

Wadars News

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Emergency Rescue & Rehoming Service 01903 247111

A belated Happy New Year and welcome to Wadars News

As we move forward into 2025, we are taking the opportunity in this newsletter to look back, not only over a few of the highlights of 2024, but also some of the animals, both wild and domestic, that Wadars has been involved with since the Charity was founded back in 1969. One of the big success stories for us in 2024 was the introduction of the cattery maternity unit, which since opening back in July, has provided safe, secure housing to four queens and their 17 kittens until they could be found new homes.

A huge thank you to everyone who generously donated to our special Christmas Appeal. The funds raised will enable us to care for and rehome animals like the rather handsome Murphy the Bulldog, who was successfully rehomed by Wadars almost a year ago to the day!

Our thanks also go to everyone who donated their time to volunteer for Wadars last year. We are extremely lucky to have more than 100 dedicated volunteers carrying out a wide range of tasks for us, with over half helping at our Rescue Centre week in, week out.

People are sometimes surprised to hear that in addition to our companion animal rehoming work, we run a community based wildlife rescue service. Over the next two pages we've included just a tiny snapshot of some of the animals that Wadars has rescued and cared for. As you will see, the range of animals can be quite extensive!



Supporting the next generation of animal care workers

Each year Wadars provides work experience placements for students aged 18 and above who are studying animal management at land-based colleges, as well as veterinary students from local universities.

The students generally need to work for an overall period of either 70 or 150 hours and will work hands-on with the cats, rabbits and other small animals in our care.

At the time of publication, we have a small number of placement vacancies. If you know someone who is currently studying animal management, is aged 18 or over, and is looking for a work placement, please do give them our contact details.



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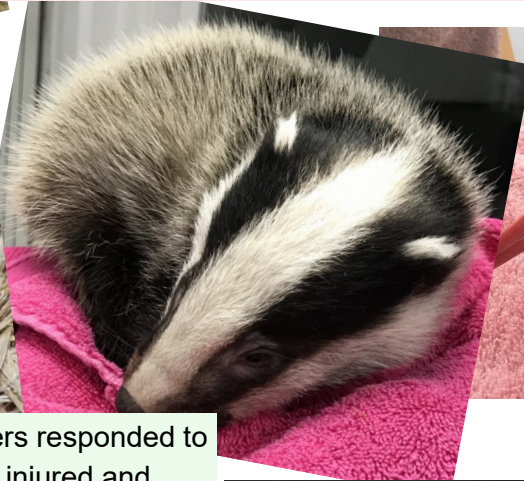
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More than 55 years of caring....



Whether it's dealing with a snake caught in discarded netting, separating a pair of stags tangled up together, rescuing a stray 32kg tortoise, or finding homes for almost 60 ex-breeding Cavalier King Charles spaniels, the work of the dedicated Animal Welfare Team at Wadars is certainly never boring!

These two pages show just some of the many thousands of wild and companion animals that your support has enabled our Team to rescue.



In 2024 our Animal Rescue Officers responded to almost 1,300 callouts to sick, injured and displaced wildlife.



These two adult stags became entangled in fencing wire at Pulborough Brooks Nature Reserve. The stag on the ground was exhausted from the struggle of trying to get himself free and was sinking into boggy ground. Our Animal Rescue Officer managed to free them and both deer eventually ran off into the undergrowth.



Four out of every five animals that we rehome, rescue or rehabilitate, is only made possible because of the legacies left to us in Wills.

Unfortunately, we have seen a dramatic slowdown in legacies during the past three years. We have managed to keep going but this has drained our reserves to critical levels.

Please remember Wadars Animal Rescue when talking to your family and friends or making your Will.

We need your support now more than ever before.

....and no two days ever the same!



Quentin came to Wadars having been abandoned in a box in central Worthing. We eventually found him an outdoor home at a local country centre.



Having been brought to the UK from Romania, Saffron's home fell through and so Wadars took her in. Due to concerns over certain aspects of her behaviour, Saffron took more than 12 months to rehome.



Each year Wadars is asked to rehome hundreds of companion animals when their owners can no longer keep them.

Reasons for rehoming can range from the owner's ill health, to moving home, or financial pressures, to aggression, or separation anxiety.



Wadars rescued and rehomed almost 60 ex-breeding Cavalier King Charles Spaniel bitches from puppy farms in Wales after they had outlived their usefulness.

George and Wilbur desperate to find their forever



This gorgeous pair of male guinea pigs are five and half year old George, and two and half year old Wilbur. They came into our care way back in July 2023 and have now been with us for more than 550 days.

They are a bonded pair and we are looking for a home for them where they can stay together. When they first arrived Wilbur and George could be quite shy but now they have come out of their shells and provide us with plenty of squeaky entertainment – especially at veg time! Wilbur and George have been used to living with children in the past. Due to George's age we are looking for an indoor home with plenty of space and some outdoor access in the warmer weather.

Contact our small animals team on 01903 247111 if you would like to find out more about adopting these two charming chaps.

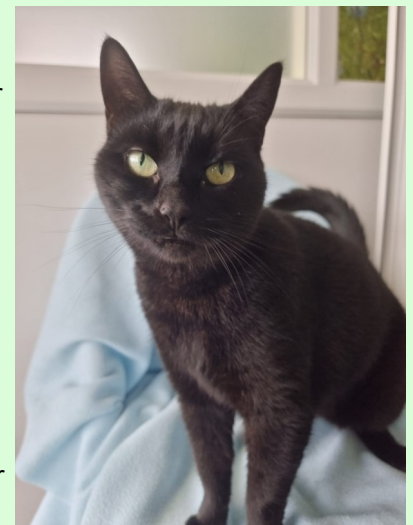
Coco gets overlooked again....

This little lady is Coco, a seven year old cat who came to us when her owner became unwell and was no longer able to care for her.

As is often the case with black cats, Coco has been overlooked for a home numerous times since coming into our care back in October for no other reason than she is a middle aged, black cat.

Coco is a friendly and vocal girl with lots of personality who enjoys affection and comfort from her human companions. She is currently on a healthy eating plan as she was overweight on arrival, so her new owner would need to follow that until she is back to her ideal weight.

Coco could live with older children but would do best in a home without other pets.



17th month old Tyler is looking for fun!

Tyler is a 17mth old Labrador cross with a lovely gentle temperament who came to us following a change in his owner's circumstances which meant that they could no longer keep him.

Being a young dog, Tyler can be quite excitable and he is also strong on the lead so needs a home where his new owner can devote time to training him.

Tyler is happy to play and socialise with other dogs but is not used to being around cats or young children.

Although he can be a little shy around strangers at first, Tyler is clearly a very intelligent dog who is affectionate and eager to please the people that he knows.

The cost of adopting a dog from Wadars

The adoption fee for an adult dog is £200. The adoption fee is £270 for a dog under 6 months of age.

The cost of adopting a cat from Wadars

The adoption fee for an adult cat is £95. The adoption fee is £120 for a kitten of up to six months of age.

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