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Woofstock a howling success!



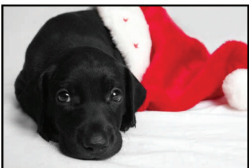
The dogs came out to play on Friday November 5th as QAWS held its first annual Woofstock event. Dogs and owners alike were invited to come along and participate in the dog show, try the fun agility course, browse the vendor stalls and make some new friends and what a turnout it was! QAWS was delighted to see such a variety of dogs and the judges had some tough decisions to make in the dog show. With classes like Most Handsome Male, Waggiest Tail, Biggest Tongue, Best Puppy and Scruffiest Dog, the competition was fierce (but the dogs weren't!). Winners of each of the 14 classes were then entered into the Best in Show competition where it was best paw forward and the eventual winner was Bob the Border Collie and his handler Kim Robson. Best In Show Runners up Bailey and Zsuska were close behind.

With over 150 dogs attending the event, the QAWS team were delighted with the response and the support from the public was overwhelming. QAWS hopes to put on more dog-friendly events in the future and bring dog lovers together to share their love of their pets. As for Woofstock 2011? Guaranteed it will be bigger and better!

QAWS would like to extend a **big thank you** to all our sponsors and supporters who helped make Woofstock possible and helped us raise over QAR10,000 that will go towards the running costs of QAWS: American School of Doha, Doha College, International School of London, SDI Marketing, Ramada Plaza Hotel, Gympanzee, Doha Bank, iloveQatar.net, Qatar Pet Relocators, Jazi Pet Grooming, Glow Salon, Busy Bees British Nursery, Kempinski Hotel, Qatar Veterinary Centre, Purina/Nestle, Garvey's, Laws for Paws Dog Training, Four Seasons Hotel, Margaret and her team of Girl Guides, Qatar Living Volunteers group, Byrne Rental, WorldWide Tent Hire, Qatar Television, our judges Dr. Paul Hensen, Zoe Royal, Chris Garvey and Luke Kimmond, all our vendors and of course our incredible team of volunteers!



QAWS greeting cards now on sale!



Each pack contains 10 beautiful cards in assorted designs of animals from QAWS. QAR 50 per pack with 100% of the proceeds from the sale of the cards going to QAWS so we can continue to provide a safe haven for the animals in our care.



Don't forget to join **Q.A.W.S. on Facebook** to stay in touch with all the latest news! Visit <http://facebook.com/group.php?gid=88447569613>



3 cheers for Polo!

Polo’s story came to light at the beginning of October when this scared little pup was discovered in West Bay with a wire ‘collar’ that had been tied around his neck and had begun to cut into his skin as he grew.

Polo suffered a horrific wound to his neck that would require extensive treatment and aftercare but with the support of the community behind him and some TLC by the team at Qatar Veterinary Centre, Polo



was soon on the road to recovery. When he was well enough, Polo was put into foster care where he received the special after-care attention required for his neck wound and was soon learning that people weren’t all that bad and there was lots of love in the world for him to enjoy. Almost 2 months on, Polo is now fighting fit and one of the resident dogs at QAWS where he is waiting for a forever home to call his own. If you haven’t met him already, come down and meet this brave boy who has touched so many peoples hearts!

Thank you to everyone who helped make Polo’s recovery possible, we hope he finds a forever home soon.

Canine Characters:

Wobble



This beautiful boy is one of our friendliest canine residents who adores a good cuddle and all the love he can get. Wobble is a bundle of energy but his sweet nature makes

him hard to resist. Wobble would suit an active home with older children who could help him get the exercise he so loves. Wobble is approximately 2 years old and has been neutered and vaccinated. If you would like to meet this happy-go-lucky boy, please come down to QAWS and say hello!



Upcoming Q.A.W.S. events...don’t miss them!

Carols at QAWS—Tuesday 14th December @ QAWS shelter, 5-8 p.m. Get into the festive spirit with Christmas carols sung by the Doha Players. Lots of Christmas goodies to tempt your taste buds! Everyone welcome! Bring some holiday festivity to QAWS and help us decorate the shelter with Christmas cheer.

**** Save the date ** Thursday 3rd March @ Ramada Plaza Doha—QAWS 2011 Furball** A fantastic night of dinner, dancing and celebrating the work QAWS does. Don’t miss it!!! Information on tickets to follow closer to the date...watch this space...

For more information on all of the events, contact Q.A.W.S. or visit our Facebook page <http://facebook.com/group.php?gid=88447569613>



QAWS is delighted to announce the safe journey of Miskeena and Twiggy, 2 of our gorgeous Afghan girls who departed Qatar for Germany in November to find forever homes with a local Afghan rescue organisation. The girls have settled in well and loving life in their new homes. A big thank you to Qatar Pet Relocators and Lama Al-Oreibi for making this possible.





**Feline Friends:
Kenny**



This shy little man has a gentle and affectionate nature that would make him a great family pet. Kenny has suffered some nerve damage to his front right leg but he doesn't let this slow him down and loves to explore the cat cabin when he gets a chance. Kenny is good with other cats and is approximately 18 months old. Kenny has been neutered and vaccinated.

If you would like to meet this sweet boy, come down to QAWS, Kenny would love a cuddle!

Looking for some **Christmas stocking fillers** or a present **for an animal lover?**

We have yearly sponsorship packages available from QAR250 per month or you can make a one-off donation of QAR100 and receive a beautiful card to pass on to the recipient to let them know a special gift in their name has been given to QAWS.

Contact volunteer@qaws.org for more information.



Save a stray, help the brain cells!

The QAWS Save-a-Stray quiz nights are proving to be a bit hit and our 3rd quiz night on 19th October proved this with a record 17 teams



turning out on the night to compete for first place and a fantastic prize courtesy of the InterContinental Hotel (thank you!).

December 7th saw a very special Christmas quiz night with thinking caps exchanged for Santa hats and some terrific prizes up for grabs. A huge thank you goes to Glow Salon, Purina/Nestle, Ramada Plaza Doha, Bliss Spa,



Nails Salon, Diva Lounge & Spa and of course to Garvey's for hosting us and everyone that came and supported QAWS.

World Animal Day celebrated at QAWS



Every year on 4th October, World Animal Day is recognised around the world and this year at QAWS, we joined in the celebrations on Friday 7th October with an open day at the shelter.

Started in 1931, World Animal Day aims to not only celebrate animal life in all its shapes and sizes but also to acknowledge the diverse roles that animals play in this world, to celebrate the role animals play in the lives of humans and to show appreciation for the way in which animals enrich our lives. QAWS welcomed its supporters with the chance to meet all our animals and celebrate just how fantastic we think they are with an open dog walk, lots of cuddles for the cats and kittens and lots of fuss for the farm animals. And not to forget the humans, there was a BBQ, bouncy castle, face-painting, games and competitions and stalls that all contributed to a fantastic day for QAWS! With over QAR 10,000 raised on the day, we also managed to build a fantastic mountain of goodies for the animals with donations of canned and dry food, toys, treats and much more.

Thank you to everyone that came and supported QAWS and our furry residents!



Thank you to the **American School of Doha** for their generous donation to QAWS, you guys are fantastic!



Dear Santa,

We have all been very good dogs and cats this year and would like to ask for some help from you and the wonderful people of Doha to help us build some new outdoor kennel and cat runs for us at the QAWS shelter.

We know it will cost a lot of money but we hope that with the incredible support of everyone out there, our Christmas wish can come true.

We would also like to say a very big thank you and Happy Holidays to all the people who have helped QAWS this year. To all the dog walkers, the cat cuddlers, the companies and individuals who have supported QAWS with their donations, hard work and energy, we really appreciate it and we know the human team at QAWS does too. Without the support of the public, QAWS just wouldn't be where it is today.

*Thank you from all the cats and dogs
(and other furry residents at QAWS!)*

Woof! Woof!

Purrrrr!

Meow!

Bark! Bark!

