

# ACE newsletter

News of how your support is helping animals in Luxor



## As many of you know...

Let's reflect on how our charity was started

**Have you ever felt like your heart was going to break? That sensation when you see something you just can't imagine possible and have no control over?**

That's exactly what happened when Kim Taylor and her aunt, Julie Wartenberg, were on holiday in Luxor. They saw small underfed donkeys suffering from neglect by the very owners who needed them so badly. Animals being beaten in the street. Horses with raw skin being worked with the very harness that caused the damage.

Kim and Julie felt they couldn't simply leave knowing there were so many animals needing help, and so Animal Care in Egypt was born. Julie used her retirement package as a set-up cost for the new charity, which enabled ACE to rent a small piece of land and build a washing area. As well as donating a large sum of her own money towards the running costs in the first few years, Julie worked tirelessly to organise all the paperwork needed to set up a charity in Egypt and the UK, along with relentlessly fundraising to ensure the future of ACE. Unfortunately Julie passed away last year but her legacy lives on.

**this year marks our 25th anniversary**

**we would really appreciate a much needed FUNDRAISING BOOST!**

Perhaps this summer some of our supporters could host coffee mornings to help raise funds for us? How about making a donation of £25 to mark the occasion?

We really appreciate your wonderful continued support; without your kindness we would not be able to assist all of the animals that so desperately need our care.

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ACE is still working hard towards the same goal...

**To relieve and prevent the suffering of the animals in the Luxor area and beyond.**

# Over The Stable Door

Some news about a few of our recent inpatients



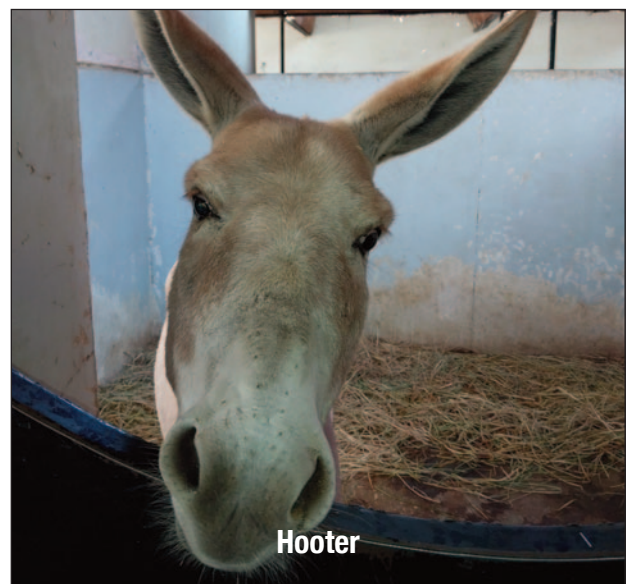
This horse has a variety of problems and terrible confirmation. He was brought to us as he was badly lame in one leg. Our team discovered that he had a spike in his hind leg just above the coronary band. This was extracted and the healing process started.



When midnight first arrived, our team suspected that she had strangles due to the abscess on her jawline. X-rays were taken and a foreign object was detected down the side of one of her teeth. She is now on the road to recovery.



This cute filly was admitted with a nasty wound to her hock following an accident with a motor vehicle. She is very skittish and loves to play. She should make a good recovery.



This lad has been in a fight with another male donkey and received a huge bite wound to his leg. He is almost ready to be discharged.

We value your support and would like to keep you informed about our  
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Boyo

This downtrodden donkey has a hard life. He was admitted with a nasty abscess on his rear. We often see an abscess form in this area due to being repeatedly hit with a stick to make them move forward. Boyo will enjoy some rest and tender loving care during his stay with us.



Sid

Many working donkeys are struggling daily, pulling carts that are too heavy as they are overladen with goods. Poor Sid is one of these victims. He suffered a prolapsed rectum as a direct result of his straining to pull his cart.



Cloudy

help to sponsor  
CLOUDY

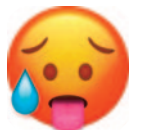
In January we admitted a little donkey that was in great need of our help. Her owner brought her to us to be put to sleep as he thought she had a broken neck. X-rays showed that she had a deformity which she had probably been born with. We have named her Cloudy. Little Cloudy is not in any pain and has just the sweetest disposition. We are determined to give her a good life here at ACE.

We are not a rescue centre, but now and then we feel we have to give a deserving animal a chance at life. Therefore, we are looking for sponsors to help keep her in the comfort that she deserves for the rest of her life.

**Will you help Cloudy by setting up a regular gift of £20? Thank you.**

## Seasonal Challenges

In the colder months of January and February we are always inundated with poorly horses and donkeys suffering with equine flu or strangles. Both of these are highly contagious and quickly spread amongst the population of horses and donkeys, especially as they are all living with close contact with others. Equine flu is a viral respiratory infection and is the cause of respiratory disease in horses worldwide. Strangles is a highly contagious infection that causes fever, nasal discharge and abscesses near swollen lymph nodes. As you can imagine during these months we provide free vet care and medication to help manage their symptoms. We are here for them.



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It takes a village

WOW!  
200  
noseband  
covers!

...of just five, to make a huge box of noseband covers. ACE supporter Kathy Stally and friends had a get together and made a production line to sew 200 noseband covers for the working horses and donkeys. Kathy will personally deliver them when she next comes to volunteer with us in Luxor.

## Rossdales Veterinary Surgeons

I'm so glad we had the opportunity to volunteer at ACE; having never done anything like this before - what an eye-opener! Being in separate departments of Rossdales, it was great to be able to work with my colleague Abby, and share skills that we both use in our day-to-day work. We were able to pass some of these techniques onto the team out in Egypt.

Working in Newmarket, mostly with high quality race and competition horses, it is easy to forget how animals are used and treated in other countries. The horses and donkeys in Luxor are relied on as the main source of income for many people. A lot of these horses and donkeys require treatment but still work all year round in tireless conditions.

It is clear that many owners do care for their animals but lack education, money and resources to

fully understand their needs - this is where ACE steps in to provide free veterinary care and education.

During our visit witnessed the difference the charity makes first hand. The team covers all walks of treatments, from routine dentals, worming in the walk-in day clinic, to dealing with emergency cases including fractures and large wounds (commonly caused on roads), colic and critical cases such as tetanus and rabies.

As a nurse at Rossdales, I am privileged to be part of one of the most experienced veterinary nursing teams. My main take-home was just how much we take for granted working in such a high-standard environment. This trip really highlighted the difference in accessibility, not only to equipment, supplies and drugs, but also how lucky we are to have access to a huge range of education.



Amir  
and Butcher

Amir's companion Butcher came in with a swollen, painful abdomen. Our vets diagnosed her with pyometra - a uterine infection. This can occur a few weeks after a female dog has had her heat cycle. Pus fills the uterus and a vaginal discharge may be present. Unspayed female dogs are at risk of developing pyometra - another reason to have your dog neutered. Butcher received intravenous fluids and medications and she has been booked in to be spayed.

A big thank you to everyone who donated towards the charity and provided supplies to take with us - it all makes a huge difference! Thank you to the clinical directors for continuing to support this initiative, and to Annalisa Barrelet for organising this opportunity behind the scenes.

By Amelia Christian BSc (Hons) RVN



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