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New Year's Edition 2020/21



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come true!*

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From HalfwayHouse 4 Paws



Happy New Year, dear friends and animal lovers!

We look back at five successful years of saving lives and as we welcome 2021 we are committed to make an even bigger impact in the lives of the homeless cats and dogs on Koh Lipe.

This New Year's Edition of Voice of Paws highlights three of the amazing dogs who are living permanently at our Animal Rescue Center because of disabilities or chronic diseases.

I invite you on a journey into their lives and to learn about their stories.

On behalf of Koh Lipe's homeless cats and dogs who's lives you've helped to save, **THANK YOU**, our donors, supporters, and volunteers for your help! **THANK YOU** for everything you did and continue to do to help us save the unwanted, abused and neglected animals on Koh Lipe.

As always, the number of strays we can save is directly tied to resources - funding and volunteers are our two most urgent ongoing needs.

We don't receive any government funding and we rely on donations to cover the costs of caring for each of these precious animals. Your financial support allows us to continue running our Animal Rescue Center as well as our feeding-, medical care- and spay/neuter programs for the strays.

Happy New Year to all of you and your loved ones!

Sincerely,

Desirée

Co-Founder & CEO



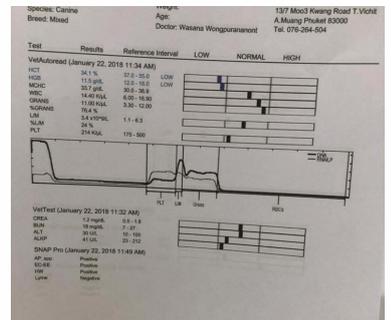
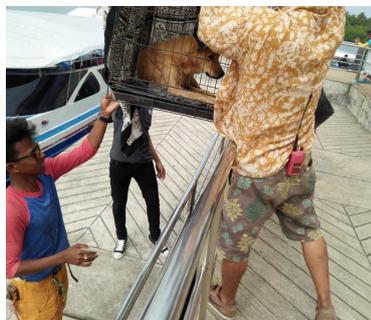


BABA

It was in January 2018 when we noticed that Baba wasn't doing well. He used to be a strong and vital boy but suddenly he started to loose weight rapidly and was deteriorating really fast. It was obvious that something was wrong and that he was in need for urgent medical attention.

Back then we didn't have our Animal Rescue Center or any other location that would allow us to provide intensive medical care to a dog in Baba's condition. This meant that we had to send all the severely ill animals to a clinic on the mainland where they would get the needed medical care. We had to act fast to save Baba's life so we immediately organized everything for his transport.

But when we returned to his location to pick him up he had disappeared. The clock was ticking, we knew that Baba would die if we weren't able find him. After a several days search we luckily got notice from a tourist who had spotted him.



Baba was still alive but his condition was critical.

Finally at the clinic he was diagnosed with E. Canis, Anaplasmosis (both tick born diseases) and heartworm disease. He was hospitalized for several months until his full recovery.

In the meantime we were dealing with increasing cases of animal cruelty in the area where Baba used to live to the point where one of the dogs got beaten to death with a wooden stick.

Needless to say that we couldn't return Baba to his former location.

Not having any place to stay for Baba on the Island we had to place him in a boarding facility on Phuket as we did it with all the animals who were in need for shelter or long-term care.

The opening of our Animal Rescue Center in June 2019 was a huge relief for us. Finally we had a safe haven for animals like Baba.

Baba gets spoiled at our Rescue Center but it is of course not as ideal as having a loving forever home. We would be so happy if Baba would find his two-legged match. Are you maybe the one?

Baba is gorgeous and approximately six years old. He has a quiet personality and he is a bit shy when it comes to strangers. We are almost certain that Baba had some bad experiences with people at the location where he used to live. But once he trusts you then he will spoil you with affection and gentle doggy kisses.

He is getting along well with other dogs although he is not really actively engaging with his furry friends. We think the best for Baba would be a quiet household where he is the only dog.

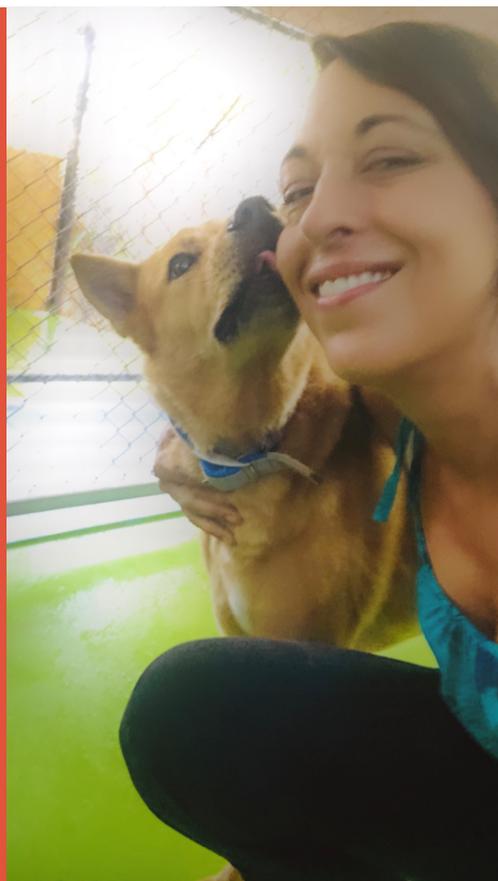


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INFO@HELP4STRAYS.ORG IF
YOU ARE INTERESTED IN
ADOPTING BABA.

ANOTHER GREAT WAY TO
HELP BABA IS TO MAKE A
MONTHLY SPONSORSHIP FOR
HIM.

BABA HAS NO SPONSOR YET
AND YOUR MONTHLY
CONTRIBUTION WILL HELP US
TO OFFSET THE COSTS FOR
HIS CARE AND ALLOW US TO
HELP MORE ANIMALS LIKE
HIM.

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CHARLIE & SUNSHINE

Charlie and Sunshine are like an old married couple. They can't live with each other nor can they live without each other. :-)

While Charlie is getting grumpier as older he gets all Sunshine wants is to snuggle with Charlie. It is really hilarious to observe their interactions.

They met each other at the animal hospital where Charlie underwent treatment and surgery for his TVT (transmissible venereal tumor) disease. Charlie was hospitalized for almost six months and during that time he and Sunshine became best friends.



Sunshine's story is heartbreaking. He was brought to the clinic by his owner and had his leg amputated after an accident with a harvester machine. But then his owner disappeared and never came back to pick him up. Sunshine was already one year at the clinic and no one wanted to adopt him because of his disability but he became inseparable with Charlie.

Once Charlie was ready to leave the clinic we couldn't help but to "adopt" Sunshine.

Charlie was in a terrible condition when we found him back in 2016. He was just skin and bones and had a massive tumor (TVT) on his front leg and several smaller ones on his ears.



There was no way to save his leg, it had to be amputated. But Charlie was still lucky and his recovery was just amazing.



Charlie is now approximately eleven years old and Sunshine is approximately nine years old. They are happy at our Animal Rescue Center and enjoying their senior lives.





WHAT CAN YOUR DONATION DO FOR A STRAY?

- € 5,00 - Full course of deworming for a puppy or kitten
- € 10,00 - One monthly tick and heartworm prevention
- € 20,00 - One bag of 20kg dog food
- € 30,00 - Spay / neuter for a stray
- € 50,00 - Full course of vaccinations for two puppies
- € 100,00 - Helps offset transport expenses for one dog
- € 170,00 - Covers the average monthly costs for one dog at our shelter
- € 630,00 - Funds treatment for a dog suffering from TVT (transmissible venereal tumor)



**THANK
YOU!**

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UPCOMING EVENTS

January 16th 2020 "Questions Answered" - Online Event

Join our online Zoom - event and get first hand information. You can ask our Co-Founder Désirée Hunziker all the questions you might have about our project.

You will get more infos about the event in a seperate newsletter and we will also announce it on our Facebook page.



“Rescue is not just a word, it's a promise.”