

PAWS PERIODICAL

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PM WAITING FOR YOU !



Where We Are

PAWS DOG SHELTER is just outside Geroskipou, a few kilometres from Paphos. It was started in 1986 and is continually being developed and improved.

Here are the directions to the dog shelter.

- Route A.** B6 (old road) from Paphos towards airport:
 Pass Geroskipou Church and Square on right, then *Long Island Cyprus Pottery Shop* (arches and statues) on left.
 TURN RIGHT just past the shop. Stay on this road, over canal, until you come to a T-Junction. TURN LEFT on slightly rough road, take FIRST RIGHT then FIRST LEFT. Paws Dog Shelter is about half a kilometre on the left side by a STOP Sign.
- Route B.** From Tourist area go to dual carriageway (starting at old Sodap Winery) and follow the signs to Geroskipou and Lemesos. At the first roundabout turn RIGHT. Follow this straight road for over 2 kilometres passing Go Carts and Mini Golf on left. Just after the football pitches with floodlights, turn LEFT. After about 1 kilometre you will see a boat yard on your left. After boat yard take the 2nd turning on your RIGHT. Go to the end of this road and you will find the Shelter by the STOP sign on your left.

The CYPRUS ASSOCIATION for the PROTECTION and CARE of ANIMALS

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Valentine Dogs' Dinner

In aid of the NEW PAWS DOG SHELTER

£13.00

**HNIOXOS CLUB &
CINE-RESTAURANT
CHLORAKAS**

(Between Petrol Station
& Fruit Market)

Monday 14th February 2005 at 8.00 pm

* Free bottle of wine between two from Fikardos

Advanced bookings only – Tickets available from:

CAPCA Charity Shop, Chlorakas :

Paws Dog Shelter or call 99 683775

DJ - George Sikiyanos
Guest Valentine Singer



Notes for your Diary



- Our 'Valentine Dogs Dinner' on Monday 14th February – details above.
- CAPCA's Annual General Meeting scheduled for Monday 28th March – see below.
- The 'Sponsored Dog Walk' – One of our most successful fund raising events will take place on Saturday 9th April starting at 10.45am. Further details on Page 11.
- Our Midsummer Night Dogs Dinner is being arranged. Details regarding the venue will be announced in the 2nd Quarter edition of **PAWS PERIODICAL**.

CAPCA's Annual General Meeting

Is scheduled for **MONDAY 28th March at 7.30pm**

at the Axiothea Hotel. Reminder to all supporters, only paid-up members are allowed to vote. It is now time to renew your membership for 2005. Enclosed with this edition is a form for you to fill in. The fees are the same as last year, £10 for joint membership and £7 for single. Details of the AGM notification and voting forms will be posted to all 2004 & 2005 members in March



GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

A Happy New Year to you all. Let's hope we have a better year than 2004 and finally get our new kennels built! We have been asked to be patient while the Nicosia Planning Department process our application. I understand that we have to wait until the Committee in the Ministry of Interior meets to give us a Relaxation Order that will allow us to cover 17.5% of our land with roofing. The Planning office are also "sorting out" the access problem. I was informed that the Minister of Agriculture, Mr Timis Efthymiou, has visited Timi village for a meeting with the residents where he informed them that, despite their protest, plans *will* go ahead to build a dog shelter on our land. We have been given the Deeds to the land and all the signs are good but nothing is certain until we receive the vital piece of paper confirming we can go ahead with the project. In the meantime we have secured a further few months at our existing kennels so the dogs are not going to be homeless. We have recently re-surfaced a lot of the Yeroskipou kennels and so far this has prevented the usual floods and very muddy dogs.

It looks like Paws Periodical will continue. Our thanks to Peter Evans and Wendy Hughes who stepped in to produce the previous edition. They are now pleased to pass this time consuming task to Chris Ekin-Wood. We are delighted to have Chris's help and I hope you will send him lots of items for future newsletters (*for details see end of this report*). I would like to say a special thank you to Ken Lewis who has edited the magazine since 1999 and to Tessa Lewis for checking all the spelling and grammar. During that period the circulation has risen from about 100 to 700. With their help Paws Periodical has given CAPCA a much higher profile and has been enjoyed by many people.

I am very pleased to say that we now have some volunteers for the sub-committee to take over organising various fund raising events, starting with the Valentine Dogs' Dinner on 14th February. My plan to have more people involved in CAPCA's activities is at last taking shape and the organisation will benefit as a result.

CAPCA exists to look after the welfare of any unwanted dog that comes into our care. The most satisfying aspect of our task is to find a loving home for as many dogs as possible. I am delighted to say that in 2004 we have homed the highest number of dogs ever – 184. Congratulations to Annie and Chris, our Kennel Managers, and to all the helpers who go in all weathers to care for the dogs.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (continued)

This report would be incomplete if I didn't mention the Charity Shop. Congratulations to Elaine Orlando and her hard working volunteers. The shop has far exceeded all previous records and is building up funds for the new shelter which will be costing even more because of all the delays.

Finally, on behalf of CAPCA, I would like to thank The World Society for the Protection of Animals (WSPA) for their kind donation of \$10,000 (£Cyp4,200) to cover the cost of the drainage system in the new kennels. This funding was as a result of our meeting in London in August and is a very kind gesture.

Keith Miller

Input to PAWS PERIODICAL

The Periodical will be issued each quarter – mid January; mid April; mid July and mid October. If you have any items of interest – articles, digital pictures, etc. please send them to Chris Ekin-Wood, either via e-mail to cjekinwo@cytanet.com.cy or hand them in at the Charity Shop in Chlorakas marked for his attention. You can talk to Chris on 99 675426



**PLEASE HELP THE
PAWS CAUSE**

If you have any Papantoniou Bonus Points that you are not going to use we would be very grateful if they could be transferred to CAPCA

OUR BONUS CARD NUMBER IS 50319180 - CAPCA

You can transfer all of your points on your card if you wish by signing at the Enquiries Desk. Our thanks to Papantoniou for allowing this.

We will use these spare points to get some raffle prizes for future charity events.



Please cut this section out and keep it handy for your shopping trips to Papantoniou.

A VISIT TO OUR PRESENT KENNELS

Your new Editor visited the Kennels just before Christmas following a very wet day when paws and feet were suffering soggy ground and a cold wind. However the kennel staff were in fine form having tucked into minced pies and other fare and the dogs were about to partake in their eagerly awaited food. As you can see, while all is in good order we cannot wait to move to our new premises.



'Harley' getting ready with one thought in mind !





Ready and waiting with tails wagging, a healthy section of our inmates await their food



The Petition of a Poor Dog to his new Master or Mistress upon his Removal from a Kennel.

'Pray have a little patience with me. There are so many of us here that the keeper does not always have the opportunity to teach us habits of cleanliness. I am quite willing to learn, and am quite capable of being taught. All that is necessary is, that you should take a little pain with me, and kindly bear with me until I have acquired such habits as you wish. I will then be your best and most faithful friend.'

Extract from 'A Passion for Dogs' a compilation on the Dogs Home, Battersea.

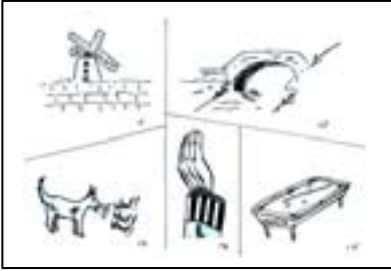
Pat Gaskin prepares to distribute the daily feast



'Griswald', one of the older inmates, showing that all he wanted for Christmas was his two front teeth !

Don't forget you can provide a home for our dogs or donate any amount, large or small to the funds that will help to give them a better life when we move to the new kennels during this year.

CAPCA's 2nd PICTURE QUIZ COMPETITION



Our thanks to Gordon and Barbara Watson for composing and illustrating the quiz. It gave 225 people a lot to think about and created much interest and discussion.

We received 37 answer sheets, out of the 55 questions only five people had 50 or more correct. The winner got all 55 answers correct, 52 was the next highest score.

Congratulations to Noreen Wright who wins a night for two people (Half Board) at the Ledra Beach Hotel.

Here are the answers:

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| 1. Towcester | 21. York | 41. Badminton |
| 2. Lockerbie | 22. Littleborough | 42. Pudsey |
| 3. Appleby | 23. Swansea | 43. Ramsey |
| 4. Sevenoaks | 24. Rugby | 44. Jersey |
| 5. Skipton | 25. Saltaire | 45. Halifax |
| 6. Oakham | 26. Gateshead | 46. Torquay |
| 7. Braintree | 27. Holy Island | 47. Runcorn |
| 8. Lydd | 28. Ringwood | 48. Stone |
| 9. Wallsend | 29. Portsmouth | 49. Taplow |
| 10. Crewe | 30. Hornchurch | 50. Wicklow |
| 11. Millwall | 31. Middlewich | 51. Banbury |
| 12. Bridgend | 32. Goole | 52. Lands End |
| 13. Barking | 33. Queensferry | 53. Cockermouth |
| 14. Holt | 34. Cowes | 54. Hatfield |
| 15. Poole | 35. Buxton | 55. Antrim |
| 16. Blackpool | 36. Kirkwall | |
| 17. Dunstable | 37. Welwyn Gdn City | |
| 18. Maidstone | 38. Doncaster | |
| 19. Bray | 39. Padstow | |
| 20. Peel | 40. Lincoln | |



Help us to find homes for our dogs by visiting the kennels or calling us on 99 683775 – we need your help!

CAN A DOG SYMPATHISE?



That animals, particularly dogs, have feelings and understanding is obvious to people who either own or study them. Even so, dog lovers are occasionally astounded by the degree of sensitivity shown by their pets, sometimes in the most unlikely circumstances. How often, for instance, does a dog in a car make apparent its likes or dislikes of another on the

pavement, even when the car is travelling quite fast and one would have thought that there was no time for reactions!

'Hamish' was a dour Scotch Terrier (not pictured) living with a family in Nuneaton, Warwickshire. So jealously did he guard the premises that he would not allow either cat or dog to put a nose in the front gate. He would sit at the window for long periods, swaying slightly too and fro – if a trespasser dared to invade he would go berserk, tearing out of the house with rugs and mats flying and skidding in his wake. They were rare and brave spirits who managed to stand their ground before such an onslaught.

The family were all the more surprised one day when 'Hamish' was seen to be escorting a woebegone little mongrel up the drive and gently nosing him down to the doormat by the front door. It was all the more amazing because this was his own special holy of holies. Having settled the stranger on to the mat, he then went to recruit human help. This visitor was obviously a stray – dirty, cold, hungry and very, very scared. They took him in and bathed him, 'Hamish' watched approvingly and added an occasional lick of his own. The stray was then fed from 'Hamish's' bowl and put for the night in 'Hamish's' bed without the slightest protest from him. In due course the dog's owner was found, but 'Hamish' was the courteous host right to the end.

How much perception and understanding? We shall never know, but it was all so out of character that only some deeply embedded instinct could have given rise to such impeccable behaviour.



Authorised reproduction from an article in 'A Passion for Dogs' - a compilation on the Dogs Home, Battersea.

Alas, Poor Peg!

We make no apologies for repeating the following sad story, contributed by Ray Munday, that we first published back in 1999. It is still relevant to the problems we meet today and serves as a memorial to Peggy.



'They called me Peggy, the people at Paws Dog Shelter. I have no pain now, I think I have left the place humans call Earth. It was Hell for me there.

I was a white and ginger hunting dog with long floppy ears and soft brown eyes. For most of my life I lived in a cage and was only fed scraps and dry bread and drank water out of a dirty green bowl – when there was any. Sometimes I would be taken out by men with guns. On one of these days I heard a BANG close to me. I felt a terrible pain in my leg and tried to run but it was impossible, one of my front legs had gone. I think I went to sleep for a long time – when I awoke I was alone. I tried to walk but it was very difficult and, oh, the pain on the small stump of leg I had left.

I stumbled around for days trying to find some food and water, hoping the pain would go away. I came across an empty house and flopped out on the veranda. Then someone in a passing car spotted me. They had two dogs in the car. They came and looked at me and their faces had a very worried look. They gave me some water and then drove off. I fell asleep again and suddenly they were back, this time without their dogs. They picked me up and took me on a long car journey to Paws Dog Shelter near Paphos.

I was given food and water and for the first time in my life a bed to lay in. It felt so good. A man stroked me and said they were going to do their best for me. His voice was kind and his hands gentle. It seemed that life was going to be worth living again. I saw three puppies playing. I managed to get up and hop over to see them. The humans came and stroked me when I licked the puppies.

Next day, the man they called Doctor tried to help me, but I think they found me too late. My last memories are of kind humans – I wish all my memories were. Thank you Paws and Mr. Doctor for trying your best'.

If you see or hear of any dog(s) in distress don't 'pass by on the other side' try to help. If this is not possible then call us at the Paws Dog Shelter – 99 683775 and we will advise and assist you.

Don't let your dog get lonely

Dogs are instinctively pack animals and need companionship – yours or that of other dogs. For this reason it is unfair to leave a dog alone for long periods. If you regularly have to leave your dog alone for short periods, you should consider getting another dog for company.





COME JOIN OUR SPONSORED DOG WALK on SATURDAY 9th APRIL at 10.45am

If you haven't got a dog to walk – never mind. You can borrow one from **PAWS DOG SHELTER**, we have over 170 to chose from.

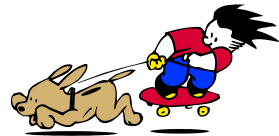
The Sponsored walk starts at about 11.00am and will be four kilometers, starting and finishing at the kennels in

Yeroskipou where there will be refreshments and various stalls.

The idea is to raise as much money as possible to go towards building our new Dog Shelter (due to start this Spring).

Sponsorship forms will be available from the Charity Shop or Paws Dog Shelter by the time this Newsletter is published.

We can promise you a most enjoyable walk for you, your dog and all the friends that you persuade to come with you.



HOW YOU CAN HELP US!

We need as much help as possible – here are a few of the ways you can contribute to our needs:

- Become a member and receive our quarterly newsletter, the **PAWS PERIODICAL**.
- Give a donation – make an instant CC/Debit Card Donation by visiting our website <http://www.dogscyprus.org> and clicking on Payments by PayPal.
- Sponsor a dog (Cyp£5 or £6 sterling per month).
- Organise fund-raising events.
- Find homes for dogs.
- Donate pet foods.
- Find major sponsors who could supply any of the dogs' needs.
- Donate towards the cost of printing our quarterly newsletter.
- Come and help at the kennels or recruit someone else.

For more information
call Keith Miller on
99 683775

C.A.P.C.A. (UK) – We now have a fund-raising organisation in the UK. If you would like to make a donation or help in any way outside Cyprus, please contact:

Barbara Somerville, Friends of CAPCA,
23, Carrington Place, Tring, Herts, HP23 5JZ.

Tel: 01442 822529, email: CAPCA.UK@dogscyprus.org



VISIT OUR **CAPCA** CHARITY SHOP IN CHLORAKAS

(opposite Bank of Cyprus)

Our shop raises funds to help the homeless dogs of Paphos at the
PAWS DOG SHELTER, Yeroskipou.

It is open 6 days a week from 9.00am – 6pm, early closing on
Wednesday.

The shop has a first class selection of high quality clothes for ladies
and men, household goods, books and many other items, all
reasonably priced.

A dedicated team runs the shop and ensures that all items offered
are in excellent condition. In our nearby storeroom we also have
household electrical goods and furnishing items for sale. We are
always grateful for your unwanted clothes, books,
china and bric-a-brac to sell. Nothing is too trivial. So
when you clear your shelves, cupboards or garage,
please remember our dogs and the

CAPCA Charity Shop. - Tel: 99 108224

