

Dog and Cat Rescue Samui Foundation

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Dear animal lovers!

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My deepest thanks to ALL who answered my call for help and have donated to keep our feeding places. Daniela went to our great new "food source", the garbage dump in Hua Thanon, regularly and took care of the dogs there. They were vaccinated, dewormed, treated medically if necessary. By the time they are vaccinated twice, we are neutering them in the shelter. Some dogs need to be taken to Dr. Sith for medical care immediately.



The dump is enormous and is getting larger daily as replenishment is brought regularly.





A small Thai family has settled at the dump. It is a complete mystery to me, how they can endure the stench there. They are very kind to the animals and really destitute; it is impossible for them to feed all the dogs there. We supply them with dried dog food and with canned food for the dogs that are really in need regularly now. We will try to bring as much food as possible out there. Hopefully, the dogs will stop eating the trash then. Of course, they will still not completely drain from the waste, but maybe we can get them not to eat that much of it.

Our dry food seems to taste them well and when they are full they will definitely eat less of the poison. We had to take two dogs to the shelter because they clearly had liver damage. We are very careful with unvaccinated dogs at the shelter because there is always the risk that they become infected with the distemper and parvovirus. In many cases, the stress in the shelter also causes an outbreak of a viral disease caused by ticks (blood parasites) like ehrlichiosis etc



SAMMI lived at the dump and had a huge wound at his neck. The maggots were already devouring him alive. Daniela has of course captured him and brought him to the shelter for treatment. The capture was quite difficult, but our helper JA is a really good "dogcatcher" and can grab in the right moment.





Here you can have a look at the huge dump!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=plM9n2oJrXw>

Of course there are also puppies at the garbage dump. We have already vaccinated and dewormed them. The Thai lady is going to feed and take care of them, so we left them there for now. Our shelter is more than full and we have plenty of puppies to rehome. Unfortunately, mostly only puppies can be rehomed. Only very rarely an animal lover comes to the shelter to choose an older dog. It is better for us and the dogs when we feed them there and not have to take them to the shelter. Since the Thai lady is ready to give them food every day, we just need to provide the food and check for them once a week.

Please donate to keep the feeding places!

10 kg of dry food cost only 10 Euros!

Every little support is welcome.

Visitors and volunteers are always welcome



My very special thanks to Vanessa, who has helped us at the shelter and with the office work for six months.





Kids always have fun in our house in Chaweng. Around 20 small dogs and many cats waiting to be stroked!



We are always happy about donations. Toys and treats are more than welcome by our dogs



Every year in the summer month's veterinary students come to make their internship with us. I had reported in a previous newsletter about the problems with them to you. I have now decided to explain our expectations to them right on arrival. This includes not just sitting ready for departure at the bus, but also helping to clean the area around the house in Chaweng for at least an hour without my explicit request every morning. Six people can clean the yard and the area around the house quite fast. We need to load the rice for dogs, the laundry and the dogs every morning. At 9.30, we take off to the shelter. I was also not really happy to see photos of students spending their lunch break lying down on the ground at the operating room...Dr. Sith was eating outside. Dr. Sith has a lot of work with them, because he has to supervise the operations. He is a patient teacher, but to relieve him, we expect help at the shelter. For example with the wound cleaning and at least in cleaning the operating rooms. Of course there are also many students who are a great help for us!





Raffaele Sabatini (Raffo) from the Reggae Pub in Chaweng has organized a Charity-Party for us. Many thanks to him!
 We were able to collect 16.300 Baht at the party and he also handed over another 10.000 Baht from the Reggae Pub.



Of course, we have shared out flyers for the party at the beach in the afternoon of the 5. August. A little advertising never hurts



Gina-Lisa and Bobbie were at the beach with us. Also a small dog pack from the Central Bay has followed us. This didn't really make the whole thing easier.



JA and LEK have tried to control the dogs. They have entered a foreign area which of course can cause trouble.....



Daniela diligently informed all tourists about our work and some even came around at the Reagge Pub in the evening. Daniela is a super volunteer, either in the external work or at the shelter. She is already helping us for a very long time 5 days a week



I was at the party from 8 p.m. till 3 a.m. and now I can tell what house music is... A larger amount of Caipirinha was needed to keep me going that long. Since I am still not fully recovered from my foot operation, I of course could not dance, so an evening can seem very long... I still had lots of fun and I am hoping to be fitter next time. Many thanks to Pascal who has "forced" the crowd to donate without mercy! 😊



Raffo has tried hard for a further donation for us. With success! The BINGO dog food company from Bangkok has donated 200 kg of dog food and 80 kg of dry cat food. Thanks to Raffo and the BINGO dog food company. Raffo has promised to organize a party for us again. Maybe in the Ark Bar. The owner of the Reggae Pub is very kind to animals; they even have a dog at the Reggae Pub.

I really appreciate help from the island; it is very special to me.

The managers of the hotels are unfortunately not helping us with an event for example, where we could collect some donations. For the managers of the hotels, life would be easier without our organization. They then could let the dogs disappear without expecting larger protests. Please remember not to feed the dogs in the rooms and in the hotel areas. At the beach and outside the hotel areas it is not a problem. Then there is no trouble. Unfortunately, there are also people who do not like dogs!

Temple project and street work

Our temple and street work team Linda und Jay would like to say thank you to all, that have donated for dog food. Without your great help, they couldn't keep up their project and so many temple and street dogs couldn't get any food or medical treatment anymore. We are so happy, that MAKRO (the supermarket, where we buy up to 1.000kg food per week) grants us the discount again. We are talking about around 1,000 Euro per month!!!

You can imagine, we were very shocked that they just cancelled that discount during the last months so particularly our street work team was not able to buy the same amount of food anymore. The relief was huge as our temple team can continue to fill the car with dog food twice a week. .



Jay and Linda are so happy, that they can feed all the hungry mouths outside the shelter again. Please help us keep it that way and donate for our feeding stations.

10 kg dry food cost only 10 Euro



Jay, Linda and Tom now feed so many hungry mouths on Samui, they would be so broken hearted if they couldn't continue.



Further pictures and information's to our temple team and their street work, you can find in their own temple report, as usual. http://www.samuidog.org/Rundbrief_PDF/TempleE_8.16.pdf

Jay and Linda especially would like to thank Anna from Germany for her tireless commitment during her Samui time! She was already helping at the shelter on any of her free days back in the days being a vet student. Anna has joined Jay to many temple runs and uncountable cats and dogs were able to be professionally treated on site, without the need to bring them to the shelter. The monks were helpful to give the prescribed medicine to the sick and injured animals.



Anna now is an experienced vet in Germany and still she has never forgotten the dogs and cats on Samui. Our temple team is proud and happy, to be able to win Anna as a true friend and are thankful for everything, Anna was teaching them.

Unfortunately, we are still fighting relentlessly against the masses of ticks at the shelter and can't find any permanent solution. The situation is really bad in some of the areas and we can do what ever we want, the beasts will always find a way back. Especially in the puppies areas.



On this occasion we would like to thank all the hardworking volunteers -as Judith and Kendra from Germany- who were often busy for hours with the removal of ticks!

Where there are ticks, there are blood parasites.

At the shelter as well. We have lots of shelter dogs that are fighting so hard and even lose against the parasites...



Masses of ticks on the whole body

Even our domestic dogs in Chaweng are full of those devils. At the moment, the dogs are not allowed to come in the sleeping room!



The doggies were not really impressed by taking a bath against ticks...



Not only the ticks are unwanted visitors at the shelter. There are even snakes from time to time. Luckily, we were able to find this one, before she had again eaten one of our puppies or cats.

Phil, who did that for us professionally already in the past, again captured the snake into a sack and made it disappear. He often exposes the snakes in the mountains again. So be careful when you climb around the mountains of Samui!

REPAIR WORKS AT THE SHELTER

Most of the buildings at the shelter are now over ten years old and unfortunately in a very bad condition. The supports of the individual boxes are all rusted through more or less. Almost all 50 single and double boxes need to be rebuilt. Clearly, we cannot get that amount of work done additionally by our helpers. At the moment, we can only try to fix the collapsed ones. Unfortunately, not only the boxes are affected - but also the support in the large enclosures has already collapsed and we now can not do much more than clearing out the debris. The Eternit roof panels crumble just by looking at them. Marcus has received 2.500 Euros from his guests for repair works and will be taking care personally so that we can make as many improvements as possible.





We have tried to save money anywhere possible. This is why; we reduced the helpers to the absolute minimum. Egg and Bau were caught by me, trying to take money out of the shelter. Em went back to Bangkok. Bu was supposed to take a six weeks break, but he never appeared at work again. Since I have not replaced these four workers with new ones, it is getting very hard to get all the work done.

I have found a helper for Marcus, who can even weld a bit already. The other things can be taught to him by Jaa and John. I am now not sure anymore, if savings in the human resource is the right way.

Too many important tasks at the dog and cat care are not getting done. There was no time to fix any of the boxes during the last weeks, because all the helper were hardly at the shelter at the same time and I was glad, when they were able to get the daily work done Unfortunately, we could still not solve our water problem at the shelter. Since we don't have deep wells, we have no choice but to buy water when there is no water from the the waterworks. This costs about 500 Euros extra every month at the moment. The "Waterman" is our regular guest.



The evening Fish-Party also needed to be cancelled due to the savings. Luckily, the cats were able to quickly accustomed not getting fresh fish anymore. Canned food is slightly cheaper and the daily cooking of the fish also did a lot of work. You see, there are a lot of holes to stuff. We will try to continue to supply all the feeding stations. I can only hope, the rainy season is not too bad and we at least can do a halfway rainproof something until then.

Please donate a few Euros for the ailing shelter!
THANK YOU



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We receive every month about 300 Euros thanks to your shopping.

We also have recorded to GOODING. Like Amazon GOODING has many shops in their arrangement. Just have a look.

Furthermore we are since a long time recorded to BILDUNGSSPENDER.

All those four give us a few percent if you buy something there. You can look which of those is the cheapest. There are a few more similar facilities but I don't think that's necessary because all of them have the same shops in their arrangement.

Thank you very much again to all the sponsors and helpers from all over the world. Because of your help, since 17 years every dog and cat can be helped for free on Koh Samui. Stray animals which have not found a place to survive on their own on Koh Samui can be brought into the shelter.

Because of your donations, we can still neuter at least six animals every day. In the last 15 years, over 20,000 dogs and cats have been neutered and countless vaccinations and treatments have been carried out.

We offer free medical treatment for ALL stray cats and dogs, with a pick-up service even beyond our opening hours. For dogs and cats with a Thai owner we make everything for free. Of course we are happy for donations!

Medicine in Thailand is rather inexpensive and from non Thais we need a little donation for our treatment with their dogs or cats.

Unfortunately are the settled down strangers not always willing to give a donation because they say they just give food to the dog. HA HA

Also in the last few months we had to take in some more dogs and many cats in our shelter as they couldn't find a way to survive on their own.



**Sponsoring a dog or a cat
is 25 Euro a month**

With a sponsorship you can help to make sure that their bowls are never empty
Please have a look on the website

<http://www.samuidog.org/adoption.htm>.

Our monthly costs amount to 17,000 Euro.

If you are on Koh Samui, you are cordially invited to stop by and have a look at our records.

The dogs and cats love to get some cuddles!

Best regards and thank you very much!

Brigitte
and the Rescue-Team

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Please support us with your donation so that cats and dogs can be supplied with food and medicine in the future

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