

ANIMAL WELFARE OF LUXOR

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Dear Supporter,

Although it is now February - due to a personal bereavement this is my first opportunity to wish you all a happy 2019. Many thanks for all the support you have given to myself and AWOL and for the messages, letters and emails I have received over the last difficult few weeks.

The team in Luxor have been continuing their great work and treating the animals on Luxor's west bank and further afield. Our mobile clinics are always very busy and well-attended and mornings at the AWOL centre can be very busy indeed.



During the winter the nights can get quite chilly in Luxor so Gergis has been busy making warm donkey coats for the working donkeys who often spend the cold nights outside with no shelter. As well as the coats he also makes saddle cushions which are used to go under the wooden bridges used by the donkey's owners or under heavy loads (or passengers).



The first equine customers for the new coats were our residents Hector and Zazooa who look very smart in their winter jackets. Both Hector and Zazooa are disabled donkeys so they are resident at the AWOL centre as they cannot be rehomed. They seem very happy with each others company!



When our mobile clinic goes out into the rural villages we take various medicines, tack, dog collars, donkey coats and cushions so we can help as many animals as possible. If they need special treatment which we cannot provide immediately we ask the owners to take them to the AWOL centre for free treatment.



Some of our satisfied customers out in the villages . Usually the coats are for donkeys but this little foal was also given a coat to help keep him warm in the chilly weather. Overnight temperatures have regularly been down to 5 or 6 degrees and have even hit zero on occasions.

Even donkey owners passing the AWOL centre didn't escape our efforts! We will help animals wherever we can. These two donkeys were amongst many to benefit as Ahmed fits them with new coats at the roadside near the AWOL centre.



Both out in the villages and at the centre it has been busy as usual. Many donkeys have been fitted with new tack and saddle cushions replaced scraps of material to make the donkeys



more comfortable. These cushions will help prevent injuries caused by rough wooden bridges which sometimes have protruding nails which can cause nasty painful wounds.



The poor donkey below arrived at the AWOL centre unceremoniously tied to a cart pulled by another donkey. The poor animal must have wondered what was going on but he was too lame to walk to the centre and the owner couldn't afford to hire a lorry to take him. He was treated for foot abscesses on both feet and after cleaning and treatment he left the same way he came. Hopefully though he will be in a little less pain after being given anti-inflammatory and anti-biotic treatment and he will feel much better when he has fully healed.





Lots of lovely dogs were fitted with new soft dog collars out in the villages. Some of these poor dogs are so thin and needed treatment for worms, fleas and ticks. This basic treatment should help improve their health and make them less susceptible to further infections and disease.

We also take small bags of dog food out for these poor dogs so that will give them a nutritional boost and help their strength.



These lovely dogs came into the AWOL centre for a check-up with their puppies. The tiny white one was much more interested in her food than having her photo taken!

Do you remember the lovely puppies we rescued from Karnak temple area? They have been living at the AWOL centre for 3 months now and Dr Mohamed decided it was time for them to be neutered. The operations went successfully and they have all made a full and speedy recovery. We are now looking for good homes for them; our guard Gabalah will be taking two of them and we have had interest from other people so we are confident they will all be re-homed soon. They are lovely, happy, confident little dogs and we will not be letting them go to anything other than good homes!



Just a couple of weeks after their operations the little ones are happily running around the AWOL compound as usual; they love playing hide and seek amongst the trees! We may have to keep one as a playmate for Peggy as she loves all of them so much!



We have a new resident at the AWOL centre! This lovely cat lived locally but invited herself into the centre and has decided to stay. She seems quite comfortable there so if she's happy, we're happy!



UK News.

Our latest Facebook auction starts February 10th. If you are on Facebook take a look at the page by clicking on this link www.facebook.com/groups You might find a bargain!

Our next Supporters' lunch is on Monday 11th March at the Tattenham Corner Beefeater, Epsom Downs, Surrey at 12.30pm. Please contact Sue Camber on 07932 948273 or email suecamber@virginmedia.com if you would like to attend.

Remember, all our help and care for the animals in Luxor is possible only with your help; every bit helps.

Donations to AWOL can be made in the following ways:

By cheque (made out to Animal Welfare of Luxor), standing order, money paid directly into the AWOL bank account at any branch of HSBC or online, via Paypal (using email AngelaAWOL@gmail.com), by credit or debit card via Virgin Money Giving (click on the Virgin icon to take you to the site) or you can donate £10 by texting AWOL01 £10 to mobile number 70070 (please note we are not notified of the donors identity using the text method).



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Many thanks for reading this month's newsletter, *Angela* and the AWOL team.

