



TEMPLE PROJECT APRIL 2016

In October 2007, the DCRS started providing dog and cat food for many of Samui's temples. In April 2008, the Temple Project-Team (Jay, Linda & Tom) started to not only give food but also vaccinate and provide medical attention to dogs and cats. If absolutely necessary, the injured or sick animal is brought to the shelter for further treatments. Our work includes a lot of street work and many small villages surrounding the temples.

We are pleased to announce the addition of two of Samui's bigger temples to our weekly run. Both of these temples, for reasons unknown to us, refused the help of dog rescue, when it was offered back in 2007, to the extent that they even refused us entry to treat sick dogs and would ask us to leave the premises. However this changed a couple of months ago, when both temples contacted us to ask for our help to control the rising population of animals in their area.



Our team responded quickly and efficiently, many puppies, sick dogs and cats and unsterilized females had to be taken care of. The sterilisation programme has now been completed at one of the temples, whilst the second, where our team were faced with 25 puppies, 10 unsterilized or vaccinated adult females and numerous mangy, skinny dogs, is still ongoing.

Linda and Tom have done a great job, working flat out, to get these two temples sorted out, and the monks seem to be very pleased and thankful for our speedy response to their situation, not to mention the weekly supply of dog food. We in return are very happy to be

allowed to do our job, however with more temples asking for help, which basically means vaccine, medicine, sterilisations and food, our costs increase, to what is already a very expensive project.

Please help to keep this very cost worthy project running by continuing to support us with your donations.



It didn't take long until the dogs trusted us



Relationship with the Monks

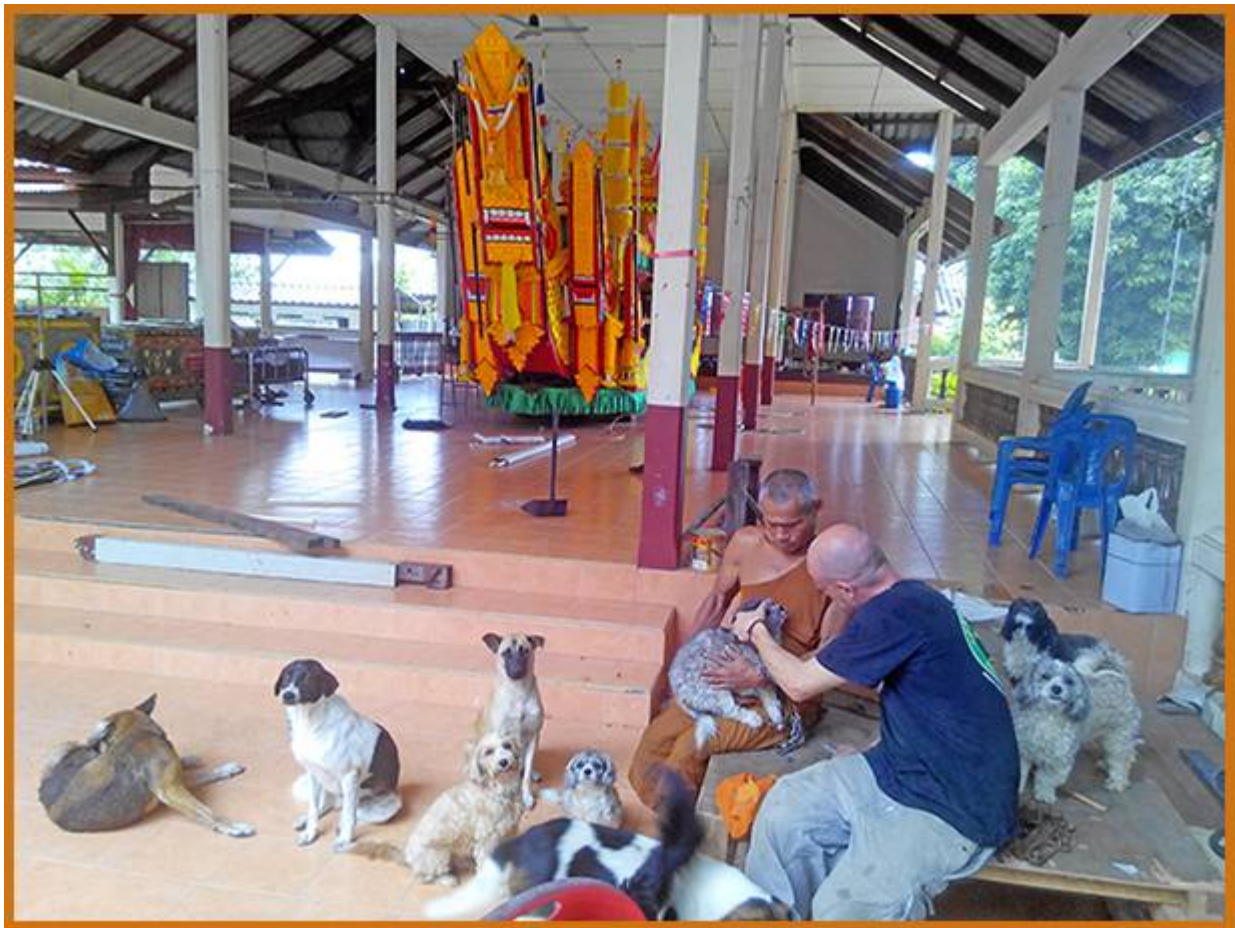
Having a good connection to the monks at the temples we work at is very important for us and we are very pleased that we have managed to build and keep up a good relation with many monks around the island.



Especially at the big Temple-Areas where we often work with up to 50 dogs and many more cats, we simply don't have the time to check them all every week, we rely on the help of the monks and are thankful when they show us sick or injured dogs/cats when we arrive.



It's wonderful to see how caring some monks are with the animals



There is as good as no Temple-Stop where we don't have to treat injured or sick animals



Please Help To Support This Most Amazing Monk

As explained in the main newsletter, we have lost several temple-dogs to poisoning over the years. Always it happened during big celebrations (festivals & funerals) where there are loads of people and all it takes is one person who cannot (or doesn't want to) handle the dogs being around. We are very proud of this one particular monk who could bear it no longer and took matters into his own hands to try and put a stop to it. Here some more pictures of the fence-project he single-handedly had organised to keep the Temple- dogs and cats save:



During the day, all the animals wander freely around the temple. The area with the fence around is open for them to use if they wish and the door is never locked on any `normal` day.





The monk feeds all the animals in there together, in order to get them used to the enclosure and puts them, cats and dogs, inside for sleeping each evening.

During Temple-Festivals and big funerals they stay save in their new compound.....

The whole construction cost him 25,000 Baht(€600) and we would love to give him some of this money back. Please help us to support this amazing action from the monk in order to stop these needless deaths. We applaud this wonderful man for helping us keep the temple animals safe from harm!

Every single treatment is being recorded and here are some facts in average numbers from the last 3 months:



55 Vaccinations / month
75 Wound cleaning / month
115 Mange treatment / month
45 Animals taken in for neutering / last 3 months
25 Animals taken in for further medical treatment / 3 months

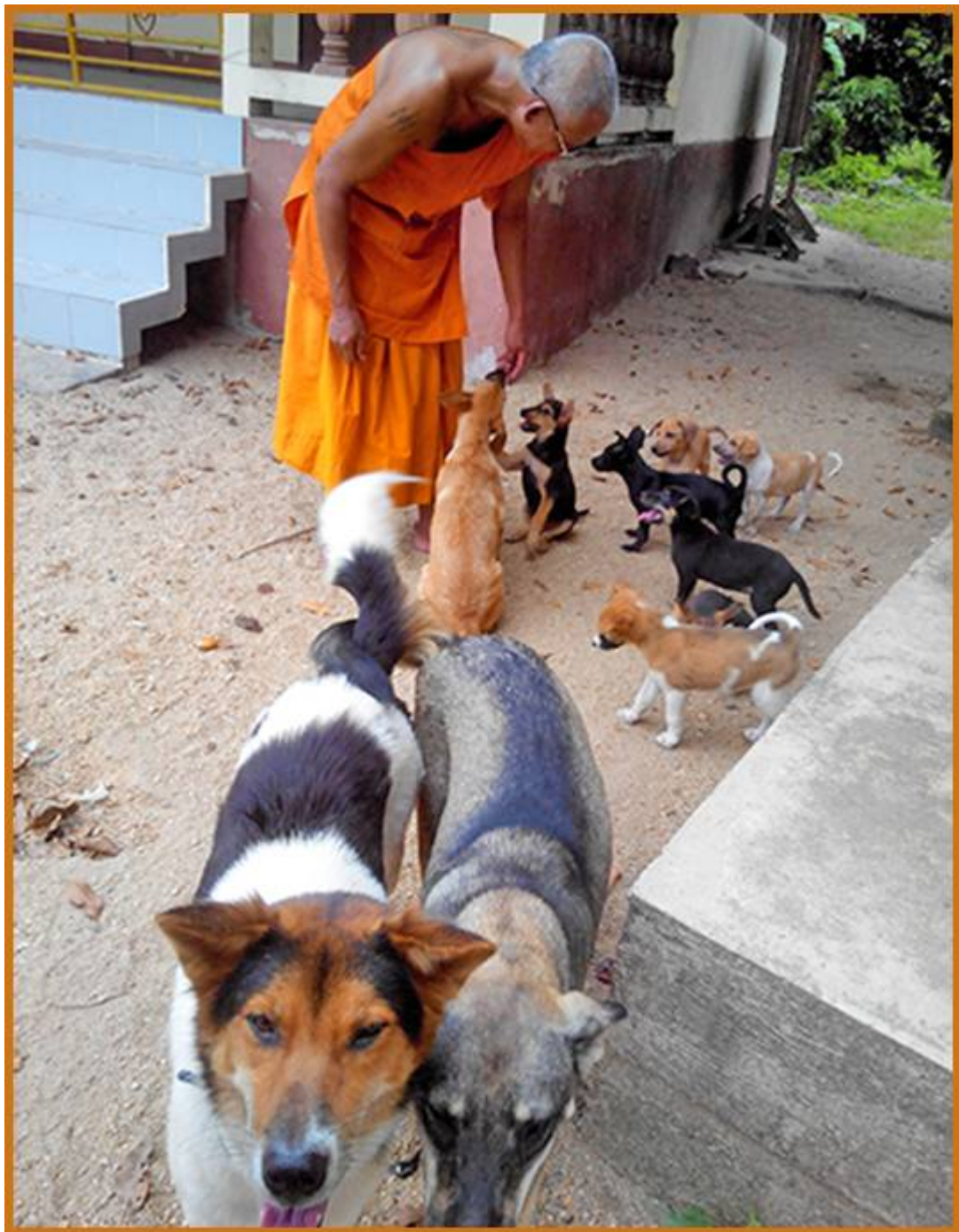


Every month we deliver over 1,000 kg! of dog and cat food to the temples and the villages -Food Stations included

Some pictures from the work at the Temples in the last 3 months



















The Temple-Team Jay, Linda & Tom

Here the links to our last Temple-Reports in case you're up for more stories and pictures:

http://www.samuidog.org/Rundbrief_PDF/Temple_Dec15.pdf

http://www.samuidog.org/Rundbrief_PDF/Temple_Aug15.pdf

http://www.samuidog.org/Rundbrief_PDF/Temple%204.15%20E.pdf

http://www.samuidog.org/Rundbrief_PDF/Temple%20_NL_Aug_2014_engl.pdf

http://www.samuidog.org/Rundbrief_PDF/TempelApril2014English.pdf

http://www.samuidog.org/Rundbrief_PDF/Tempel_December_2013.pdf

http://www.samuidog.org/Rundbrief_PDF/Temple%20Aug2013engl.pdf

http://www.samuidog.org/Rundbrief_PDF/Temple_Newsletter_April%202013_E.pdf