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Promoting Animal Welfare

MARCH 2021

Your Monthly Newsletter For All Things PAW BVI

Phew! What a busy March. 73 dogs/cats sterilized and 58 sent off island through our PAWs In the Air programme....in one month! Plus the usual fundraisers which take a lot of time and effort. Its exhausting, but so worth it!

Our volunteers are amazing, they just keep going – we are so lucky to have such special people helping out. This month we have also received a lot of help from ACC St John and Off the Rocks Rescue (St Thomas). With the border restrictions in the BVI, getting dogs and cats to our partner rescues is a logistical nightmare, so these two organisations stepped in. Its so awesome to receive support from our USVI neighbours (who are just as busy helping dogs/cats on their respective islands).

It rained puppies this month – in the space of a couple of weeks we took in 26 pups which is a lot for us to cope with but thanks to our wonderful fosters and the PAW BARN, we were able to get them all to a safe place and get them healthy. Another illustration of just how important spaying/neutering is and why it remains our number one priority. Since we began our mission in 2014, PAW has sponsored over 2,500 spay/neuters. It feels like a drop in the ocean but each one we do is one more removed from the breeding cycle so we just have to keep going.

We hope you enjoy our March newsletter, its filled with lots of love, licks, purrs and woofs!



We are just in LOVE with our PAW branded, Otterbox insulated cups, which were kindly donated by Otterbox to help us raise funds.

We have sold over half of them already but still have more in stock and will be ordering some more over the coming months.

These are available to purchase at our merch store at any of our upcoming events.

(\$40 for the wine cups and \$45 for the mugs with handles).

Thanks so much to Tanya for organising this amazing donation.

Long Bay Beach Club Easter Fundraiser

Huge thanks to Long Bay Beach Club for having us over on their Easter Friday Fun Day! We had our merchandise store and did a raffle and raised \$750.

We loved seeing all the kids and dogs get involved in the Easter activities. It really is a gorgeous venue and the Long Bay team has done such a great job with the restaurant reopening, definitely worth a visit if you haven't already.



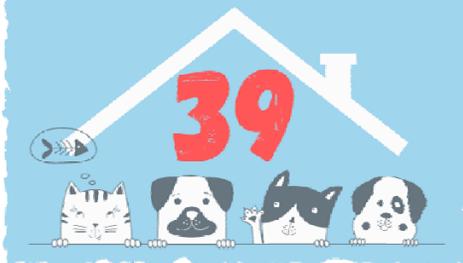
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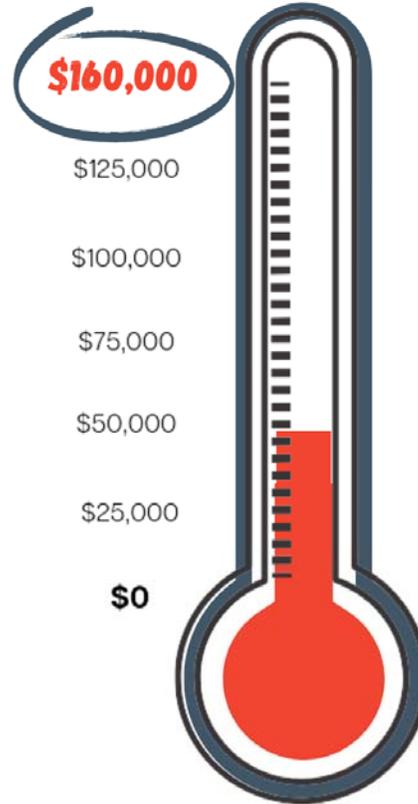
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Fundraising Target 2021



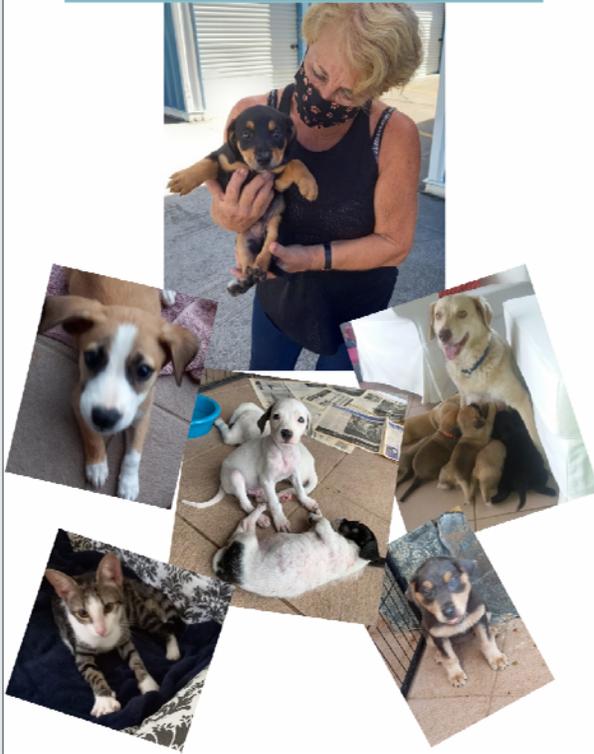
CORPORATE CORNER

This month we would like to thank our corporate donors PWC, Appleby and Carey Olsen.

These donations have made a huge impact on our vet bill this month.

Thank you!

SPOTLIGHT



Our PAW Spotlight for March is **Sue Wheatley**

Sue has been a volunteer for PAW BVI for many years since meeting our founder, Natasha.

Sue has always been an animal lover and works with PAW to help so many animals in need. Sue regularly fosters both cats and dogs (she lost count after 50 fosters had passed through her home!) and has so many great stories for each and every one of them.

Sue said: *I have to say, I fall in love with them all and have to tell myself 'stick to the programme'! I am always tearful when they leave but when I hear news of their new lives, it's all so worthwhile. Needless to say it is tears again, but of great joy!*

In 2008, Sue suggested that PAW create a line of merchandise that could be sold to help raise much needed funds. Through working with some of her connections, Sue created an amazing merchandise line for us including caps, visors, duffel bags, can coolies, towels and clothing (check it all out at www.pawbvi.org or at our pop up shop at Stems the florist)!

Thanks to Sue and a number of other fabulous volunteers, we now have a PAW merchandise stall at all of our events.

Sue is such a great member of the PAW team (what would we do without her?!)!

Click here to read more about everything Sue does for PAW BVI

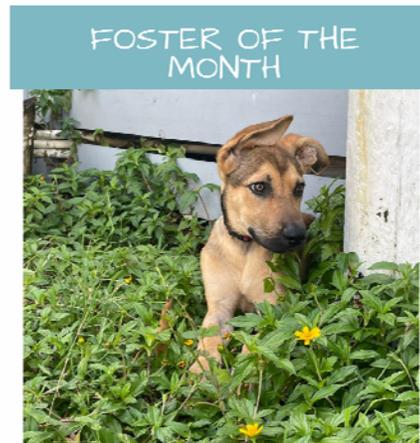
Thank you for everything Sue!

Meet Tadpole - this gorgeous girl has had a rough start in life but is not letting it get her down.

We met her through one of the families that we assist with dog food. Initially we got her in to the vet to be vaccinated and dewormed as the family planned on keeping her.

Unfortunately she was hit by a car a few weeks later, resulting in her leg needing to be amputated. As so often happens, the family did not want her if she only had 3 legs (even though 3-legged dogs can get around just fine) so they surrendered her to us and we paid for the surgery and she headed to the PAW BARN for recovery.

She is now with a lovely foster family and is ready for a home of her own, so please spread the word. She is smart and sweet and will be a large adult (nicely proportioned, no low-rider genes present in this one!).



MARCH EVENT ROUND UP



March 6th Fundraiser, Flea Free Flea Market, Spring Clean Edition!

Car booters, artists, growers and bargain hunters all converged on Jeremys Kitchen at Trellis Bay to enjoy the wonderfully sunny morning and raise **\$3300** for PAW BVI.

There was an artisan market installed where you could pick up locally made jewellery, delicious veggies, tasty spices, intricately crocheted keyrings, works of art & even a mug with your own puppy's paw printed on it!

In Jeremys Kitchen they cooked up a storm of delicious breakfasts & brunches for everyone to enjoy in the sunshine. The PAW clothes stall had some wonderful choices and with 5 items for only \$20 it was easy to pick up a new work outfit and evening ensemble.

New to this event we had the popular Bottle Stall, a "win every time" stall which was populated with bottles donated by our supporters and Tico & Caribbean Cellars (thank you!). From olives to gin, mustard to champagne, the \$5 ticket price was well worth a gamble!

Finally the car boot area was filled with bargains to be had with trays & platters being the most asked for item we understand.

Thank you to everyone to attended whether as a vendor or visitor. It was a really fun event and your support goes some way to covering our monthly vet bill.

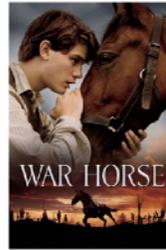
-- Amy (PAW Events Team) --

APRIL

**Saturday 10th April - 3PM
Aquathon and happy hour**

Multiple races including kids relay
and family relay
Entry fees from \$5

FOLLOWED BY HAPPY HOUR
@ INDIGO HOUSE, Cane Garden
Bay
Register via email
PAWBVIEVENTS@GMAIL.COM



Theatre series is back!

Come on down to see War Horse on
April 24th.

The refreshment stand will be raising money for
PAW BVI and The BVI Equine Educational
Rehabilitation Sanctuary.

A great family day out with baked treats on sale
too!

Keep an eye on our socials this month for more
information.

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