

Monthly Review of Cat and Dog Welfare Programmes, China

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2012 "World Animal Day" Photo Contest Kicks off!

To celebrate the annual “World Animal Day”, to be held on 4th of October, Animals Asia Foundation will launch the 2012 nationwide “Sharing Love with Them -- online photo contest”, with the famous Chinese TV stars “Tian Tian Brothers” who are the wonderful ambassadors of the event. The activity will run for the whole of August. Come and join us with your amazing photos by visiting Sina Weibo <http://event.weibo.com/545121>, and enter for the chance of winning the wonderful prize....you won't be disappointed!

With the theme of “Sharing Love with Them”, the awards are separated into five categories; “We are happy together,” “Just like a family,” “The most creative photo,” “The most touching eyes,” and “The lost angels.”



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【奖项设置】

- “我们齐欢笑”
- “就是一家人”
- “最感动眼神”
- “给力创意拍”
- “流浪的天使”

10月4日“世界动物日”是我们向动物朋友致敬的日子。共庆世界动物日，快来参加由亚洲动物基金主办，“天天兄弟”担任形象大使的“2012我和它共享爱”微摄影大赛，和大家一起分享你和TA温馨的、感人的瞬间，还有机会赢iPad2或500元购物卡！关爱动物，从身边做起。还等什么，快来一起加入吧！

【参赛方式】登陆新浪微博，上传参赛图片并附上图片说明，输入#2012我和它共享爱#同时@亚洲动物基金AAF。

【参赛日期】8月1日-8月31日

【活动详情】请关注@亚洲动物基金AAF（新浪微博）！

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2012我和它共享爱，共庆世界动物日

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The event is to encourage responsible ownership of companion animals, help stray animals have a voice and to protest against eating cats and dogs.

The best works will be chosen on September 26th and all winning photos will be displayed around China on our roadshows where we will also start our 2nd “Cyclists Love Animals” activity as part of the World Animal Day celebrations.

Join Taking Action For Animals Conference in the U.S.

Taking Action For Animals (TAFA) is a large-scale annual conference held by HSUS for animal welfare individuals and organizations in America, with attendance of over 400 delegates in 2012. Animals Asia China Cat and Dog Welfare Programmes were invited to make a presentation at the meeting, introducing how we help improve the welfare of companion animals in China. Our presentation was evaluated and strongly supported by the participants. Animal welfare in China is always a concern of people in the international world and they were encouraged by the work Animals Asia has done in China.



Animals Asia China Cat and Dog Welfare project director, Irene Feng gives a presentation at the meeting

Welcome to the earth, “Dragon Baby” Walter!

Congratulations to our Hong Kong dog volunteers, Bonnie and Truman! Please join us to welcome a new member of the Wu Family, Walter Wu, a lovely 10 weeks old boy.

Bonnie told us that Dr Fat (Golden Retriever) and Dr Choi (Pug) are so happy to have a little brother and both have been so patient, learning how to be good sisters and look after their new brother. Bonnie believes that dogs and babies can get along very well and she strongly disagrees with people who abandon their companion animals because of having a baby.



“We love animals, we respect for live.”

Hello! We are Wu’s family!

Dr Dog and Professor Paws events

During July, Animals Asia carried out a total of 20 Dr Dog visits reaching 715 people; 6 Professor Paws course and 3 Care for Animals Presentations in Guangzhou, Shenzhen, Chengdu and Hong Kong, with more than 890 students and citizens taking part. Here are some selections:

Professor Paws invited to Guangzhou Primary and Middle School Student Summer Camp

Guangzhou Professor Paws were invited by SPCA(HK) to participate in the Guangzhou Primary and Middle School Student Summer Camp. Our four dogs showed the 400 students how to get along with their 4-leg friends. The children were so excited when they saw our lovely Professor Paws. When asked "Who wants to say hello to Professor Paws?", all put up their hands quickly and were eager to get up close with their new friends. For the children, it was a wonderful summer camp, with the special guests of Professor Paws.



A boy is making friends with Professor Su Su



Group photo with Professor Zhu Zhu

Dr Dog & Professor Paws visit Community

Dr Winnie, Huige, Milan and Laoyao in Chengdu went to Sunshine Home, Dongguang Community to visit some special children and elderly on July 16th. Jill Robinson, founder and CEO of Animals Asia also joined the event with some foreign media friends. During the visit, the children showed us their beautiful voices and dancing skills to welcome our Dr Dogs.



Dr Winnie got a warm welcome



Group photo of the Dr Dog visit

We launched our responsible dog ownership public education programme in Shenzhen Changfengyuan community and this time we delivered leaflets to passers by on the street and invited them to participate in the event. Through fun games, children and parents learnt how to care for animals. We also carried out the promotional activities in Huanggang community, working together with the local community stations.



Children of Huanggang community promise to be responsible dog guardians.

Distributing leaflets to promote public education

Chengdu Dr Dog guardians and volunteers continued to distribute our animal welfare leaflets and posters to promote caring for animals in major communities and pet shops in July, covering the Jinniu district, Qingyang district and Wuhou district. Also one of our Dr Dog guardians in Chengdu, Dr Roger, helped by sending our leaflets to his clients for free in his online shop. So far a total of 1,500 leaflets have been sent.

Our volunteers in Shenzhen delivered our animal welfare materials to 10 animal hospitals and communities, providing the information of caring for animals to citizens in the communities.

Letter to Jingyang Government protesting against the killing of stray dogs

We were informed by a report - "Boy from Shaanxi Jingyang died of rabies and stray dogs are being caught and killed" - that Jingyang County Animal Husbandry Bureau decided to catch and kill all stray dogs under the lead of the local PSB. It was discovered that a four-year-old child in Jingyang was infected with rabies and died from a dog bite. The Jingyang County Animal Husbandry Bureau investigated immediately and developed a rabies prevention and control plan. It mentioned in the plan that the catch-and-kill action led by PSB would start from August 15th. We were very worried about this planned action and immediately wrote to the Jingyang County Government, giving suggestions of a more scientific, humane and effective way for rabies prevention and dog management:

1. We understand the government's concerns for public health and safety. However, such a cruel massacre of dogs is not an effective method to solve problems of rabies outbreaks and control;
2. Promoting public education of "raising dogs in a scientific way" and knowledge of prevention and control of rabies;
3. Hunting down and killing of dogs is definitely uncivilized behavior! It will not only cause an additional financial burden, but also bring a serious negative image of the government, as well as leading to social contradictions.

Sharing problems that China's cats and dogs are facing with the media

A group of special guests paid a visit to our Chengdu Bear Rescue Center on July 8th. They were journalists of the 3rd "green media programmes" held by Southern Weekend, a famous newspaper in China. During the visit, Animals Asia introduced them our three major programmes and we shared with them the serious problems that China's cats and dogs are facing. The media were very interested and worried about the welfare of China's dogs and cats'. We hope to promote communication and cooperation with our media friends through this event and together make a better life for the animals.

Support for animal welfare groups

Five groups applied for our animal welfare materials for activities in July. Zhejiang Institute student group used a special and effective way for the promotion by sending the leaflets and posters directly to students' dormitories in Zhejiang Media Institute, Zhejiang Normal University, Zhejiang University of Finance and Economics, Zhejiang Technology and Business University, China Metrology University, Zhejiang Sec-Tech of University, as well as several large squares of Zhejiang city.



Posters and leaflets were sent to students' dormitories in different universities of Zhejiang.

Animals Asia China Cat and Dog Welfare Team

Animals Asia HK Dr Dog and Pro Paws Team

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