



2022 Newsletter

After 2 years of uncertainty, we finally got back to some semblance of normality in 2021. Our Greek vet Nefeli Damigou worked 24 days at the PAWS municipal clinic and two UK vet teams made it to Paxos.

Janet Brenton & Gabby Charlton in September and Mike Houlihan & Mandy Cooper in October along with vet nurses Jenny and Amy.



Mike and Mandy with vet nurse Amy at Ostries

The Figures

Stray animals neutered and/or treated at the PAWS

Municipal Vet Clinic

276 Cat spays

129 Cat castrations

9 euthanasia

42 other treatments

5 other animals & birds

Total 461 animals

78 Stray animals neutered and/or treated as
emergencies at the Paxos Vet clinic by our Greek
municipal vet Nefeli Damigou and funded by Paxos
Municipality

Cats treated 71 (including 2 spays & 16 euthanasias)

Dogs treated 7 (including 1 spay & 1 castration)

PAWS Neutering Voucher Scheme

Domestic Cats spayed 30

Domestic Cats castrated 27

Domestic Dogs spayed 10 (total: 67)

Total number of Animals treated for 2021 = 606

A few stories for you now ...

In November 2021 a lady found 4 tiny kittens tied up in a plastic bag and dumped in a bin on the road to Mongonissi. She took them to Nefeli Damigou's clinic where they were checked out and then PAWS were contacted to help find a foster home for them.



The 4 kittens a few days after they were rescued

Whilst this was being arranged, a lady visiting the clinic offered to adopt one of them, so the 3 remaining kittens were transferred to the PAWS clinic in Magazia. Here they were taken care of every day by one of our dedicated volunteers and began to thrive.



Mini, Caddles and Indy; Nowadays Mini is called Lea and enjoys her new family's attention. The other two are still looking for their forever home ...see picture below.

One morning in December one kitten disappeared. After days of searching, we gave up and continued to care for the remaining two for the next 5 weeks. A few days after that, the male kitten faced a serious medical condition and was urgently operated by Nefeli Damigou. The operation was a success and the kitten recovered quickly. Soon after when working at the PAWS clinic, a young man stopped volunteer Faye who had been caring for the kittens and asked how to arrange for his kitten to be neutered. He

explained that he had found the kitten in the small olivegrove between the clinic and his house a few weeks earlier!! You can imagine the joy when Faye recognized the lost kitten, Mini!!

It seems Mini had climbed one of the trees close to the wall and then made her way down the other side and into the olive grove but could not return inside the garden.

She had managed to get herself adopted by a lovely family on her own!



Cooper

Cooper, a male English setter was taken to one of the private vets by a local hunter as the dog suffered from dysplasia on both his hips.

Thanks to the dedicated care of his foster family, Di and Ian Mitchell, your generous donations which helped pay for his two hip surgeries and the medication and special supplements that followed, Cooper is now loving his new life in the UK.



Paxos Barn Owls

A nest of barn owls was found at the attic of an old house in Gaios in May. While owners were ready to destroy the nest, a young Paxiot managed to rescue them in a box and bring them to Paws.

Paws vet with the help of local volunteers sent them to Anima Wild Life Preservation Society in Athens who nurtured and raised them until they became of age to be released. Let's hope they will return to Paxos as beautiful adult barn owls; they are great allies to farmers as they eat mice and rats in large numbers!

Visit their website: <https://www.wild-anima.gr/> They deserve all our support!



More News:

Cat's head caught in tin can

A female cat was saved by Mike and Mandy in October when heard struggling to survive inside a bin with her head caught in an empty tin. She was rescued and spayed. Since then, she has learnt to stay away from rubbish bins!

Please remember to press empty tins before throwing them in the recycle bins.



New cat feeding tubes to be installed around Paxos and AntiPaxos



Donations and Fund Raising

Mandy Cooper and her friends raised £200 making Christmas wreaths.

Jim Lemin raised a massive £1000 by running 10km a day for 12 days just before Christmas. Being 76 years old did not stop him.

Well done Jim!!

A donation of £200 was also given in memory of Christine Sams who sadly passed away at the end of 2021. Christine was a longtime supporter of PAWS.

PAWS Director Lindsay Geddes raised £4100 walking the 210-mile Sussex Hospice Trail.

In 2021 our collection boxes raised £1550 and once again we received generous grants from GCWS (£2000) and GAR (£3000)

A BIG thank you also...

- to all our volunteers for their daily commitment
- to all residents of Paxos who have been supporting animal welfare in any way
- to Panos and Katerina who provide very good prices for accommodation and hire cars for our vet teams; also, to Kamelia lines for providing free transportation to our vet teams
- to the private vets of Paxos
- to Mayor, Spyros Vlachopoulos, to Christos Vlachopoulos, deputy mayor and ex-chairman of the Stray Animals Committee and to Voula Apergi, deputy mayor and chairwoman of Welfare Municipal Company for their cooperative spirit.
- To all our supporters worldwide. Please find ways to support our projects financially by visiting our website page:
<https://www.pawspaxos.com/contact-us> (bank transfer, Paypal, Amazon Smile)

Plans for 2022

- We hope to welcome at least 2 or 3 vet teams
- We hope with the help of grants and donations to be able to support financially the PAWS municipal vet clinic and keep it open at least once a week all year round.
- We are trying to renew and extend our volunteers' network.
There can never be enough!
- We are working on a scheme of educational visits at local schools as soon as Covid-19 restrictions come to an end.
- Our Facebook page [Municipal Vet Clinic / PAWS | Facebook](#) is doing well and we will continue to post updates and photos on projects and actions throughout the year.
- We hope to have PAWS - Greece up and running soon...we will keep you posted.
- PAWS Voucher scheme for financial help with neutering domestic cats and dogs will also carry on throughout 2022.

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ΓΑΤΩΝ

40€ έκπτωση για στείρωση γάτος
20€ έκπτωση για στείρωση γάτου

Στεριώνοντας τα κατοικίδια μας τα προφυλάσσουμε από τραυματισμούς και ασθένειες, ενώ αποφεύγουμε ανεπιθύμητες γέννες.
Το μεγαλύτερο ποσοστό των αδέσποτων ζώων προκύπτει από ανεπιθύμητες γέννες οικόσιτων ζώων, επομένως με τη στείρωση των ζώων μας συμβάλλουμε έμμεσα και στην μείωση του υπερπληθυσμού τους.

Shterpëzoni macet tuaja shtëpiake me një çmim mjaft të mirë duke lënë një takim në Klinikën Veterinare Paxos ose në Qendrën Veterinare Paxos në numrat e mëposhtëm. Përfiton një zbritje prej 40 eurosh për shterpëzimin e një maceje dhe 20 euro për atë të një maceshku.
Shterpëzimi i kafshëve tona shtëpiake u mundëson atyre jetë më të gjatë e më të shëndetshme, dhe njëkohësisht luftojnë problemin e mbipopullimit të kafshëve të rugës.

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ΕΚΠΩΤΙΚΟ ΚΟΥΠΟΝΙ
ΑΞΙΑΣ 100 ΕΥΡΩ

Κλείστε ραντεβού στον κτηνίατρο της επιλογής σας εντός του Δήμου Παξών και προχωρήστε στην στείρωση του σκύλου σας χρησιμοποιώντας το εκπωτικό κουπόνι της φιλοζωικής οργάνωσης PAWS αξίας 80 ευρώ.

Τα δύο κτηνιατρεία των Παξών συμμετέχουν στο πρόγραμμα προσφέροντας έκπτωση 20 ευρώ.

Shterpëzoni qen tuaj kafshë shtëpiake me një zbritje prej 100 euro duke lënë një takim në Klinikën Veterinare Paxos ose Qendrën Veterinare Paxos në numrat e mëposhtëm.

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