born into this world full of worry and fear but now because of you wonderful people I can start to be happy. I will never be able to thank you all enough, your all my heroes!

Thank you for saving my life

Summer xxx



Ready for a Challenge ??



Animal Care's

Cross Bay Walk

Saturday 16th July 2016

3:30pm Start Arnside to Kent's Bank



Walk for Animal Care

Animal Care and a group of dogs are holding a cross bay walk to raise some much needed funds for our charity.

The walk is 7-8 miles long and will be a fantastic day, everybody is welcome.

Adults £10 , Children (under 11y £5), Dogs £2

Please complete a entry form and return to Animal Care.



Bring your wellies!!!



Animal Care is running a cross bay walk on the 16th July and everybody is welcome to join us.

The walk is approximately 7-8 miles long and you will get WET!

All dogs are very welcome to join us.

If you are interested please collect a sponsor form and help us raise some much needed funds for your local animal charity.

Education



Animal Care knows how important it is to educate children on animal welfare and we are very happy to have staff member Michael as part of the team.

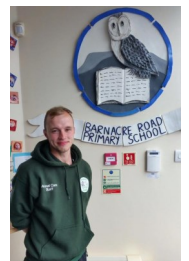
Michael is a fully qualified teacher and joined the animal care team in 2016.

Michael is available to come and chat to children of all ages in schools, groups or clubs all year round.

Animal Care and Michael are keen to spread the word about the work we do and raise the profile of Animal Care and most importantly raising awareness!

If you would like to meet Michael and Barney at your school/group/club/community group just give him a call.

01524 65495 or email him—admin@animalcare-lancaster.co.uk



Why dose Animal Care need to exist ?

Since 1979 Animal Care has been a working rescue charity saving thousands of unwanted and stray animals.

Every year the need for Animal Care to exist has become more and more apparent.

With breeding becoming more popular and dogs, cats and rabbits becoming more easy to sell and buy especially over social media the problem for all rescue centres across the UK is becoming increasing hard to handle.

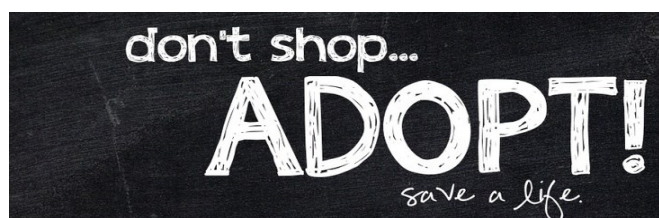
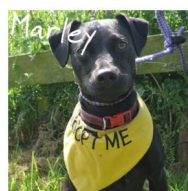
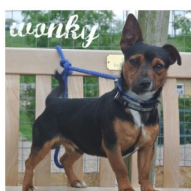
Like a lot of rescues Animal Care has had to expand its facilities to accommodate the huge number of unwanted animals something that would not of been possible without generous donators and grant schemes.

The kennels and cattery we use are full everyday of the year and we also have large waiting lists and pressure from the dog pounds all over the county to help before the dogs 7 day are up.

In 2015 Animal Care successfully rehomed over 1000 animals into happy homes and neutered over 500 animals.

We have become a well known charity and see adopters coming from all over to find their new best friend.

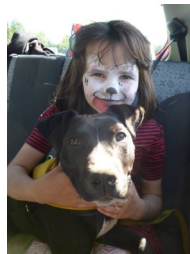
Animal Care needs to exist to ensure the next 1000 animals find safety with us until a new home can be found.



Children and introducing a new dog

You'll probably have a few stair gates in place already if you have very young children, so utilise these when you cannot supervise or things are getting a bit chaotic! It's also a good idea to invest in a crate for your new dog/ puppy as soon as you can, as will be an invaluable and useful tool. Teach your dog that this is quiet place to retreat to when they need a rest and teach your children that this is the dog's private area.

Children's toys and dog toys look very similar so expect your dog to want to pick up your children's toys and vice versa. It's a good idea to pick up your dog's toys when you have finished playing as this stops your children picking them up (and possibly putting them in their own mouths). This is good practice anyway as your dog may end up destroying or ingesting bits of the toy if you're not there to keep an eye on things. If your children are playing and your dog wants to 'join in' (which is perfectly normal), it's a good idea to give them something tasty such as a rawhide or stuffed Kong to occupy them either behind a stair gate or in their crate.



Safe handling tips

Encourage gentle stroking at all times - no pulling, grabbing, heaving patting or sitting on!

Let your dog sleep undisturbed. Puppies especially need a lot of sleep – being startled or woken regularly may begin to affect their behaviour and they may become irritable or defensive.



A good way to see if a dog would like to have a stroke is to ask them! When they are awake call them to you as opposed to approaching them. If they approach confidently, then this is their way of saying 'yes' and if they stay where they are, they are politely declining your invitation and you can try again later. This is a really simple exercise that young children can carry out (once they are old enough to understand your instruction) and it enables your puppy or dog a choice in the matter too.

Signs that your puppy is feeling worried are:

avoidance, moving away, hiding

tail tucked under, looking away, appearing 'smaller'

lip licking, yawning (when not sleepy), paw raising

growling, flashing teeth, snapping, biting



**Thank you Pets At Home for
our food donation picked up
today & thank you Julie &
Debbie for collecting it for us
xxx**

**Animal Care is always in need of food to
feed all the homeless animals and all
donations are welcome 7 days a week**

pets at home





Animal care needs your help. Whatever your skills are we can make good use of your free time.

Volunteers are a huge asset to the charity and we simply could not carry on the work we do without the help from local people. We are very grateful to each and every person that would like to be involved in the charity and welcome everybody.

You need to be over 18 years and registered with us before you can start (under 18's are welcome but must be accompanied by an adult) registration is easy and does not take long once your paper work is handed in we can get you started.

Volunteers can help any day of the week 10am-3pm if it's once a month or 5 days a week we are always glad to have a helping hand.

If you would like any more information about how to become a volunteer please call and ask to chat to Linda on 01524 65495 or email her linda@animalcare-lancaster.co.uk

We have a big site to look after and each day there is a lot to do with so many animals on site to care for we are constantly busy and always need help.



Volunteering

Home/checkers

We home hundreds of animals each year and each owner needs a home check before they can take their new friend home. We need volunteers to help us make sure these homes are perfect for our animals to move into.

Dog walking

Sometimes with over 45 dogs all in need of a good walk and play in our paddocks the staff are always happy to see helpers with dog walking. It's fantastic to get our dogs out of the kennels having fun and socialising with new people as much of possible.

Cat cuddling

Cats love attention and love our team of volunteer cat cuddles. If you love cats and think you could give some of our cats an hour of cuddles they will appreciate it.

Gardening

We have a large site to take care of so anyone who enjoys gardening is welcome to help us keep the place looking its best. If you would like to join our popular gardening group their meeting updates can be seen on our website.

Foster carers

Anyone interested in foster care is welcome to chat to the managers. We need foster homes for older dogs, young pups, pregnant cats, young kittens. We already have a strong team of foster homes who are wonderful but we can always use more help especially between April to September. Knowledge and experience is required.

Fundraising

Fundraising is the charity's main source of income and we work very hard to do as many events as we can to both raise funds and awareness for the charity. We need people to run information stalls, collection buckets at local supermarkets, and lots more. Or if you would like to hold your own event for Animal Care please chat to us about how we can help.

Bonnies happy ending



After a huge operation at Burch Tree Vets and 6 weeks of kennel rest Bonnie is on her way to start her new life with her wonderful new family. Thank you to everyone who made a donation towards Bonnie care. Good luck Bonnie xx

Her owners say :

Looks like a certain young lady is settling in ok so far. She's been on her first school run to collect Moses, eaten all her tea & is checking out her new home. Thank you all so much for taking such good care of her, she's a gem!



We love happy endings



I got Misty 8 months ago, when she was called "HissKit5", ran from everyone and was just a little ball of fluff. Constantly thinking about Animal Care, thank you for making my life (and Misty's) amazing!



Lola (formerly Star) has settled in well and has happily taken charge.. just working on her new diet as she was a little tubby..



We visited animal care 6 weeks ago and fell in love with Maggie, we knew she was the dog for us. Six weeks later and it feels like she has always been a part of our family. She loves playing and we are yet to find a ball she can't chew in under half an hour. She loves walks and loves being with us, she comes everywhere we go. We can't thank the hard work of animal care enough and feel very lucky to have found our Maggie

Rest in peace Boggie

All our love and thoughts are with the wonderful family that gave Boggie a wonderful home. Today they said goodbye to this lovely boy. Thank you for making his last year one filled with love xxx

My shadow, our Boggie, went to sleep forever this morning.



Our hearts are broken. We fostered him till the end of his life, and we're honoured to have loved him for 1 year 4 months. I'm sure he gave us much more than we gave him. He was my "Baby Waby Woo", and my "Boggy Woggy Doo Dah." I loved him with all my heart. Good night our brave little gent. Thank you Animal Care for allowing us the opportunity of loving Boggie. Xxxx.

Pawprints Left By You

You no longer greet me,
As I walk through the door.
You're not there to make me smile,
To make me laugh anymore.
Life seems quiet without you,
You were far more than a pet.
You were a family member, a friend
a loving soul I'll never forget.
It will take time to heal -
For the silence to go away.
I still listen for you,
And miss you every day.
You were such a great companion,
Constant, loyal and true.
My heart will always wear,
the pawprints left by you.

