

Creature Features

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Imaging team members with the new ultrasound machine (l to r) Jonny Hughes (Senior Clinical Training Scholar in Diagnostic Imaging), Mike Herrtage (Professor in Small Animal Medicine), Marie Aude Genain (Clinical Radiologist), Chiara Briola (Senior Clinical Training Scholar in Diagnostic Imaging) and Vicky O'Mahony (Head Radiographer)

Ultrasound Appeal

In our last edition of Creature Features we announced the launch of a £70,000 fundraising appeal to purchase a new ultrasound machine for our Small Animal Hospital. Just 12 months later, and thanks to the amazing generosity of our supporters, we have reached our fundraising goal. This is an astounding achievement and our thanks go to each and every one of you who so generously supported the appeal.

The new ultrasound machine will allow us to continue to provide first class diagnostic services to the thousands of cats and dogs who are referred to The Queen's Veterinary School, University of Cambridge, each year for treatment.

Prof Mike Herrtage, Dean of Cambridge Veterinary School and Head of Imaging, said 'The new Philips ultrasound machine is a fantastic addition to our Imaging Department. The system's exquisite image detail and quality, along with its very comprehensive and versatile software package which allows live

comparison of previously acquired images with the current examination, has opened up new avenues for non-invasive investigation of all body systems, including the heart.

This increased diagnostic capability and procedural precision will greatly enhance the health and welfare of our patients. Thank you to everyone who donated so generously to this appeal.'

You can read all about our new £170,000 fundraising appeal to fund Small Animal Minimally Invasive Surgery on page 4

IMPORTANT INFORMATION THAT CONCERNS YOU!

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We hold information on our supporters, Friends and alumni in order to keep you in touch with developments at Cambridge Veterinary School and to let you know about our events, fundraising appeals and successes. We never pass your information on to third parties.

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University of Cambridge Veterinary School Trust, Madingley Road, Cambridge CB3 0ES.

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Editor's Message

Apologies for the late publication of this edition of Creature Features, but we didn't want to miss the opportunity to photograph our Imaging Team with their new ultrasound machine which you generously helped to fund! The machine arrived in November and is already making a huge difference to the Hospital. Thank you. We really couldn't have done it without your help.

You can read all about our exciting new £170,000 fundraising appeal to fund a Small Animal Minimally Invasive Surgery on page 4. Minimally invasive surgery is an important and growing field of surgery that relies on modern, technologically advanced equipment and skills. By updating our facilities and equipment we will not only be able to continue to work at the forefront of this speciality, but to also develop pioneering new surgical techniques. I hope that we can count on your support.

In May 2018 new rules come into effect governing data protection legislation. Please take a moment to read the article on page 1 and, if you have any questions or would like any further information on the new rules and how they affect you, please get in touch.

Thank you for your on-going support and from all of us a Cambridge Veterinary School we wish you a happy and healthy 2018.

With very best wishes



Liz Smith
Fundraising Executive and
Newsletter Editor

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Big Al before surgery



Healed fracture

A break from the norm

In April 2017 a rather unusual patient was admitted to The Queen's Veterinary School Hospital for emergency surgery. Big Al, a five-week-old emu chick, was brought into the Hospital by owners Frankie and Catherine Dettori with a fracture to his left leg. The cause of the fracture was unknown and the surgical team had a number of challenges ahead of them to try and fix the break.

Richard Whitelock, Director of Small Animal Surgery, explained 'Big Al had a break in the middle of the metatarsal bone. The bone had been supported with a splint by the referring vet and so he was comfortable, but his foot had become very swollen. The quality of the bone that had broken did not look healthy on x-ray and I felt that we needed to operate to stabilise the bone in a way that would allow Big Al to walk on his leg. This would help both the foot swelling and allow more normal loading of the bone.'

Big Al, of course, had to be anaesthetised before his operation and this presented challenges in itself. Matt McMillan, Principal Anaesthetist, said 'The first problem when anaesthetising an emu is handling. You want to minimise stress and make sure the emu doesn't damage itself or you. Their long neck makes this especially difficult. Fortunately Big Al was not as large as his name suggests and was very used to gentle handling. As injecting birds can be stressful we put a sedative up Big Al's nostrils which meant he was relaxed enough to anaesthetised safely.'

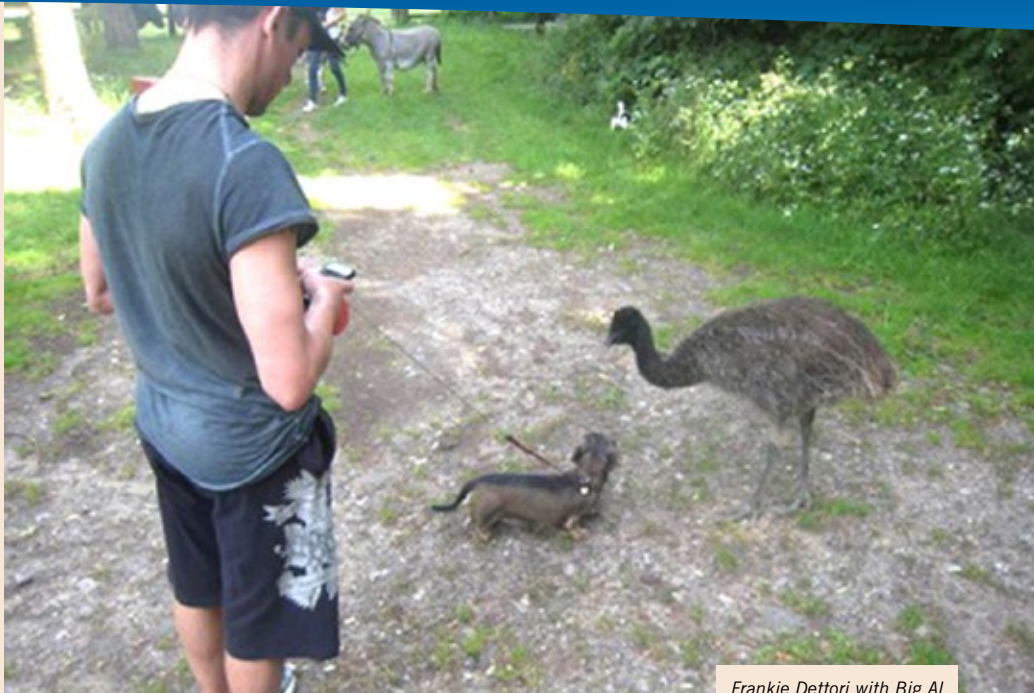
'Birds have very different lungs to mammals; they are much more efficient which means they can be anaesthetised with inhaled drugs quicker and more easily than mammals, for which we generally use intravenous drugs. Anaesthesia was therefore induced with gas via a mask. A tube was put into Big Al's windpipe, which starts at the base of an emu's tongue. After this his lungs were gently ventilated using a special ventilator called a mechanical thumb, as all birds can struggle when breathing under anaesthesia.'

'For pain relief we performed a nerve block using a special nerve locator. We also gave a drug called meloxicam which is much like ibuprofen. We monitored Big Al very closely using a small portable pulse oximeter and capnograph and a portable blood pressure monitor, all funded through kind donations to Camvet.'

Once Matt and his colleagues were happy Big Al was taken to the small animal operating suite where Richard and his team were waiting to begin the surgery. Talking about the operation Richard said 'There is very little



With Matthew Allen in the Gait Lab



Frankie Dettori with Big Al

soft tissue covering the metatarsal bone and no loose skin, so placing a bone plate was not a good option. We decided therefore to apply an external fixator on the bone. This involves placing two pins through the skin and into the bone on each side of the break, and then connecting these together to create a frame. This is a minimally invasive technique that avoids the need for a surgical incision and the problems with healing that might otherwise be seen such as infection, poor skin healing, contamination with dirt/bedding/faeces or removal of the stitches by pecking. Another consideration was that we were dealing with a rapidly growing bird and we did not want to risk interfering with bone growth. Bones grow from each end (just below the joints) from specialised zones called “growth plates”. We needed to make sure that the pins were placed in the middle section of the bone, avoiding these growth centres.’

‘The surgery took around twenty minutes and went without any hiccups. It was necessary to make sure that the frame was strong and protected with a bandage so that an inquisitive creature like a young emu wouldn’t try to remove it with his strong beak! A change of diet was made, to make sure that Big Al was receiving a balanced diet, to a specialised ratite diet. Rapid healing was expected, and arrangements were made to see Big Al back again three weeks later. He was rested in a pen and allowed to spend supervised time with his sibling.’

Given the complexity and delicacy of the procedure the outcome was uncertain. However, three weeks after surgery, and

having doubled in size from when he was operated on, Big Al returned for his check-up and to have the fixator removed.

Richard was delighted with his progress and said ‘I was amazed at how much Big Al had grown in three weeks. The fixator on his leg now looked tiny! He was walking normally and the swelling of his foot had completely gone down. He seemed very comfortable and happy. X-rays showed that the bone had healed and the quality of his bone now looked normal. The frame was removed by taking off the connecting bar and then unscrewing the pins from the bone which was a ten minute procedure.’

Richard continued ‘The speed of bone healing (and growth) in young animals is really impressive. Within three weeks Big Al’s bone had completely healed and had grown by 6cms. After two weeks of supervised access to a small yard, Big Al can return to living a normal life with no limp, no discomfort and no long term issues.’

Veterinary School Collaboration

After his operation and following removal of the fixator, Big Al was seen by staff in our recently established Surgical Discovery Centre (SDC). The SDC is a pioneering hub for developing new surgical techniques within the Department of Veterinary Medicine, University of Cambridge, and then spinning out these ideas to colleagues in both small animal and human surgery.

The SDC has a recently installed a Tekscan low profile animal walkway system which

allows the team to measure and record data for every footfall. The team look at the gait cycle to see how the legs work together, for instance is one bearing more weight than the other or is there more rotation than should be expected? Any changes in gait result in changes in pressure which can be analysed by the Tekscan system.

Improving understanding and advancing surgical success through technical development is a key driver for Matthew Allen, Professor in Small Animal Surgery, and his team in the SDC. Amy Stelman, Research Nurse in Small Animal Surgery, said ‘It’s the first time we’ve used our Tekscan for an emu, in fact any bird, and what a well behaved patient he was! Although we had been unable to take readings before his operation, the exercise has expanded our understanding and we will have something to compare if Big Al comes in for another re-check.’

Champion jockey Frankie Dettori has been a generous benefactor of Cambridge Veterinary School and the Trust over the years, donating items for auction and even giving a talk along with other members of the horseracing industry at an evening fundraising event. We are therefore delighted that we have been able to help Big Al with facilities and equipment that Frankie’s support has helped to provide.

Small Animal Minimally Invasive Surgical Suite

Exciting new £170,000 appeal to fund a Small Animal Minimally Invasive Surgical Suite

Minimally invasive surgery is an important and growing field of surgery that relies on modern, technologically advanced equipment and skills.



Surgeons carrying out minimally invasive soft tissue procedures in theatre

Here at The Queen's Veterinary School, University of Cambridge, we already perform:

- **Endoscopic assisted thoracic and abdominal surgery**
- **Endoscopic assisted laser surgery (for example brachycephalic airway surgery)**
- **Endoscopic assisted joint surgery (arthroscopy)**
- **Fluoroscopically assisted surgery (for fracture repair)**

However, the equipment and facilities that we currently use are outdated and do not allow us to work to the standards that should be synonymous with a prestigious Hospital such as ours. By updating our facilities and equipment we will not only be able to continue to work at the forefront of this speciality, but to also develop pioneering new surgical techniques.

Endoscopic procedures are currently performed in four different rooms, by three different specialities (soft tissue surgery, orthopaedic surgeons and medicine physicians), often with shared equipment that needs to be moved between the rooms. This leads to inefficiencies and scheduling

challenges. Upgrading and modernising our existing small animal theatres to create a dedicated Small Animal Minimally Invasive Operating Suite will result in improved processing of our cases, an improved standard of care, and opportunities to develop new and exciting treatments for our patients. We will be able to take advantage of advances in camera technology, make use of different light source wavelengths and benefit from the modern image display and recording options that modern equipment now provides.

By creating a dedicated modern theatre suite and providing new equipment for that area, any future additions to the equipment can be fundraised for separately.

So what does Phase 1 involve?

The first phase requires renovation of one of our existing theatres. The use of laser requires very strict health and safety regulations and the entrance to the new theatre will need to be altered to make sure that no light can escape and that no one can enter the room while the laser is in use. Although the room will be equipped and designed for minimally invasive surgery, it is sometimes necessary to combine this with an open surgery. New operating lights and a new operating table will therefore be required. There will be a built-in camera in the lights so that the surgery can be watched on

a screen by our students in order to facilitate teaching and to maximise their learning experience. Two new endoscopic "towers" will be required and we are actively looking at purchasing a brand new Storz auto fluorescence HD Camera System and an Arthrex Synergy HD arthroscopy tower. Updating of some of the existing equipment in the minor procedures room will be required to make sure that we can continue to perform endoscopy on non-surgical cases outside of the theatre.

So what will Phase 1 cost?

We anticipate that Phase 1 will cost £170,000.

Our fundraising has already got off to a flying start with an incredibly generous £8,000 donation in December 2017 from the Solent District Dog Training Club and Display Team.

So how can you help?

Send your cheque donation (made payable to Camvet) to the Trust Office (address on page 12), or you can donate using your credit or debit card on our Appeal webpage at <https://campaign.justgiving.com/charity/ucvst/samis/>. Alternatively complete and return the Banker's Order Form on page 12. The Form can be used for one off gifts, or multiple donations.

Your help will greatly benefit our small animal patients for many years to come.

If you would like further information please contact Liz or Katy in the Trust Office on 01223 337630.

Donor recognition

Throughout the history of CAMVET gifts from generous benefactors have been vital to Cambridge Veterinary School's development.

We welcome the chance to acknowledge the generosity of our supporters and we would be pleased to discuss recognition opportunities with you individually.

Donor recognition will be subject to donor wishes as to confidentiality and donors requesting anonymity shall, of course have their wishes respected.



SOLENT DISTRICT DOG TRAINING CLUB

On 9th December 2016 Liz and Katy from the Trust Office travelled to Titchfield Community Centre, Hampshire, to join members of the Solent District Dog Training Club and Display Team at their Christmas party.

During 2016 the Team and Club's fundraising efforts have once again been amazing and resulted in a magnificent cheque for £6,000 being presented to Liz and Katy at the party. Other fundraising initiatives and donations from individual Team and Club members have now seen that total rise to £7,200.

This is a truly remarkable achievement and was an amazing addition to our Ultrasound Appeal. Thank you to everyone who made this gift possible and who, as always, made us so welcome on the night.

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So visit our website at <http://camvet.vet.cam.ac.uk/> today and begin raising money for Camvet while enjoying some retail therapy for yourself!

Baron Soulsby of Swaffham Prior (23rd June 1926 – 8th May 2017)

It was with sadness that we learnt of the death of Professor Lawson Soulsby. Lord Soulsby was Professor of Animal Pathology and Dean of Cambridge Veterinary School from 1978 to 1993 and a Fellow of Wolfson College, Cambridge. A great supporter of Camvet, Lord Soulsby remained a valued Patron of the Trust until his death, aged 90, on 8th May 2017.

An internationally renowned microbiologist and parasitologist, Lord Soulsby had a truly exceptional career, unique in its achievements and one dedicated to bringing together the worlds of medical and veterinary science. This was perfectly demonstrated by the fact he was both president of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons (RCVS) from 1984 – 1985 and the Royal Society of Medicine (RSM) from 1998 – 2000, the first veterinary surgeon to be elected to that position, and the only individual to have held both positions. Lord Soulsby was also a founding fellow of the Academy of Medical Sciences.

In 1990 Lord Soulsby became the first member of the veterinary profession to sit in the House of Lords and remained an active member of the House until his retirement in 2015. He was the President of the Parliamentary and Scientific Committee and the President of the Royal Institute of Public Health until 2008, when it merged with the Royal Society of Health to become the Royal Society for Public Health (RSPH). He served the new body as President until the end of 2009 and was an Honorary Fellow of the RSPH.

During his lifetime, Lord Soulsby was the recipient of many honorary degrees and prizes, including honorary fellowship of the RCVS and The Queen's Medal, the highest award the RCVS can bestow on a veterinary surgeon.

Professor James Wood, Head of Department of Veterinary Medicine, University of Cambridge said 'Lawson provided huge personal support to me, when he was chair of the Horserace Betting Levy Board, early in my research career. He made a massive contribution to Cambridge Veterinary School, as well as to the broader profession. He leaves a massive legacy to many individuals, both in Cambridge and further afield.'

2017 Virgin Money London Marathon

On Sunday 23rd April 2017 three brave runners took on the challenge of running the Virgin Money London Marathon to raise money for Camvet. Mike Frill (4th year veterinary student), Sallie Cheung (Camvet supporter) and Max Stammnitz (PhD candidate, Dept of Veterinary Medicine) all completed the race with very respectable times.

Mike Frill (5hrs 6mins 55secs)

'I enjoyed it so much, it's an amazing event and the atmosphere is something I'll never forget. Thank you again for the opportunity, I've had so much fun training, fundraising and at the event. I even stumbled to lectures on time the next morning! When I finished I went to a party with some of my friends that live in London and everyone chipped in to meet my target, so was over the moon!'

Sallie Cheung (4hrs 53mins 35secs)

'I saw a saying once that I try to live by... "Life begins at the end of your comfort zone" and running 26.2 miles at my grand old age definitely falls not that category! However I would encourage anyone with the slightest inkling to run to do the London Marathon. The crowds really do help to ease the pain and even raising the sponsorship money was fun. I finished in 4hrs 53mins. A personal best by 22 minutes. Thank you for letting me have a place.'

Max Stammnitz (3hrs 20mins 3secs)

'London 2017, my first Marathon, was an absolutely overwhelming life experience. Witnessing the thousands of spectators alongside the course, who cheer you up and keep on pushing each runner from the first to the very last metres of the course, was truly amazing. On the final mile it felt like gliding numbly through an ocean of moving colours, and there is no easy way to describe how emotionally rewarding it is to cross the finishing line. I would like to express my sincerest gratitude to Camvet for providing me with this unique opportunity, and genuinely hope that my fundraising efforts

have at least modestly contributed towards the Ultrasound Appeal.'

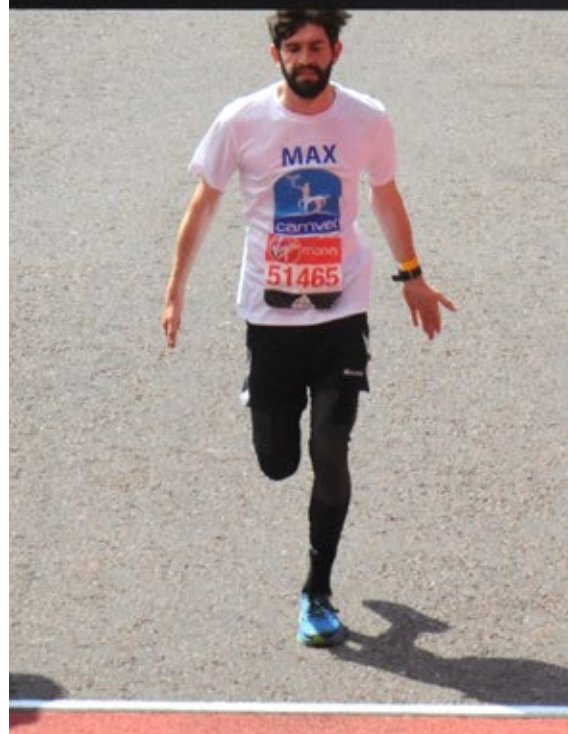
So far Mike, Sallie and Max have raised over £2,500 for our Ultrasound Appeal which is a fantastic achievement. Our thanks go to our runners and their sponsors for their generous support.

The 2018 Virgin Money London Marathon is taking place on Sunday 22nd April. We have filled all of our places, but if you would like to be considered of one of our 2019 places, contact us on **01223 337630**.

Alternatively, if you are luckily enough to be allocated one of the Marathon ballot places for next year and would like to run on our behalf please contact the Trust Office on the above number and we can supply you with sponsorship forms, publicity material and running tops to help you persuade your sponsors!



Mike Frill



Max Stammnitz
(right)



Sallie Cheung

HORSE RUGS NEEDED!

It's the time of year when the winter rugs we use for our 10 teaching horses that live here at Cambridge Vet School are tested to the extreme! Our current rugs have served us well, but I'm not sure our stable rugs will make it through another winter! So I would like to put out a plea for any old stable rugs that you might have spare to be donated to help keep our horses warm.

Our horses rug sizes range from 6" to 6"6 and we have 2 ponies that are 5" and 5"3.

Any donations will be very welcome!

Thank you from Sam Stevens, Merton Hall Farm Technician, and our teaching horses Ash, Mila, Charis, Beach Ball, Rosita, Beau, Guasuncha, Damsel Fly, Pinky and Mylo.

If you have any rugs that you would like to donate please contact the Trust Office on 01223 337630.

Rotary Club of Cambridge South Charity Car Parking

On Sunday 11th December 2016 and Saturday 2nd December 2017 Liz and Katy from the Trust Office joined members of the Rotary Club of Cambridge South at the University's Downing Site, for two of the charity car parking days that the Club holds in central Cambridge during the festive season. With thanks to the University of Cambridge three sites are used: the Downing Site, Tennis Court Road; the Department of Assessment, Park Terrace; and the Department of Chemistry, Lensfield Road.

The event is held during December and at the beginning of January and is a hugely successful fundraising event. The 2016/2017 event raised a fantastic £41,000 in total for a number of local, national and international charities. Our thanks go to the Rotary Club members, the volunteers who gave up their time to help at the events, the University of Cambridge and, of course, the members of the public who used the car parks and raised a staggering amount of money for worthy causes. The Trust was the recipient of a marvellous cheque for £3,500 which was put towards our Ultrasound Appeal.

Club President Duncan Hanny-Robertson said 'You might think that standing around in

freezing cold and draughty car parks would be a chore, but every year the entire Club works together and really enjoys the team effort. One hundred percent of every pound we raise through car parking goes to needy causes, and we're looking forward to improving on the total money we raised last year.'

On Monday 24th April 2017 we were delighted to welcome 40 members of the Club for a tour of the Veterinary School so that they could see for themselves how their support over the years has benefited us. We would like to thank the Rotarians for visiting and to thank our colleagues who gave up their time that evening to meet our guests and tell them about the work of the School.

CAMVET QUIZ NIGHT AND AUCTION

On Wednesday 22nd February 2017 Cambridge University's Wilberforce Road Sports Ground hosted the sixth annual Camvet Quiz Night and Auction. Fifteen teams from all areas of the Department of Veterinary Medicine alighted on the Sports Pavilion to battle it out to be crowned Camvet Quiz Cup Winners.

Following a three year dominance by the Surgery Team, the departure from the Vet School of Andrew 'Mastermind' Murdoch at the end of his Surgery Residency meant that the competition became a more even playing field and the final scores were incredibly close. The Oncology Team were the victors and are proudly displaying the magnificent Camvet Cup in the Cancer Therapy Unit.

Our thanks go to June Peacock, Small Animal Nurse, for hosting the quiz and coming up with some, quite frankly, brain-scrambling questions for our competitors.

Our capable auctioneer for the evening was Clinical Physician in Small Animal Medicine, Mark Reading, who entertained the audience as he parted them from their money. Our thanks go to everyone who bid on an item and to the individuals who donated the auction lots which were: a batch of cupcakes made by Lisa Jolley; a photogravure print 'Lulu' and a framed canvas print 'The Jump' donated by Veterinary School Artist in Residence John

Douglas Piper; an Improv/stand-up coaching session with the Cambridge Impronauts donated by Emma Plowright; a badminton coaching session donated by Helen Briggs; a German lesson donated by Max Stammnitz; a three tier cake made by Alex Berry and Issy Bolton; and a weekend stay at Nooky House, Cley-Next-The-Sea in Norfolk donated by Mark Reading.

The evening raised £1,000 which purchased an orthopaedic surgical kit for our Clinical Skills Centre so that our students can practice orthopaedic surgical techniques. Huge thanks go to everyone involved.



Pancake and Poppet

On 3rd March 2017 an anonymous phone call led RSPCA Inspectors to a Cambridgeshire field where they discovered two abandoned foals emaciated, weak and close to death.

RSPCA Inspector Richard Lythgoe said 'When I arrived, the little black pony was still on her feet but the piebald filly was collapsed in the wet mud. She was so weak she couldn't get up or support her own weight. Both foals were severely underweight, there was no grazing in the field and they had just been left to starve to death. Given their overall condition they would have likely died in the field within 24 – 48 hours.'

Suffering from chronic malnutrition, and problems that arise from months of neglect and inadequate food provision, the ponies were brought in to our Equine Hospital. Board certified equine internal medicine clinician Vikki Scott, said 'The eight-month-old piebald, who we named Pancake, was in a terrible state, unable to stand or support her own weight. She was dehydrated and anaemic with a very low blood protein due to heavy intestinal

parasitism. Her whole body was affected by this illness, and her heart was unable to beat in a normal regular rhythm.'

It was touch and go for a while. However, with intensive round the clock care, regular turning and lifting, deworming and feeding, Pancake has gradually grown in strength and has made great progress.

The six-month-old black filly, named Poppet by Equine Hospital staff, while also anaemic and in extremely poor condition due to parasites, was not as badly affected as Pancake. Vikki said 'With proper feeding and care Poppet has grown in strength and is beginning to come out of her shell and show off her true, cheeky personality in full.'

The two fillies are continuing their recovery and, with careful management, have successfully avoided refeeding syndrome and deworming complications - problems

that are often the reason why many of these cases don't survive despite being rescued. Even with their difficult starts in life Pancake and Poppet's stories will have happy endings as, having won over the hearts of the staff at Cambridge Equine Hospital, they have already found lifelong homes to go to once they are fit and healthy enough.

Richard concludes 'I am eternally grateful for the hard work and dedication that Vikki and her team showed in helping Pancake through an incredibly difficult recovery period. Pancake had a very poor prognosis and I worried that she was a hopeless case. It was only through the incredible work of the team at Cambridge University that Pancake survived and to see the change in her over such a short period has been amazing!'

BSAVA WOODROW AWARDED

Our congratulations go to Dr Penny Watson, who was recently awarded the BSAVA (British Small Animal Veterinary Association) Woodrow Award, which is presented to a member of the BSAVA for outstanding contributions in the field of small animal veterinary medicine.

The BSAVA Awards are designed to show appreciation to dedicated profession members who carry out pioneering research, develop new techniques and who are constantly raising the standards of veterinary science.

The award takes the form of BSAVA manuals, a cheque and a gift from the President in memory of C.E. Woodrow, a founder member of the Association and its first President.

ECVIM EXAMS

Congratulations also to Katie McCallum, Senior Clinical Training Scholar (Small Animal Medicine), Andre Kortum, Senior Clinical Training Scholar (Small Animal Medicine) and Antonio Giuliano, Senior Clinical Training Scholar (Oncology), who passed the ECVIM general examination (European specialist small animal medicine exams).

Channel 4 crew film segment at Cambridge Veterinary School for Crufts 2017

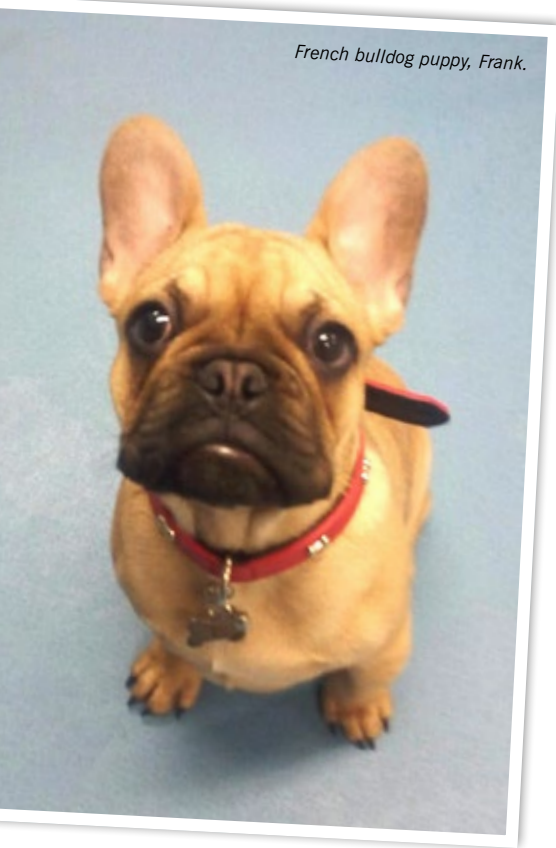
Our 2014 edition of Creature Features featured an article about the on-going work that Jane Ladlow, Senior Lecturer in Small Animal Surgery (soft tissue), Nai-Chieh Lui, Clinical Post-doc Research Associate, Lajos Kalmar, Research Associate and Dr David Sargen, Veterinary Geneticist and Senior Lecturer in Molecular Pathology, are undertaking to investigate respiratory function and genetic background in a number of breeds that have problems breathing due to the shape of the head and the length of the muzzle.

Nai-Chieh Lui and Frank





French bulldog puppy, Frank.



This syndrome is called Brachycephalic Obstructive Airway Syndrome (BOAS) and is particularly prevalent in breeds such as French Bulldogs, Bulldogs and Pugs.

In February 2017 the BOAS group was delighted to welcome the Channel 4 team that was covering Crufts to film a short segment on airway disease in the brachycephalic dogs. Iwan Thomas, Olympic medal winning sprinter and television presenter, brought his delightful young French bulldog puppy, Frank, who was star of the show.

If you would like a copy of the 2014 article and further information about the BOAS group's work, or to enquire about taking part in the studies, please contact the Trust Office on 01223 337630 or see the website <http://www.vet.cam.ac.uk/boas>.

Rotary Club of Cambridge South Charity Car Parking December 2018 and January 2019

Support local charities by using one of the three charity car parks in Cambridge during the run up to Christmas and for the January Sales. Sites operated at the Downing Site in Tennis Court Road, the Department of Chemistry on Lensfield Road and Cambridge Assessment Centre in Park Terrace. Sites open on Saturdays and Sundays in December and early January.

Virgin Money London Marathon Sunday 22nd April 2018

All of our places for the 2018 London Marathon have been taken. However, if you, or your family or friends, would like to be considered for a place in future years, or you have a place of your own and want to use it to raise funds for the Trust, contact the Trust Office on **01223 337630** for details. There is no registration fee, however we ask all those who are successful in receiving one of our charity places to commit to raising a minimum of £1,000 in sponsorship.

Global Adventure Challenges Year round

Have you ever dreamt of doing something amazing for your favourite charity? Have you ever wanted to push yourself and give something back for a cause close to your heart? Or do you just want to undertake one of the most amazing physical challenges of your life?

Global Adventure Challenges have been organising worldwide charity challenges since the year 2000. Their events, both in the UK and abroad, have helped raise well in excess of £15 million for a whole array of charities. Over the years, they have taken tens of thousands of people on exciting adventures all over the world, helping them realise their dreams and fulfil lifetime ambitions.

You can see the challenges they have on offer at <http://www.globaladventurechallenges.com> and by undertaking one of these exciting challenges for the Trust you can help raise valuable funds, while having the adventure of a lifetime.

For further information, or to discuss a particular challenge, please contact the Trust Office on 01223 337630.

Thank you!

While we like to thank each of you in writing for your generosity sometimes, if you only send a cheque or items for recycling in the post, it is difficult to trace you with just a name and postmark.

If you have donated to us and haven't received a thank you it isn't because we are not grateful, we are!

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We have recently partnered with savoo.co.uk on a new and exciting fundraising project which, purely by searching or shopping online, will raise money for Camvet.

Simply use Savoo Search as your default search engine (the same way you would your current search engine) and Savoo will donate 1p to us for every search. If you are looking to do some online shopping and want to get a great deal, Savoo has thousands of voucher codes for all your favourite shops and deals that will help you save money, and they will donate to Camvet at the same time.



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