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Do you know anyone who will be travelling to Germany in the coming months? 2 of our gorgeous Afghan rescue dogs have a forever home waiting for them in Germany so we are hoping to find somebody who is willing to escort them on their journey so they can travel accompanied baggage. If you or someone you know would be willing to travel as their escort to Germany, please contact Q.A.W.S.

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Q.A.W.S News

July/August 2010

Mt. Kilimanjaro climb for Q.A.W.S.—they did it!!

On Friday 23 July at 7.20am, Carl and Ted Bear reached Uhuru Peak, the highest point of Mt. Kilimanjaro (Africa's highest peak). After the final stretch of an exhausting 6 hour climb of 1300m over loose scree, Carl described the overall experience as a "without a shadow of a doubt...far harder than I imagined". Despite his rigorous training programme to prepare for the climb, Carl admits it was incredibly tough but it was the thought of those back here in Qatar and around the world who were supporting him that kept him going, "I couldn't bear the thought of letting everyone down" he said. Upon reaching the summit, Carl and Ted proudly flew the Qatar and Q.A.W.S. flags in recognition of the fundraising their incredible climb was a vehicle for. To date, Carl and Ted's climb has raised QAR8,000 which will go towards the running costs of Q.A.W.S. over the harsh summer months. Q.A.W.S. would like to extend a big thank you to iloveQatar.net, Qatar Pet Relocators and Vodafone Qatar for their generous support of Carl and

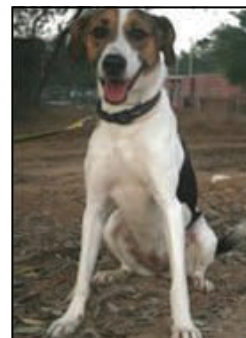


Ted's climb. And of course, a HUGE thank you to Carl and Ted for their incredible hard work, dedication and strength in taking on this challenge and conquering Mt. Kilimanjaro!! Now, I wonder what Ted and Carl's next venture will be...?!

Source: Gulf Times, 28/07/10 "A slice of African sky to keep his vow"

Canine characters: Holly

This gorgeous girl arrived at Q.A.W.S. as a puppy almost 2 years ago and has been waiting for the chance of a forever home ever since. Holly is a lively lady who is house trained and is great with other dogs. She has bundles of energy to match her outgoing personality so would suit an active home with older children. Holly is fully vaccinated and has been neutered. Please contact or visit Q.A.W.S. if you would like to meet this lovely little lady.

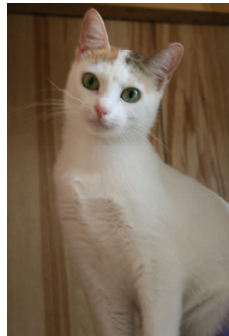




Feline friends:

Gypsy

This beautiful girl is available for adoption, she is a real sweetie and would love a home where she can curl up in a lap for cuddles. Gypsy has been vaccinated and neutered.



Please contact or visit Q.A.W.S. if you would like to meet Gypsy.

"The purity of a person's heart can be quickly measured by how they regard animals" ~ Anonymous

D.I.Y. cat scratch post

Build your own cat scratch post, it's easy! Wind sisal rope (available at Souq Waqif) around a used cling film tube (or any other sturdy cardboard tube), glue in rope in place, secure the ends with duct tape and attach to surface using cable ties.



Thank you to Jennie for the tip!

Q.A.W.S. becomes a WSPA member

On 22 June 2010, Q.A.W.S. officially became a member of the World Society for the Protection of Animals (WSPA). Seen as a huge boost for Q.A.W.S. in their continuing work to promote animal welfare in Qatar, membership status in WSPA will allow Q.A.W.S. the access to the valuable expertise and knowledge that WSPA has from more than 25 years of work in the animal welfare field.



Q.A.W.S. Chairwoman Janet Berry said of the occasion, "to be accepted by WSPA is a huge pat on the back to us. They have seen all our processes, policies, rules and regulations and they have handed up this member status".

Trevor Wheeler, WSPA's program director for the Middle East welcomed Q.A.W.S. saying, "the appointment of Q.A.W.S. as a WSPA member society has doubled our representation in Qatar and strengthened the animal welfare movement in the Middle East".

Q.A.W.S. is immensely proud to become a WSPA member whose mission it is to build a global animal welfare movement. If you would like to find out more about WSPA, please visit their website www.wspa-international.org.

Source: Gulf Times, 25/06/10 "QAWS joins world body"

Remember Squidgy the cat? Here he is in his new home! Now a foster dad to a number of rescue cats, he has helped Q.A.W.S. volunteer Jennie with the socialising of many foster and feral cats in her care, awwww!





Easy ways to help Q.A.W.S.

There are plenty of ways to help Q.A.W.S.! Everyday objects in your house that you might be throwing out are much needed items at Q.A.W.S....

- Newspapers
- Old towels & blankets
- Old A/C units (can be sold for scrap)
- Books, toys, CDs, DVDs etc that can be sold at car boot sales

We are also always looking for more volunteers to help with:

- dog walking
- cat cuddling
- grooming & bathing
- organising events & running stalls
- vet runs for vaccinations
- fostering
- administration
- school visits & presentations
- home visits & follow ups on adopted animals



Being a volunteer for Q.A.W.S doesn't always mean spending time at the shelter. Spending some spare time at home a few times a week calling new animal owners and checking how they pets are getting on would help us out tremendously.

Organising a coffee morning for friends and collecting donations all adds up and helps us with the running costs.

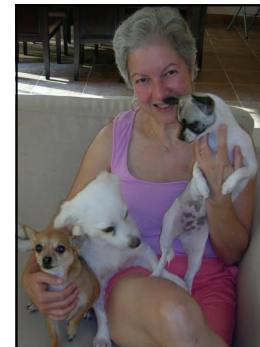
Encouraging a friend to adopt a pet rather than buying one can save an animal's life. It all makes a difference!

Please contact volunteer@qaws.org or call 5539 6074 for more information on how you can help.

Happy Tails—Trolley

This gorgeous little fellow captured the hearts of the Doha community when he was featured in a *Gulf Times* article on Q.A.W.S. in June.

Trolley was found in a shopping trolley (hence the name!) at Landmark Mall suffering from extreme heat exhaustion. Discovered later to be severely visually impaired, the Q.A.W.S. team knew it was going to take a special home to take care of his needs.



Toy (formerly known as Trolley) and his new family

Luckily Trolley didn't have to wait too long before he was adopted into the Silva household in July!

It was for all the reasons that some might find him a challenge to adopt that Marisa and Cristovao decided pay a visit to Q.A.W.S. to meet him in the hope that he might become a new member of their family. Marisa says, "when we arrived there we fell in love with him". After an introduction to their 2 Chihuahuas, Toy (as Trolley is now known) became a new dog with a haircut to match. *Thank you to Marisa and Cristovao for giving a special home to a very special dog!*

Foster homes needed!

Fostering is an incredible way of helping Q.A.W.S. out, whether it is a dog who has just arrived to the shelter and needs some extra TLC, a pregnant cat who needs a quiet space to have her kittens or dog that needs to learn how to live in a house, our foster parents and families are one of our biggest assets.

If you are interested in fostering an animal, please contact Q.A.W.S. with your availability.



New kennels opened at Q.A.W.S.



*Howdy neighbour!
The residents check
out their new homes.*

The new kennels at Q.A.W.S. have been completed and the canine residents have moved in! With 40 kennels that are home to the majority of the rescue dogs at Q.A.W.S., the kennels provide air-conditioned shelter for the dogs out of the harsh Doha summer sun.

While the kennels provide the dogs a chance to escape the hot weather, there is still the opportunity for them to keep up with all the news ‘over the fence’ with their neighbours and see all the comings and goings as it happens around them. Q.A.W.S. hopes to be able to expand the kennels in

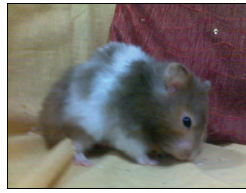


*Finishing touches
being put on the
kennels*

the near future to be able to provide outdoor runs for the dogs that they can utilise in the cooler months. But for now, its all about staying cool indoors!

Look who else is looking for a home...

As well as our cats and dogs who currently called Q.A.W.S. home, we also have some hamsters and rabbits in residence who are available for adoption...



Q.A.W.S. events - get these dates in your diary!

Wednesday 18 August - Quiz Night at Garvey’s at Garvey’s. Teams of up to 8 people. QR100 per team entry fee. Food available from 6pm. **Teams registration by 7.30pm. Quiz to start promptly at 8.00pm.** For a location map visit <http://www.facebook.com/?ref=home#!/event.php?eid=141037482586430> Don't worry if you don't have a team - come along and we'll find one for you. Come and meet new people, have a laugh and save a stray all in one night!

Friday 3 September - Sponsored Dog Walk & BBQ at Q.A.W.S. To mark the one year anniversary of the devastating fire that destroyed the Q.A.W.S. shelter, please join us for an afternoon sponsored dog walk followed by a BBQ at the shelter. Everyone is welcome to come along and we are asking for dog walkers to gather sponsorship to help raise money for QAWS. **Arrive at 4.30pm, walk starts at 5.00pm. BBQ & music from 6.00pm.** Walkers are asked to arrive by 4.30pm so dogs can be allocated. Dogs & puppies are available for all ages & confidence levels. Sponsorship forms & a location map can be obtained by emailing: contact@qaws.org. We kindly request that dog owners do not bring their own dogs (we hope to have a dog-friendly event soon!!).