

Happy New Year! January 2013

We have been so lucky to have a continuation of great weather even through January which has meant that our doggies get more walks and more visitors at the centre.

Also due to the good weather we were able to go ahead with the New Year clean up. Many volunteers came out and helped us clean and organize the centre. We are so grateful for the help, our staff try to keep on top of things, but with all the rescues, and daily chores it can be difficult.

We are now looking for volunteers to help with building dog houses and also help to clean up around the outside of the centre where build up of leaves and branches causes flooding on rainy days!

We are happy this month to report some great adoptions and some new arrivals.

Rescues 救援

A previous adopter of two Chihuahuas from us called about two small dogs that he had rescued off the streets. He had been fostering them at his home for quite some time, but wasn't having any luck getting them adopted. They were also causing him problems at work as he was keeping them at his work place due to the fact that he has dogs of his own at home.

We decided that there was enough space at the centre for these two little dogs and we took them in, Yorkie a Yorkshire Terrier and Willy a Maltese. They are both in good health and we've had them neutered and checked out by the vet. We hope they will soon find loving homes.



The secretary of the French Dept at the European School here in Taipei, called us about a dog lying in the middle of the road. He was suspected of having a leg injury. Miss Lo called us for help as the dog refused to move even when cars were passing very close. Miss Lo managed with help to get him to the side of the road while waiting for us to arrive. We immediately took him to the vet for medical attention. He is a male Shiva Inu about 14 years old. He has a sever spine deformity which has caused great pain in one of his back legs. It seems an old injury as the muscles in his leg have weakened and thus he is unable to use that leg. After two different vet consultations it was deemed that at this time the best treatment for him is pain medication and acupuncture. So Pa Pa will be attending the same acupuncturist as Skal a few times a week to help lessen the pain. However, it seems he will never be able to use that leg again.





Sammie is one of the puppies from the Shiding area where we are continuing our CNR project. When inspecting the recent puppies we noticed one of them was seriously weak and also had a bloody stool. We quickly separated her from the others and took her to the vet for medical attention. We also kept an eye on the other puppies to make sure none of them got sick either. After getting to the vet she was found to have Canine Parvovirus infection and needed immediate fluids and medication. She has been quarantined and is slowly making progress. Once she is completely out of the woods, she'll come to the centre for adoption.

A regular feeder reported an abuse case to us about a dog who had chased a motorcycle and the motorcyclist decided to come back with an iron bar and teach the dog a lesson. The dog was hit with the iron bar which broke her leg in two places. The feeder was unable to catch the dog for quite some time as she was in pain and obviously had lost her trust in people. We were called out to help catch her. Once we caught her, she was taken to a specialist and it was decided that the best treatment for her at this point was a cast on her leg. She will have to stay at the vet's for about 1 – 2 months while her leg heals. Once it has healed we'll talk to the feeder to decide what is best for her.

The feeder and caretaker of a cat colony in Fulong who we helped with TNR contacted us about one of the cats. The little kitten had gotten his leg caught in some kind of snare trap. The feeder eventually caught the little guy and brought him to our vet. Two of his toes were removed and he seemed to be recovering well, but then he stopped eating and it was discovered that he had cat Parvo a deadly disease. He was given medication, but he was still too weak from his ordeal and too young to fight it and so he passed over the rainbow. We hope he is happy and safe now in greener pastures.

A couple of volunteers on their way to our centre became aware of a dog following them. He eventually followed them all the way to our centre and came in with them. We were all very surprised to see him so friendly. He had a collar on and so we suspected he was owned and lost. We scanned him and were overjoyed that he had a chip. We contacted the owners immediately and they rushed over to collect him, apparently they had been looking for him for a few days and were very worried about him. We are always grateful when owners take the responsibility and get their animals chipped; you just never know what might happen.



One of our long time volunteers found a lovely dog on the streets and contacted us about CNR. We willingly helped her out. After her operation the volunteer was a little reluctant to put her back on the streets as she was so young and friendly, so worked tirelessly to find a home for her. Luckily her hard work paid off and Suzanna found a loving home.



TNR/ CNR Projects

【誘捕-結紮-原地放回】

We are continuing with the CNR project in Shiding and in the month of January we were able to catch 9 dogs – 4 females and 5 males. It is slow going because of the mountain area and the dogs there are afraid of people.

We will continue this project until all the dogs have been spayed or neutered, in total there are between 30 – 40 dogs so this project could well take us to the end of the year.

Adoptions 領養

We are over the moon to announce that Frenchie has finally found a loving and safe home. It has been a long and hard journey for Frenchie, but he's never given up and so neither did we. He has always kept his loving personality and can now really show that off in his new home. He now has two sisters to play with and is very much loved by his new family.



We're also pleased to announce that Chou Hu, one of our bigger dogs, also found a loving home. Her new mommy and daddy originally came to see River, but fell in love with Chou Hu. She's happy in her new home and has lots of space to run around.



Simba's foster mommy decided that she could never give up Simba and so has formally adopted her. We're so happy as Simba has been very happy in her home and we knew this would be a perfect match.

One of Juciy's little darling kittens, Butter, has also found a loving home. We get regular updates on her adventures and couldn't be happier.



Also as previously written Suzanna also found a loving home after only a short time being with us, we only wish all our furry friends were this lucky.

More news 更多消息

We'd like to say a big thank you to all the staff at Sunshine American School for raising over \$26,000 at their annual New Year dinner party. For many years now the staff have supported Animals Taiwan and many of the teachers and managers have even adopted from us. Also many of the teachers promote adoption and teach about animal welfare in their classes. Children are our future after all!

If you would like to hold an event for Animals Taiwan or you have ideas for events or would even like to join our volunteer list please contact liza@animalstaiwan.org for more information.

Come and check out our facebook page to keep updated on regular adoptions, events and much more.

As always with all our rescues we never put a dog or cat to sleep unless the animal is suffering greatly with not much chance of recovery. We will always do our best to make sure every animal is given the best treatment and best opportunity to live a happy and loving life.

We are able to continue these rescues and adoptions thanks to your generosity.

Please continue check out our webpage and pass it on to any friends or family members. There are always some wonderful dogs up for adoption, so if you have any friends or family interested in adopting, please show them our website. www.animalstaiwan.org

Remember Adopting saves lives! Please educate those around you to get their animal de-sexed and micro chipped to help decrease the stray population.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

