



Lucy's UK **Donkey Foundation**

Supporting the Rescue & Care of Donkeys in the Holy Land

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Raphael



Sam

Dear Friends & Supporters

It's just 3 months since our last Newsletter and we are all aware of the impact the pandemic has had on everyone including charities. Many charity shops have had to close, losing one of their main sources of revenue.

We at Lucy's UK Donkey Foundation are very fortunate that, once the sanctuary budget has been paid, approximately £5000 per month, our outgoings are very small, having no paid staff, only dedicated volunteers - this includes Lucy - and no office costs, leaving minimal essential administration fees.

With generous donations coming in from you, our wonderful supporters, we have been able to maintain the high standard of care at the sanctuary and will continue to do so for as long as we are able.

A heartfelt thank you from





The Sanctuary's Wish List ...



Reliable full-time worker to help effectively manage the running of the sanctuary



Concrete wash & treatment area with a 'stock' approximately £800



Winter storage barn for bales approximately £1400



Separated secure, roofed area for the older, more frail group of donkeys to prevent competition for the feed areas; we have some of the materials necessary but paid help would be needed

Safe fencing: Although we have done some work to help prolong the life of the existing fencing (see page 4), in the longer term it may well prove necessary to get more stable and secure fencing for the large field but it would be quite an expensive project

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Shanaya



Beautiful Shanaya was left tethered with chains and ropes around her neck, under the sun in the boiling July temperatures, without water. Thankfully the police were called to make sure she was guarded until we could arrange for her to be safely brought to Lucy's sanctuary,

where she seemed to immediately feel comfortable, had a long drink of water and a lovely munch of plentiful hay. Although she is still only young, it's clear to see she's already led a hard life.



Steven (Little Stevie)



Being beaten, abused and forced to live a life of hell would be bad enough when you have your eye sight, but this little donkey, though still young, has some form of eyesight degeneration and has had to live his life at the 'mercy' of his abusers, forced to try to cooperate with their demands despite

the fact that he can barely see anything.

Stevie was rescued by an angel in the form of a kind Bedouin man in Southern Israel. He saw local children riding and abusing this little donkey and was so sickened by it that he offered the youngsters money in exchange for the donkey anything to get him away from the daily torture he was made to endure. Stevie's poor body is covered in scars and



yet miraculously, he seems so calm emotionally, as though he just senses that he has come to a little donkey paradise.

Shayne

Our dear new boy, Shayne... We feel so very sorry for him. He's strong and well built and for that, he's so obviously been fully taken advantage of. He was confiscated by the Israeli police when he was seen being abused while pulling a cart in a local village.



He's been worked so hard and has such a badly scarred nose caused by the chains used to control him, yet he's the sweetest, gentlest soul and is so grateful to be with us.





R.I.P Beloved Valerie



In early June, we sadly lost our dear elderly Valerie. Lucy and husband Adi found her passed away. They were not surprised because they knew she didn't have much time left due to her age and the cancerous tumour in her throat. Many a time they had wondered if they should call the vet to just let her go, but because she was feisty, enjoyed life and had such a good appetite despite being

so thin, and she was so happy just dawdling around all day eating her hay and having treats, they didn't feel it would be right to take her life before time. But they had hoped the day would come when she would show signs of letting them know



it was her time to go so that they could have called the vet and let her go by giving her a painless injection.

Yet on the other hand, this way nature took its natural course. May Valerie's beloved donkey soul rest in heavenly peace.



A warm hello to our very treasured supporters!

This little message comes with much love, hope and prayers for better and easier times ahead for us all. We hope so much that you and your loved ones are managing as well as can be and are keeping healthy and safe. No words can truly express how thankful we are to you all for your support at all times, but particularly through this challenging year we've had so far.

Your continued help and support have certainly achieved miracles for our little rescued donkeys and their home; our wonderful sanctuary. Because of your love and kindness three more donkeys, **Stevie**, **Shanaya** and



Shayne now live contentedly in peace and safety with their 48 fellow rescued donkeys and 3 horses, and will never be hurt again.

It's extremely important to us all that you know how deeply grateful we are to you for your incredible generosity and kindness, in all that you give and all that you do. We could not continue our vital work without your help and we cherish each and every one of you with all our hearts.

God bless, love and thank you...

Lucy and the Donkeys

Wonderful **FUNDRAISERS!**

We have a group of supporters that have come up with profitable ways of raising funds:

Sally Olsen - selling unwanted items of furniture at a general auction house, Bellmans Auctioneers; she even managed to get reduced rates because it was for charity. Also, some other items to friends. Thank you Sally.

Dennette Doughty - selling various items to the public from her driveway and front garden, see photo below. Thank you Dennette.

Pat Abercromby & Brenda Needle - The internet was a great source to sell Brenda's donated books, CD's and DVD's. A combined effort of selling to Ziffit and



Music Magpie since lockdown began. Courier collection from the doorstep and payment straight in the bank account - easy! Thank you Pat and Brenda.

Do you have an idea for a fundraiser and need a poster to advertise it, and/or do you need a charity liability certificate sending? Please contact us! (See page 6)



Another big 'THANK YOU' to

Pia and Stefan Wallin and all the dear, kind souls who so generously donated in response to Pia and Stefan's Facebook donation match fundraiser between the 24th and 30th May, thanks to which we managed to raise an incredible total of approximately €1250!

All the generous supporters who have sent 2nd class stamps to help with the charity postage costs. Thanks to you, we now have all UK postage costs covered for this Summer Newsletter. If you are able, please continue sending stamps, as more

will be needed for the Autumn Newsletter - it's a huge help! Also, a huge thank you to our dear American supporter Candace Carmichael, daughter of long-time supporter

Holland VanDieren, who so kindly made an extremely generous donation in July to help with the survival of our sanctuary and which enabled us to rescue another two little donkeys, Shanaya and Shayne.



Above: Dennette's garage sale

FENCE NEWS It might not look sparkly and new, but thanks to your won-



derful, very kind donations, for which we are incredibly grateful, we were able to buy some new post and bar replacements and hire the necessary help to make the crucial welding repairs to our old, existing fencing. We are deeply thankful and relieved to be able to tell

Our lovely Joan beautifully modelling the 'new' safe fence posts!



you that it is now more upright, sturdy, secure and most important of all, 'donkey escape proof'.



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Adopt a donkey for a year!

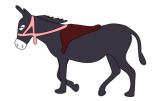
Why not adopt one of Lucy's adorable rescued donkeys for a year (for yourself or as a gift) and help them with much needed funds? As well as three rescue donkeys and others featured in this Newsletter, we have many more to choose from on the web site (www.lucysdonkeyfoundation.org.uk > Donkey Gallery) or from our new donkey booklet (see below).

Certificate by post (printed on card paper)*

UK £20 Rest of the World £25 / €28 / US\$33

Certificate by email (print at home)*

UK £20 Rest of the World £20 / €22 / US\$25



Send us an email or a letter (contact & payment details on page 6), including the name of your chosen donkey, recipients name (on certificate), your full

address and whether you would like a printed or emailed certificate (don't forget your email address for the latter). Please ensure you mention the reference 'ADOPT' with your payment.

*One donkey per certificate.



renewal date: August 2021



Our Donkeys in an eBooklet



Our lovely volunteer Biggi from Germany, who, prior to the pandemic, went out to Israel on a regular basis to help out and got to know each and every one of Lucy's donkeys, has put together this wonderful eBooklet with most of the Sanctuary's donkey residents and their stories. It's a perfect way for you to find the donkey (or donkeys!) you want to adopt!

You can download it in PDF format from our website by clicking on the following link or by typing in the URL into your browser:

www.lucysdonkeyfoundation.org.uk/sanctuarydonkeys





We are very lucky that The Sanctuary Angels, who support some small animal charities both in the UK and

abroad, have agreed to give our charity financial support. This is very welcome news and we send our grateful thanks. Their web site:

www.thesanctuaryangels.com

How do I set up a Standing Order or Paypal Recurring order?

If you have a **UK bank account**, either call your bank, use internet banking or send our mandate form to your bank which we will gladly send to you. Account & contact details are on page 6. **Paypal**: Click yellow **'Donate'** button top right on our website>amount>'Make this a monthly donation'> 'Donate with PayPal'.



is an easy way to the charity simply

by shopping online. *It will not cost you any* extra money, it is raised because you are going to an online shop or business through their website.

There are over **4000** well known shops/ businesses to choose from. Here is a *very small* example:

Clothing & Accessories - John Lewis - ebay -Clarks - Pandora - asos - H&M - + 900 more **Travel** - lastminute.com - trainline - Hertz -Brittany Ferries - HOSEASONS - + 536 more Food & Drink - Just Eat - Pizza Hut - Domino's - Iceland - Ocado - Waitrose + 145 Sports & Outdoors - Nike - Go Outdoors adidas - THE NORTH FACE + 295 more Health & Beauty - Holland & Barrett - Savers -Boots - THE BODY SHOP + 473 more

Insurance & Finance - MORE TH>N - Admiral -Aviva - AA - Pet Plan +323 more Utilities - British Gas - eDF - Scottish Power -BT - Carphone Warehouse - EE + 86 more Entertainment (338) - Mother & Baby (116) -Home & Garden (613)- Gifts (183)- Electricals (225) office - (287)

Setting up an account is simple:

Go to: www.giveasyoulive.com > Blue 'Login' top right (Don't have an account? Green 'Sign up' top right) > Choose a charity to support, type 'Lucy's UK Donkey Foundation' > click 'support us' > Name/email/create password.

Once you've signed up, you can browse the website for the store you want to shop with. Click 'shop & raise' to go to their website, then continue to shop as normal.

Every time before you shop online, please check if they are one of the 4000 businesses on Give as you live Online and help raise more funds for the sanctuary. Thank you.

Payment & Contact

Lloyds Bank

Acc Name: Lucy's UK Donkey Foundation

Acc Number: 25432768 Sort Code: 30-96-83

PayPal

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Monthly payments can be made through either PayPal or the Bank

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