

WELCOME TO OUR BRAND NEW

## MIAO Newsletter



### A new initiative

Welcome to our brand new newsletter – a new way of keeping you up to date with all the things that happened in the past weeks here at Mani International Animal Organisation. This may be news about the latest adoptions, new foster places offered, successful rescue stories, impactful collaborations with local businesses and local government organisations, upcoming events, and our plans for the future.

We feel this will be a wonderful way to stay in touch with our newsletter subscribers and supporters. Let us know what you think!

## <u>In this</u> newsletter:

Latest news on adoptions, rescues, events, collaborations and other success stories.

## Add to your calendar:

It's summer, it's Greece, it's hot and busy, so we think there won't be any new events until September, but watch this space and visit www.miao-mani.com for updates on new events.



## Social Media

#### **NEW TEAM MEMBERS**

We are delighted to say that two people have joined our team – a warm welcome to Nadia – who will be taking over our TikTok account – and Ollie, a Social Media Marketing student helping us for summer!



### **Volunteer Interviews**

A WONDERFUL INSIGHT INTO THE WORK WE DO

We created an intro video for our volunteer recruitment day to highlight the reasons why we volunteer. You can find it here:

https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=7lD3nhstwQU&t=18s



## Successful Events in June

WE ORGANISED TWO EVENTS LAST MONTH

In early June we organised a Volunteer Recruitment & Fundraising Day at Patriko's Bar, Stoupa. It was a new concept with talks about how to volunteer for MIAO, as well as 2 informative talks with guest speakers. The first one – Learning how to read your dog's body language – with dog trainer Ragna Prantner proved very popular. The second talk was about animal first aid – which was well attended to. All in all, it was a successful day and the bonus was that much-needed funds were raised too!

The 2nd event took place at the end of June – again at Patriko's. A fun animal quiz evening raised a fantastic amount to help our local stray animals. It was so popular that we are considering making this a regular event.









## **Adoptions**

IT'S BEEN A GOOD MONTH!

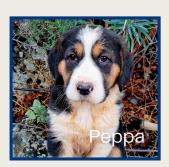
## Caspar, Maddie, Fiona, Boy, Peppa, and Rudi have all been adopted!

Caspar had been waiting for his forever family for quite some time. When they finally found each other, it was a true story of commitment, dedication, and sheer determination that led him to his new home in Switzerland. There was a moment of uncertainty as to whether he could enter Swiss territory due to his cropped ears, which had been mutilated in the past. Docked ears are strictly forbidden in Switzerland, regardless of the reason. However, his adopters were willing to fight for him and pay a substantial fine for having a dog with cropped ears.

It all turned out alright as the border control agents were busy elsewhere that night and Casper and his new guardians got through customs without being stopped.

Fiona, who was in foster in Kalamata travelled to her forever home near Stuttgart, Germany, Peppa was adopted in Luebeck, Germany and Rudi, one of the Kitries/Kambos pups was picked up on the way, so to speak, by a wonderful couple from Switzerland. He will be travelling in a motorhome for a little while until they return to their home in early autumn. Maddie was adopted by a local couple near Stoupa!

Boy has been in foster care for some time, but someone enquired about him this month. When told the foster mum about him having a potential adopter, she said she just couldn't bear to let him go now so Boy became a happy foster fail – and will now live happily ever after in the Mani!





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#### **DUMPED KITTENS**

We received a call from a member of the public that two small kittens had been dumped in her garden, could we help? A volunteer picked them up and took them to catloving friends in Nomitsi, where they are now thriving in foster care. Leah and Mia are looking for their forever home.



## CODA AND DELPHI MOVED INTO FOSTER CARE

We are delighted to say that after a shout-out on social media, two of the Thalames pups were offered a fabulous foster place near Oitylo. They are now getting socialised with many other animals, including adult dogs, cats, chickens and other farm livestock.



# Flight Companion found for Poppy & Daisy

Poppy and Daisy, two more puppies from the Kitries/Kambos litter, were given a foster placement near Hamburg, Germany with one of our regular foster homes. However, it was quite challenging to get them there. Despite reaching out on various Facebook pages and forums for someone to accompany them on a flight, we couldn't find anyone to take the two pups. We even considered sending them via animal taxi, but the company was unable to accommodate such a deviation from their usual route, which we completely understood.

Finally, we were fortunate to find a last-minute flight companion from Kalamata to Amsterdam, which we gladly accepted.
Once they arrived in Amsterdam, dedicated volunteers drove a massive 1000 km roundtrip from their location to Amsterdam, up to Hamburg, and then back home. to make this possible. Amazing teamwork and dedication!









#### More cat news

#### LOTS OF HAPPY ENDINGS

With the tourist season now well and truly underway, reports of poorly and hurt animals naturally go up.

In June several tourists reached out to us for help with kittens and cats needing help and fortunately, many fell in love with their little rescue kitties and decided they wanted to adopt them! So MIAO stepped in to help with vet treatments and foster placements so the cats and kittens could complete their vaccination programme and get well enough to travel across Europe to their forever homes.

There is Mani, a beautiful white tom cat who will be operated on to remove one of his eyes next Friday, as it is chronically infected and causing him much pain. After he has recovered he will rejoin his local cat colony where his sister is waiting for him and where he is well cared for.

We also have little tom kitten Mati, currently in foster in Kambos, who will travel to his forever family in Germany mid August when he is old enough. Then there was tom kitten Dado who suffered with a severely damaged eye after an accident. He was found in Agios Dimitrios by tourists. The eye was removed and he now lives a happy life in Austria!

We are still looking for a foster home for Milky, who has an offer of a forever home in Germany.

Last but not least there is Hercules, who happened to sit in the street crying when one of our volunteers passed. She scooped him up and he is now lucky enough to be one of her gang!

