



BEDLINGTON TERRIER RESCUE FOUNDATION

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CHARITY OF THE YEAR 2020

BTRF are pleased to announce that we have been chosen as one of Burns Pet Nutrition's 'Charities of the Year' for 2020. They will be funding our foster carers' training throughout the coming year. This is

very exciting for us as it means that our Foster Carers' Training Scheme, which has been over a year in the planning, will now be a reality and will enable us to help more Beddies and their crosses in need of behavioural / medical back up and support. Visit the Foster Carers' page on our website for details on the Scheme.

<http://www.bedlingtonrescue.co.uk/btrf-foster-carers-training-scheme/>

<https://tinyurl.com/sfbazgc>

PetPlan 'Animal Charity Team of the Year'

Some exciting news for BTRF!!!!

For the second year running, the BTRF Team has been nominated as the PetPlan "Animal Charity Team of the Year" for 2020. Please visit the PetPlan website and vote for us!

Closing Date 16 January.

<https://www.petplan.co.uk/about-petplan/charities/awards/>



Pledge a Christmas £1 Campaign



Our 'Pledge a Christmas £1' Campaign drew to a close at the end of December. The Campaign was predominantly launched to help raise funds for our four Twilight Foster Dogs - all in long term / forever foster care and all needing ongoing medical treatment.

'Billy' and his buddies, Blue and Raven, helped to promote the campaign for us with the Advent Calendar. Sadly, we lost 'Billy' part way through the campaign, but we decided to continue with the Advent Calendar in his memory.

We raised a total of **£1,720** from the Campaign and this will go towards supporting the ongoing medical needs for our oldies - 'Shandy', 'Princess' and 'Carrot'.

A huge thank you to all who donated and to those who also set up Regular Monthly Giving donations (this really helps us to plan our finances throughout the year).

Our thanks also go to 'On The Edg Photography' for donating the photo shoot for the campaign's Advent Calendar and for 'Billy's' amazing foster carers, Zoe and Paul Speake, who gave our lad an amazing year while in their care.

BTRF Calendar 2020

Our thanks to all of you who purchased a copy of the BTRF Calendar and we hope that you will enjoy looking at the lovely photos each month throughout the year!

The quality of all the submitted photos this year was amazing - you all did a great job and we are very proud of the finished product!

We raised an amazing **£1,979** on the sales this year!



WELCOME

Welcome to our new quarterly Newsletter!

Firstly, many thanks to our East Anglia coordinator, Julia, for putting this together for us.

This is another means of distributing news and information about our work in rehoming Bedlingtons and their crosses, so it really has an open remit. We will update you with forthcoming events and pass on information and updates on current cases. We hope you enjoy reading the newsletters.

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Fundraising Made Easy!

Easy Fundraising

Please help support Bedlington Terrier Rescue Foundation by shopping online. We have signed up with [easyfundraising](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/). Use [easyfundraising](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/) to shop with over 3,300 retailers including Amazon, Argos, John Lewis, ASOS, Booking.com, eBay, Boden and M&S. Every time you shop, you'll raise a free donation for BTRF, it's that easy! Find out more:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/btrf/>

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<https://smile.amazon.co.uk/gp/charity/>

2020 Bedlington Events

8 FEBRUARY

Foster Carers' Training Scheme - Huddersfield

22 FEBRUARY

MBTC Single Breed Open Show - Northants

7 JUNE

BTNE Gathering 2020 Bedlington

26 JULY

Mila's Funday 2020 Oxfordshire

18 OCTOBER

Discover Dogs 2020 ExCel London

TO BE CONFIRMED

Burns Dogs' Day Out

FOSTER CARERS NEEDED

We are looking to expand our team of foster carers to help more dogs. Foster caring involves temporarily looking after and caring for a dog in your own home. This role is perfect for people who have experience of owning a dog and want to help, without the permanent commitment of adoption. Fostering won't cost you a penny! We provide everything that your foster dog needs and will give you full support. We do ask all our foster carers to take part in our Foster Carers' Training Scheme. If you feel you would like to be part of this unique scheme to help prepare the rescue dogs that come into our care to make the transition to their new homes, please contact Trish Mahon.

www.bedlingtonrescue.co.uk/btrf-foster-carers-training-scheme/

trish.mahon@bedlingtonrescue.co.uk

LITTLE 'MO'

'Mo' came into foster care earlier this year. Like 'Shandy' she suffered with anxiety to the outside world, she also has allergies which we have needed to treat on a regular basis. Mo will be in long term foster while we help address her behavioural and medical care.



'FLOPSY'

'Flopsy' came to us in the summer with significant resource guarding issues. This meant that she was very protective of toys and anything she felt was very valuable to her and became very fearful if she thought these things were going to be taken from her.

She had bitten the family in her gifting home trying to protect these high resources so we needed to find a suitable foster home, prepared to work closely with the appointed behaviourist to help Flopsy overcome her issues.



It's been a rollercoaster ride at times but sticking to a behavioural training plan is particularly important in cases like this. She is in a very dedicated foster home and doing very well and her resource guarding has disappeared as she has learned how much fun and how rewarding sharing valuable things can be.

'CARROT'

Introducing 'Carrot', our new Twilight Foster Dog! He came into our care before Christmas and we are grateful to our new foster carers for opening their home to him. We will keep you updated on his progress once he has seen our vet for his full MOT in the New Year!



'QUINCY'

Occasionally we have dogs that come to us where they have been overwhelmed in a home environment and can't cope with a direct move to foster or a new home. In these cases we give them a little bit of time out in a specialist kennel facility and appoint a behaviourist to help with their rehabilitation to their new forever home. 'Quincy' is one such dog. We are working on rebuilding his confidence with the right routine, enrichment and behaviour support and he is already showing significant improvement and we are currently carrying out our usual checks for a possible home for him.

Just before Christmas we put out a call for help to donate lots of goodies for him to help us make his kennel room a cosy and comfortable place and to supply him with food and healthcare supplements while he is there. Our supporters were amazing in supplying all these goodies for him in just two hours of the post going up on our Facebook page! This meant he had a very happy Christmas!

He will need ongoing food and supplements so we have set up an AmazonSmile Wish List for him.

<https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/>

THANK YOU EVERYONE WHO CONTRIBUTED!



'SHANDY'

'Shandy' is our 13 year old Beddie x Whippet who came into our care in 2017.

He was due to be put to sleep but fortunately another breed rescue stepped in and then contacted us for our help. We immediately came to his aid and placed him in BTRF foster care. It quickly became apparent that he had medical issues in the form of seizures and significant anxiety to the outside world, which sadly appeared to be exacerbating his medical condition.

We immediately found him the medical treatment he needed and appointed a highly qualified behaviourist, Helen Greenley, to work with the foster carers to help him with his fear of the world outside the safety of his foster home.

Two years later he is still in foster care, where he will stay for his twilight years because of his medical needs. The behavioural care helped to address his anxieties and he now loves his walks with his house buddy, Chester, and enjoys life to the full!



'PRINCESS'

Princess is another of our Twilight Foster Dogs and has been with us for a couple of years now. She will stay in forever foster care as she is too old to rehome and requires expensive ongoing medical care - she has Cushings Disease and a serious heart condition that needs to be assessed on a regular basis. She is a very happy girl and has blossomed since being with her amazing foster carers and receiving the treatment she needs.



**COMING
SOON**

GOING, GOING, GONE ...



The next auction to raise much needed funds will be held in March.

Bidding starts at 9pm on Sunday 1st March and closes at 9pm on Sunday 15th March.

Listings can begin from Monday 17th February.

Look out for the new page on the website for our Foster Dogs. A 'Donate' button will give supporters the opportunity to donate specifically towards the ongoing care of all our foster dogs - either medically or with behavioural support.

DONATE

It is with great sadness that we tell you that the honorary member of our team, Ken Bounden, passed away peacefully on 6th January.

Ken judged Bedlingtons all over the world and was respected internationally as an expert on the breed. He has been an amazing support to BTRF over the years.

Ken will be sadly missed by his friends worldwide.



THANK YOU TO

... Our loyal supporters and Beddie FB Groups, our appointed behaviourists, our growing team of foster carers, our Director and Trustees for their support, our amazing BTRF team of volunteer coordinators who help find homes for our dogs and represent BTRF on the front line, and our suppliers who offer us products and services.

... Our adopters who have opened their homes to our dogs and worked with us to give them their second chance!

... To everyone who supported our auctions over the years.

... **AND** to all our supporters who donate regularly throughout the year

Pet Sniffle Mats East Midlands for donating Pet Sniffle Mats

On The Edg Photography for kindly donating photo shoots for us to use in our publicity to help raise funds for our dogs in need

Lottie long legs cards for donating auction items

Proprint for doing a great job on the calendar and giving BTRF discounts on printing services

CAN WE COUNT ON YOUR REGULAR SUPPORT?

We are entirely dependant on donations and fundraising to help rescue and rehome Bedlington Terriers and their crosses throughout the UK.

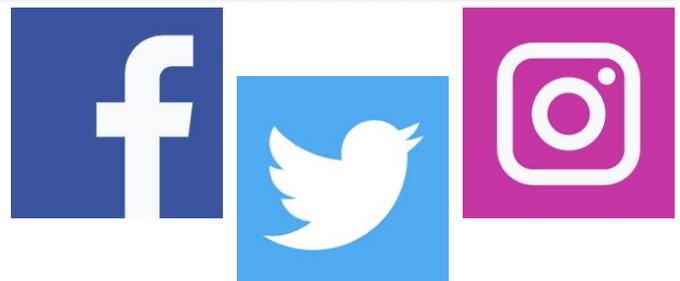
IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO DONATE HERE'S HOW!

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- ⇒ Regular Giving
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- ⇒ Send us a cheque
- ⇒ BTRF Beddie Boxes
- ⇒ Easyfundraising
- ⇒ Amazon Smile

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