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Dear Friends

I hope you are all keeping well. We are now in Autumn, dark mornings and early evenings which, probably like most dog owners, I hate. The summer wasn't too bad and so far we have not had too much rain in the last three months, no doubt it will come.

Since our last newsletter we held a jumble in September and as usual people queued out the gate. We had so much stuff I had to turn it away which I don't like doing. It went very well with lots of our regulars getting there at 8am and we don't open till 10am, they are keen! A big thank you to our helpers and cake makers. Next Jumble 7th December Blackmore Village Hall, Blackmore.

I hope you have had a chance to view our website and if you have had a rescue from Wallace Kennels, maybe you would like to add a story on our real life rescue' page or have your story featured in this newsletter. Please email our secretary Julia, at FOWKsecretary@btinternet.com with your rescue tale and she will get it up on the webpage, it would be lovely to hear from you.

KENNEL YAP

At the moment there are 16 dogs in kennels, quite a few larger dogs, you can see them all on the Wallace Kennels website and Facebook pages but we thought we would feature some of their stories in each newsletter for members that are not online, you can find these below.

If you, or anyone you know, are seriously looking for a dog then please consider a rescue from Wallace Kennels.

Dog walking

The kennels are always looking for dog walkers so if you are interested please call Suzanne on 07788 528324, she will be happy to discuss days and times. Thank you.

EVENTS

Next Jumble - Saturday 7th December - Jumble Sale
10am to 12 noon at Blackmore Village Hall

I have booked five jumbles for next year as follows:

Doddinghurst village hall:
8th March, 24th May, 2nd August, 18th October **2025**

Blackmore village hall:
6th December (to be confirmed)
Times as usual 10am till 12noon.



Jumble donations

Please contact me regarding Jumble donations (07860 288643) and don't forget we are always on the look out for jewellery - even odd earrings or broken bits - as it all helps to raise money; also watches, perfumes and toiletries. Thank you.

Afternoon Tea – save the date!

We will be hosting an afternoon tea, at Blackmore Village Hall on Sunday 6th April as a special fundraiser. Put the date in your diary now and look out for more details soon.

MEMBERSHIP

Thank you to everyone who has renewed membership. This is much appreciated as it enables us to carry on helping the dogs that come to Wallace Kennels. I am just enclosing another membership form for those who may have lost it or in case it slipped your minds, we hope you will continue to support us.

We also appreciate those of you who took the time to complete the members questionnaire. The information gathered has enabled us to make a few changes, for example, some of you will now be receiving this newsletter electronically by email, which enables us to save money on printing and postage. We have also featured stories in this newsletter about the dogs helped by the kennels after many of you told us you would like to read more about this, and one of our members has kindly allowed us to share their story of a successful rescue – we hope you enjoy reading these.

PAYMENTS

We now have the facility to accept payments by credit card for members who would like this option. We have chosen a secure payment gateway called Stripe and do not collect or have access to card information.

GIVE AS YOU LIVE



Did you know you can help us raise funds when you shop online? Simply register with Give as You Live at www.giveasyoulive.com and everytime you shop online a donation will be made to Friends of Wallace Kennels.

If you are viewing this email electronically you can click this link to join and another £5 will be donated. [Join Julia to generate free donations for charity! | Give as you Live Online](#)

Thank you all for your continued support.

All the best

Teresa

FOWK Chairperson

More Kennel Yap



Tina - looking for her 'fur'ever home.

A female German Shepherd, she is 5 years old, spayed, flead and wormed. She had some growths on her back which were thoroughly investigated by our vets with biopsies taken. These are benign and no further treatment is needed. She is super human friendly, but needs to be the only pet in the home as she can be dog reactive, especially in the kennel environment. Tina is a strong dog but walks nicely on the lead and loves to play with a ball. If you like the sound of Tina please arrange to come and meet her.



Connie - a success story.

Connie a Yorkie X was found in a dreadful condition, as a stray, in Brentwood. Sadly no owner came forward to claim her. She is aged between 12-16 years and has limited sight.

When she arrived she had severe dental issues, fleas and was almost completely bald, with severely sore and itchy skin. It's likely she has been used as a breeding bitch and then abandoned.

However, after routine bloods at our vets, any serious health concerns were ruled out and rehabilitation treatment commenced which included; medicated baths, eye drops, steroids, dental work requiring anaesthesia, nail clipping etc.

Connie began to thrive, her fur started to grow back and she went to her 'fur'ever foster home where she will receive all the love and care she deserves.

This success story is due to the care and dedication of Wallace kennels staff and their vets. Also the generous donations given by the public who donate to FOWK, the charity who supports the kennels.

A wonderful success story.

A busy few months

The brilliant team at the veterinary clinic are always busy ensuring the intake of dogs are health checked and ready for rehoming. In the last three months alone, and all thanks to your support, they have:

- neutered/spayed 28 dogs
- vaccinated 27 dogs
- carried out various additional procedures to improve well-being, such as dental work and surgery to alleviate respiratory problems.



It's your support, through membership and fundraising that helps us to meet these cost.

Real Life Rescues



Candy's story by Eve Townsend

On holiday in Cornwall on one of the main highways near Liskeard all traffic started to slow down and two Jack Russells were running in and out of the traffic, they were very scared. I jumped out of the car and threw some dog treats on the floor as they ran towards me (I didn't have a dog but always carried treats as our friends, who live in Cornwall, have dogs). Thankfully, they took the bait and I was able to catch one as a man caught the other one. He explained they had phoned the police to report the incident so off to the police station we went with the two dogs. The police asked us if we would mind waiting with the dogs in the car until the dog warden came. By this time the dogs had calmed and stopped shaking after a bit of fuss and some more treats. When the warden arrived he thought they would be mother and daughter, neither had a collar or were chipped. I said to the warden if they have been dumped I would like to give them a forever home but fortunately when we phoned a couple of days later they had been claimed.

Our friend Amy was on holiday in Cornwall a couple of weeks later and our friends told her about us rescuing these two dogs, she must have told Teresa (chairperson) about us and given her my brother's number, as he got a phone call from Teresa saying our friends in Cornwall had told her we were looking for a dog. She explained about Wallace Kennels and that a dog had come in looking for a home, would we like to join the dog walk on Sunday to come and have a look? Well, I love dogs but wasn't sure about getting one as I didn't want the end bit, didn't want the hurt after losing my partner some 14 years before. However the idea played on my mind and I had bought books on care training and ailments just to be prepared!

So off we went on the 30th of September to have a look at this dog, she was just 11 weeks old, I took one look said I would give her a forever home. She had to go to the vets on Monday and if all was well I could take her home on 3rd of October. So that's how Candy, as

I named her, came into my life to her forever home for me to love and take care of



Hi, my name is Candy and I am 12 years and 3 months old now. This is my rescue story from the lovely Wallace Kennels.

I was born on the 12th July 2012 from a not very nice puppy farm.

Thankfully, the council closed it down and I was taken to Wallace

Kennels rescue. I was very scared as I didn't know where I was going but

a lovely lady, who owns the Kennels gave me a nice bath and got rid of all the fleas. She said I was filthy and stank but I felt much better and she gave me a nice warm bed and some food. I have to stay here for a bit to see if I have parvo virus, as my siblings didn't make it.

The lovely lady, kept coming in to see me often, then after a couple of days the door opened and a lady and man came to see me. I was a little scared but the lady picked me up and gave me a cuddle, which I liked very much. They said they would give me a forever home but

I had to see the vet to make sure I was healthy and to have vaccinations. A couple of days later they came back - it was my gotcha day! I was a little bit scared and I was shaking a little bit as I didn't know where I was going but I needn't have worried as I soon realised I was going to be ok! 🐾 To be cont'd....