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We cannot begin this newsletter until we have expressed our deep sadness at the passing of Her Majesty the Queen 1926-2022. The magnitude of loss is immeasurable. Many of us don't even know a time in our lives when Elizabeth R wasn't the Queen.

All staff and volunteers at Flicka join the Royal Family and the nation in their grief and send our heartfelt condolences to Our Queen's family.

This newsletter has come to you 'differently'. Twice a year the news is written, typeset and produced inhouse, then printed. It is quite a big, lengthy and intricate orchestration. This time Flicka has found a company to help, the big bonus is that not only is it cheaper, but is less labour intensive for what is already a stretched amount of people at the foundation.



Some people ask why we don't do an electronic newsletter; we do send regular news updates by email, but after years of 'data collecting and research' we know that most of you, our valuable and loyal supporters, enjoy having a tangible newsletter that you can sit down during a spare ten minutes and read, and then perhaps pass it on to friends and family and who knows, maybe along the way Flicka gains more supporters!

The sanctuary continues its life of donkeys and ponies' day to day. July brought the heatwave for the UK, although here in the southwest it was hot, but not the soaring temperatures endured in many other places, in fact our extreme heat didn't come along until a bit later, during the second heatwave, when it really did get 'hot'! The donkeys coped very well, their ancestors come from hot arid climates, so as long as they have access to shelter whenever they need it, many of them sunbathed and enjoyed the heat.

We did take a lot of precautions with facial masks and sun sheets for the vulnerable. Ice cubes were in abundance, for humans too!

Of course, the hot summer with little or no rain took its toll on the paddocks, as for so many around the country, our fields became dry and brown, although, again it was not too bad compared to so many. Our hay and straw stock arrived a bit later which started to get a bit worrying, but it came good in the end and we have a full barn ready for the winter.

So on we go with our six-month news update...

Dame Judi Dench

Some exciting news for Flicka!



Judi Dench, her partner David Nicholls, daughter Finty and grandson Sam visited Flicka and fell in love with the donkeys, especially Lolita (eh Judi 😊).

Such lovely people, Judi was a joy and is now officially a Patron of the Flicka Foundation.

When we asked her, she said 'I would be honoured... who wouldn't' – how special is that?!

During their visit they of course had to adopt, the problem was who to choose, Judi wanted them all, but left with Lolita, Acorn and Ernie, virtually of course.

Having none other than Dame Judi Dench agree to offer her patronage for the donkeys is such a fabulous boost for us, especially at what is a very difficult time for charity fundraising. The economic climate is worrying, but we are still being inundated with requests to help more donkeys in desperate need, so it is just wonderful to have her support and we hope to welcome her back to our sanctuary in the not-too-distant future!

Thank you, Dame Judi, to you and your family, for a very special, joyous visit.

The Lonely and Primrose Hospital Appeal!



You may remember we reported on our Global Federation of Animal Sanctuaries accreditation in our last newsletter and we also wanted to start this one with very exciting news, this time about our Lonely and Primrose Hospital appeal... As you may already know, we have had exciting plans for an onsite hospital since 2019, to be named after our much-loved and never forgotten rescued donkeys, Lonely and Primrose. Sadly, the unforeseen, ongoing situation with Covid-19 forced us to close our gates to visitors for over a year and cancel many of our planned fundraising events, whilst we focussed on getting our charity through difficult times.

This meant the project had to take a back-seat and, as time went by, we felt our dream of a hospital for the donkeys slipping away. Worryingly, it also became clear we would have to drastically reassess the costs associated with building the hospital, as construction and material costs skyrocketed (prices have increased on average by a whopping 48%!).

In the first year of fundraising for the hospital we managed to raise £110,000 towards our £300,000 target, which included an incredibly generous £50,000 gift, some smaller donations and funds raised via events at our sanctuary. Since our efforts in 2019 however, the financial landscape has changed significantly in the UK, which means we are now looking at an estimate of £450,000–£550,000 for the project.

With a looming deadline to commence work on the actual build of the hospital in line with the validity of our planning permissions, things were really not looking promising...

Then our Global Federation for Animal Charities Accreditation proved to be another accolade when an overseas donor, Fund 4 Habitats searched the GFAS web site for an animal charity project and came across our Lonely & Primrose Hospital and wanted to help.

We were of course delighted to hear that Fund 4 Habitats wanted to support our work, but we were simply not prepared for what came next... Fund 4 Habitats have donated the most unbelievable, incredible, generous gift of £350,000 towards the Hospital! We were absolutely blown away by this kindness and we still cannot believe it is real! For the Lonely and Primrose Hospital vision to become a reality for the donkeys will mean so much to them and now it will finally happen and we couldn't be more thrilled!

Many of the donkeys we rescue have suffered serious abuse or neglect and come into us in extremely poor condition. They often require emergency veterinary treatment and extensive ongoing care for countless medical issues. If a donkey becomes unwell, we are currently forced to carry out urgent veterinary procedures in one of our barns or transport them to an equine facility in north Cornwall for tests or treatment. This



situation is far from ideal – donkeys are incredibly sensitive animals and the additional stress of transport is always a big concern. A purpose-built facility will allow us to carry out essential veterinary procedures in a more appropriate, safe and sterile environment and help to reduce the amount of stress for sick donkeys in need of special veterinary care. Importantly, it will offer a quiet, calm environment for sick individuals to recover and convalesce and provide vital facilities for round the clock monitoring and intensive care. It will also help to save our charity vital funds we currently spend on transporting donkeys to north Cornwall for treatment. We always strive to give the absolute highest levels of care and welfare for our residents – they deserve the very best after all they have suffered, so the Lonely and Primrose Hospital will mean so much to them.

Although we will still need to raise additional funds to complete the project and furnish the hospital with essential veterinary equipment, we are now able to start work on building it soon. We will of course keep you updated every step of the way, but watch this space for how you can get involved and become a part of this wonderful, important project for the donkeys...

New Arrivals and Rescues

We told you about 23 donkeys we had rescued from various appalling situations in our last newsletter, so it comes as somewhat of a relief that we haven't taken as many in over the last few months. We would like to think this means there have been less donkeys suffering, which would of course be the most welcome news, but the nature of rescue work is that it is unpredictable and we just never know when we might get another call or plea for help. We did rescue 2 dear little jennies at the end of the summer, who you can read about below...

Iris and Lily



Two very small, sweet little donkeys arrived at the end of August after experiencing the horrors of the live animal market. Lily was being cruelly torn from her Mum to be sold, whilst her Mum was tied to the back of a truck. Poor Iris was understandably distraught at being separated from her foal and Lily was terrified. Fortunately, their physical condition wasn't too bad, but the potential psychological trauma of the situation would have been devastating for both of them. Fortunately, they are now safe, loved and well cared for in one of Flicka's wonderful foster homes – thank goodness their story has a happy ending.

Meanwhile, many of our other rescues from earlier this year have well and truly made the sanctuary their home for life... Here's an update on just a few of them!



Lolita and Juliet

Lolita arrived at our sanctuary in April from a special breeding-programme for the conservation of the rare Baudet de Poitou donkey breed. She is a beautiful young donkey who we have been entrusted to look after and she has settled in really well. She is so friendly and funny, such a gorgeous, sweet natured soul and we're very lucky to have her as part of our big Flicka family. Juliet arrived before Lolita in December 2021. She had found herself taken from her mother at just 5 months old to be sold at market for breeding or meat. She arrived in shocking condition; just a bag of bones, her emaciation was hidden under her fluffy foal coat, she had overgrown feet and poor girl kept her tail clamped down with fear.



It took a long time to get some weight on her, but now she has really turned a corner and her confidence grows daily, with a cheeky personality emerging! She looks so different from the poor, lonely youngster who arrived at Flicka last year, she is so friendly and inquisitive.

Lolita and Juliet live with Hettie and Rosebud, but the two youngsters have become the very best of friends. They have their very own barn and paddock and do absolutely everything together. They love cantering and playing around their paddock – happy donkeys enjoying life, just as it should be!



Chalky

You helped us rescue Chalky earlier this year after we were contacted by one of our supporters who was extremely concerned about a donkey she had seen alone on a patch of muddy ground, always lying down.

Poor Chalky had shockingly overgrown feet; he was crippled and wanted to lie down constantly, so we quickly arranged a vet visit, x-rays and a farrier assessment. After he was deemed fit for travel, Chalky arrived at Flicka and was able to receive the treatment and care he so desperately needed, but had previously been denied. Just 8 months on and this lovely boy has come so far! He is hardly recognisable from the sad, poor emaciated donkey who came off the lorry. Chalky loves saying hello to our visitors and is very friendly with everyone, but we have noticed he doesn't show a lot of interest in other donkeys. He does, however, love our miniature mules, Shetland ponies and another small pony called Bracken. This could be due to his life of solitude, isolation and neglect, but either way, he is a little sweetheart and such a happy boy now.

Thank you to all our Flickaholics who enabled us to help him finally have a life of love, companionship and care. The good news is that our gorgeous Chalky is now also officially available for virtual Adoption! Please consider adopting Chalky to form a special, lasting bond with him and help us give him everything he needs – your support means everything to them... Visit www.flickafoundation.org.uk/adopt-a-donkey.

Health Updates

As you may have noticed, we've had a number of residents suffering with eye issues over the past year or so. With the sheer number of animals, we rescue and care for each and every day, there will always be ongoing health issues to manage and new problems that require medical attention – especially as so many of our donkeys and ponies have been neglected so badly in the past. Jeremy and Shona have adapted brilliantly to their loss of sight (Jeremy in one eye), but recently poor Violetta has had similar issues...

Shona

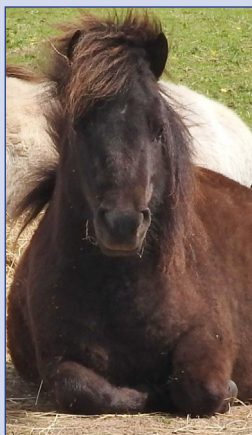


Despite being an elderly lady of around 40 years old, our miniature Shetland, Shona, is doing incredibly well after losing her sight. You may remember she had her left eye removed at the end of last year, she was blind in the eye and it had begun to cause her pain. The surgery was a great success, but she then developed a persistent ulcer on her right eye which required intensive eye drop treatment, but sadly that didn't

work, so she had to go to the equine hospital for a lengthy stay to medicate it directly and constantly via a drip called a lavage.

We initially had promising results, but unfortunately this treatment also failed and we had to make the worrying and difficult decision have her remaining eye removed, she could no longer see out of. She was in a great deal of pain and very depressed before her second surgery, but she is so much happier again now and has adapted to her blindness amazingly. She gets around really well, but her bonded friend Hazelnut (who also stayed at the hospital with her) wears a soft bell, just in case she ever gets disorientated or needs to find her it works perfectly and now Shona navigates her way around the small dedicated paddock she and Hazelnut have to themselves...

Grace



In our last newsletter we reported on Grace, who had become very lame at just 5 years old (possibly due to her traumatic life as a tiny foal...) X-rays revealed arthritis of the shoulder and we opted for pioneering stem cell injections to try and help her. The stem cell therapy was very expensive, but it had the potential for a more positive outcome than any



other treatment options and we wanted to give Grace the best possible chance. We are really happy to say that although it has been a slow process, she is doing very well and is now able to be gradually weaned off her pain killing medication.

Violetta



Violetta developed two ulcers on her eye at the end of July. After umpteen vet visits, and diligent treatment several times every day, the ulcers did not improve. After a final vet visit, it was decided to take her to the veterinary hospital where she could have an eye lavage system in place, just like Shona, to administer medication directly onto her eye with accuracy and frequency. Her friend Tickety Boo went along with her for company.

We hate to have any of our donkeys away from home, but it was especially worrying for two senior ladies. After three days at the hospital the eye was not improving, but we continued to hope that it would get better and her sight would be restored. It was decided with the vet, to assess again in two days, unfortunately we didn't get this far as Violetta began suffering considerable pain and stopped eating.

At this point after some short deliberation, we decided the eye should be removed as a matter of urgency, when a donkey stops eating it can become life threatening.

Thankfully, Violetta came through her operation with flying colours, we were so relieved that she started eating and behaving normally almost as soon as surgery was over! When she returned home, she was happy to go into a small paddock with her friend Tickety Boo wearing a protective facemask each day whilst the eye surgery wound healed. Violetta is doing really well. She and Jeremy have chatted about life as a donkey with one eye and have decided they don't know what all the fuss is about!

Susie



Our beautiful senior lady Susie is a very stoic donkey and we can only guess at what she has endured and seen, but we felt she wasn't quite herself, appearing dull and lethargic, so we arranged for a vet visit and blood test, which revealed Cushings disease with quite high parameters.

Cushings is a complex hormonal condition caused by dysfunction of the pituitary gland. It can cause laminitis, recurrent infections and lethargy .

The correct veterinary term for the disease is PPID (Pituitary Pars Intermedia Dysfunction). PPID is a more accurate description because it describes the part of the brain affected by the condition. 'Cushing's disease' term originates from the American doctor, Harvey Cushing, who described a different disease in people. Although the human disease also originates in the pituitary gland, it is from a part called the pars anterior, it is actually a different disease to that which we see in equines

After a few weeks of medication however, we are pleased that she is doing much better and her latest blood results showed her levels coming back down. She is looking good and enjoying life again, which is what we desperately want for her. As many of you know, Susie had a very hard life as a working donkey in Bulgaria with visible scars around her pasterns where she had been hobbled (a very cruel and common practice in some countries) and was forced to work again in the UK and produce foals year on year.

When she was finally saved, she arrived at Flicka in foal again, that's when we were thrilled to welcome her son Thomas, who she remains very closely bonded with. We want Susie to have a long, happy and comfortable life – she deserves the best after suffering the worst.

Maisy



You may remember that Maisy had to spend some time at the veterinary hospital earlier this year, as she had become very poorly. She stopped eating and lost a lot of weight due to an unidentified infection and was a shadow of the Maisy we know. She spent two weeks being monitored and treated at the hospital, with no real definitive diagnosis.

Maisy did improve a little and she had our Nightingale donkey Florence with her, but it was decided her best chance of recovery was to get her home to be with all her friends. It took some time, but we are relieved to tell you that Maisy put on lots of weight and slowly began to get better. She has gone from strength to strength and is now back to her stunning, beautiful, blossoming self. We may never know exactly what made her so unwell. Violet (who is very sensitive to the needs of other donkeys – you may know the story of how she helped to rescue a very frightened, defensive Matilda) has brought Maisy into her fold and we just know this love and support helped her recover.

She had us very worried for quite some time, but we are just delighted to have the old Maisy back to full health, she is positively blooming again!



Silver

We noticed a small growth developing in the corner of Silver's eye earlier this year and, after a vet visit, it was confirmed what we had suspected to be a sarcoid. This was worrying news, as sarcoids can cause serious complications and be particularly dangerous around the eye area.

Silver has been having special injections into the corner of his left eye to try and reduce the size of the sarcoid. It hasn't increased in size, but neither has it reduced as much as we'd hoped, so now we have to watch and wait. Luckily, it doesn't affect his zest for life at all – he is a very happy, playful, sociable chap who just loves everyone, especially Paddington (and Bunny is happy to share her best friend!)



A Very Sad Loss

We are heart-broken to report that our dear sweet Heather left us for the Rainbow Bridge on 30th October.

A beautiful gentle soul, Heather (who was in her 30s) and her daughter Polly now in her mid 20s came from a welfare case that spanned four years. They were the first two, of eight, removed from a life of neglect and misery, they arrived in an horrific state.

Heather, with her daughter Polly next to her, had been put on a drip overnight, we kept vigil over her permanently, our heart goes out to Rachel, our manager who slept beside her and nursed her constantly. As hard as we, and Heather fought, nothing was going to save her failing liver.

The days that followed we had to keep a vigil over Polly, her daughter, to ensure her grief did not lead to illness as can so often happen with bonded donkeys.

The absolute worst part of Flicka life...



FEED & BEDDING APPEAL THANKS

We can never thank you all enough for your very kind and generous donations and support.

Periodically we put out appeals for bedding and feed, so many of you come to our aid and through Baileys Feed Store, you keep us well stocked with feed and bedding. It is such a great way of donating and you know that you are buying something directly for the donkeys, it helps enormously with our ever-increasing monthly costs.

An appeal brings in lots bedding for the donkeys, the TLC barn is bedded with shavings, we use on average 4 to 5 bags a day, so you can see how quickly we get through them. The contributions of shavings are just wonderful thank you. Chris & Jayne Keast (who we nickname Torvill & Dean) organise a huge pallet load on occasions, it is definitely like Christmas when it arrives, thank you both and thank you everybody!



Toby enjoys his deep bed of shavings

OTHER NEWS...

27 Years of Rescue and Sanctuary



We celebrated our 27th Anniversary at the end of August! The 31st August is our founder, Mary Berryman's birthday. She now watches over us from another place, but it was her gentle compassion, love of all animals and the palliative care of a small, pony named Flicka that started The Flicka Foundation and we will follow Mary's ethos and vision always. In her memory, this date is now also Flicka's birthday and anniversary. We've rescued

and rehabilitated well over 1000 animals since it all began 27 years ago in 1995... Hundreds of donkeys, ponies, horses and other animals have found their way to safety and their second chance in life at our sanctuary. Keeping our charity running is a huge, endless task, but we know that the invaluable, kind support from all our amazing Flickaholics will carry us well into the future.

A Little Soul Born into Safety!

Along with dozens of others, you may remember we saved four jennies at the beginning of this year; Tulip and her foal Trixie, along with Marigold and her foal Milly. These girls were able to go directly to a wonderful foster home and their little herd has now grown!

Marigold gave birth to a healthy foal in the middle of October. As a sanctuary, we don't condone breeding for ethical and practical reasons, but we do have a number of donkeys arrive with us in foal due to them having been used for intensive breeding purposes, so we have had a number of babies born at our sanctuary over the years and one or two in our foster homes. Marigold's new family are absolutely thrilled and only too delighted for their quartet of donkeys to become a quintet! The four girls have been joined by a little boy and they have elected to call him Paddington, in memory of Queen Elizabeth II. Such a happy ending for a group of donkeys who's path would have been very different.



DONKEYS

So many of our visitors and supporters ask us how we can tell the donkeys apart. Obviously sometimes we need to get closer to some of the grey donkeys, but they are as distinct as people....

Apart from distinctions of coat colours, their faces and expressions are as individual and unique as snowflakes, their personalities, body language, emotions and moods are as different as you and I. When a new donkey arrives at Flicka, it is so uplifting and heart-warming to see a character emerge and develop.

We love them, each and every one of them.



Our New Gift Shop

In our last newsletter we told you about our exciting plans to extend our on-site gift cabin into something a little grander and we completed our new Gift Shop just in time for the busy season! All proceeds from our on-site gift shop go towards caring for our rescued donkeys and working to reach others in desperate need of our help, so a bigger shop was essential for our fundraising efforts. The shop is now absolutely full of lovely donkey gift items, so do pop in for a browse sometime if you're local to the sanctuary – there are Christmas gifts to suit everyone!



A Very Sparkly Christmas Outing!

Mother and daughter miniature donkeys, Tinsel and Sparkle, our tiny, charismatic duo, will be taking Fiona to Portreath Arms Christmas Fayre on the 18th December this year! Portreath Arms have raised lots of money for the donkeys over the past



few years and we are so grateful for their support. Teresa, from one of our wonderful foster homes, will also be there running a gift shop stall for us, so please do come along if you can – we, and the Sparkles, would be very happy to see you. The girls just love people and we know they'd love to say hello!

A Christmas Wishlist for the Donkeys



We always have lots of items we desperately need for the donkeys on our Bailey's Wishlist and we would be so grateful if you would consider gifting our precious residents some special feed or bedding. We spend a massive £1000 per week on feeding the donkeys and prices are skyrocketing... Just visit this link at Bailey's Country Store to order and your gift will

be delivered straight to the donkeys: **www.baileyscountrystore.co.uk**

Thank you for everything you do for them!

Don't Forget to sign up for Donk-E-News!

We would love the opportunity to share more updates on our wonderful residents with you, as well as news about our charitable work, special appeals, events and more – simply visit this website link to sign up to start receiving Donkey News in your inbox! **www.flickafoundation.org.uk/sign-up-to-our-e-news**



The challenges of running a donkey sanctuary in a temperate climate!



We think you'll agree we've had rather varied weather since our last newsletter, with the summer bringing unprecedented heatwaves. The donkeys actually cope very well with dry heat, as they originate from a hot, desert climate. Their wild ancestor is the African wild ass, a species that is well adapted to cope in arid conditions, but, although our residents fare well in hot weather, we do still have to take plenty of precautions to make sure they stay safe and well. They always have access to shelter, shade and fresh drinking water whatever the weather and we keep an extra close eye on our elderly donkeys and those who live in our TLC Herd and need special care due to ongoing or current medical conditions. Older donkeys or those with chronic health issues are not as effective at regulating body temperature.

We also use summer fly rugs and fly boots to protect certain individuals who are prone to react badly to biting flies, we also use sunblock on some of our donkeys! We do have several pure white donkeys at our sanctuary and their pink skin can burn just like ours.

Ernie and his best friend Amos were relinquished into our care in 2019 when their owners could no longer care for them and poor Ernie suffers from an unusual skin issue, which is similar to alopecia in humans and leaves him with bald patches on his delicate nose and muzzle. Our Donkey Carers always make sure Ernie and our other white donkeys and ponies wear plenty of sunblock before going out in the sun!

In utter contrast, the wet, winter months bring their own unique challenges in caring for our residents. Donkeys absolutely hate the rain and wind, unlike horses, their coats are not waterproof, which allows the rain to seep through to their skin, they are susceptible to contracting respiratory diseases if they are subjected to rain or very cold weather without adequate shelter from the elements. Donkeys also have porous hooves that are designed to withstand walking on dry, stony ground, their feet are quite efficient at absorbing water. When donkeys are kept in the UK, on lush, wet pastures, their feet easily become soft and more crumbly, which can lead to foot diseases. Extra precautions have to be taken to reduce the risk of this happening, such as providing hard-standing areas so they can still socialise and enjoy being outside without developing foot problems.



The weather can also have a huge impact on our charity's finances! Our paddocks became terribly parched during the heatwaves, so the donkeys got through a lot more hay and haylage. During the cold winter months, the grass stops growing and our paddocks become bare of nourishment, so our donkeys and ponies need to be provided with extra feed and health supplements, at a huge cost... Please see the flyer we have enclosed with your newsletter to see how you can help us get through another tough winter!

Leaving a legacy to The Flicka Foundation – Make a Difference for Donkeys

Would you consider leaving a gift to the donkeys in your Will? Legacies mean we can continue to be here for the donkeys who live at our sanctuary and the others out there who desperately need our help – now and long into the future. You can find out more about making a Will and why it is so important on our website:

www.flickafoundation.org.uk/a-gift-in-your-will

FLICKA'S 2023 CALENDAR

The Flicka Foundation 2023 Calendar is now on sale with a beautiful donkey each month and two extra months of January & February 2024.

This year we are also doing a Perpetual Calendar of Flicka's Poitous; Bertie, Molly, Dannette, Hermine and Lolita for all your special birthday and anniversary dates. The calendars are £9.50. They are on sale in our on-site Gift Shop or £1.50 p&p (£11.00 total) to have one posted out to you.



HERE'S HOW TO GET YOUR HANDS ON ONE...!

- Send a cheque made payable to **The Flicka Foundation** with your name and address – please mark the envelope with 'Flicka 2023 Calendar'.
- Pay online here: **www.flickafoundation.org.uk/donate**
- Pay via BACS: Sort code 09-01-28 Acc No 63344234 and email your name, address and order details to: **info@flicka.org.uk**

If you pay for a calendar online please don't forget to email us with your name and address for postage otherwise we won't know where to send it!

Adopt a Donkey

A Donkey Adoption makes a wonderful gift for all ages and also makes such a difference to our work caring for and rescuing donkeys in desperate need. Our Adoption packs are presented in a lovely glossy folder with a welcome letter, personalised certificate of adoption, donkey story and photograph, newsletter, Flicka car sticker, your unique Adopter card and other Flicka gifts! Just visit our website to choose who you would like to adopt for yourself or a loved one – a gift that really does make a difference...
www.flickafoundation.org.uk/adopt-a-donkey



ONLINE SHOP

Our Online Shop has yet more new stock! Please take a look at all the lovely donkey merchandise and donkey-themed gifts, stationary, homewares and sweet treats we have available. It's the perfect place to do some of your Christmas shopping this year and it will help the donkeys too – it's a win win!

www.flickafoundation.org.uk/shop

Please Note: To allow our small team enough time to process, pack and post your orders, the 14th December will be our last order date for guaranteed Christmas Delivery of Online Shop and the 16th for Donkey Adoption orders. You can still order for collection from our Sanctuary until 21st December however (then collected by the 24th)!

Your Next Newsletter

Just a quick note to let you know that your next newsletter will be due to arrive in Summer 2023! In the meantime, don't forget you can follow us on Facebook (The Flicka Foundation) or Instagram (@Flickadonkeys) and if you have any questions about your special donkey or pony email: supporters@flicka.org.uk for an update!

If you have any Queries or Questions

Please remember – if you would like to know anything about your adopted donkey/pony or have any questions about Flicka, just drop us an email us on supporters@flicka.org.uk. We try to respond to emails as quickly as possible, but please do allow us up to a week, as we are always so busy here! If you don't read anything about your special friend for some time, remember the rule of thumb – no news is good news!

Our Special Thanks to...

Chris and his team at the Admiral Benbow pub in Penzance who keep a Flicka collection tin on the bar, and raise funds with their weekly quiz night. They also adopt Peaches and Marla. Thank you very much.

Niamh Byrne and her team who organised 'Rolo's Fun Dog Show' on Sunday 26th June handed an amazing total of £902.00 to Fiona (& cheeky Toby) for Flicka's donkeys. What a fantastic amount raised - we are so very grateful. Thank you to everyone involved and of course to all those gorgeous dogs who took part!

Our amazing 'Family Fundraisers for Flicka' Team, Julie Andrew, Gela Richards and family raised an amazing £1,065 towards the Hospital Appeal with their table top sale at the end of July. Thank you so much, as always, for your dedicated support and love for the donkeys' ladies. We are wondering what their next plan is...!

We know we say this every time, but it goes without saying that your wonderful, ongoing support through your donkey adoptions, generous donations, and gifts purchased from our Wishlist mean so much to the beautiful donkeys and our work caring for and rescuing more in need of our help... So, thank you all so very much once again – you, our Flickaholics, are The Flicka Foundation... We genuinely couldn't do it without you!

Have a wonderful festive season everyone!

Lots of love, from all the donkeys, ponies, horses and Team at Flicka

See you in Spring/Summer 2023! X



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