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Second Chance Animal Rescue

2022 Summer Newsletter

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The Summer Newsletter is here, but sadly not news of our Open Day at the rescue. Due to continued uncertainty with covid and the restrictions it brings, the amount of planning time in the run-up and the number of volunteers we need to put on such an event, we just can't do it, sorry.

With a full kennels and cattery our focus at present is fully on the animals in our care and finding them the right homes.

Fundraising is starting to take place again however and details of our up and coming events can be found in this newsletter and on our Facebook page.

We hope to have a stall or 2 at the Winchester Covert again this year, so please check our Facebook regularly for the dates and we hope that you can come along and support us there.



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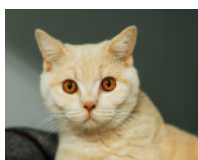
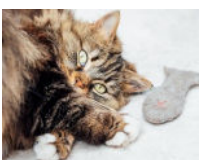
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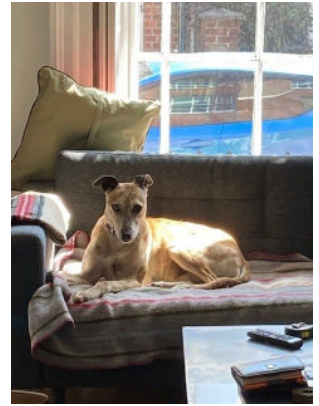
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2022 so far...

2022 saw a slow return of dogs to the rescue as people started to return to work and found themselves unable to keep their new lockdown pet anymore. Vets have remained under pressure, trying to work under Covid restrictions. There was a national shortage of vaccines as well as a shortage of vets. This saw an increase in the number of animals coming to us with no vaccinations and not being spayed/neutered.

Lurchers seemed to be our breed this year. We had strays or from homes where they didn't fully appreciate just how large they would grow. Thankfully we have been successful in rehoming all of them to some fantastic homes who appreciate the character and needs of lurchers.... And don't have any cats! This is Becky in her forever home.



Throughout covid the number of cats coming into rescue had remained fairly constant. We had increased our capacity with the work done in the isolation, with new pods and the building of the cat hotel, plus a revamp of our main cattery gardens. But despite all this we still ran out of space this month! The number of phone calls we were receiving on a daily basis was off the scale, many with multiple cats needing to come in.

In June, we helped Eastleigh council with 11 cats all in one room! Living in their own mess, kittens, juveniles with litters and unsocialised adults ranging from 4 months to 4 years. They required medical attention and we hope to start rehoming them all soon. This obviously took up all of our isolation so we apologise to the many other people that we were unable to help. Sadly the same was happening in many other rescues and this high demand for places may continue for some time, especially with the lack of vets and cats being so quick to reproduce if not spayed/neutered in time.

These are just some of the cats that we have rehomed this year, all looking very happy.

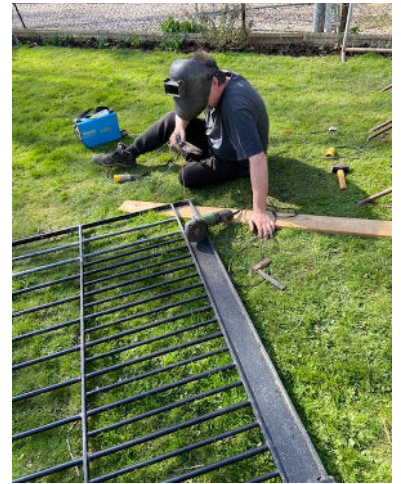


Maintenance

We have been very busy continuing with the maintenance updates at the rescue.

If you have been to the rescue in the last couple of months, you may have seen our new gates! For the last few years our gates had been a harris fencing panel and a bed frame - so we were very excited when the opportunity arose for an update! We now have a new main entrance gate and new vehicle gates.

We would like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to **Dave Brown**, who is a brilliant fabricator. The entrance gates had been donated to us years ago and had been waiting all this time for someone as talented as Dave to fit them. He then found the large vehicle gates cheap online and extended them and updated them to be just what we needed. The new gates are much more secure and we hope will last us for a very long time.



The mural painted food store also needed some work this year as we had some unwanted visitors causing us major problems - our food store was unable to store food!

A new concrete base was laid by the lovely guys at **Shears Landscaping** (we are hoping they may return in the autumn to help repair the fish pond walls too). Dave and his plasterer friend then came and replastered the walls ready for some new racking to be installed. The food store will be able to store food again very soon!

Liz Winter

We are incredibly grateful for every single one of our supporters, but one of our most fantastic supporters is Liz Winter. Liz has fundraised for Second Chance for an astounding 33 years, holding table top sales in Totton and always a stall on our Open Day. After 33 years, Liz is retiring from fundraising for Second Chance.

With the help of Liz's family, we held her a small surprise party to say thank you for all of her amazing work over the years. Thank you to our patron Fred Dinenage for coming along and presenting Liz with her gifts. Also, thank you to The Simpsons Duo for entertaining everyone for the evening.

Liz, you truly are an amazing lady, thank you for all your support.



Trifest

After a very successful event last year, Bitterne Triangle will be holding another Trifest this summer! We will be organising the dog show.

Trifest Fun Dog Show Schedule. The Second Chance Animal Rescue Sat 23rd July 2022

Judging starts at 1.30pm and ends at 4pm.

Entries £2 per class, payment on entry to each class, no registration needed.

Judges: TBC.

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| 1. | Best Puppy 6-12months of age |
| 2. | Best Veteran 8 years and over |
| 3. | Best Rescue Dog from a Rescue Society |
| 4. | Most Handsome Dog |
| 5. | Prettiest Bitch |
| 6. | Best Six Legs |
| 7. | Dog the Judge would like to take home. |

BEST IN SHOW* RESERVE BEST IN SHOW

ROSETTES TO 5TH PLACE IN ALL CLASSES

PLEASE NOTE:

No puppies under the age of 6mths to be entered into the Dog Show

No bitches in season within the precincts of the Show

The Officials take no responsibility for loss or damage to persons, pets or property

Dogs must be kept on a lead at all times

Please pick up after your dog



TRIFEST

Saturday 23rd JULY 12—7pm

A COMMUNITY FESTIVAL ON RIVERSIDE PARK

MUSIC • GAMES • DOG SHOW • BEER TENT • STALLS • FOOD

FIND US BY THE COBDEN BRIDGE ENTRANCE TO THE PARK

Talisman Pub

We are very happy that The Talisman Pub are continuing to support us! From each sale of their Steak and Tanglefoot Pie, they will donate money to Second Chance!

They have held a doggy brunch and sell dog treats to help support Second Chance. They are also looking to hold a quiz night for Second Chance - follow their Facebook page for more details.

Thank you to the brilliant Team and Customers at the Talisman Pub!



Thank you to all the fantastic staff and customers at Jollyes in Totton for your continued support and donations!



Amber

Amber is 10 years old. She came into rescue after her elderly owner passed away and no one was able to look after her.

She was left residing in the bungalow alone with a relative popping in to feed her. She was crying and lonely. She was not keen on the families children so no relatives could give her a home.

The stress of leaving her owners, being left alone or coming into rescue caused Amber to have an ulcerated mouth and she stopped grooming.

During treatment for her mouth she didn't particularly enjoy being brushed so we were very pleased to see furballs, showing us that she had started to groom herself again!

She is not a fan of the vets and really just wants a quiet life again with a garden. If you think you can offer gorgeous Amber a home please contact us.



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Special Updates

Daisy - a year on!

Gorgeous Daisy has been in her forever home in Scotland for a year now! We received this lovely update and we wanted to share it with you all, as we know she has quite the following from our previous newsletters:

"I cannot believe it is a whole year. In that time, she has proved what an intelligent wee soul she is. When I look back over the year, she is always making progress. *I can't imagine home without her.*

My daughter and granddaughter now live with us along with their chocolate lab who is 10. Pippin knows who's boss and defers to Daisy every time! She has the run of the whole large garden and it is like being on safari for her but she always comes and finds me after ten minutes or so! Baths are down to one a week and her fur on her front is still growing slowly, may never make a full coat but she is just beautiful! *Every day I am thankful that Daisy, with everyone's help, found her way home.*"



Timmy

Last year, we introduced you to Timmy - the extraordinary kitten. In our Winter Newsletter, we updated you on Timmy in his new home.

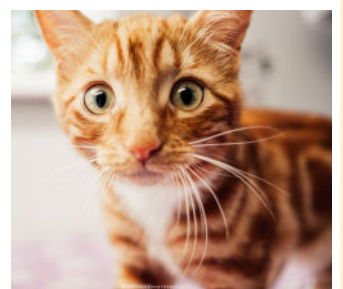
At only 8 months old, Timmy had been through so much already and it was great for us to hear just how well he had settled into his new home.

Sadly, in May we received some very upsetting news. Timmy hadn't eaten and became increasingly unwell over the day. His owners took him to the emergency vets and sadly Timmy passed away due to an unknown cause.

His owners said: "Timmy was a very loving boy who would sleep between us on our bed every night. He made friends with our Sprocker and showed her who was boss. He even persuaded our 16 year old semi-feral cat to come indoors to feed and socialise with our dog for the first time ever.

There is still a gap in our day to day life without him and his constant presence shows us how much he touched our hearts and minds."

We are heartbroken by this news and we thank Timmy's family for giving him the loving and caring home he deserved.



Thank you to the wonderful staff and customers at **Pets Corner** in **Eastleigh, Chandlers' Ford, Winchester** and **Hythe** for all their donations and continuing support!



Missy

Missy will be 12 years old on the 19th of July.

She was her previous owners loyal companion since a puppy, but when his life changed due to a new relationship, Missy was not impressed.

Her owner had taken her to the vets to be put down, but could not bring himself to do it, so she came to us.

For 2 months she struggled to trust anyone else, believing someone would return for her.

Slowly, she began to accept us and show just how much love she had to give. However, she showed a severe dislike for other dogs whilst out for walks, ok, if you can manage to distract and walk away, but not if the other dog is off lead and approaches despite the warnings!

So we are now looking for a home with someone who will be patient and accept Missy for who she is. No cats, no children and maybe a nice size garden so that she doesn't have the stress of a walk.

If you think that you are able to offer such a home for this special girl please email us.



Snows Toyota Hedge End are marking their 60th Birthday celebrations by having a 'Mission 60' Fundraiser for us and another charity. We look forward to news of how much they raise.

Thank you very much to the customers and staff at **Sainsbury's Badgers Farm** for their continued support!



If we have made a spelling mistake or your address is incorrect on the envelope for your newsletter - we apologise. Please send us an email to contact@secondchanceanimalrescue.co.uk and we will change your details. Sorry for any inconvenience.



St Mary's Church Portsmouth

After 2 years of no fundraising and serious restrictions it was exciting to be invited to have a stand at St.Mary's Church Portsmouth at their May Day Bank Holiday celebrations.

We met so many wonderful people, all very happy that restrictions were lifted and they could mix with others again. We were busy from the minute we started setting up to packing up time at 4. We can always tell if something has been successful by the number of empty boxes we bring back and they were all empty!



Although we did not have time to take pictures of our stand we do have pictures the Church photographer took.

May Bank Holiday Monday - Keep it free in your diary next year. We have already booked our spot.

Vets

Did you know that there are 2million more pets in this country since the start of lockdown? Did you know that many vets returned to their own countries at the start of lockdown and have not returned?

Be nice to your vet, we need them.

Droxford Country Show

We were apprehensive when told that Droxford Country Show was still on for June 4th, the extended bank holiday for the celebrations.

It's a show we have been attending for years and look forward to. The weather was not kind to us, it was miserable and blowing a gale but that did not dampen the spirit.

It was a fabulous day attended by hundreds of people mostly wearing red, white and blue and carrying flags (that included the dogs).



The first Saturday in June is already in our diary for next year and our space booked. It's got nothing to do with the cream teas and Pimms tent - honest!



The impact of Social Media

Social media should be held to account for many of the animals now coming into rescue, many in a pitiful state. During lockdown unscrupulous home breeders were selling moggies for as much as £500 each and rarely were the homes checked to see if suitable for a pet. We are now experiencing the outcome with cats barely 9 months old giving birth to kittens dying of anaemia due to fleas or deformed because the male was their father.

Our Thanks to....

The Grove veterinary Surgery for always being there at anytime for us. Greg Scot, Saffiya Al-Hafidh and Patti, all the nurses and everyone in reception. Special thanks for the care they showed our Stevie girl.

Nikki, our neighbour, for organising all our online raffles.

Stephanie and Jan for getting up at silly o'clock to do car boot sales for us.

Cosham Dog Grooming and **Best Pals Pet Shop** for their terrific fundraising events.

All the team at **Pets at Home**, Newgate Lane for their enthusiastic ongoing support.

Tesco, Pompey Centre for allowing us a donation trolley and to all those people who regularly donate.

Big thank you also to **Purbrook and Harbour Veterinary Practices** for their continued support and donations.

My personal thanks to **Linda** for organising the workshop and keeping me organised and for **Ruth** organising my paperwork and being my car buddy.

Helen and her partner John, who have fostered over 3000 cats and kittens.

Tracey-Ann for the waifs and strays she helps me with. **Sue and Dave** allowing me to take over their home with kittens. **To all our amazing fosterers.**

Dates for your diary.

Aug 29 - Donkey Derby Stubbington AND Gosport Rotary vehicle rally Stokes Bay

September 24 - Michaelmas fayre Alverstoke village.

More dates to follow...

Thank you to the staff and customers at **Viscount Leisure Caravans** for their continued support instore.

Pets at home

A big thank you to the staff and customers at **Pets at home Hedge End** for all their continuing support. With their donations we have been able to buy new scratch posts for our cat pods, Dog and Cat Food, specialist food for some-one of our poorly rescues and so much more. We were very lucky to have had 2 lovely ladies from the Pets at Home head office come and volunteer for the day, doing some painting around the rescue, Honey's run now looks splendid.

We have recently been able to return to store. Thank you to Kate for manning the table. We will share on our facebook page whenever we are instore, so please come along and say hello!

Legal and General

Thank you to the 10 lovely volunteers from Legal and General who donated their time for a day last month to help with some much needed painting around the rescue. We have many sheds for storage and they need regular upkeep, plus 2 new doors to our food store, so we really appreciated what they were able to do for us.



A huge thank you to **Titchfield ONS** who raised £2025 this year ! They have also promised us some office equipment and a fridge. You are all fantastic!

We are excited to share that **Marks & Spencer** in West Quay, fundraised and donated £2002.95. Thank you so much for your support.

.Our Vets

Thank you to all our vets and their clients, who continue to leave us donations of blankets, food, treats and more. **Unicorn vets** in Burgess Road and Fair oak. **Vets 4 Pets** in Hill Lane. **Mainstone Vets**, Romsey. **Midforest Vets** in Totton.

Thank you to **Creature Comforts** in Totton for all your donations.

Ways you can donate to Second Chance...

• Easy Fundraising



Thank you to all our supporters who raise money for us via Easy Fundraising!

Did you know that whenever you buy anything online - from your weekly shop to your annual holiday - you could be collecting free donations for Second Chance Society Southampton?

There are over 3,000 shops and sites on board ready to make a donation, including Amazon, John Lewis, Aviva and Sainsbury's – it doesn't cost you a penny extra!

It's as easy as 1, 2, 3...

1. Head to <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/secondchancesocietysouthampton/> and join for free.
2. Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first to find the site you want and start shopping.
3. After you've checked out, that retailer will make a donation to your good cause for no extra cost whatsoever!

There are no catches or hidden charges and we will be really grateful for your donations

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• Online

You can donate via our website or Facebook page. Or Online banking, please see details at the bottom of the next page.

Or by cheque, made payable to SECOND CHANCE SOCIETY.

We'd like to take this opportunity to say a big THANK YOU to all of our supporters and volunteers!

Take care and we hope you all have a lovely safe summer!

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Membership: Family £10 Joint £8 Adult £6 Child £3 OAP £3

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The Gift Aid scheme means that we can claim tax on donations you make to us. This would increase each donation by 25% providing you have paid sufficient UK tax to cover this amount. To enable Second Chance to reclaim the tax on donations you make, please tick the box ☐ and write today's date.

SIGNATURE DATE/...../.....

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