GSPCA Newsletter Q2 2018



Featuring highlights from our Animal Welfare Seafront Sunday

A HUGE thank you to all that made GSRCA our 7th Animal Welfare Seafront Sunday the best yet!

On Sunday 20th May the GSPCA celebrated animals in Guernsey with approximately 10,000 visitors to our Animal Welfare Seafront Sunday.

It all started at dawn in glorious sunshine and with over 100 stalls and things to do St Peter Port was bustling from first thing. Stall holders and GSPCA team members got to see the Guernsey Ultra race start at 7am while they were putting up their gazebos and preparing for what was without doubt the biggest event of 2018 and one of, if not the best ever Animal Welfare Seafront Sundays in our 7 year history of running them.

At 10am the day officially started with a packed



seafront of stalls, animals, musicians and so much to do and see. The GSPCA have to thank so, so many that helped make the day such a huge success.

Rainbow Childcare ran the free kids zone which was extremely popular from the slime making to the chalk drawing.

Another highlight of the Animal Welfare Seafront Sunday with the Giant Animal mascot 5-a-side which took place just after the fun dog show.

The semi-final results were -

The Plough Inn (A team) 2 v 3 Isabelle Vets The Plough Inn (B team) 5 v 6 Ravenscroft



The Final

Ravenscroft 5 v 4 Isabelle Vets

The Super final

Ravenscroft 3 v 3 The GSPCA team including Bernard the GSPCA Mascot, Daniel the Island FM Donkey and Roary the GFC Lion.

This meant the Super Final went to penalties and despite a brave effort by the GSPCA team, Roary the Lion and Daniel the Donkey, Ravenscroft were the overall 2018 champions of the Animal Welfare



Seafront Sunday Giant Animal Mascot 5-a-side.

All 4 games were hugely entertaining and kept the crowds laughing and smiling in the Guernsey sunshine.

The musicians entertained the crowds and a special thank you all of them including Erin Vaudin, Seigneur Hedge Veg, Imogen Hayman, Mancini and Me, Guernsey's Morris Dancing team Belles and Broomsticks, Harry Rose and Chris Taylor.

A big thank you has to go to Island FM and DWA Flooring who gave so much air time in the run up to the Animal Welfare Seafront Sunday and to the live coverage on the day. Also they brought the Cash Shower along which added to the funds raised on the day.

We really couldn't make the seafront come alive without the amazing 100+ stall holders, alfresco restaurants, market traders, charities and food vendors

The fun dog show was the busiest we **Best Rescue** have seen with the results being -

Best Male Puppy

1st Kyga 3 month old malamute 2nd Canelo the staffy 3rd Eli 10 week old Yorkshire terrier

Best Female Puppy

1st Lee Lou 14 month cockapoo 2nd Brooke 3 month miniature American shepherd 3rd Baci 6 month staffy

that help make the Animal Welfare Seafront Sunday such a special day.

We must thank the States of Guernsey, Guernsey Police, G4S, Guernsey Harbour, the Probation team and those that helped with the security and the barriers, also to St Peter Port Constables and the Guernsey Fire Service who allowed our banner for our event on Smith Street.

Beckie Bailey one of the GSPCA staff ran the animal area which was hugely popular and resulted in lots of animals finding new and loving homes like Filigree the guinea pig who was extremely poorly when he first arrived and is now in his loving new home.

1st Phoenix 6 year greyhound 2nd Benny 7 year old cross breed 3rd Harvey 9 year old cross breed

Happiest Pet

1st Mollie 7 year cocker spaniel 2nd Louie 2 year old king Charles 3rd Micki a keeshond

Prettiest Bitch

1st Daisy year chihuahua 2nd Molly the cocker spaniel 3rd Lady 3 year shar pei

Most Handsome Dog

1st Dexter 2 year English mastiff 2nd Dave the 2 1/y year Chinese crested

3rd Sidney 2 ½ year Boston terrier

Show Us A Trick

Joint 1st

Benny, Harvey, Molly, Finn and Stanlev

Golden Oldies

1st Bailey 9 year staffy 2nd Marley 9 year jack Russell 3rd Ty'honi



Then all the 1st place winners were brought in for Best in Show. Judge Anna Jane Brehaut from Canine Behaviour Guernsey and who helps run the Dog Training at the GSPCA assisted by Seb Goman GSPCA Animal Care Assistant had the hard decision which resulted in – Best in Show was Phoenix 2nd Best in Show Mollie (golden spaniel) 3rd Best in Show Daisy. All the dogs were amazing and extremely well cared for and every one of the owners should be very proud.

Without the volunteers, staff, helpers and van drivers the day couldn't have taken place and to those and everyone that supported a huge thank you.

Steve Byrne GSPCA Manager said: "What an amazing 7th Animal Welfare Seafront Sunday we had on the 20th May. Without doubt it felt like the busiest and best we have ever run and to have a day to celebrate animals in Guernsey really does warm the heart.

"From start to finish the Animal Welfare Seafront Sunday is the biggest day in the year for the GSPCA and there are so many thanks to so many people that help us put on what we hope is a day for all the family and for many pets to. We raised over £6,000, found animals homes, spoke to those wanting to volunteer, started new volunteers, educated many about the work that we do, we have a new Corporate Angel Pen Pal Sponsor and so much more came out of what was truly a wonderful day.

"The two major highlights were the fun dog show and the Giant Animal Mascot 5-a-side which were once again massive successes. The free child's zone was also a massive success and a huge thanks to Rainbow Childcare for taking care of the children and the fancy dress competition.

"The weather was amazing and it was so wonderful to see such an amazing community day and from all at the GSPCA to all involved we cannot express our thanks and gratitude.

"One of my highlights from the Animal Welfare Seafront Sunday was that Filigree the guinea pig who came along to the day and who was in such a bad way when he arrived at the GSPCA last year is now in a loving new home thanks to someone meeting him at the Animal Welfare Seafront Sunday.

"We are already planning for next years Animal Welfare Seafront Sunday and anyone that wants to be involved we would love to hear from them. Before that we have a full summer and winter of events and we always love to attend community days where we can promote our work and raise the much needed funds for the many animals in our care, so please do get in touch if you would like us to come along.

"We will be at the Arts Seafront Sunday, Motor Seafront Sunday and Guernsey Marathon Seafront Sunday so please do pop along to these great community events as well as the many others you will see us at."

Finally and once again from all of the team and animals at the GSPCA a huge thank you to all that helped make the 2018 Animal Welfare Seafront Sunday the best yet.



Forth Coming Events with the GSPCA



Monday 2nd July 2018 Volunteer Induction Evening Starts 630pm until approximately 815pm

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7th July Picnic in the Park at Government House

7th July Electric Vehicle and Expo event 10am-4pm

7th July GROW Ltd Open Day

21st July Charities Fete at Governments House

22nd July Motor Seafront Sunday

Monday 23rd - Friday 27th July 2018 2pm each day Guided Tours

Friday 27th July 2018 Volunteer Induction Starts 330pm until approximately 5pm

28/29th July Torteval Scarecrow Festival

Wednesday 1st August 2018 Volunteer Induction Evening Starts 630pm

until approximately 815pm

South Show 10/11th August

West Show 15/16th August

Donkey Derby / Flag Day 18th August

North Show 22/23rd August

26th August Guernsey Marathon Seafront Sunday

Monday 3rd September 2018 Volunteer Induction Evening Starts 630pm until

approximately 815pm

22nd September 2018 – GSPCA 1920's Ball at the Farmhouse

Monday 1st October 2018 Volunteer Induction Evening Starts 630pm until

approximately 815pm

27/28th October Sound at St James



To book a place on any of the above events, or if you are interested in helping on one of our stalls, please call the GSPCA on 257261

For a calendar of events during 2018 please go to www.gspca.org.gg/fundraising



Help us find Sterling and Tiago





Please help find Sterling the silver tabby cat find his way home.

At the time he went missing, he was wearing a blue collar with a bell attached.

There have been many sightings of him around the area of St Saviours and some quite close to his home.

His owners are very worried about him, and desperately want him back. If you think you have seen Sterling, please put out some food for him, but don't attempt to catch him as he will be very nervous by now and will most likely run away, please call, day or night.

Sterling seems to be moving around and

never stays in the same place long enough to set a trap. Please help get this much loved boy back home where he belongs. There is a reward of £500 for his return

Any sightings please call Lesley-Anne on 07839 221212

The owners are hugely grateful to everyone that has helped so far in trying to find Sterling and phoned in reports.

For lost and found helpful advice - http://gspca.org.gg/services/lost-found-advice



HAVE YOU SEEN TIAGO?

He is a big, male Tabby cat with white socks,

white bib and white smudge under his nose. Lost in the area of the Animal Shelter. Thought to be in St Andrews or Castel

Please call
257261
with any information

Greatly missed by his young owner



Lucky old Benji gets the first steps into the first refurbished kennels

Please donate to help us spruce up our other kennels



Today the team refurbishing our kennels returned 7 amazing looking kennels back to the GSPCA to use for our dogs.

In for a home dog Benji took the first steps into the stunning green floored housing area we have for the dogs in our care and he looks very happy in his smart new area.

The cost per kennel is around £1,450.00 and we must say a huge thanks to those that have donated so far and we would really appreciate any support or help to further fund this much needed work that is required due to deteriorating floor.

By donating £1450 you can help us refloor one of our kennels which will then last for decades. The new floors down in our kennels is the biggest project we have for 2018 and the first 7 we are overwhelmed with how nice they look for the dogs staying at the GSPCA.

Through our kennels we help around 200 stray dogs a year, find 30 to 50 dogs new homes, help dogs in emergency situations, rescue dogs that have been neglected or cruelly treated, house dogs for those on their holidays to mention a small selection of why dogs come to stay at the GSPCA.

Benji is one of the dogs in for a home and in the last month we have helped 8 dogs find new and loving homes and have recently seen an increase in calls from the public asking for our help to rehome their dogs.

To donate to this much needed project please visit - www.paypal.me/DonateGSPCA or email admin@gspca.org.gg or call 257261 for more details to get involved.

Every penny helps make a huge difference and there other ways to gift or help support our work in helping prevent cruelty and promote kindness to animals.

The team are nearly a third of a way through the work and we have t say a huge thanks to team from John Lord Specialist Flooring for the fantastic way they are working with the team at the GSPCA. We also have to say a special thank you to Steve Walters and the Work to Benefit team who have spent weeks preparing the kennels so the new floor could be laid and refurbishing each section as they have been working.

Seb Goma, Animal Care Assistant said: "Our first section of kennels look fantastic and Benji seems very happy. We have 31 kennels to refurbish in 5 sections at the GSPCA and we have had many dogs come in recently needing our help to find homes.

"Tomorrow Syd the Jack Russell goes to a new home and nearly every day of the week we help a stray dog so to have our kennels refurbished will be so nice for so many dogs. It will be really nice for the dogs that come and spend their holidays with us and some of those staying have also moved into the first section of newly refurbished kennels today."

Steve Byrne GSPCA Manager said "The first section of 7 kennels that have been refurbished look absolutely amazing and we are so please but we are still appealing for donations to help with the other sections.

"The floors are a lovely grass green colour which really does give a natural feel and will much improve the stay and care of the dogs while they say at the GSPCA. We must say a huge thanks to those that have donated so far and we continue to appeal for funds to help with this essential work to help the dogs of Guernsey and the work of the GSPCA."

"There are 5 sections of kennels made up of a section of 4, section of 6 and 3 sections of 7 kennels and any businesses that would like to support a kennel or section we would love to hear from them and would happily dedicate a plaque to that area."

"From the cruelty cases of dogs in our care that have been neglected or mistreated to the 150-200 strays we help, those boarding that help raise the funds to run the Shelter to those in for rehoming our kennels see thousands of dogs through them every year."

URGENT KENNEL FLOOR APPEAL — Kennel flooring work discovers the need for new drains and completely ripping out sections of floor

Over the last few weeks much needed work on the kennel floors has taken place, but this has uncovered major drain and structural issues.

Our kennels which were built in 2005 had a vinyl flooring put down which had sadly got to a point recently where new flooring was desperately needed which has been taking place since mid May.

The first two sections required more work than expected and a few concerns were raised, but the work was undertaken and repairs carried out.

The last three sections of 17 kennels however on investigation has meant major structural work to the drains and flooring being completely dug out and replaced.

This has resulted in the time frame for the work going from two weeks to over weeks 4 weeks and caused a huge challenge and additional financial costs.

It is estimated a cost of an additional £20,000 to ensure the kennels, drains, floors and concrete are to the standard required and we are appealing for any help with this work.

With each kennel costing approximately £2000 to repair we are appealing for donations towards this much needed and essential work at the GSPCA.

Please help donate to this much needed and essential work to help the dogs of Guernsey and those in our care by donating via –

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/gspcakennelfloors GY6 8UD.

Steve Byrne GSPCA Manager said "It has been a huge challenge over the last month at the GSPCA as when we started the kennel refurbishments which were desperately needed, we expected the work to take two weeks and cost approximately £1450 per kennel.

"The first 14 kennels although a little extra work was required were fairly straight forward, but as we have investigated further under and around the drains to the last 21 kennels they have had to be completely ripped out and completely replaced.

"It was a good job we found the problems now as in a num-

ber of years it could have caused horrendous structural problems."

"Due to the huge amount of additional work each kennel will have cost approximately £2,000 each and we are appealing for any help with donations towards this unforeseen and much needed work.

"At the GSPCA 1000's of dogs come through our care each year from those cruelly treated to those attending our dog training classes, strays to those on their holidays, those rescued from emergency situations to those looking for new homes and this new flooring will help all of these dogs each year and many more.

"The biggest case in recent years was that of the 25 Slovakian puppies seized at the port which if they hadn't of been stopped then it is likely that some may well have died and all were suffering during there journey due to a lack of food, water and care.

"All of those puppies were in our care for many months and without our kennels then we wouldn't have been able to house them and find them new homes."

To help with this essential appeal we have set up a Just Giving Page to help with the funds still needed for this work and every penny really helps and here it is - https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/gspcakennelfloors

Or you can donate via our paypal page - https://www.paypal.me/DonateGSPCA call 01481 257261 or at the GSPCA, Rue des Truchots, St Andrews, Guernsey, GY6 8UD.

If there any businesses that would like to donate to a section we would love to hear from them. A huge thank you to all that have supported us with this work to help the dogs at the GSPCA from them and us it is hugely appreciated.

Other ways to donate are via our paypal page - https://www.paypal.me/DonateGSPCA

Call 01481 25726 at the Shelter or by post - GSPCA, Rue des Truchots, St Andrews, Guernsey, GY6 8UD.

Please help support Temperance the seal pup in his final weeks of rehab



We are overjoyed to report that Temperance is doing exceptionally well and potentially after another few weeks of care will be returned back to the wild.

The injured and very poorly grey seal pup was rescued at Beaucette Marina last November has approximately tripled his weight and has turned into the fastest swimming seal we have ever had so is now in the last stage of his rehabilitation.

Temperance was the thinnest grey seal pup to be rescued by the GSPCA and it has been a long road in his care to get him fit enough to get him to where he is today.

Now eating over 20 fish a day you can help us help feed his by donating online www.paypal.me/DonateGSPCA calling us on 257261 or popping into the Shelter in St Andrews.

Geoff George Animal Collection Officer and main carer for the seals at the GSPCA said: "Temperance is without doubt the fastest seal pup we have ever had. He is doing so well in our pools at the GSPCA and in a few weeks we will be returning him to the wild all being well.

"He was so weak when we first rescued him and to see him now you wouldn't think it was the same seal."

Steve Byrne GSPCA Manager said "We really can't believe how quick Temperance the seal pup is.

"From just 11kg last November to the healthy and nearly fat enough animal to be released really warms the heart of all the team at the GSPCA.

"Temperance is eating extremely well and we are guessing has tripled his weight from his size so will soon be ready for his release to the wild."

"It is costing over £5 per meal as she is eating so much fish and we'd like to thank all those that have donated to his care and to anyone that can help us help him it is hugely appreciated.

"Although we are past the seal pup season we are now in Spring, so very busy with baby wild-life found abandoned like Harry the hoglet found this morning."

To help and information if you find an injured animal you can call us 24/7 on 257261 or check out our wildlife advice pages -

http://www.gspca.org.gg/animals/wildlife-advice



Happy #WorldTurtleDay - Can you help Sprout, Pudding and Cracker find a home & remembering Olivia?

We celebrated World Turtle Day in May and we think back to those we have helped and those looking for homes.

Every year the GSPCA helps turtles but two years ago we helped rescue Olivia the loggerhead turtle that was found in Guernsey on Vazon on a cold winter morning very close to death.

After months of care and a lot of help by many islanders, businesses, the States and so many more she was flown to Gran Canaria to be released back to the wild.

Her story featured on the Dodo website and received over 1.4 million views in a matter of days.

To see the video and her story on Dodo Impact please visit -

https://www.facebook.com/DodoImpact/videos/1551008191582935/

Steve Byrne GSPCA Manager said "It was amazing to help Olivia the loggerhead turtle as there only around 40,000 females in the wild.

"We also had a green turtle we rescued 15 years which went to the same rescue in Gran Canaria who was called Murtle.

"We don't have any pallet sized turtles but we do currently have 6 musk turtles at the GSPCA.

"Three are looking for a home together and they are called Sprout, Cracker and Pudding so

you may be able to guess



when they arrived at the GSPCA."

"We hope everyone takes a moment to think about World Turtle Day as they are are species they very much are suffering in the wild and we need to do all we can to help them.

"If you can't offer our turtles a home you can sponsor them through our Angel Pen Pal scheme."

To become an Angel pen Pal sponsor please go to - http://www.gspca.org.gg/about/angel-sponsorship-scheme-animals-needing-guernseys-everlasting-love

To donate to our turtles online please visit - https://www.paypal.me/DonateGSPCA

To see some of the animals in need of a home please visit - http://www.gspca.org.gg/animals



Keep your dog safe in hot weather!

The GSPCA during hot weather always receive reports from concerned members of the public that have seen dogs locked in cars and other animals in glass houses.

The last two days has been no different with dogs being reported in cars.

With the warm weather and direct sunlight, dogs in cars are potentially in a situation where you could kill your pet if it is left, regardless of the situation.

The GSPCA would like to remind all dog and indeed all owners with pets that they shouldn't be left in cars and those that have access to conservatories, green houses and other such environments need to be aware of the risks to their animals.

Steve Byrne GSPCA Manager said "It's fantastic with this lovely weather and although it is still Spring we cannot forget the risks to our pets as the temperatures rise and especially direct sunlight on cars, vans, green houses and conservatories.

"We urge all pet owners to stop and think and ensure that their pet is not put at in a life threatening situation with this lovely sunny warm weather.

"We have had calls already of dogs left in cars in direct sunlight and we urge all dog owners to think before leaving their pet locked in what could be a potentially dangerous situation."

Lorna Prince Welfare Manager said "At the GSPCA we do not want to see animals lives put in danger due to the hot weather and if anyone is concerned about a dog in a hot car or animal at risk please call us on 01481 257261."

Many of us love to enjoy the sunny warm weather but we are urging pet owners to be mindful of their animals.

Don't leave your dog alone in a car.

If it's very warm outside and you're going out in the car, think very carefully about what you are going to do with your dog. You should never leave a dog alone in a car.

Many Islanders will be flocking to the beaches over the weekend and and many more to the events held around Guernsey, but please ensure that your dogs aren't left in your car or other pets put at risk.

It can get unbearably hot in a car on a sunny day, even when it's not that warm. In fact, when it's 22°C/72°F outside like it will be today, the temperature inside a car can soar to 47°C/117°F within 60 minutes.

Unlike humans, dogs pant to help keep themselves cool. In a hot stuffy car, dogs can't cool down – leaving a window open or a sunshield on your windscreen won't keep your car cool enough. Dogs die in hot cars.

Even with current legislation in Guernsey if it can be proven that your dog is suffering you can face prosecution. You would also have to live with the fact that your thoughtless action resulted in terrible suffering for your pet.

If you see a dog in a car on a warm day please call the GSPCA on 01481 257261.

Heatstroke - early warning signs
Heatstroke can be fatal. Do everything you can to prevent it.

Some dogs are more prone to heatstroke. For example, dogs with short snouts, fatter or heavily muscled dogs and longhaired breeds, as well as very old or very young dogs. Dogs with certain diseases are more prone to heatstroke, as are dogs on certain medication.

If dogs are unable to reduce their body temperature, they will develop heatstroke. There are some signs to look for:

- heavy panting
- profuse salivation
- a rapid pulse
- very red gums/tongue

- lethargy
- lack of coordination
- reluctance or inability to rise after collapsing
- vomiting
- diarrhoea

loss of consciousness in extreme circumstances. Heatstroke - first aid

If your dog shows any symptoms of heatstroke, move him/her to a shaded, cool area and ring your vet for advice immediately. Heatstroke can be fatal and should always be treated as an emergency.

Dogs suffering from heatstroke urgently need to have their body temperature gradually lowered:

- Immediately douse your dog with cool (not cold) water, to avoid shock you could put your dog in a shower and run cool water over him/her, or use a spray filled with cool water and place your dog in the breeze of a fan.
- Let your dog drink small amounts of cool water.
- Continue to douse your dog with cool water until his/her breathing starts to settle never cool your dog so much that he/she begins to shiver.

Once you have cooled your dog down you should take him/her straight to the veterinary surgery.

Top tips for warm weather

- Your dog should always be able to move into a cooler, ventilated environment if he/she is feeling hot.
- Never leave your dog alone in a car. If you want to take your dog with you on a car journey, make sure that your destination is dog-friendly – you won't be able to leave your dog in the car and you don't want your day out to be ruined!
- If you have to leave your dog outside, you must provide a cool shady spot where he/she can escape from the sun at all times of the day. Please remember that shade cover can move during the day.
- Make sure your dog always has a good supply of drinking water, in a weighted bowl that can't be knocked over. Carry water with you on hot days and give your dog frequent small amounts.
- Never leave your dog in a glass conservatory or a caravan. Even if it is cloudy when you leave, the sun may come out later in the day and make it unbearably hot.
- Groom your dog regularly to get rid of excess hair. Give long-coated breeds a haircut at the start of the summer, and later in the season, if necessary.
- Dogs need exercise even when it is hot. Walk your dog early in the morning or later in the evening. Never allow your dog to exercise excessively in hot weather.
- Dogs can get sunburned too particularly those with light-coloured noses or light-coloured fur on their ears. Ask your vet for advice on pet-safe sunscreen.
- Make an ice lolly or ice cream dog treat for your dogs to crunch and chew to cool down.

Please be mindful of the other pets in your care and where you keep them and ensure they don't get trapped in places such as greenhouses and conservatories.

By following this advice we at the GSPCA hope you and your pets enjoy the sunny weather.

Here is a link to one of many sites where you can find out how to make Doggy Ice Cream but please remember to ensure your dog has an appropriate and balanced diet - please click here for details http://www.dogtreatkitchen.com/ice-

<u>cream-for-dogs.html</u>.

If you have a light coloured pet then for advice on how to avoid them getting skin cancer <u>please click here</u>

http://www.qspca.org.qg/blog/pickles-cat-has-cancerand-needs-your-support.

St Sampson's High School Student Business Challenge company E-Cozy raise £72 for the GSPCA



Georgia Winstanley, Amber Guillemet, Chloe Spruce and Amelia Potter all 13 year's old from St Sampsons High School this year teamed up together earlier this year to create their company E-Cozy.

With help from their Business
Mentor Steve Ozanne and School
Mentor Victoria Wallace they decided for their Student Business
Challenge that their aims and objectives were: to sell good quality
products, develop our confidence,
develop our financial skills and be
able to run a small business,

With this in mind E-Cozy have been selling products scented with herbs and rose petals to create a welcoming fragrance.

The products included: Sock creatures: They were made with rice, herbs and essential oil, also lots of love!

Car and Room diffusers: Their diffusers had a range of scents to freshen up your home and car.

Rose Petal Products: A way to have a burst of colour that purifies a fresh scent and also great for putting in wardrobes.

The herbal bouquet: A herbal bouquet was a great way to display your herbs, when you are looking around in your cupboard for that certain herb, just pick it off of our herbal bouquet. It won't take very long.

The E-Cozy team decided that a percentage of the sales would go to their chosen charities Cancer Research and GSPCA as they are all animal lovers, with Cancer research they thought that it would be helpful donating some of their profit towards people with cancer to help them.

Recently the E-Cozy team popped in to see GSPCA Manager Steve Byrne with the wonderful donation from the profits raised. Their team arrived with an amazing donation of £72 as part of the profits raised from the sales of their products and the GSPCA would like to say a huge thanks to Amber, Georgia, Amelia and Chloe.

We asked the E-Cozy team a few questions about their pets and favourite animal. Amber Guillemet said "I have a black Labrador named Marley and 4 rabbits called Lucky, Ginger, Ronaldo and Bugsy and my favourite animal is a horse."

Georgia Winstanley said "I have a parsons Jack Russell terrier called Nelson and my favourite animal is a hedgehog."

Amelia Potter said "I have a cat named Willow and my favourite animal is a dolphin."

Chloe Spruce said "I have two cats named Timmy and Tocken and my favourite animal is a panda."

Steve Byrne GSPCA Manager said "It was fantastic to see and chat to the E-Cozy team who did an amazing job with the sale of their products and we are all so thankful for the amazing donation of £72.

"It is great to see young students do so well in the Young Business Challenge and at the same time helping the GSPCA and Cancer Research."

To visit their Facebook page please go to https://m.facebook.com/ecozy gifts/

A huge thanks to Herm Island, the dogs and their owners that walked and enjoyed treats in aid of the **GSPCA**



On the 16th April Herm Island ran a special dog walk in aid of the GSPCA.

Although the weather was a little wet dogs and their owners made their way to the stunning island of Herm to help raise funds for the many animals at the GSPCA.

Treats for all with were enjoyed for the two and "There are many ways to help raise funds for four legged visitors and a fantastic £30 was raised on the day with further donations being raised as treats are on sale at the kiosk on Shell Beach in aid of the GSPCA.

Herm Island said: "Herm Island welcomed lots of soggy doggies yesterday for the charity walk in aid of GSPCA.

"As the weather was a little wet, we have decided to run the event for a few more days so please pop and see us at Shell Beach Cafe and enjoy cream tea (served all day) and some treats for your canine companions, with dona-

tions going to the GSPCA."

Steve Byrne GSPCA Manager said: "We are hugely grateful to all those involved and that took part on what was a very wet day and a special thanks to the team on Herm Island for carrying raising funds for the 500+ animals in our care.

the animals we rescue and help 24/7, but I can't think of a nicer dog walk than that around Herm."

"For those dog owners looking to do something on the 20th May we have a fun dog show as part of our Animal Welfare Seafront Sunday from 12pm where you can see the wonderful Herm as we run the biggest day in our calen-

"Thanks again to all on herm and that supported this wonderful event."

Malcom the cat happy is purrrfectly settled in his new forever home



Earlier this year Malcom a lovely 5 year old cat went to his forever home.

We are extremely pleased to report that he is doing very well and settled well into his loving new home.

His new owner Jacqueline said "From the very first day Malcom arrived he has made himself at home."

"He has several places at home where he likes to sleep and all are up high."

"In this last week he has started going outside and is returning home no problem."

He still can nip but this is mostly when he is playing, no injuries have been caused!"

Anna Paint Senior Animal Care Assistant said: "It is so wonderful to see Malcom so happy in his loving new home.

"Malcom was such a character and we love to see and hear from the animals we have homed from the GSPCA.

"We have some very special older cats in need of homes and some needing farm or stable types homes.

"You can see some of them on our website but its always a good idea to pop in between 11am and 4pm to find out more."

Steve Byrne GSPCA Manager said "We are all so pleased to hear how happy Malcom is in his new home.

"A huge thanks to Malcom's new mum for the lovely picture and update.

"We have many older cats in need of special homes at the GSPCA.

"Even if you cant adopt a cat from us you can become an Angel Pen Pal sponsor and support those in our care."

To see some of the animals in need of homes please visit – www.gspca.org.gg/animals

Easter Eggstravagnza a fantastic day thanks to Island FM, Cooper Brouard, Outdoor Guernsey and all involved



Easter Sunday was an eggxtremely busy day for the GSPCA team as not only were there 500+ animals at the Shelter to care for we also had the biggest fund raiser of the year to date.

Island FM teamed up with Cooper Brouard to continue an exciting annual event and fundraiser over Easter with fantastic sporting activities with Outdoor Guernsey including; Archery, the Indoor Climbing Wall and High Ropes.

Island FM, Cooper Broaurd, Outdoor Guernsey and the GSPCA along with some fantastic stall holders welcomed families on Sunday 1st April at Les Maingy's Activity Centre for what was a great day of fun.

As well as the sporting activities, there was the annual fantastic and hugely attended Easter egg hunt with prizes for all children who entered.

From Cobo Fish and Chips to Atan's Thai food, Donkey Doughnuts to the GSPCA stall with animals and lots of games to play, the Cash Shower to so much for the kids to do for free everyone enjoyed a lovely day.

As well as all this, there was other activities like face painting and a special appearance from their very own... Daniel the Donkey! Who was accompanied by some fury animal friends from the GSPCA.

Steve Byrne GSPCA Manager said: "We all had a great day at the Easter Eggstravaganza and we have to say a huge thank you to Island FM, Cooper Broaurd, Outdoor Guernsey and all involved.

"We raised over £300 on the day and had a great day talking to those interested in adopting animals from the Shelter and playing the many tombolas we took.

"We will next be in town for Liberation Day and then our biggest event of the year is our Animal Welfare Seafront Sunday on the 20th May with a huge amount to do and see and we are appealing for help with both events.

"This year again Island FM and DWA Flooring are supporting our big day and a huge thanks to them.

"A special mention has to go to Marky T from island FM who was a star on the day and running up to the event.

"Thank you again to all involved your support for ourselves and Friend Of Frossard Children's Ward was hugely appreciated."

GSPCA is one of 20 local charities set to receive funding from the 2018 Saffery Rotary Walk - have you signed up yet?

Money raised by walkers who participate in the 2018 Saffery Rotary Walk will be making a difference to 20 local charities and the GSPCA are hugely grateful to be one of the recipients.

The walk's organising committee, made up of representatives from the Rotary Club and sponsor Saffery Champness, had the difficult task of selecting which applications would benefit from the overall funds raised.

After receiving a record 59 applications, the committee chose 20 local community projects to receive funds from the 2018 Saffery Rotary Walk, which takes place on Saturday 9 June.

The charities selected for 2018 funding are:

- Bright Beginnings Children's Centre
- Citizens Advice Guernsey
- Friends of DofE
- Guernsey Animal Aid
- Guernsey Army Cadet Force (RGLI)
- Guernsey Bereavement Service LBG
- Guernsey Mencap LBG
- Guernsey Mind
- Guernsey Mobility Let's Go Group (GMLG)
- Guernsey Multiple Sclerosis Society
- Guernsey PND Support Group
- Guernsey Scout Association
- Guernsey Specials Gym Group –
- GSPCA –
- Lungevity
- Men's Shed Guernsey
- Ormer FC
- Schools Library Service –
- Sound Guernsey
- St James LBG

Simon Milsted, chair of the walk's organising committee, said: "The committee is always looking to have as big an impact on the community as possible, supporting organisations that provide important services for islanders.

"The success of this event is dependent on people taking part and generating sponsorship, so we'd like to encourage walkers to take advantage of our early-bird offers and get registered as soon as possible, whether you are walking the full 39 miles or a section of it as a relay team."

The Saffery Rotary Walk is one of Guernsey's largest annual charity fundraising events and the only round-island walk. This is the fifth year that sponsor Saffery Champness has supported the walk and the firm is committed to assisting the Saffery Rotary Walk committee

Lisa Vizia, director at Saffery Champness and member of the organising committee, said: "Supporting local community projects is an important element in our approach to CSR at Saffery Champness. It was a difficult task to select 20 charities from the record number of applications we received; however we feel that our choices reflect a good cross section of community projects across the island. We hope that walkers will now be inspired to register and get fundraising for these 20 deserving local charities."

Steve Byrne GSPCA Manager said "Members of the GSPCA team are in training for the 2018 Saffery Rotary Walk although many of us are kept fairly fit exercising the animals and chasing after those sick and injured."

"The Saffery Rotary Walk is an amazing annual event and at the GSPCA we are so grateful for letting us be part of this year in 2018."

"We are extremely grateful for the pledged help from the funds raised from the walk for an intensive care unit."

"At this time of year our IC units are all full and we are in desperate need of additional units to help the sick, injured and baby animals that arrive at the GSPCA."

"Each unit really helps save lives and at the GSPCA we look forward joining the many walkers to help all 20 of the wonderful charities the proceeds will be helping."

To sign up for the walk please visit - https://www.safferyrotarywalk.com/

To see the Saffery Rotary Walk facebook page please visit https://www.facebook.com/SafferyRotaryWalk/

If your business would like to support the GSPCA here is a link full of ideas and ways to help http://www.gspca.org.gg/about/how-your-business-can-help-gspca-corporate-sponsorship

Aurigny announces chosen charities for 50th Anniversary



Aurigny is delighted to announce the GSPCA and Male Uprising Guernsey (MUG) as its Chosen Charities for 2018 - the year the airline marks its 50th Anniversary.

Staff at Aurigny have selected the two local charities as airline's official charities for its 50th year, in a company-wide vote. As well as raising money throughout the year, airline staff will be volunteering with both charities.

GSPCA manager Steve Byrne thanked Aurigny for its continued support, having successfully worked with the airline previously.

"Aurigny are so supportive of our work at the GSPCA and we are hugely grateful to their wonderful team for choosing us as one of their chosen charities," he said.

"Two years ago we needed help moving a Loggerhead Turtle called Olivia to catch a flight to the Canaries from the UK and the Aurigny team were so helpful in getting this very rare creature that found its way to Guernsey and nearly died, back to the warm waters where she belongs."

"From all of the team and animals at the GSPCA, a huge thank you to all of the Aurigny team for helping raise funds so we can care for the 3,000 animals through our doors in need in Guernsey every year and many others out on the road."

MUG chairman Dan Collins was also keen to team-up with Aurigny.

He said: "We are thrilled that MUG has been chosen as one of Aurigny's charities of the year on their own 50th Year anniversary! We have a very exciting 2018 planned and to work with Aurigny hand in hand to help raise our awareness message as well as vital funds for our cause is incredibly fortunate and we are very grateful.

With Aurigny being Guernsey's airline, we feel that message ties in nicely with our own message where all of our funds raised, every penny, goes to the cause and stays on Guernsey. Together anything is possible."

Aurigny CEO Mark Darby said the airline were delighted to support two very worthy causes.

"These are two fantastic local charities, and both play a vital role in our community. They are both causes very close to the hearts of our staff and we look forward to supporting them in our anniversary year."

If your business would like to support the GSPCA here is a link full of ideas and ways to help http://www.gspca.org.gg/about/how-your-business-can-help-gspca-corporate-sponsorship

The GSPCA induct and welcome 22 new volunteers



24 hours a day volunteers help the GSPCA team ensure we provide a 24/7 service and last night we held our fifth induction on 2018.

At the induction we welcomed 22 new volunteers 4 of which are undergoing their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh and 8 under taking their work experience of which 2 started today.

The inductions run at the GSPCA ensure that each volunteer have an understanding on what the GSPCA is, what we do, how we work, how to safely work at the Shelter and at our events, the rules at the Shelter and each session finishes with an individual chat with a member of the team to arrange a start time and date.

Steve Byrne GSPCA Manager said "It was wonderful to meet the 22 new volunteers and induct them into the GSPCA last night."

"Every month we hold an induction evening at the GSPCA and there are so many roles to help with."

"From gardening to helping clean kennels, on reception to caring for the wildlife, covering our ambulance to fund raising the work is 24/7 365 days a year so no matter how little or much time you have there is something for everyone."

"This morning 2 that attended have started their work experience and have been really enjoying their first day."

"To help with the animals volunteers do have to be at least 13 years of age but we do have younger volunteers that help with fund raising events like our Animal Welfare Seafront Sunday which takes place on the 20th May."

"We have a huge number of events planned for 2018 with others upcoming and we are always looking for helpers."

"We are also really appealing for volunteers to help clean and care for the small animals, cats, dogs and wildlife."

"The next volunteer induction takes place at 630pm on Monday the 4th June and all are welcome to attend at the GSPCA."

"So far this year we have now inducted 76 new volunteers through our evening inductions and we look forward welcoming new faces next month."

"We are really looking for volunteers to help with events and especially our Animal Welfare Seafront Sunday on the 20th May as well as a number of other areas."

Some of the areas we are really looking for volunteer help is –

- Helping organise and administer volunteer information
- Gardening
- Reception
- Ambulance Wardening
- Guided Tours
- Charity Shop
- Events & Fund Raising
- Publications, leaflets and Newsletters
- Maintenance, Painting and Grounds Work
- Cat cleaners and carers
- Kennel helpers
- Small animal helpers
- Wildlife helpers
- Animal care

For more details please email admin@gspca.org.gg or call 01481 257261

Thank you Saffery Rotary Walkers



The GSPCA would like to say a huge thank you to the brave people who took on the mammoth challenge of the Saffery Rotary Walk.

On Saturday 9th June over 650 people embarked on a 39-mile challenge raising money for 20 local charitable causes.

Steve Byrne set his alarm for 4am to head to the start line and prepare himself for the long path ahead.

Steve said: "It's certainly a challenge that drains you both mentally and physically. I completed the route in 10 hours and 50 minutes despite taking a few wrong turns! It was great to see so many people raising money for a range of worthy causes.

"We're going to put the money towards a new intensive care unit to treat very sick and injured animals."

"On behalf of the GSPCA we'd like to say a huge thank you to everyone who walked and donated, your funds make a huge difference to local causes."





Advice from the GSPCA with the many baby birds around Guernsey being seen and found

The GSPCA would like to remind that as a general rule, it is best to leave baby birds alone.

A baby bird has a greater chance of survival in the wild than it has being hand-reared by man as they learn to fend for themselves and how to forage for food by their parents.

Around 2 weeks after hatching young birds in your Bailiwick garden usually leave the nest, just before they learn how to fly.

It is about this time that you find a young bird out of its nest, as it is probably a fledgling. Fledglings are almost fully feathered, able to walk, run and hop on to low branches, and will try to hide in undergrowth where they are fed by their parents. Parent birds are not usually far away and are probably collecting food but will not return until you have gone. Within a day of leaving the nest, fledglings can usually fly enough to keep up with their parents and escape predators.

Please remember to only move them, or encourage them to move, a short distance to safety if they are in immediate danger.

If you have picked up a fledgling, put it back as near as possible to the place you found it. Don't try to return a fledgling to its nest as you may disturb other young birds.

If you are concerned about its safety try to put it nearby on a ledge, or somewhere it will be out of the reach of cats. You may want to use an ice cream container with kitchen towel in and place it in a tree or ledge.

Monitor the situation from a place where you will not been seen or heard as otherwise you may continue to discourage the return of the parents. Do this for at least two hours. You will almost certainly find that the parents have taken care of their youngster within this time.

If, after monitoring, you think a fledgling is genuinely orphaned or sick please call the GSPCA on 01481 257261 and choose the emergency option or bring it to the Animal Shelter where we have hospital cages set up ready for them. Please do not try and care for these birds yourself. If you need further help and advice, again please call us on 01481 257261

We have already had a number of baby birds including finches, pigeons and ducklings this year.

Nestlings are baby birds that only have a small number of feathers. They are different from fledglings in that they are totally dependent on the security of the nest and will not fare at all well if left. If a nestling is found, contain it as soon as possible in a warm, dark, well-ventilated cardboard box (do not offer water, milk or food as this could make them ill or if done incorrectly worse). If the bird is sick, take it to your nearest veterinary surgeon or to the Animal Shelter or call 01481 257261. Never try to return nestlings to their nests as this may disturb the other babies. Never try to rear nestlings yourself, as they need specialist care if they are to survive and the staff at the GSPCA have years of experience and training.

Steve Byrne GSPCA Manager said "Once again Spring is with us and as with every year 2018 is showing to be an extremely busy time for the GSPCA, especially as we have healthy fledglings brought in that their parents could have cared for and raised."

"In the last 24 hours alone we have had 6 baby and injured birds brought in, although Stan the wood pigeon trapped in the chimney last night after being rescued by our Wardens Matt and Jen is back in the wild now."

"It is a worry when baby birds are seen with no parents in view, but this simple advice can mean they can have the best start in life."

"We are very lucky to have intensive care units at the Shelter to help raise these very fragile young, but it is never easy with the number of feeds and the fact that many arrive injured or very cold."

"We are always at the end of a phone for advice and there are plenty of details on our website and please remember we operate 24 7 with someone on site and out in an ambulance."

Please remember handling any animal either domestic, wild, dead or alive may be potentially hazardous. Obvious dangers include bites, scratches and general hygiene issues. The GSPCA advise common sense should be applied in all instances and if unsure please call 01481 257261. Personal hygiene should be taken into consideration after handling any animal whether it is domestic, wild, dead or alive.

For helpful information to help sick and injured wildlife we have a 24/7 helpline on 01481 257261 or check out this link – http://www.gspca.org.gg/animals/wildlife-advice

Boarding at the GSPCA



For almost 100 years the GSPCA has been boarding pets for owners in Guernsey and your support brings in much needed funds to help us carry out the 24/7 animal welfare work.. Did you know?

Dog Walking We strive to ensure that all dogs have two short walks a day as a minimum and sometimes they can be walked many times but during severe weather we use the training room and other indoor areas we have on site or prepare interactive toys and treats to keep your dog entertained. If you are looking for additional options for exercise there are details of other services available in our reception area.

Dog Grooming—We can now offer a full professional grooming service either with the onsite dog groomers (Wags & Tails) at the GSPCA or for an animal taxi fee we can transport your dog(s) to and from a groomers of your choice. Please book either before or when you bring your dog in to stay, prices available from Reception. Rest assured that no matter what your pet requires: hand stripping, a full show trim or simply a bit of a tidy up we can help.

Gifts for your pets stay—While your pet is in our care we can provide extra treats or toys which are on sale at our reception area. You can either arrange this at time of booking or contact us while you are away during our opening hours which can be seen on our website www.gspca.org.gg/page/gspca-opening-visiting-times

The GSPCA is primarily an animal welfare organisation. As such, the Society will not accept animals for boarding in a condition that could compromise their welfare. For example, an animal that has a matted coat, severely overgrown nails or an untreated veterinary condition.

The money raised from boarding your animal goes towards the medical needs and loving care we provide to the ones that are less fortunate than your own pet. You are helping to find these animals a good home.

We have recently set up this survey for your views on our services and would love to hear your feedback. You can visit the survey on our boarding services which only takes a couple of minutes by going to - https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PTCPCJX

To sign up for our GSPCA Pet Boarding & Care Newsletterplease go to http://eepurl.com/dcvxSf

To see the latest edition please visit - http://mailchi.mp/2d06e3ee98cd/welcome-to-our-new-gspca-pet-boarding-care-newsletter

To visit our website information on our boarding facilities please visit -

http://www.gspca.org.gg/services/boarding-facilities

Could you give our four pawed friends their forever home?

Bengi

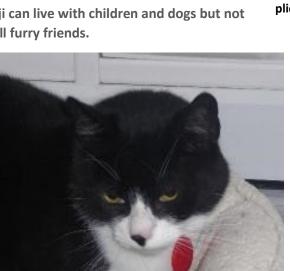
Crossbreed dog

14 years old

Bengi is n active loving dog looking for someone to enjoy a walk with, a run abut in the garden and then cuddles in the sun while eating doggy ice cream.

Unfortunately Bengi has been from pillar to post and we really would like him to see out his years in a loving home.

Benji can live with children and dogs but not small furry friends.



Captain Jack Domestic House Cat 9 years old (approx.)

Captain Jack is a lovely boy who unfortunately suffers from allergies, due to this he needs to be kept on a special diet of z/d only and is not allowed any treats. This dose not stop him from being an indoor /outdoor cat.

He would be best suited to a home with no other cats or dogs due to his skin problem and also a home with no children as stress can cause more problems with his skin. The z/d diet is more expensive then a good quality cat diet. He is a lovely boy who needs a special home where he can get all the love he needs.





When dogs come into the GSPCA we aim to assess and rehome them as quickly as possible. The rehoming team will keep 'dog rehoming applications' for 1 year and contact people if we feel we have a suitable dog. We do urge people who are looking for a dog to send an application into us, regularly check our website and contact us if you see a dog you are particularly interested in.

Dot

Domestic House Cat

9 years old (approx.)

Dot is a very special boy who has been through quite a lot in his life. This wonderful man is now ready for a new home and requires a quiet house as an only pet with no other animals or children.

Dot is very worried by men so will need a home with females only, he will take time to settle into a new environment so any new owner will need to be patient with him and give him the time that he needs. He has come a long way since he first came in but he can still take time to trust new people. Staff are happy to discuss his needs fully with any new owner.



Could you give our friends their forever home?

Ed Sheeran, Pixie Lott and Doris Day the cockatiels are all looking for a home together.









Geoffrey, Ernest, George and Rupert, degus are in need of a new home.



Moriarty the Guinea Pig is in need of a new home.



Picket the bearded dragon is in need of a new home.

We have a wide variety of four pawed friends, birds, guinea pigs, reptiles, and fish that are in need of a forever home.

If you think you can rehome a rescue animal please visit our website or come up to the GSPCA.

If you'd like to donate towards the care of many of our animals please visit: https://www.paypal.me/DonateGSPCA

We have more animals available and other arriving all the time.

Taking on any animal is a big responsibility. They require care, attention, time and love. We urge everyone to seriously consider whether they can provide for an animal and avoid impulse buying.

GSPCA Adoption Charges:						
Dogs	£260	Guinea Pigs	£30			
Cats/Kittens	£105	Birds (varied species)	From £16			
Rabbits	£42.50	Chickens	£8			
Ferrets	£40	Mice/Rats/Hamsters/Degus	£8			













How your Business can help the GSPCA & Corporate Sponsor-

There are many ways in which your business can get involved with supporting the GSPCA and it provides an excellent opportunity for companies to reach out to animal lovers and find an audience that believes deeply in Animal Welfare.



There are many ways to get involved and sponsorship opportunities are available and can be tailored to fit the joint needs and focus of both your company and the GSPCA.

From corporate volunteering op-

portunities and employee fundraising to sales promotions and sponsorship, there are great opportunities for you and your company to create a mutually beneficial partnership with the GSPCA.

Why choose the GSPCA?

By forming a partnership with the GSPCA your business can provide huge benefits to you and your company including:

- Increasing staff AND customer loyalty when associating with only all Animal Welfare organisation in Guernsey.
- It gives you and your colleagues the opportunity to gain a great sense of pride and achievement through life-changing fundraising challenges.
- Getting your colleagues motivated at work and feeling inspired by giving something good back to society.
- Helping your company achieve CSR objectives and providing engaging content for CSR reports.
- Increasing staff enthusiasm by your company

working with such a passionate organisation as the GSPCA and in turn potentially reducing staff turnover.

We need YOU to help us become your company's charity of choice!

Please nominate the GSPCA

If your company has a charity of the year programme, why not speak to your company's charity committee about how to make the GSPCA your charity of choice?

You may be asked by your company to vote for a charity or choose your favourite charity to be on a shortlist. We totally rely on YOU to please put the GSPCA on that list!

By making the GSPCA your company's charity of choice you will also benefit from being associated with only all Animal Welfare organisation in Guernsey.

If you want more information on how you can help the GSPCA become your charity of choice or charity of the year get in touch with Steve Byrne GSPCA Manager stevejbyrne@gspca.org.gg



Become an exclusive Build Partner

The Build Partner programme is designed to meet the building costs associated with our newest £1.3 million multi-purpose animal welfare building. The building replaces five existing structures that have become unusable with age.

Our new building incorporates a welfare cattery, quarantine and isolation facilities, a secure transfer location while also providing logistical and organisational spaces and facilities for the day to day running of the GSPCA.

Products

If you are a retailer or manufacturer and would like to develop products with us, then please do get in touch.

At the GSPCA we have a range of logo'd goods, collection boxes and counter boxes. If you or your business is interested in helping raise funds through these for the Shelter please email stevejbyrne@gspca.org.gg

Sponsorship of Events

Maybe your business would like to Sponsor all or part of a GSPCA event? The major annual events we hold each year are –

- We hold monthly Bingo Nights at the Market Bistro
- GSPCA Purple Week February
- Big Fun Family Lunch
- Easter Bunny & Egg Hunt
- Animal Welfare Seafront Sunday
- GSPCA Cupcake Week
- World Stray Day April 4th
- Summer Fair & Dog Show
- GSPCA Animal Awards
- World Animal Day 4th October
- GSPCA Ball
- Santa Paws Walk & Christmas Fayre

By sponsoring one of these events we can include

your business in promotional material, our supporters newsletter, and online with our web site and social media.

Each year we also look for local businesses to Sponsor players for the Animal Welfare Seafront Sunday Giant Animal Mascot 5-a-side and for more details please go to -

http://www.gspca.org.gg/page/animal-welfare-seafront-sunday

CSR Volunteering

Whether an individual or a group, here at the GSPCA we can provide CSR opportunities for you and your team to help out at the Animal Shelter.

From individual projects to the daily work, events to administration there is something for everyone.

To find out more please go to - http://www.gspca.org.gg/about/corporate-and-group-days





Many of the volunteers that have helped through their work place have continued to volunteer at the Shelter during their days off and we are very thankful to them for their support.

If your business has skills or expertise in a particular field and you would like to donate time or resources we would love to hear from you.

Fundraising

There are many ways to raise funds for the GSPCA in the work place. From dress down days to dress up days, issue GSPCA pens to staff to a sponsored event, selling cupcakes for break to a sponsored silence for those chatty staff members.....

If you have a great idea please let us know or have a look at others and download a sponsorship form by going to -

http://www.gspca.org.gg/fundraising

Wish List & Plans

Maybe your business would like to sponsor something specific to the GSPCA. We have an ongoing page dedicated to much needed items and appeals and you can see these by going to -http://www.gspca.org.gg/about/our-plans-wish-list

Membership

As a charity we are made up of members who pay £10 a year to support the work of the GSPCA and for this they receive a number of benefits including a quarterly newsletter.

If your business wanted to join the GSPCA of behalf of your team and be part of the leading animal charity in Guernsey and receive updates and copies of the quarterly newsletter then please contact

stevejbyrne@gspca.org.gg

Newsletter & Advertising

We are looking for a sponsor for our quarterly newsletter. If you are interested please email stevejbyrne@gspca.org.gg

We would also like to hear from you if you would like to join us in sponsoring advertising for animals in need of homes or campaigns.

Become an ANGEL

ANGEL is the newly launched animal pen and section sponsorship scheme and if your business is interested in having your business featured on the ANGEL Sponsorship Board in our main car park and help directly towards the many animals in our care please contact stevejbyrne@gspca.org.gg
To see details on the scheme please go to — http://www.gspca.org.gg/about/angel-sponsorship-scheme-animals-needing-quernseys-everlasting-love

Talks and Training

If your business would like a talk about the work of the GSPCA or potentially have training needs then please get in touch. To find out a little about our education programme please go to -

http://www.gspca.org.gg/services/educationand-schools

If your business would like a guided tour of the Shelter then for a donation we can arrange a member of staff to show you around the facilities and talk about the hundreds of animals in our care.

If you would like to discuss how your business can help support the GSPCA then please contact GSPCA Manager Mr Steve Byrne on 01481 257261 or email stevejbyrne@qspca.orq.qq



Volunteer Vacancies

Would you like to work with animals in Guernsey?

At the GSPCA we currently have over 500 animals in our care and work 24 hours a day 7 days a week.

Without volunteers we couldn't carry out the vital animal welfare work. We are currently looking to find volunteers that can help in all areas and especially help us cover the ambulance work which we have carried out as a 24 hour service for over 40 years.

Our Volunteer Wardens help ensure between 6pm and 8am 7 days a week and weekends that any rescues, collections of strays or other emergencies are responded to and we are also looking for wardens to help on Saturday and Sunday between 8am and 6pm.

To become a volunteer warden you will need a driving licence and a passion for helping animals and the local community.

We have a fantastic team of volunteer wardens which help ensure we are able to respond to emergencies 24 hours a day and if you think you could help please come along to one of our volunteer induction evenings or contact the GSPCA Manager Steve Byrne.

Steve Byrne GSPCA Manager said "We have over 750 volunteers that help us every year and we are hugely grateful to each and every one for all of their support."

"We are currently looking to find volunteers that can help us cover our emergency service which is a hugely varied and exciting role."

"If you think you could become a volunteer warden or would like to help in any of our other roles please do get in touch."



Aurigny staff awesome help at the GSPCA – #VolunteersWeek



Last month a team of 9 from Aurigny came along to the GSPCA to help all around the Shelter.

Along with MUG the GSPCA is Aurigny's chosen charity for 2018 and you can find out more by visiting -

http://www.gspca.org.gg/blog/aurigny-announces-chosen-charities-50th-anniversary

The team arrived on Saturday 12th May at 9am where they had a short induction, quick picture and were set to work.

The team were amazing and helped with so many essential and much needed jobs at the GSPCA from helping sort the outdoor rabbit runs to assisting the team with their duties caring for the animals.

Before the group left after helping around the site they each had a tour behind the scenes and we gave them each a thank you certificate.

Steve Byrne GSPCA Manager said "We are hugely grateful to all of the Aurigny team not only for choosing the GSPCA as one of their charities for 2018 but also for their amazing help last month.

"The Aurigny team were truly awesome with all they helped with and a massive thank you from all of us at the GSPCA."

We always love to hear from businesses that would like to help or support us and you can call 257261 for more details, check out our <u>website</u> or email me on stevejbyrne@gspca.org.gg.

For those wanting to help the next volunteer induction evening for anyone interested in helping out is on Monday 2^{nd} July at the GSPCA with a 630pm start.

To donate to these much needed project please visit - www.paypal.me/DonateGSPCA or email admin@gspca.org.gg or call 257261 for more details to get involved.

To visit the Aurigny facebook page please visit https://www.facebook.com/aurignyairservices/

To visit the Aurigny website please visit https://www.aurignynew.com/#flight-search

To find out how your business could help us at the GSPCA http://www.gspca.org.gg/about/how-your-business-can-help-gspca-corporate-sponsorship

Our next Volunteer Induction Evening is on Monday 11th December and for de-

tails http://www.gspca.org.gg/about/volunteers

To find out about our Going, Going, Gone Wild conservation project, Memorial Garden & Poison Garden projects with St Andrews Floral Group please visit -

http://gspca.org.gg/page/st-andrews-floral-group-conservation-work-gspca



Pen Pal Sponsorship at the GSPCA

Support animals each month in Guernsey through a donation or by monthly giving

Animals come into the shelter for a variety of different reasons. We need to do the best we can for every animal that comes through our doors. On average it $costs \pm 15$ to care for a dog, ± 10 for a cat and ± 6 for the smaller mammals. Our Angel Sponsorship Scheme asks supporters to sign up to a monthly donation of as little as ± 2 a month. You can sponsor a specific species, such as a kennel, hog house or cat pen, or donate to the whole shelter. Donators will have a plaque on the wall of the GSPCA, making this a perfect gift or way to remember a loved one. If you donate ± 5 a month, you will receive a free t-shirt or polo shirt, and if you donate ± 10 a month, you will receive a free hoodie. All donators will receive our quarterly newsletter, car sticker, certificate and GSPCA membership.

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Animals come into the shelter for a variety of different reasons. We need to do the best we can for every animal that comes through our doors. On average it costs £15 to care for a dog, £10 for a cat, £6 for the smaller mammals. By sponsoring an animal pen you can help 1000's of animals that find themselves in the shelter each year.



We have a number of small fur babies in need of homes from rats to ferrets, hamsters to degus. Please contact the Shelter for more details



We currently have a tropical fish tank full of fish which we are looking to rehome. The poor fish were rescued and lucky to be alive and we would love to find them a loving new home.



We also need to look after numerous species of wildlife. If this is where your interest lies, why not sponsor a hutch for a hedgehog, or an aviary for rehabilitating birds? Remember Oliva the loggerhead turtle? A recent video was featured of her release which saw over 1 million views in just a few days on the Dodo website



To become an ANGEL, please fill in and return the form which you download online or pop into the GSPCA Animal Shelter or call us on 257261 to post one.

How to Make a Donation

You can make a donation to the GSPCA via any of the following methods:

- Visit the GSPCA website at www.gspca.org.gg and donate online via PayPal or Just Giving.
- Visit the Animal Shelter and complete the paperwork on site.
- Make a monthly donation by completing a standing order form (available online or via the GSPCA by calling us on 257261).
- By post to GSPCA, Rue des Truchots, St Andrews, Guernsey GY^ 8UD





Birthday parties at the GSPCA



At the GSPCA we have seen a fantastic response to our recent Birthday and Special occasion guided tours and have already got many booked in over the coming weeks.

(Booking form at base of page)

From young to old we now offer a unique experience for a loved one, family member or

friend to see behind the scenes at the GSPCA.

Steve Byrne GSPCA Manager said "This year we have started offering unique birthday and special guided tours and they have been proving hugely popular."

"We have also now teamed up with Island Mums and provide card holders a discount on this wonderful experience."

"Our special tours include a behind the scenes tour of the GSPCA in St Andrews with a focus on the special person who may be celebrating a birthday, anniversary or even a retirement gift."

"Each tour is unique as the animals in our care vary from one week to the next and previous one's have helped feed baby birds to Olivia the turtle."

"You can even hire our events room and we have a great caterer who can help us help you provide the full birthday party for you child or loved one."

"Please do get in touch if you would like to know more and to see previous tours please visit -

http://www.gspca.org.gg/search/node/birthday%20tours."

If you would like to bring a private group or party to the GSPCA for a visit and tour at the Animal Shelter we can arrange this in advance.

We ask for a minimum donation of £60 for a group of 8 and an additional £5 per person with groups larger than 8 (restrictions do apply with children to adult numbers).

We can provide a birthday or gift pack if the tour is for a special occasion.

We have a large events room, tables, chairs, projectors, speakers with mic, and a number of toys or things for children on request.

For details on room hire please check out - http://www.gspca.org.gg/services/room-hire-gspca

Why not make it a full event and arrange for food, a cake or

more all of which can be delivered through http://www.kiddiescatering.biz

Some extras could include

Party Food Supplied by Kiddies Catering http://www.kiddiescatering.biz/

Surprise Adoption for a year of an animal pen - minimum donation of £20 for an adoption pack for a year to include a plaque at the GSPCA

Room hire is available in a spacious room next to toilet facilities

Games with prizes can be supplied on request

Hire of giant animal, minion or Olaf suit

Other bespoke packages available

Guided tours of the Shelter take about 60 to 90 minutes and it is your opportunity to see behind the scenes, although for animal welfare reasons there are areas that are unable to be viewed.

If the event is for a special occasion the birthday or lucky individual will receive special treatment and be allowed some unique experiences holding and possibly feeding some of the animals in our care.

We already have many bookings over the next few months, you can book after school for a 3pm, 4pm or 5pm event. Weekend tours tend to be at 11am or 1pm (please ask for other times or evening tours).

If you are interested please

email stevejbyrne@gspca.org.gg or call the GSPCA Manager Steve Byrne on 01481 257261 to discuss details.

Island Mum cardholders can receive a 10% discount on special tours, please see this link for details -

http://islandmums.com/guernsey/gspca-birthday-parties/







1980's Ball a huge success and buy your pictures from the night



On Good Friday the 30th March St Pierre Park Hotel saw the 80's come back to life.

The night was organised by the fantastic Sidney's Sponsored Events who brought us UK Band the Pop Rockin' 80's.

The evening was a huge success with a fantastic fancy dress array, raffle, auction and lots of dancing.

If you are interested in buying any of the pictures taken by the wonderful Insight Photography please visit this link to see them -

https://www.facebook.com/pg/GuernseySPCA/photos/?tab=album&album_id=1718563108222725

Once you have found the picture you would like please donate £5 per picture via this link - https://www.paypal.me/DonateGSPCA and ple ase reference the web address of the picture you would like and your email so we can send the original with no watermark once payment is received.

Organisor from Sidney's Sponsored Events Corinne Connolly said "Thank you for all the positive comments about the 80s last night."

"The band really enjoyed it too."

"Many thanks to Di Piper and the Arabesque

Dancers and Christine Verrykt and the Guernsey Ballroom Dancers, all fabulous and fun once again."

"Loved the positive energy in the room and want to come back."

"Sidney's Sponsored Events next event for 1 night only is The Bootleg BeeGees on Saturday 7th July 2018 at St Pierre Park Hotel and we hope to see you there."

Steve Byrne GSPCA Manager said "We are hugely grateful to Corinne Connolly from Sidney's Sponsored Events who organised another fantastic night in aid of the GSPCA and Clic Sargent on Good Friday and we are hugely grateful to her and all involved."

"From the dancers to the band, the fancy dress to the prizes, the venue to all that attended it was a great night of fun helping the GSPCA and Clic Sargent."

"Sidney's Sponsored Events next big night is taking place at the St Pierre Park Hotel and we hope you can join us for a great Bootleg Bee-Gees fun evening."

"A huge thank you from all of the animals for every penny that was raised and all the effort to make such a wonderful night."

In aid of the GSPCA www.gspca.org.gg and CLIC Sargent www.clicsargent.org.uk/

The Travel Corporation help out at the GSPCA - #VolunteersWeek



In April the wonderful staff from <u>The Travel Corporation</u> joined the team at the GSPCA over 3 days.

This is the fifth year in a row team members from <u>The Travel Corporation</u> have helped at the GSPCA.

Sarah Gaudion, Demi Dawson, Steph Nickolls, Alice Falla, Jenny Ozanne & Monica Dekker all helped between the 11th and 13th April and each arrived at 9am on separate days where they had a short induction, quick picture and were set to work.

The team <u>The Travel Corporation</u> started each of the days helping the team at the GSPCA with the animals.

We are hugely grateful to <u>The Travel Corporation</u> as this takes the volunteering days total to 16 at the GSPCA. They are also part of our <u>Build Partner sponsorship</u> <u>scheme</u> which is a way businesses can donate to towards our new multi purpose animal welfare building and be part of our future and we also look forward to them helping later this month.

Before the group left after helping around the site they each had a tour behind the scenes and we gave them each a thank you certificate.

Steve Byrne GSPCA Manager said "Once again we are so grateful to <u>The Travel Corporation</u> for all of their wonderful support."

"The Travel Corporation staff were amazing and after their productive days help they were shown behind the scenes of the site and were each presented with a thank you certificate."

"We always love to hear from businesses that would like to help or support us and you can call 257261 for more details, check out our <u>website</u> or email me on stevejbyrne@gspca.org.gg."

"A huge thank you to the team from <u>The Travel Corporation</u> who really were such a fantastic help and thank you for being part of our <u>Build Partner sponsorship scheme</u> and we are really looking forward seeing them again in July."

"The next volunteer induction evening for anyone interested in helping out is on Monday 2nd July at the GSPCA with a 630pm start."

If your business or group would like to help us at the GSPCA we have lots of possible jobs to help out at the GSPCA.

To find out how your business could help us at the GSPCA http://www.gspca.org.gg/about/how-your-business-can-help-gspca-corporate-sponsorship

Our next Volunteer Induction Evening is on Monday 11th December and for de-

tails http://www.gspca.org.gg/about/volunteers

To find out about our Going, Going, Gone Wild conservation project, Memorial Garden & Poison Garden projects with St Andrews Floral Group please visit -

http://gspca.org.gg/page/st-andrews-floral-group-conservation-work-gspca

Senior Kitizens evening a huge success finding older cats new homes at the GSPCA

Last night the GSPCA and Pet concern held a senior cat rehoming event aimed at senior citizens, but open to all.

PET CONCERN is a charity that enables older people to keep and care for their much-loved cat or to help look after a new cat that has entered their life.

They can help with giving medication, preparing and cleaning litter trays, grooming, feeding, cat food shopping and also providing transport for the owner and cat to the vets.

Sometimes older people are put off from re-homing a cat as they feel they are not active enough or able to physically care for them which is such a shame as cats can bring so much love and companionship to a home and an elderly person.

Sue from Pet Concern was on hand last night with GSPCA team members to chat to those looking for older cats.

Thanks to the evening we found four of our older cats new owners and all of the GSPCA team are over the moon from the success of the event.

Before the night, Jingles was reserved thanks to a poster about the Senior Kitizen evening. She has been at the GSPCA since March last year and is 14 years with a hyperthyroid. The older cats with medical problems are often passed by and we are so happy that Jingles has been reserved for a forever home. Milo was also booked only days before the event who is 11 and has some joint issues.

At the start of the evening Millie was reserved and at nearly $11\,\%$ years old this lovely tortic cat will hopefully be heading to a lovely new owner very soon. Millie seemed very taken with her possible new owner and family and will hopefully be on route to her new home soon.

Dot at 8 years of age is one of our most nervous cats but when the new perspective owner was introduced last night it must have been love at first sight as both were taken with one another.

Cats, like people, are living much longer these days and at the GSPCA due to the many older cats and also cats in need of a quiet home we held the Senior Kitizen evening which has proved a huge success.

Anna Paint Senior Animal Care Assistant "We recently had a meeting to discuss how to find our older cats a home and decided that running a special night might just help find them that forever home."

"We have some great links with the Pet Concern team that help a number of islanders care for their pets and they too want to help us find some of our older cats find a forever home.



"The Senior Kitizen and Senior Citizen evening was fabulous and we are so pleased how well it went. Some of our longest stay cats like Dot who is often very nervous found her perfect new owner."

Ashleigh le Page Animal Care Assistant said "I could cry I was so happy when we found Dot a new owner. It was so lovely to meet such nice people and find Dot, Jingles and Mille a new home.

"Since advertising the event we also found Milo who is 11 a new home and he has some joint problems."

Michelle Champion GSPCA staff member said "We are all so happy that 4 of our older cats found homes thanks to the Senior Kitizen evening.

"We kept the charity shop open late and also put on refreshments for all those that came along."

Steve Byrne GSPCA Manager said "The team last night put on an amazing Senior Kitizen event which has resulted in 4 of our older cats find new homes.

"The team were so happy when Dot was reserved and Millie last night and before the event Milo and Jingles thanks to the promotion and posters for the evening.

"A huge thank you to all that helped put on the event last night and especially to the lovely new owners who are having their home visits and hopefully new felines very soon.

"There are many more cats in need of homes and many other animals so please do contact us if you can help offer one or more a home. If you can't offer an animal a home there are many ways to support our work from sponsoring an animal pen to sharing their details on social media."

If you are looking for any pet please call us on 01481 257261 or email admin@gspca.org.gg

To visit the Pet Concern website please check out - www.petconcern.org.gg/

To see some of the animals in need of a home at the GSPCA please visit - www.gspca.org.gg/animals

To sponsor an animal pen please visit - www.gspca.org.gg/about/angel-sponsorship-scheme-animals-needing-guernseys-everlasting-love

5 New volunteers are welcomed to the GSPCA team



Last night we held our sixth volunteer induction of 2018 which took place during National Volunteers Week.

The induction will took place with GSPCA Manager Steve Byrne who greeted the 5 new volunteers with a few of their friends.

The group learnt all about who we are, what we do, the ways volunteers can help and an induction of how to help safely.

Although volunteering at the Animal Shelter starts at 13 for those under 13 they are always welcome to attend and get involved with events and fund raising. We have a huge number of events over the summer and we are always looking for help.

We have now trained 81 new volunteers in 2018 through our induction evenings and more than 20 others with volunteer days.

At the end of the induction Steve talked to all attending to set dates and times to start, and all were given a certificate of attendance and a pack of information including a hand book.

Steve Byrne GSPCA Manager said "It was great to meet the 5 ladies that attended our Volunteer Induction last night."

"There were two keen to start their Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award volunteering at the GSPCA this Sunday, one will start her work experience soon and two others keen to help volunteer and start later this month."

"We are hugely grateful to the amazing 120 volunteers that help every week and the more than 800 that help us in so many ways through the year." "It is currently Volunteers Week and we see so many volunteers help in so many ways and tomorrow we welcome Volunteer Tourists often called 'Voluntourists' from the Crystal Cruise liner which is something we have been doing for nearly 5 years."

"Volunteers help around the clock 24/7 and when we were founded 145 years ago it was thanks to volunteers that met to create the GSPCA to help the animals and community of Guernsey."

"From the GSPCA a huge thank you to every person that volunteers or helps us in any way from popping a donation in a collection box to helping night warden every week."

The upcoming volunteer inductions are set for –

- Monday 2nd July 2018 Volunteer Induction Evening Starts 630pm until approximately 815pm
- Friday 27th July 2018 Volunteer Induction Starts 330pm until approximately 5pm
- Wednesday 1st August 2018 Volunteer Induction Evening Starts 630pm until approximately 815pm
- Monday 3rd September 2018 Volunteer Induction Evening Starts 630pm until approximately 815pm
- Monday 1st October 2018 Volunteer Induction Evening Starts 630pm until approximately 815pm
- Monday 5th November 2018 Volunteer Induction Evening Starts 630pm until approximately 815pm
- Tuesday 4th December 2018 Volunteer Induction Evening Starts 630pm until approximately 815pm

Often volunteers are interested in working at the GSPCA and we are currently recruiting for Casual staff and if you are thinking of working for the GSPCA you can find out more by visiting - http://www.gspca.org.gg/blog/vacancies-casual-animal-care-assistant-casual-charity-shop-assistant-0

For more information and additional induction dates please visit http://gspca.org.gg/about/volunteers or call 257261

If your business or group would like to spend a day at the Shelter you can find out more by going to http://www.gspca.org.gg/about/corporate-and-group-days

Voluntourists off the Crystal Cruises at the GSPCA & meet new staff member Tim - #VolunteersWeek



On Tuesday the GSPCA welcomed the first Voluntourist group of 2018 from the Crystal Symphony.

4 passengers from the ship were greeted by GSPCA staff member Rual Gomez and new staff member Tim Pellett (centre of picture) who has joined the GSPCA as the Community & Training Officer thanks to funding from State Street and Social Security.

The Voluntourists who were on their holidays from around the world arrived at the Shelter just after 8.30am and had a short induction and were then sent to help the staff and care for the many animals at the GSPCA.

Each received a gift of a GSPCA t-shirt and baseball cap to wear for their half day volunteering caring for the many animals at the GSPCA.

All 4 had an extremely enjoyable time and before they left were given a behind the scenes guided tour where they met the many reptiles and found out about the history of the Shelter and Guernsey.

The GSPCA has been running voluntourist days since 2014 with the Crystal Cruises.

The group before left they were presented with a thank you certificate for all of their help.

New staff member Tim started on Monday and is spending his first week learning the many departments at the GSPCA so on Tuesday was helping with Voluntourist group whilst also helping with the small animals and reptiles. We are all very excited as Tims role will help us develop NVQs and other training courses at the GSPCA with a focus on helping the

unemployed through Social Security but also in many other ways and we look forward to updating with more details very soon.

Steve Byrne GSPCA Manager said "We really enjoyed having all of the Voluntourists helping at the GSPCA from the Crystal Symphony on Tuesday."

"They all had a wonderful time and it was a pleasure to meet them all, and from all of the team at the GSPCA thank you to all 4 for their help with cleaning and caring for the animals.

"There are many ways to get involved at the GSPCA and we always love to hear from those wanting to volunteer at the Shelter.

"On Monday 2nd July at 6.30pm we have a volunteer induction which is open to anyone interested in helping out at the GSPCA."

To find out about guided tours at the GSPCA please visit www.gspca.org.gg/services/guided-tours-gspca.

Rual Gomez GSPCA staff member said "All of the Voluntourists had a wondeful time and said they really enjoyed themselves.

"They were all so helpful and they were so impressed with the work we do and were very interested in all the reptiles we have."

To find out about volunteering at the GSPCA please visit http://www.gspca.org.gg/about/volunteers



Thank you to the 120 staff that have helped from Northern Trust - #VolunteersWeek



On Thursday 17th May Northern Trust staff came for their first volunteer day of 2018.

Over the previous four years 114 volunteers from <u>Northern Trust</u> have helped out at the GSPCA, with 38 staff helping in 2014 and a further 26 helping in 2015, 34 in 2016 and 16 in 2017.

Last month we welcomed Claire Robson, Maria de Jersey, Nikki Burge, Tracy Marquis, Lorna Kennedy & Claire Huxster at the GSPCA who came along from <u>Northern Trust</u> to help out with the animals.

The 6 volunteers were a huge help during a very busy time of year and we ware all hugely grateful to them.

After an extremely hard days work a member of the GSPCA team took the team from <u>Northern Trust</u> for a guided tour where they saw many of the 500+ animals at the GSPCA.

Before the group left and after the tour the team got a thank you certificate for all of their hard work.

Steve Byrne GSPCA Manager said "Words cannot express how grateful we are to *Northern Trust* who are truly amazing and we really, really do appreciate all of their wonderful support and help."

"We are so lucky to have caring businesses in Guernsey like <u>Northern Trust</u> that allow their staff to help in the community."

"Next week we welcome another team from <u>Northern</u>
<u>Trust</u> who are helping with our Chapel of Rest next to our Memorial Garden."

"Since 2014 Northern Trust have sent 120 staff to help at the GSPCA which is just incredible."

"We always love to hear from businesses that would like to help us help the animals and community of Guernsey and there are many ways getting involved from CSR programmes to sponsoring animals in our care."

"We can even run bespoke events such as guided tours for your team and their families."

"From all at the GSPCA a huge thank you to all at <u>Northern</u> <u>Trust</u>."



St Martins Primary School Epic Week at the GSPCA - #VolunteersWeek

Last month just short of 30 children from St Martins Primary School enjoyed an Epic Week in the sun at the GSPCA.

When the children were asked what Epic Week activity they wanted to do hundreds had wanted to come along to the GSPCA but as spaces were limited the lucky children were selected and had their first afternoon at the Shelter on Monday 21st May.

The first day involved a full behind the scenes tour and the children got to see animals from baby birds to the many reptiles, met a hedgehog to the tortoise racing, well the tortoise were walking along the grass in front of the children and we called it racing which they really enjoyed.

The second day the children had the opportunity to experience enriching the environment for the animals so the first part involved reading to over 25 cats as well as some of the other animals in the care of the GSPCA from Webster the tarantula to Debbie the bearded dragon.

The second part of day two involved foraging for wild plants and seeding grasses and using toilet rolls to make treat toys for the guinea pigs, rabbits and birds at the Animal Shelter which the children got to see being fed and popped into the animal pens.

Day 3 focused on the conservation work of the GSPCA with Vanessa Crispini from the Pollinator Project and Ann Wragg from St Andrews Floral Group.

The children really enjoyed weeding around the site to the surprise of many of the adults and then helped plant hanging baskets and the herb garden with pollinating plants good for bees which they thoroughly enjoyed.

The final day at the GSPCA the children brought cakes which they had made for a Cake Sale near the GSPCA Charity Shop which raised an amazing £117 and many of the children's parents and family came along to support and see the great cakes and items on sale as well as visit some of the animals.

On the Friday GSPCA Manager Steve Byrne was invited along to the celebration of the end of Epic Week at St Martins Primary School and the children presented Steve with a lovely card full of pictures and kind comments as well as a gift.

Steve gave the children certificates as a way of thanks and all the children said how much they enjoyed their week.

Steve Byrne GSPCA Manager said "This is the third time we have held this event and what an amazing Epic Week we had with St Martins Primary School Students last month."

"They helped in so many ways and learnt so many things and were all so well behaved, their parents and school can be very proud."

"With a different focus each day from a full tour, to environmental enrichment, conservation to helping raise the funds to help the 24/7 work we carry out at the GSPCA the St Martins children were truly epic."

"It was great to have Vanessa from the Pollinator Project and Ann

Wragg from St Andrews Floral Group on the Conservation Day which the children really enjoyed."

"A huge thanks to all from St Martins Primary School and all that helped make Epic Week so much fun at the GSPCA."

Here are some of the comments in the card presented to Steve -

'Dear Steve and the GSPCA. Thank you for having us. I loved all of it so, so, so much. I'm sure next year will love it to. Love Lily.'

'Dear Steve and the GSPCA thank you for us. My favourite part was reading to the cats and also liked the cake sale from Chloe.'

'Dear Steve. Thank you for having us. My favourite thing to do was the facts and the tour. It was amazing. Thank you! From Alana.'

'Dear Steve and GSPCA. Thank you for having us. I really enjoyed the cake sale.'

'Dear Steve and the GSPCA. Thank you for spending valuable time. I really enjoyed the cake sale and charity shop. From Archie.'

And many more amazing things were also said

To arrange your school visit or educational talk please email Beckie Bailey on education@gspca.org.gg

If you are a school or educational group please visit our page for this by <u>clicking here http://www.gspca.org.gg/services/education-and-schools.</u>

To visit the Pollinator Project website please visit – https://pollinatorproject.gg/

To view the work the GSPCA and St Andrews Floral Group have being undertaking please visit - http://gspca.org.gg/page/st-andrews-floral-group-conservation-work-gspca

For details on how to book a personal guided tour for an individual or group please <u>click here for details</u> http://www.gspca.org.gg/services/guided-tours-gspca.

For other fund raising ideas and ways to support please visit - http://www.gspca.org.gg/fundraising

For ways your business can help us at the GSPCA please visit http://gspca.org.gg/about/how-your-business-can-help-gspcacorporate-sponsorship

For more information on volunteering please visit - http://gspca.org.gg/about/volunteers

To see our opening hours please visit – www.gspca.org.gg/page/gspca-opening-visiting-times

For more information please call 01481 257261 or email admin@gspca.org.gg

A huge thanks to Grow Ltd from the GSPCA - #VolunteersWeek

The GSPCA would like to say a huge thank you to the wonderful team at Grow that have been helping the GSPCA look lovely and a rich place for pollinating plants for our visiting bees.

Grow over the last month have been helping with many of the GSPCA hanging baskets and many of our window boxes.

Grow Ltd provide training and sheltered work for people with a learning disability in horticulture. The selling of their produce and the garden maintenance team provide the opportunity for the interaction between their sponsored attendees and the general public.

Steve Byrne GSPCA Manager said "It is amazing as a community how many groups help one another and we want to extend a huge thank you to Grow for their amazing help with their fantastic plants and time at the GSPCA.

"Grow Ltd have really helped with our baskets and window boxes which all look amazing. The grounds are helped by many groups at the GSPCA from Grow to the Pollinator Project, RSPB, Work to Benefit team, St Andrews Floral Group and so many more.

"The Guernsey Beekeepers have a training apiary on site at the GSPCA so it is great that we can all work together to help the bees whether they are wild or for honey."

If your business or group would like to help us at the GSPCA we have lots of possible jobs to help out at the GSPCA and to see just some ideas –

- Painting aviaries/rabbit runs/stable (where possible we do ask for donations to help with paint and rollers/brushes etc.)
- Painting Buildings (where possible we do ask for donations to help with paint and rollers/brushes etc.)
- Gardening / landscaping / weeding (we are always in need of additional tools if possible to help)
- Help with our memorial garden and chapel of rest (we do need additional tools, plants, hardcore and sleepers to help)
- Putting in steps to our pond (we are in need of additional tools, plants, hardcore and sleepers to help)
- Building a cage over our pond dipping pond (we have this but will need a team to do - possibly half to full day)
- Helping in the charity shop
- Helping sort out and clean some donated aviaries and cag-

es (likely a full day for 4 or more people)

- General Animal Care
- Helping with Admin / Reception
- Help wash and clean Shelter vehicles
- Cleaning signage and windows around site
- Cleaning gutters/drains around site
- Pressure washing outside areas
- Cleaning out our deep pond
- If staff have a skill set and can offer training to our team this is always much appreciated
- Helping deep clean areas
- Helping gut out, clean, tidy and sort storage areas
- Building a large poultry run (likely to take more than a day and we do need posts, mesh and concrete)
- Build an additional tortoise run (likely to take more than a day and we do need posts, wood, mesh and concrete)
- Lay new floor in bird room & build aviary pens in bird room (we do need flooring, wood and mesh)
- Redo our disabled toilet area (we do need new bathroom items, baby change, signage)
- Welding and fixing our barriers
- Supply and build extra outside rabbit/guinea pig runs
- Supply and build safety porches to some aviaries
- Dig out and build a sleeper wall near our tortoise run (will take much more than a week of a team doing and we do need sleepers and supplies)
- Running a cake sale/holding an event at the Shelter
- Taking a stall with games/goods out into the community if a location can be found
- Help run guided tour events
- Running a fund raiser
- Sponsored walk or event
- Helping run an event for kids/schools

Please do get in touch if you think you can help with these or the many other jobs and projects we have at the GSPCA.

Visit our GSPCA Onsite Charity Shop



On site at the GSPCA we have an area where you can pick up a bargain from of second hand clothes to furniture which is open 7 days a week.

Not only can you grab a bargain at our Charity Shop which is on site at the GSPCA in St Andrews but you can also see many of the animals that you will be supporting.

We are hugely grateful to all that have been involved and supported our shop area and to those donating goods to sell.

The GSPCA Charity Shop has a page where you can see many of the great items which are on sale and you can see these by visiting - https://www.facebook.com/pg/GuernseySPCA/shop/

Opening hours are Monday to Saturday 9am to 5pm and Sunday 11am to 4pm.

We really appreciate donations to help to sell in the shop but we do kindly ask that they are clean and in good condition.

For more details please email <u>fundraising@gspca.org.gg</u> or call 01481 257261



And a huge thank you to you!

The GSPCA would not be able to help the hundred of cats, dogs, birds, guinea pigs and wild-life that come through our doors without the kind donations from islanders.

There's always something to do at the GSPCA so if you think you can help us so visit http://www.gspca.org.gg/fundraising to find out more



Gert the Duck & Bernard the GSPCA Mascot's Fun Page



THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT





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