

TEMPLE PROJECT

AUGUST 2015

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.



The past 3 months have once again been packed full with plenty of temple and street work for our team. We would like to make this update more about pictures than words this time and have you started with some shots documenting the work we do here day in and out:

Besides covering many Temples around the island, **we respond to all the calls that come in regarding young dogs and their mothers...and there are plenty!**



This Thai-Family for example lives close to a Temple and takes care of many stray dogs. They were very happy that we came to help... The little ones were vaccinated and the mothers we made ready for sterilization...

Once the mother stops feeding the puppies and is fit and vaccinated we take her into the shelter for sterilization.

Usually we keep a record of the puppies we treated so when they are 7 months old, we have them neutered too...





Here we got informed about a young female dog at a big Market in Nathon. We vaccinated her and she will soon be sterilized. She has a good and safe life there and gets enough food too.

Very often we also help out with dog food since most people we are working with cannot afford dog food for the many dogs around their area.

Once people trust us and know that we keep returning to their village to help with Food and Medication the dogs get normally treated a lot better and becomes a proper part of their Village-Life



SHARING IS CARING ☺

Handing out Daily Medication to Stray and Tempel-Dogs

Our Team is currently treating over 20 dogs with Daily Medication or Injections.

All those 20 dogs stay fairly close together and so usually at the end of our working days we go visit them all in order to give them their daily medication.

Like this the dogs can stay in their familiar environment instead of being locked up in our already pretty full shelter.

The thin and hungry once get extra food
(usually we take some of the rice and meat cooked at the shelter and mix it with dry dog food)



The dogs are **HAPPY** to get their daily medication thanks to the TinFood the medicine is hidden in.



It often happens that we meet so called
'Rape Victims' (female dogs in heat)
while on the road.

As long as we know that the dog belongs to this place - we then take the dog in for sterilization and bring her back either the same or the next day. The rape victims have never been vaccinated and the danger for them getting sick while staying a week at the shelter after the operation is too big. Our Team gives, in these cases the daily medication, checks the wound and removes the stitches (like Jay & Linda are doing in the picture on the left) after one week.

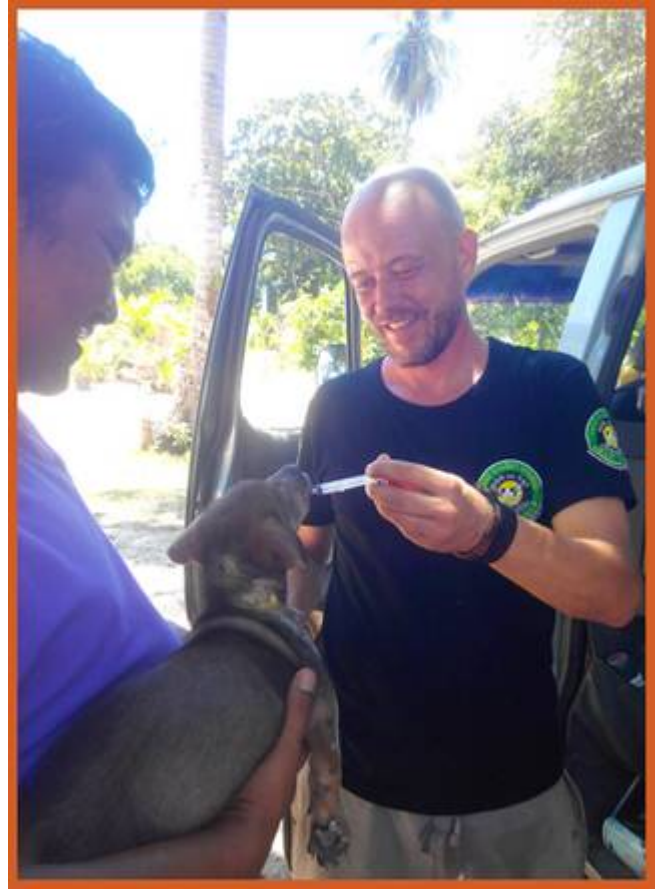
THANK YOU to our Tempel-Team Member Tom

We would also like to take this opportunity to Thank our friend and Temple-Team member Tom (for many people back home known as Peter Loetscher) from Switzerland who has been a part of the Dog Rescue for many years now. He has become an indispensable helping hand for our team and we are thankful that he spends most of his Samui-time working with us and being a big part in what we can change and achieve for our 4-legged friends. Whenever he is here in Samui he takes his volunteer work for Dog Rescue very serious and continues to upgrade his knowledge when it comes to animal treatment. He completes our Team and often plays a big part in us getting through and over the often difficult and sad times this job sometimes brings with it...

No bag of 25kg Dog-Food is ever too heavy or too far to carry for Tom. We two ladies (Jay & Linda) sure are thankful having him on our Team ☺



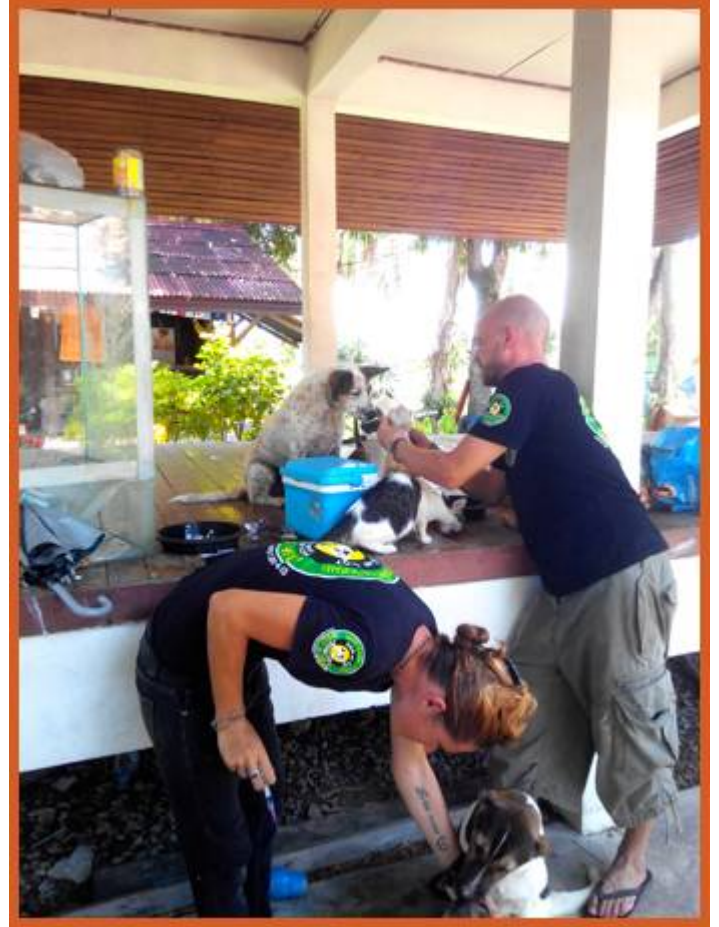
With his professional, charming and always calm appearance, Tom is a well appreciated Dog Rescue-Member by the Monks and the Thai-Community alike.



Tom never shies away from learning and improving the way he can help the dogs and cats in need of help and treats them with love and respect.



Tom is a very appreciated Team-Player and a pleasure to work with....



...and has the ability to lighten up even saddest and hardest working days

At the moment Tom is back in Switzerland working hard on his own-build business called Recycle Art. Not only because of what he does for the animals while in Koh Samui but also what he has very successfully set up for himself back home, we are very proud of him and feel privileged to have him as a dear friend and supportive Team-member year after year. Take a few minutes and check out the incredible work he and his people have achieved with

www.recycleart.ch



Car and motorcycle parts, screws and gears welded together to most original and unique sculptures. These expressive figures are produced according to hand made plans, polished and painted. Their strength lies in the detail. Up to 8 meter high sculptures are dismantled in up to 10 parts. Each object is unique.

They have a large selection of sculptures in their gallery which you can order directly.

With sketches, pictures or small models, you can customize your own Recycle Art Sculpture. Whether animals or vehicles, fantasy figures, furniture, or a company logo, Recycle Art gets it done.

Tom,

We are looking forward to have you full-on on board again in October! Thank you for completing our team with all the support we have been receiving from your end! Keep going strong Tom!



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

75 Vaccinations / month
60 Wound cleaning / month
110 Mange treatment / month

45 Animals taken in for neutering / last 3 months

15 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



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%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
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