

# Newsletter

## Autumn 2015



# Let The Animals Speak



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How time flies. In April 2015 we held an event to celebrate A1's 20th birthday. Yes we have been a registered charity for 20 years! Our cover picture shows a selection of events over this time.

We held a super and exciting quiz and raffle which was well attended. We also sold A1 Petline merchandise, including our pens, jotters and anniversary silver plated spoons. We still have a few spoons left. They cost £4 (inc p & p). If you would like to purchase one, please send a cheque (made payable to A1 Petline) along with your address and contact number to 78 Sir Richards Drive, Harborne, Birmingham B17 8SH.

It only remains for us to thank you all for your help and support over the last 20 years, and to wish you all a very happy Christmas and prosperous new year. Hope to see you at our events in 2016



## NEWSLETTER NEWS

Due to spiralling costs in postage and printing we are going to discontinue posted newsletters. We will have instead a single 'Annual Review' newsletter that will be posted on our website and emailed to any contacts we have an email address for. We would rather our fundraising efforts go to the organisations and individuals we support, than on admin costs.

Will any supporters who have access to email **please** let us know so we can still keep in touch. We will, of course continue to update our website ([www.a1petline.btck.co.uk](http://www.a1petline.btck.co.uk)) and you will still be able to contact us by telephone (0121 429 1338) We continue to need all the support you can give to help us carry on helping others. We are a lifeline to many of those we help.



## **Semper Fidelis Romanian Dog Sanctuary**

In April we delivered a car load of bedding, pet food, toys and equipment to Marion, co-ordinator of this dog and cat rescue centre in Romania. This was the result of our appeal in the Winter 2014 newsletter. A big thank you to everyone who donated items, for their generosity.



## **Shirley Carnival**

What an exciting day at this pirate themed carnival in July. Every step we took brought us face to face with yet another pirate, or, if we were lucky Capt. Jack Sparrow himself (an extremely good lookalike).

It was a perfect day, the sun shone, the visitors appeared in droves and to put the icing on the cake we, A1 Petline, won the best dressed stall competition. The prize for this was presented by Captain Jack.



## **Rogues Place**

We attended a summer fun day at Rouges Place, Aldridge in August. Rouges Place rescue a host of different animals both wild and domestic, including guinea pigs, rabbits, ducks, chickens, goats and owls.

Although a small event it was well attended and we did very well financially. The weather was warm and sunny and Star Fundraiser Weasel took part in the canine competitions, walking away with a couple of rosettes.

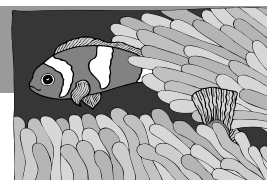


## **PATS Telford**

This was the first time we had asked the organisers if we could go to their pet trade show in September, to run a tombola in aid of Dogs for the Disabled and a local sanctuary, Cuan Wildlife Rescue at Much Wenlock. The answer was YES and we set up our stall in the entrance hall with our tombola and Weasel on fundraising duty.



We had a very successful 2 days with some of the trade stands donating, dog treats, toys, bedding and equipment. We would like to say a big thank you to all who 'had a go' on the tombola and to the exhibitors who gave so generously.



## **Donations Made**

Since the last review we have donated to

Rogues Place Animal Rescue

Farm Animal Sanctuary, towards new stable

Therapy treatment for a dog injured in a car accident

Donation towards ECG equipment at Women's Hospital

Magazine subscriptions for a housebound OAP

PDSA

Cuan Wildlife Rescue, Much Wenlock

Dogs for the Disabled



## **Forthcoming Events**

### **November**

St. Gregory's School, Bearwood

### **December**

5th Carol Service & new stable presentation at Farm Animal Sanctuary

12th-13th LKA at NEC

19th Christmas Fayre, Rowheath

### **March 2016**

Crufts at NEC



## **Appeal**

We are still in need of blankets, bedding and towels for the sanctuaries. If you are local to Birmingham we will collect. Please tel: 0121 429 1338

Tombola prizes and bric-a-brac are also welcome but not books or clothing, as they are too bulky to take to the shows.





Bournville Village Festival



Canalside, Brownhills



Rogues Place Rescue Centre



Pirate Weasel's dress rehearsal

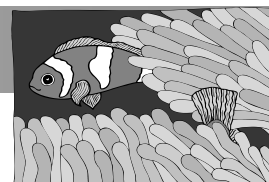


Falconry Fair, Chetwynd Deer Park



20th Birthday Quiz Night





### **March**

Bird Show, Stafford  
Crofts, NEC—4 days

### **April**

20th Anniversary Quiz Night. Oldbury  
WELKS, Dog Sitting, Malvern—3 days

### **May**

Falconry Fair, Newport

### **June**

Bournville Village Show, Birmingham  
Canalside, Brownhills

### **July**

Picnic in the Park, Warley Woods  
Shirley Carnival, Birmingham  
Cinnamon Trust at Ginny Ring Craft Centre

### **August**

Rogues Place Rescue, Aldridge  
Dog Show, Worcester

### **September**

All About Dogs, Warley Woods  
Farm Animal Sanctuary, Evesham  
PATs Trade Show, Telford—2 days

### **October**

Vintage, Row Heath, Birmingham  
Raffle Stafford Dog Show—4 days



Warley Woods Picnic in the Park



Rowheath Vintage Fair



Crufts NEC



Bird Show, Stafford



Family Fun Day Worcester



Cinnamon Trust at Ginny Ring Crafts Centre



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