

ANIMAL WELFARE OF LUXOR

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Dear Supporter,

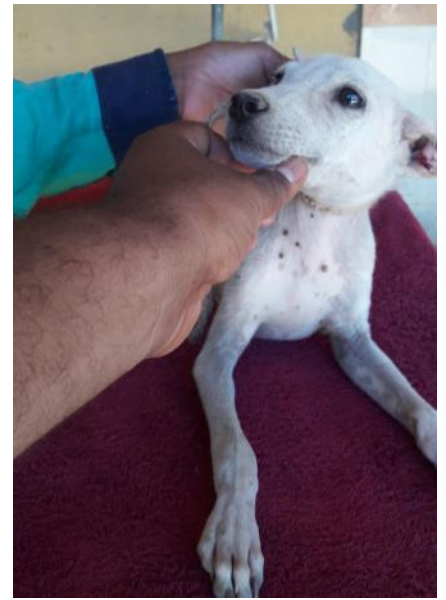
First of all I would like to thank everyone who encouraged, and donated to, our dedicated supporter Lorraine and her 5km fundraising walk with weights. You did such an amazing job of supporting her and AWOL and the walk was a huge success. You can read more about it on page seven! All the funds raised will be put to good use in Luxor helping the animals in need.

Thanks to your continued support we are able to buy in bulk quantities of webbing for the soft tack and the dog collars which Gergis makes at the centre along with buckles for the collars. Quality buckles and webbing are not available in Luxor so these are ordered from Cairo or Alexandria. We are very grateful that we can continue to purchase these materials which are so important to the welfare of the animals. Our latest delivery has just arrived at the AWOL centre and will be transformed into wonderful, comfortable tack and collars for the dogs and donkeys on the west bank.



More regular deliveries are made of food for our residents and patients. Bags of dry dog food and loads of dry donkey fodder are delivered or collected every month and this is supplemented with fresh green food for the donkeys and freshly cooked liver and meats for our resident dogs and some of our patients.





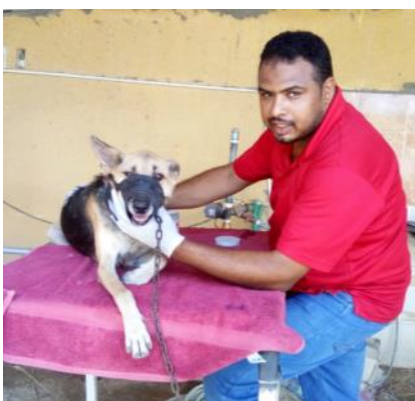
Many of our out-patients are given a meal at the centre as they do not have a good diet at home and are often given only bread to eat.



Most of these lovely dogs and puppies came into the AWOL centre for check-ups and flea, tick and worming treatment. The four puppies above also needed treatment for anaemia caused by their poor diet and the effect of flea and tick infestation.



This German Shepherd-type dog was brought in for treatment for minor wounds after fighting with another dog. We understand this was not an organised dog fight but simply a disagreement between two dogs. Luckily he suffered no significant injuries and Dr Mohamed was able to treat and dress his cuts and bite wounds before he returned home.





Some of the dogs and puppies we saw out in the villages during our mobile clinics. The dog collars are made by Gergis at the AWOL centre using the materials pictured on page 1. Gergis makes a variety of sizes and uses a range of different width and weight fabric for the collars.

All of these dogs needed worming treatment as well as new collars.



This is not a black and white dog; it is a black dog suffering from severe mange. The poor animal had lost most of his fur and was depressed and uncomfortable due to the intense itching he would have been suffering with. He has been kept at the centre for a couple of weeks so that he can be adequately treated.

He is showing signs of improvement after receiving anti-parasitic treatment and anti-inflammatories. His owner has been back to visit him and he will soon be allowed to go home.

Hopefully the owner won't leave it so long to bring him if he needs treatment again.



This donkey (below) came to the AWOL centre with spines from a palm tree stuck in his foot. Some had gone in quite deeply and were causing him a lot of pain. The spines were carefully removed by Dr Mohamed and the foot cleaned and treated with a disinfectant spray.

Out in the villages we saw the donkey again and were very pleased to see he was doing well and his foot was no longer causing him any problems.



Two lovely horses who came to see Dr Mohamed at our mobile clinic for a check-up and worming treatment.



There are always a lot of donkeys in need of noseband covers and new tack both in the villages and at the centre. These brightly coloured noseband covers are made by our wonderful supporters and are always appreciated by donkeys and owners alike!



This donkey came into the AWOL centre following an accident which resulted in a very nasty deep face wound leaving a gaping hole in the side of her face. After sedation and local anaesthetic Dr Mohamed carefully stitched the wound. The wound was very deep so it needed to be stitched subcutaneously - this involves stitching the flesh below the skin first before a second layer of stiches is put in to seal the outer layers of skin.



The donkey was also treated with antibiotics to minimise the risk of infection and anti-inflammatory medication to relieve any pain or swelling.

After her treatment was finished the patient enjoyed a cooling shower and went home wearing a fly mask to keep flies and infection off her face. We were very pleased to see her return a few days later for a check up with her foal and to see the wound was healing up well and she was recovering from her ordeal.





One of the many donkeys we see with tumours in Luxor. These tumours (sarcomas) are thought to be caused by a virus spread by flies and often appear at the site of a small wound. They can grow very large and be uncomfortable for the donkey.



There is no 100% effective cure for sarcomas. There are a variety of treatments available but none have been proven to be 100% successful as the tumour can sometimes grow back. This tumour was successfully removed surgically by Dr Mohamed before it became too big and caused too much of a problem for the donkey.

Our resident donkeys Hector and Zazooa were enjoying a little grazing when their attention was taken by this much larger donkey visiting the centre. Hector and Zazooa are quite small donkeys (as many are in Luxor) and it looks like they are having a discussion about this HUGE visitor!



UK News.

We are very grateful to supporter Lorraine and her friends Stacy and Simon, and niece and nephews Kaiya and Tia. Their sponsored 5km walk with weights raised a wonderful £1255 for AWOL! Many thanks to everyone who contributed to this fundraising effort. We are so thankful to have some wonderful generous supporters to help us with our work in Luxor and we are stunned by this result. Thank you all so very much.



Thanks to Suffolk Animal Rights Activists for raising £75 at a cake sale in Bury St Edmunds. Organisation member Judy visited the AWOL centre a few years ago just before its official opening and what she saw and experienced made her determined to help the animals in Luxor, for which we are very grateful.



There will be a supporters lunch on Monday 9th September 12.30pm at The Cricketers, Stamford Green Road, Epsom KT18 7SR. This is a casual get-together of supporters in the area. Please contact Sue at suecamber@virginmedia.com or by phone on 07932 948273 for more information about the lunches.

Lorraine is looking for items suitable to sell at a car boot sale at the end of August. If you have anything suitable please email AngelaAWOL@gmail.com for Lorraine's address or why not take advantage of the summer days to have a clear out and hold a car boot sale of your own to raise funds for AWOL? It ALL helps!

If anyone is travelling to Luxor and would like to take some donations for AWOL we always appreciate Sudocrem, vet wrap, duct tape and flea treatment or shampoo.

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).



AWOL's bank detail are as follows: A/c name - Animal Welfare of Luxor, A/c number 51621076, Sort code 40 20 24. Cheques should be sent to the office address on page one.

AWOL's IBAN number for receiving international payments into the AWOL bank account is GB73HBUK40202451621076



Many thanks for reading our newsletter, *Angela* and the AWOL team.

