Pets at Home Charity Partner of the Year

Back in February I was pleased to announce that the GGSDR had been chosen as the Charity Partner of the Year, for the Pets at Home, Maidenhead Store.

Well... I am delighted to say that we had our first weekend in store at the end of April and raised just under £350, which is absolutely fantastic. We also had a lot of interest in our dogs looking for their forever homes and plenty of interest in the Charity itself, with a few customers even volunteering their services!

A massive THANK YOU to Mary Jewell, Carol Ashton and Steve Devaney for all your help, both over the weekend and also leading up to it! Without your help, events like this are just not possible.

A huge THANK YOU also to the stars of the day... our furry friends, Elsa, Billy, Bobby and Willis, who all behaved impeccably, especially as we were positioned right next to the rabbits!!! They thoroughly enjoyed their time in store, being fussed and given treats by all the customers and really did the GSD breed proud. They attracted the crowds and the number of customers who commented on their behaviour, looks and temperament was amazing, even people that had previously had reservations about the breed were impressed!

A big THANK YOU as well to the Pets at Home Charity, Support Adoption For Pets, who provide opportunities like this, to make the fundraising and promotion of our small but active charity possible. They really do recognise the difficulties we face and these schemes give us the perfect platform, to not only raise funds but also awareness of the good work Garbo and the GGSDR does.

And finally, an enormous THANK YOU to all the team at Pets at Home (Maidenhead) who could not have been more welcoming and helpful. They tirelessly asked every single customer who came to the till for a donation. They were all so positive and upbeat, that not only did we raise a lot of money but we had lots of fun as well! They really are 100% committed to making the partnership successful and we are so lucky to be working with such a great team. You really are all stars and your hard work and support is massively appreciated by us all, at the GGSDR.





Pets At Home Support Adoption For Pets Summer Campaign "Help Fill Empty Tummies" at the Maidenhead Store Fingers crossed this will be an excellent opportunity for us to raise some much needed funds.





Thursday 16th May - All set up and raring to go... The Summer Campaign "Help Fill Empty Tummies" starts tomorrow... So excited













Friday 17th May WOW!!! What a fantastic start to the Pets at Home "Help Fill Empty Tummies" Campaign. Lots of money raised, lots of interest in our rescues and lots of fun!

Maidenhead Pets at Home Colleagues - You really are an amazing bunch of people and I can't thank you enough for all your support and hard work. Without you guys, none of this would be possible. It is appreciated so, so much by us all

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Sat 18th May

Yet another successful day in Pets at Home Maidenhead with about 500 meals donated (each meal is 50 pence). I just don't know how the team keep doing it!!! You really are the "Dream Team" and we are so lucky that you chose to partner with us. Not only are they prepared to dress up as a dog and strut up and down the store, raising both money and awareness, but one (Izzy)) even went as far as to eat a dog treat!!! They ALL really embrace the fundraising campaign and we just can't thank them enough for all their hard work.

Thank you also to <u>Tracy Hague</u> for giving up her day off (and I know how few and far between these days are) and coming along with both Rio and newly adopted Phantom to support the event. You really are amazing Tracy and we massively appreciate everything you do for our beloved rescues. It was fantastic to have someone with your wealth of knowledge and experience there. Thank you as well to Mary Jewell for also giving up her time today and bringing Elsa along. It makes such a difference to have our beautiful breed on show in the store.

However... stars of the day have to go to Phantom, Rio and Elsa, who, as always, behaved impeccably and tugged on the heart strings of the Maidenhead customers. Who can possibly resist those big brown eyes!!!







Sunday 19th May

Well the Pets at Home team have absolutely smashed it again today, with 547 meals donated - What can I say team... you are all just incredible and the money you are raising will make such a massive difference to our rescue. We really just can't thank you enough

A huge THANK YOU also to the Evans family for giving up their Sunday and coming in to help today. It was lovely seeing you all today, especially Meeko.

The star of the day was definitely Meeko $\star \Box$, he certainly attracted the crowds. He looks absolutely stunning. You have done / are doing such an amazing job with him. It is so heart warming to see the difference in him in just three months \clubsuit









Saturday 25th May

Well... the Pets at Home Maidenhead Dream Team have done it again... 561 meals (each meal is a 50 pence donation) donated in the day, today. I think our highest total yet! What an achievement... Well Done everyone, you are all just incredible. A massive THANK YOU to Dawn, one of the team for baking some delicious chocolate brownies and

cookies. They went down an absolute storm, the customers loved them $\Psi \square$

