

# EARS Newsletter

## Elderly Animal Rehoming Scheme



### EARS Day

Thank you to everyone who came to our annual EARS open day. The weather was kind to us and we managed to raise over £400!

This year's winner of the Gregg Virco award was 'Katie.' Her family are extremely proud of her and could not have wished for a better pet!

### Elderly cat looking for a new home:

Wilbur came to the centre in Nov 2010 after his owner passed away. He is living in a foster home where he has settled well.

Wilbur can be very shy at first and will find somewhere to hide if possible but once he comes round and meets you he is a very loving old gentleman. Wilbur just needs to find his forever home where he will make wonderful companion. Wilbur qualifies for the Ears Scheme.



### RSPCA K9 Party in the Park

K9 Party in the park is on Sunday 11th September, all EARS dogs are welcome to come and join the EARS parade.

Also a class for the best EARS dog is been held at 2.10pm, dog show entries from 11.30am.

### Elderly dog Alfie is looking for a new home

Alfie was transferred from Great Ayton RSPCA as he was not coping in their kennels. He was shaking so much he was nick named Shaky Jake. Since coming to us Alfie has proven to be

a real little star. He is living in a foster home where he is coping much better and the fosterers absolutely love him. Alfie is good with other dogs and can be left for a few hours at a time; he

is completely house trained and is fine to live with older children. Alfie qualifies for the EARS Scheme which has lots of benefits for people adopting older animals.



### Gone But Not Forgotten

Annabelle Poole  
Pepsi Healey  
Molly Lawton

Pepsi Boothroyd  
Sally Dawson  
Carlos Smith

Rosie Walker  
Thorne Scully  
Candy Laycock

### Pet Adopters Club!

This club has been set up exclusively for people who have adopted pets from the RSPCA Halifax, Huddersfield and District Branch. Every person who adopts or

has adopted a pet through our centre is eligible to become a member. By joining the club - which is free - you will receive a special pet adopters club certificate, newsletter

and car sticker. You will also receive exclusive invitations to enter our PAC cat photo competition, attend animal care presentations and entry to our special PAC dog show class at

our events! So join up now! Forms are available for the animal centre reception and also at our events - look out for them at the K9 Party in the Park!

Halifax, Huddersfield & District



# Animal Centre News

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## 30th Anniversary



October 10th 1981 marked a huge change for unwanted and abused animals in the Calderdale area, for this was the date that the RSPCA Halifax Animal Centre opened. It's hard to believe that the centre has been providing this service for 30 years and there's no chance of us slowing down yet!

We are celebrating this momentous anniversary with a month's worth of events for supporters of all ages to take part in! We start the party with our Animal Blessing Service on October 2nd at Halifax Minster. We will then have the OFFICIAL party celebration on Saturday 8th October with our 80's revival night! The event will take place at Brighthouse Sports Club and promises to be a night to remember! We will be holding a coffee morning on Saturday 29th October at Huddersfield Town Hall and will finish the month with the RSPCA's Big Sunday Lunch event on October 30th.

### 80's Revival Night



Come and take a trip back in time and celebrate the RSPCA Animal Centre's official opening which took place on October 10th 1981

Tickets on sale now at the RSPCA Queens Road Charity Shop, King Cross, Halifax or telephone 01422 362461

### RSPCA K9 Party In The Park

Sunday September 11th  
Manor Heath Park Halifax HX3 0EB



**Fun Day Out For The Family Including The Dog Admission Free But Small Donation Welcome 12 noon - 5.00 pm (dog show entries from 11.30 pm)**

Fun Dog Show featuring over 20 classes, Springer's Dog Club Agility & Flyball, including Have a Go, Hot Dog Sausage Run and Dogstacle Course. Charity Stalls & Games. West Yorkshire Police Wildlife Unit, RSPCA Animal Area, get your pet micro-chipped, flea and worm treatments. Find out more

about the RSPCA working locally to help unwanted, neglected and ill-treated animal and how you can help. All proceeds to RSPCA Halifax, Huddersfield & District Branch. Tel. 01422 365628 or visit the website for full list of dog show classes [www.rspca-halifaxandhuddersfield.org.uk](http://www.rspca-halifaxandhuddersfield.org.uk)

It looks like it will be a fun month!

Amongst all of these events we will have our £30 challenge. The challenge is a simple concept, we're just asking our supporters to raise £30 in any way they can! £30 for 30 years, of course we're happy for you to raise even more but if you can pledge £30 for the animals in our centre it would be a wonderful gift for the centre's anniversary. We have our fundraising pack s available which are packed with ideas and information about the challenge, so why not sign up today and make our 30th year the best yet!

## New Community Fundraiser.

Hi my name is Lauren and I'm the centre's new Community Fundraiser. I have always had a passion for animal welfare and have had animals in my family throughout the generations! I feel incredibly lucky to have been given the opportunity to work for such a worthy cause and can't wait to get stuck in!

I have worked in the charity sector for the past 8 years, ranging from the national RSPCA, the RSPCA Leeds and Wakefield Branch and the Forget Me Not Children's Hospice. I have also volunteered in various roles for the RSPCA since 2006 and had a stint at the Toronto Humane Society in 2008! You can read more about me on our website and please know that I'm always happy to hear ideas and suggestions on how we can improve the charity's profile and funds(!) so please don't hesitate to get in contact with me on 07432 896283 or [laurenmoore@rspca-halifaxandhuddersfield.org.uk](mailto:laurenmoore@rspca-halifaxandhuddersfield.org.uk)



## New Patron

Kate taking tea with staff and volunteers at the RSPCA Queens Hall Charity Shop at the launch of the 2nd floor of the charity shop – just full of fantastic furniture

and bargains galore. Kate Hardcastle founder member of the Charity Dreamgirls and director of Insight With Passion is appointed as the RSPCA

Halifax, Huddersfield and District Branch's first patron. Kate is passionate about animals and is committed and dedicated to supporting the local RSPCA

## Erllys Edwards

We are sorry to announce the death of Erllys Edwards, one time secretary of the former Huddersfield Branch, just 2 weeks short of her 87th birthday.

During her many years as Branch secretary, in addition to all the administrative duties this entailed, she was very much involved with all aspects of the Branch's work. This included cat and dog re-homing, the Kirklees dog neutering scheme, fostering dogs herself, home checking, fund raising and she was instrumental in the establishment of the branch charity shop in 1991 working

hard to ensure its success.

Erllys was much loved and respected and always had time to help anyone with a problem with an animal or indeed anything else. She was affectionately known as Miss RSPCA due to her breadth of knowledge in this field.

Failing health forced her to relinquish her role as secretary in late 2001 and, in recognition of her great contribution to the branch and the organisation as a whole, she was awarded the Queen Victoria Bronze Medal in 2002, an award which was richly deserved.

## Calling All Proud Pet Owners

Once again we are running our popular annual photographic competition and are looking for your treasured or amusing photographs of your pets or indeed of any animals (feathered or furry) that you have taken. You still have plenty of time left to start snapping or sorting through the many photographs that you probably have as the closing date for entries is not until the 31st October 2011.

An entry form which details the various classes is enclosed with this news letter or you can download one from the Halifax and Huddersfield RSPCA website. After the entries have been judged, the winners and many more will be displayed at our Christmas Fair on Saturday 12th November 2011 in the Maurice Jagger Centre, Halifax. All entries will then be returned together with any rosettes which you may have won.

## Lizzie

Lizzie has been at the centre waiting patiently for a new home since she was a small puppy. She came into RSPCA care because she had a broken leg, and due to the fact her owner didn't seek veterinary treatment for the leg the injury became so severe she needed to have it amputated. Lizzie has got a lovely nature towards everyone she meets, and is brilliant with other dogs. She has been a favourite with our dog walkers, and has been out and about to many places whilst in our care. Lizzie now needs a loving home with a



family who can help her to catch up on everything she has missed out on. She will initially need a home where somebody is about most of the day so that she can be settled into a home environment. Lizzie has coped very well with three legs, and she definitely does not let this slow her down at all!

## New Ferret Accommodation at The Branch!

Here is a sneak peak at the new ferret accommodation; it has 3 pens which can be doubled up to hold 6 ferrets at a time! Keep an eye out for updates when we get our new residents!



## Guinea Pig Adopters Needed!

Last month the Halifax and Huddersfield RSPCA took in 7 pregnant guinea-pigs who were sadly found abandoned in a cardboard box. The staff and volunteers all rallied around

offered to foster the pigs. We now have lots of lovely guinea-pigs, babies and adults, looking for new homes. If you can offer a home to 1 or more guinea-pigs please contact the Animal Centre. Please note that guinea-pigs are very social animals and need to live in groups of at least 2, all male guinea-pigs are neutered before adoption.



## Reggie and Ronnie

These two little kittens were callously dumped in a cardboard box at the bottom of a member of public's garden. Luckily for them they were found and brought into the animal home in Halifax. We have named them Ronnie and Reggie as they seem to be very mischievous and enjoy playing with their toys, they are both very friendly but Ronnie is a little shy and relies on his brother to encourage him. They are only 9 weeks old and would have really struggled to survive the elements and dangers in the big wide world! Like all our kittens and adult cats Ronnie and Reggie have now been vaccinated, flea and wormed, micro chipped and neutered. Luckily these two boys have found a new loving home together but we still have lots and lots of kittens and older cats looking for their permanent homes.



## Events 2011

**Sunday 11th September 12 noon – 5.00 pm**

RSPCA K9 Party In The Park Manor Heath Park, Halifax

**Saturday 17th September**

Flag Day in Huddersfield Town Centre Please contact Janet on 01484 329255 if you can help Halifax Minster Animal Blessing Service to celebrate World Animal Day

**Sunday 2nd October 2.30 pm**

**Saturday 8th October 7.30 pm**

80's Revival Night at Brighthouse Sports Club Celebrating the 30th Anniversary of the opening of the RSPCA Animal Centre Huddersfield Town Hall Coffee Day We need cakes, jams and other treats for this day! Please contact Janet on 01484 329255 if you can help

**Saturday 29th October**

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RSPCA Big Sunday Lunch. An opportunity for you to hold a Sunday lunch for your family and friends in aid of the RSPCA! See the website for details.

**Saturday 12th November 10.30 am – 2.30 pm**

Christmas Fair at the Maurice Jagger Centre, Halifax

**Saturday 3rd December**

Flag Day in Huddersfield Town Centre Please contact Janet on 01484 329255 if you can help

**Sunday 11th December 12.00 noon – 3.30 pm**

Family Fair & Open Day at the RSPCA Animal Centre

**Sunday 11th December Times to be confirmed**

Santa Dash in Huddersfield Town Centre

## Veterinary Products Online



We stock a wide range of Veterinary Products online for all types of pets and animals

[www.rspca-halifaxandhuddersfield.org.uk](http://www.rspca-halifaxandhuddersfield.org.uk)



For more details on any of these events please visit our website [www.rspca-halifaxandhuddersfield.org.uk](http://www.rspca-halifaxandhuddersfield.org.uk) or call Lauren on 07432 896283