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Animal Centre News

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New Arrival Katie

Katie was found straying in Currys car park and was taken to a local vets. As you can see Katie has a severe flea allergy and will need a lot of treatment and TLA to help her recover.

Katie is an example of what can happen if you do not treat your pets for fleas. Our Branch sells veterinary flea and worm treatment at competitive prices. Pets can be registered with us any weekend so please call in.

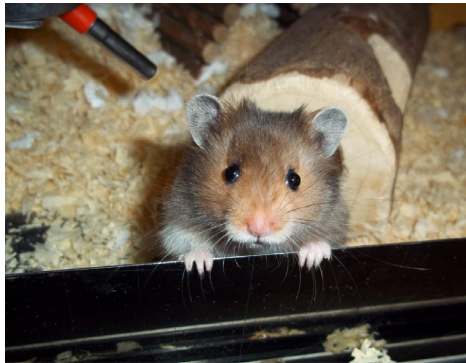
Fosterers are always needed for cats like Katie so please contact us if you think you can help.



James

James was incredibly timid when he came into the Centre and didn't cope well. He was adopted back in May and the transformation six months on is unbelievable. He now loves company and is incredibly sociable, loves playing in the garden and is in charge of the local cats.

James is just one of our many cats who have found a new and loving home.



Wemby the hamster

We recently had a family of hamsters brought into the Centre, and as the previous owners were not aware that hamsters can breed when they are a mere 8 weeks old, three of them were pregnant. We currently have 11 hamsters wanting new homes and they are all young and well handled, so if you can offer any of our babies a home, please contact the Animal Centre for an application form.

LOST & FOUND

The new section on our website to reunite lost pets with their owners has already proved to be a success. Three animals have now been reunited with their owners.

Anyone who has recently lost an animal should certainly check out this section.



Piglet Finds Her Forever Home

Rob and I had already adopted Agnes, an EARS cruelty case when we got an invite to attend an Open Day. When we visited that day, Alex took us to see some of the other cats, and we were struck by the cat who'd been alone in one pen since February, Piglet. She was a cruelty case who had had broken legs, and she cut a bit of a lonely figure. She responded affectionately to being visited, and we would have taken her home there and then if we could. Unfortunately, she could go nowhere until the Court case was over. We waited a couple more months and then got a call from Alex last week to say that Piglet was free to come home with us. We arranged to pick her up as soon as possible to enable her space to be used for another unwanted cat and brought her home.

We bought her a new bed ready to make her temporary room comfortable. She does, however prefer an old shoe box! She has settled in extremely well, and is a very sweet and affectionate cat with a gentle nature. She has surprised us as we thought she'd be more nervous, given her experience. She doesn't like closed doors, and didn't want to stay long in the quiet space we'd set on one side to introduce her to the household. Maybe that's because she craves human company if it's kind to her. Taking on Agnes and then Piglet has shown us that rescue cats that have experienced cruelty can be an extremely rewarding experience, and we would certainly do it again in the future. It's great to be able to give them the home they so deserve.

Many thanks to the RSPCA for their support with the adoptions (and afterwards).

Fiona and Rob



Fundraising Bits and Pieces

Would you like to fundraise for the branch without it costing you a penny?

If you shop online please sign up to www.easyfundraising.org.uk and nominate us as your chosen charity. The site has over 2000 retailers to choose from including many popular names such as Amazon, M & S, Argos, John Lewis and HMV, when you shop online using the links on the site up to 15% from every purchase you make is donated to our cause, many retailers now give extra discounts, so you could even save money.

Could you be sitting on a kitty?

A recent report from the Halifax bank said that people in Yorkshire could be sitting on up to £4 million in loose change dropped down the back of sofas, with more in bags, drawers and cars, averaging £18.75 per household. There old saying "take care of the pennies and the pounds will look after themselves" perhaps next time you find some loose change you would consider donating it to the RSPCA's kitty fund and we'll put it to good use.

Thanks to James Bamford for taking part in the Great North Run and raising funds for the Branch.

CRUELTY LINE 0300 1234 999 A BIG THANK YOU

We would like to thank all the volunteers who collected at Morrisons supermarket, Huddersfield on Friday 17th September and at the Flag Day in Huddersfield town centre on Saturday 23rd October.

A thank you also to Newbank Garden Centre who have donated Christmas decorations and to Wilkinsons who donated 4 carrier bags of dried food

There will be a Flag Day

in Huddersfield on Thursday 23rd December and extra volunteers are needed to collect on this day. If anyone can spare an hour or two please contact Janet Walter, tel. no. 01484 329255, as all help would be greatly appreciated.

RSPCA Party In the Park 2010



Dogs and their families enjoyed an action packed day in Manor Heath Park in September, taking part in the fun dog show, have a go agility, and the popular hot dog sausage run, others preferred to watch the fun and visit the stalls and games. Many thanks to everyone who came along the day raised over £5000 and will be put to good use at the Animal Centre.

CHRISTMAS OPEN DAY & FAMILY FAIR

Sunday 12th December
12.00 am - 3.00 pm
ADMISSION FREE



A family event with games for the children plus a variety of stalls and gifts.

Father Christmas along with his helpers Santa Paws and Kitten Claws will be visiting to give children their gifts Please come along and join us for a

glass of mulled wine and a mince pie. Plus Refreshments including Hot Dogs and Juice

Our cats and dogs will be hanging up their Christmas stockings and hoping you will put a gift in them ready for Christmas morning.

Christmas Gift Appeal

Anyone requiring more tickets can contact the Animal Centre where more are available.