



# PAWPRINT

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There are many Thank you's this month, thank you for donations from **Joan Collier, Kay Colclough** and **Mrs B M Evans**. Matt Lewis won a prize at his works, and kindly donated his winnings in a voucher for Pets at Home, which was very kind. Don't forget if you do shop at Pets at Home, become a VIP member, and we will benefit from this. **Anne Richardson** has made a lovely batch of cards for Christmas, all year-round Anne produces lovely cards, and has raised well over £200 for the rescue. Thank you, Anne. To all the kind people dropping off cat food, especially **Cheryl**, a massive thank you as it is greatly needed. A local firm dropped off a large box of treats for the cats, again thank you for thinking of us. We all remember the dreadful fire at Beechmere home in Crewe, and I am pleased to report that **Christine Fitch** our catnip maker extraordinaire is recovering and now living at Richmond village in Nantwich. She is up and running,

producing the mice again, so look out for them at County vets. Thankyou Christine. I am pleased to report that one of our longest serving supporters **Brenda Dawson** escaped the fire at Beechmere, and is now settled also at a care home in Crewe. We are all pleased to hear this.

We have received a donation in memory of **Mr Keith Hopley**, who was a PC in Crewe on traffic Duty, and fondly remembered by many. He passed away on 23rd of August 2019, he loved cats, especially his Persian cat **SUKI**. Throughout his 71 years of life, he worked as a PC in Crewe and he was a VIP driver to royalty, a very responsible job. Our most sincere condolences go to his family and friends with our grateful thanks for the donation received in his memory.

We have also received a bequest in memory of **Anthony Frank Hawley**, we thank the family and friends for thinking of us at such a sad time. Bless you all.

*Hilary*



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## Contacts:

If you have items to contribute to our coffee morning, cakes, bric a brac, books, good quality clothing, shoes, toys etc please ring:- 01270876340; 01270 875260; 01270 662458 (Crewe area)

Email: [alsager.animals@gmail.com](mailto:alsager.animals@gmail.com)

# Dog News

Cute little **MITZY**, Jack Russell bitch has gone to a lovely home where they really appreciate her. We have had some lovely photograph sent of her, playing ball, on the school run etc. Do please send in your pictures as we love seeing them. When asked if we could help a 5 month old puppy with a broken leg, we naturally said yes, as we cannot bear to think of them waiting in pain. **OLLIE** was a lovely **Shih tzu cross poodle**, absolutely adorable. Many thanks to **Tim** and **Steve** at the kennels, who have nursed him back to health, and he has now gone to a new home.

Which leaves us with .....**GUESS?**

YES, **COCO BEAR** and **BUZZ**.

**Coco** is continuing on his program, **Hannah** taking over, as **Emma** has returned to Uni. Let us hope with constant effort, we can help change **Coco's** unwanted behaviour and we can find a good home for him after **2 YEARS AND 4 MONTHS**.

**BUZZ**, The staffie is still in our care, as we await his owners

promised return .....  
in the meantime, before the next pawprint will be **BONFIRE NIGHT!!**



May I remind you all to be mindful of our wildlife which may be hiding in your bonfire? **Remember to keep cats IN!** Walk your dogs early, draw the curtains, turn up the TV / radio, make a shelter with a blanket over the back of the settee, where they can hide if afraid. **MOST IMPORTANT:-** stay calm yourself , don't react to the noise, as your vibes are quickly picked up by your pets. Rabbits / guinea pigs are best put undercover remember they have nowhere to run and hide.



# GRACE'S SPACE ....

## EARDLEY HALL KENNELS, HERE I COME!



People kindly commented at the September Coffee Morning that Grace looked well, happy, and lively. She is! I am writing this just a few hours before Richard and I head off to North Wales for a short break. Grace is packed for her holiday with Tim and Steve at Eardley Hall Kennels where I know she will be secure and extremely well cared for. She has more holiday gear than I do. I take her crate (which she loves) - Grace needs a special support mattress because of her double hip dysplasia, and she also has her favourite green vet bed, and her cuddle blanket. She loves to nest-build making a pile of vet bed and blanket and then wrapping herself round it, or lying on the top. It's a safe den.

Grace is looking sleek and has lost her puffiness because, in consultation with her vet, I put her on a controlled prescription diet to help her lose weight (which she most certainly has) without feeling hungry, and to provide extra supplements to assist her mobility. Her food goes to Eardley Hall as well: together with fresh blueberries (her very favourite fruit) within which to hide her medications – I call them "pill pockets". She also has some fish skin chews for when she goes to bed at night. Not forgetting her pills and potion. Quite a care package. All this is extra work for the Eardley Hall Kennels team and it is much appreciated.

Tuffty – remember that dear little BT? – liked to travel with us until she reached her old age (18), but Grace does not enjoy staying in new places being very much a lover of her own home. She is a creature of habit and routine. Grace has travelled with us on a number of occasions, but has never settled at our various destinations and was always fearful. It's not fair to put her through the stress. So now she always goes to Eardley Hall Kennels when we are away. Whilst there, she has a routine and does her favourite things: eat, sleep, play, and be in human company.

You will know that we returned home safely because we are at the October Coffee Morning. Well, we hope we are!

Again, lots of thanks to all at Eardley Hall Kennels for looking after Grace thus allowing Richard and me to have a holiday without worrying about our wee doggie; also to Hilary for continuing to be the "emergency contact" whilst Grace is on her doggie holiday.

*Linda .....*

Dog Behaviourist and Trainer (Accredited)

Holistic Dog Counsellor (Accredited)

Pet Bereavement Counsellor (Accredited)

12th October 2019



# Cat News

**D**o you remember the little black kitten called **HOPE**, who had to have her front leg amputated in last month's **PAWPRINT?** after showing good progress in the first few days into her recovery, sadly she passed over onto Rainbow Bridge, peacefully.

We did our best, you can do no more, at least she knew love and care during her short time with us.

We have had two stray cats reunited via their microchips this month, **Domino** a black and white male, from Poppy fields estate, a real adventurer following people and even going into Cranberry Academy! Needless to say, advice was given to contain him in the house for a period, and trying to keep the windows closed!

**Poppy**, a black female cat from the new estate at the Bottom of Hassall Rd. Rather fancied the Leisure Centre as a home, but was returned to her owner, only to go walkabout a few days later to be found at the Top of Hassall Rd / Chancery Lane. As the roads in Alsager now are so busy at peak times, we would advise keeping them in until the traffic has abated.

Better still, have your garden cat proofed, and have Peace of Mind. Even on a quiet unmade country Lane accidents can happen as **Pauline Rowley**, our chairperson was to find when sadly her beautiful girl **Katie** was killed. It is one of the worst things to come to terms with. I personally have only lost one cat to an RTA many many years ago, but the picture of **Leah** is still with me. Devastated by Katie's untimely death Pauline has now had her garden cat proofed, by **Grant & team at sanctuary SOS** and I am sure this will make them feel that the cats are safe when let out.\*

## **EMMIES CATTERY IS ALMOST READY !!!**

Hopefully by the end of this week it will be up and running But.....please don't forget we still have a cattery dismantled and waiting for someone to have it in their garden..... interested? Please ring 07939 255444 / 07970 194929 or 01270875260.

\* Thanks to Grant for doing the pen, the new babies are enjoying the outdoors in safety.

Now further news of the cats in care:- the kittens in the Oak tree will be 9 weeks old this week, and are ready to go to their new homes, well done Jackie and Ali for your commitment in getting them to this stage so brilliantly. **EBONY**, The affectionate black female has a home check pending - remember she was the dangerous aggressive cat we were called out to in July. Ebony was not an aggressive cat, but a nervous frightened young female, with a kitten, **SOLO**. Once with their fosterer er to give her love and reassurance, she turned the corner. "With a little patience "wonders can be achieved.

**MU** - The mother of 3 kittens have a home subject to a home check, I shall really be sorry to lose this loving dark tortie beauty, who has so much to give. Which leaves us with :- **SMOKEY JOE** , black broken coated male kitten age 16 weeks , son of MU. he is a quiet little kitten until he sees a) the brush and pan or b) the mop! Always the last to get out of bed and come and eat



his breakfast, while his sister **SPICE GIRL**, an unusually marked tortie, her markings on her back are getting more distinctive as she gets older. She is a sharp girl, on the ball, as quick as lightning and loves having her tummy tickled!

**SOLO** Will be left on her own when her mother **EBONY** is re homed. From the big wide world where she was born between garden fences, in a small gap. Lovely black



female DSH remember  
**OCTOBER IS BLACK CAT  
MONTH!!**



**Costello**

We have a beautiful kitten called **COSTELLO**, he is the most beautifully marked tabby male, but is a little shy. He is the last kitten to **TEE**, a tabby female sadly in kitten **AGAIN !!** She must have been in kitten when she came in, It was not detected by the vet until it was too late to abort. So, it looks as if we should be having another litter of kittens shortly.  
**WATCH THIS SPACE!!**

And last but by no means least we **STILL** have the beautiful boys **Sinatra and Blue** both



**Sinatra**

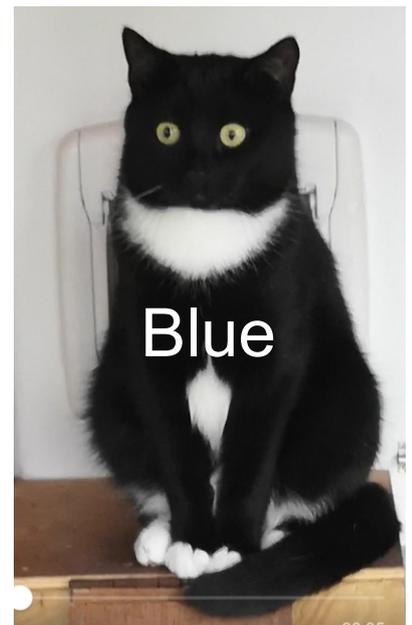
black & white DSH still available for adoption these 2 are our most longstanding residents being with us for 9 months ! are

desperate for their forever home ideally these 2 must stay together as it would be heart breaking to part them.

If you are interested in rehoming a cat / kitten, please contact:

**HILARY** 01270 875260 or  
**LISA** 07970 194929

Many Thanks.



**Blue**

....*Hilary*



## **Guess the Name of the Camel and win this lovely Nativity Set**

**£1.00 a go and all proceeds to  
Alsager Animals in Need**



This Nativity Set has been patiently made  
by Linda Leese with a contribution from  
Vasey.



It consists of:

1 x camel, 1 x donkey, 3 x sheep, Baby  
Jesus & cradle, Mary & Joseph, 2 x  
shepherds, 3 x kings.



**M**ay I launch an appeal please? We shall be having a  
tombola and a bottle stall in both vets, County and  
Vets 4 pets. We are indeed lucky to have such good  
friends here, if you have items to donate, please leave  
them at either vets or 24 close Lane Alsager. The tombola  
will be at the Christmas light switch on so please help us to  
make it a good one. We are also needing teddies for our  
ever popular teddy tombola at the Christmas light switch  
on also.

*Hilary*



**Coffee Mornings:  
2019**

Also, **PLEASE REMEMBER**, that any donations can now be Gift Aided – forms can be picked up at County Vets, Coffee Mornings, or ring 01270 875260.

We are now getting a steady flow of Pledges of Loyalty, through Standing Orders, again, forms can be picked up at County Vets, Coffee Mornings, or ring 01270 875260.

Many thanks for your support.

*Hilary*

**9th November 2019  
14th December 2019**

**W**e cannot stress enough that we need more Committee Members, we want to avoid a crisis situation so please come and join us. If you are interested we have a committee meeting on Monday 21st October so have a word with one of the committee.

**If you are interested in any of our cats and/or dogs, please ring 01270875260.**

November's coffee morning on the 9th my daughter Lisa has kindly arranged for the choir she used to sing in "MICWIRE" to come and perform to celebrate me serving with the rescue for 30 years ! Which I consider a great honour. We would love for you to come and celebrate & support all of us at ALSAGER ANIMALS IN NEED.

*Many thanks Hilary*

***With our current cat situation we would really appreciate adult cat food....pouches are favourite!  
As ever thank you for your support.***

**Diary Dates**

**Coffee Mornings:**

**Alsager Civic Centre, 9.30 - 11.30  
9th November 2019.  
Alsager Civic Centre, 9.30 - 11.30  
14th December 2019.**

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