



China Cat and Dog Welfare Programme (March, April, 2015)

Report on the Dog-fighting in Yuncheng, Shanxi Province

Recently, many media, including people.cn, published news on *Commentary: Dog-fighting should be banned* (<http://culture.people.com.cn/BIG5/n/2015/0305/c172318-26641095.html>) , which covered the dog-fighting event in Xinjiang county, Yuncheng, Shan Xi province. The dog-fighting happened before the Lantern Festival. More than 60 dogs of different breeds were made to fight, with many people watching horribly bloody scenes.

Animals Asia was shocked at this event that also caused attention and strong opposition from media, the general public and animal protection groups all over China, due to the cruelty involved. We wrote a letter imploring the Yuncheng government to investigate this event, to prevent such bloody and cruel scenes from being shown, and to protect the dogs themselves from being exploited and hurt.

Our letter highlighted firstly that the demonstration of such cruel and bloody scenes violated relevant policies and regulations implemented by the Ministry of Culture of PRC.

Secondly, that the regulations surrounding public performances should be strengthened. And thirdly, that dog-fighting did not belong in a civilised activity, had negative influence on the reputation of the city, and negative effects on the image of the government too.

Communication on Dog Management with all Levels of Government

Suggestions regarding the detail and questions of the implementation of Zhuhai rules

In December, 2014, staff from Animals Asia visited the Public Security Bureau of Zhuhai and discussed the details of their forth-coming Dog Management Regulations with the relevant people in charge. Following this meeting, we collated our research of dog management, and forwarded suggestions on specific detail; including basic conditions of the dog shelters, suggestions on the implementation of dog management regulations, details of cities implementing suggestions that they could seek reference from, recommendation on publicity and education, etc.

On Mar. 23rd, we were informed that this regulation had been approved by the National People' s Congress and would be put into effect from June 1st this year. Zhuhai authorities asked us to provide suggestions on the initial preparatory work of the implementation of the regulation. We consulted the people in charge of dog management from government departments at all levels and gave feedback to officer Xiao. Suggestions included: the cooperation and division of labour of all executive agencies, the construction of the website of dog management and the implementation of publicity and education. Animals Asia would continue helping with the preparation and implementation of the dog management regulations in Zhuhai and would assist the government in solving any potential problems in such implementation.



**A corner of the dog shelter in
Wuhan Small Animal Protection Association**

Visiting the Small Animal Protection Association in Wu Han

In the afternoon of April 15th, we visited the office and shelter base of the Small Animal Protection Association in Wu Han and understood their current operation status and their future planning. The association was working on rescuing and providing shelters for small animals. They conducted adoption activity on a monthly basis and enjoyed a high adoption rate. This association also had a close contact with universities and conducted a public education campaign. We thank the association for providing these animals with a good shelter environment, and hope that these cats and dogs can find a warm home.

Visiting the public security management team of the Public Security Bureau of Wuhan

On April 15th, the working staff of Animals Asia visited the Public Security Bureau of Wuhan and discussed the current status and future planning of the dog management work in Wu Han with the team leader of the public security management team. We have offered our suggestions on the dog management work and hoped that the government would solve problems in the process of enforcing the law in the aspect of dog management.

The living status of dogs in shelters of Bao Tou

At the end of Feb., 2015, we received information regarding the unhealthy living status of dogs in shelters in Bao Tou City . We contacted Mr. Chen from the Dog Management Group under the subdivision of Security Administration of the Public Security Bureau of Bao Tou city in order to understand the basic conditions of the shelters. We also mailed our materials and relevant pamphlets. In March, we made a telephone call follow-up and were informed that the shelter had been relocated to a much larger place. We will continue to keep effective communication with Mr. Chen and will invite them to attend the next dog management seminar.

Dog-slaughtering incident in Li Jia He town of Long county, Bao Ji city of Shaan Xi province.

On 16th February, we were informed that, due to an outbreak of rabies, a cull of dogs had been carried out in Long County, Baoji City. Animals Asia immediately contacted the disease control centre of Baoji City and two of our local volunteers there, in order to gain a better understanding of the issue. We also followed up by talking with the Mayor of Long County, expressing our opposition to the culling, and offering suggestions for rabies control. One day later, on the 17th February, Long county officials stopped the culling and prepared to vaccinate the dogs living within the area. From March 10th, the vaccination of dogs within the whole county began. We also distributed many promotional materials to the county government of Li Jia He to support the vaccination programme and work.

Funding Dog Shelters



The current look of the dog shelter before renovation, Small Animal Protection Association in Nanchang

Sponsoring the renovation of shelters

In April, we signed a sponsorship agreement on improving the conditions of the rescue center with the Small Animal Protection Association in Nanchang. The renovation project has started and is estimated to be completed by August, 2015.

Sponsoring vaccination

We sponsored the Wang Xiaohua dog rescue base in Bao Ji city, Shaan Xi province by buying rabies vaccinations and broad spectrum vaccinations. Most of the dogs there had received a rabies vaccine injection, which helped their immunity.

Sponsoring dog food

Through our visit to the Stray Dog Recue Center in Yan Tai, we became aware of their financial difficulties; therefore we decided to help them financially to improve their conditions. Our initial step was to donate dog food. Next step we would offer more help to the Rescue Center to help improve the living status and the welfare of these rescued animals. In future, we hope that by offering more help, more domestic rescue centers can enjoy long-term and productive development and improve the welfare of these animals.



Dog food arrived



Puppies munching away

TNR Sponsorship Project for Stray Cats in Shanghai

By the end of April, the TNR project for stray cats in Shanghai, funded by Animals Asia, was conducted in 6 communities. 71 cats have been desexed, including 25 cats rescued by volunteers from transportation. These desexed cats have been released back to the community. According to Animals Asia' s requirements, the volunteers have established profiles for each cat for reference in the future.



A cat ready to take operation

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File of the cat

Opposing to Abuse Project

In April, Animals Asia followed two animal abuse incidents in Chengdu. As these two abuse incidents were of the worst scenario, it highlights the importance and urgency of strengthening public education and popularising the concept of respect life.

The dog abuse incident happened in the family residential area in Chengdu Branch, Chinese Academy of Sciences

In the evening of March 31st, some citizens found out that a dog was seriously injured. After treatment, this dog survived the critical period. The suspect of this dog abuse was a lonely middle-aged man who lived alone.

We contacted the community office of Chengdu Branch, Chinese Academy of Sciences and communicated with relevant leaders. The leaders attached great importance to this incident and were thinking of making a batch of notice boards in the community to publicize the idea of being kind to animals. We posted a series of information sheets to assist them in their promotion.

Cat abuse Incident at the College of Animal Science and Technology in Sichuan Agricultural University

Two students from the College of Animal Science and Technology in Sichuan Agricultural University bought a cat from a pet shop back to their dormitory, only to find that they could not keep the cat, as it would affect their roommate. They wanted to return the cat but were refused by the cat shop owner. Consequently, as a way of giving vent to their anger, the two students murdered the cat right on the spot. After the incident happened, the University criticised the two students and published its follow up through official Weibo. Nevertheless, we contacted Mr. Li from the College of Animal Science and Technology and expressed our concerns. We also strongly suggested this University should strengthen the education work of basic animal welfare concepts to students. Mr. Li agreed with our opinion and said that they would hold a relevant themed class activity to educate the students. We posted relevant materials to assist them in conducting this activity. Meanwhile, we are also contacting the relevant Student Association of Sichuan Agricultural University and hope to conduct public education via the student organisation.

Highlights of Professor Paws and Dr Dogs Activities

In March and April, Animals Asia carried out 44 Dr Dog visits, 32 Professor Paws lectures and 16 rounds of public education in Guangzhou, Shenzhen, Chengdu and Hong Kong. The Dr Dog visits covered more than 2700 people, and the Professor Paws lectures and the public education benefited over 3,000 people.

2015 Dr Dog recruitment examination in Guangzhou, Shenzhen and Chengdu

The Doctor Dog recruitment examination in Guangzhou and Shenzhen was held in March, now seeing a total of 142 Doctor Dogs in both cities. On April 19th, the 14th Chengdu Doctor Dog examination came to a perfect ending. 2 dogs passed the examination, now seeing a total of 51 Dr Dogs in Chengdu.



A peek of Shenzhen exam



A peek of Guangzhou exam



A peek of Chengdu exam

Professor Paws giving lecture to students and parents

On 28th March, four Professor Paws; Ba Di, Jia Xin, Kang Kang and Wasabi, visited Ping Zhou primary school in Shenzhen and helped to educate the students in the correct method of how to get along with animals, together with the concept of caring for animals too.



Chengdu Salon themed with Animal Care

On April 26th, with cooperation of Tu Jia, a corporation that is much devoted to charity, Animals Asia held a salon lecture themed with Animal Care in the café named Yi Mei Shi Guang in Kuan Zhai Alley. In the café we watch short film "Cat and Dog's Welfare Around us" while explaining to the audience what animals welfare is.



Guangzhou Dr Dog visit

On April 19th, two Doctor Dogs from Guangzhou, Hanhan and Dee, visited children at the Special Education centre of the second Children's Palace in Guangzhou.



Doctor Dog in HK participated in carnival held by the Hong Chi Winifred Mary Cheung Morning Hope School

On April 26th, Doctor Dog were invited as the dog ambassador for community carnival held by the Hong Chi Winifred Mary Cheung Morning Hope School. By being the dog ambassador, the Doctor Dog passed the message of respect, tolerance and care to the general public.



Heep Hong Society-Catherine Lo Centre---- "I have a date with Doctor Dog on Easter Day"

Doctor Dog Vitasoy, Bon Bon, BB and Chiu B were invited for the "I have a date with Doctor Dog" Easter activity held by the Heep Hong Society-Catherine Lo Centre, Hong Kong. Altogether 23 children with various levels of developmental disorders participated in this activity.

The excellent performance of Dr Dogs deeply impressed staff of the centre :



“At first some children were afraid of dogs. They could only watch aside because they were too nervous to touch the dogs. After a few times of visit, these children learnt to get along with dogs gradually through playing games together. Dr dogs’ visits enable them to accumulate a lot of wonderful experiences, volunteers from Animals Asia are patient and loving. Now the staff of centre and children here look forward to seeing Dr Dogs every month.”

——Ms. Yau Fung Sze, Senior Teacher

“Every time when Dr Dogs visit the centre, most of the children here enjoy playing with them. We thank the volunteers for being so nice and friendly, they understand some special children need time to learn how to get along with dogs. We could feel the love from Dr Dogs and volunteers. The interaction between animals and children makes everyone happy. This activity is affectionate and joyful. We sincerely thank the staff of Animals Asia for giving us such a great time.”

——Ms. May Fock, Centre Manager

Charity Advertising and Media Coverage

In March and April, several media covered stories of Dr Dog Programme. Please see below for details:

TV programmes

1. In March, the 31st issue of *Pearl River Story of Zhu Jiang* channel in Guangdong Television covered a story on Animals Asia’ s Doctor Dog programme in Guangzhou. The content included; the role of Doctor Dog, background information and working practice. The name of the programme is *Doctor Dog from the Dog Planet* and the link to the programme can be found here:

<http://v.pptv.com/show/zzLTULgejswvrTE.html>



A screenshot of the programme

2. The feature of *Twinkling Lights* from the Public Channel of Guangdong TV reported the heart-warming “Never leave or forsake” story between a dog and its owner. The dog was one of our Dr Dog’ s and the programme, named” *Unchained Melody: You Are My Promise of a Lifetime*”, covered our work and promoted the idea of never abandoning your dogs.

[http://v.pptv.com/show/EYsJhu5UxAJl4ib8.html?
rcc_id=baiduchisou.](http://v.pptv.com/show/EYsJhu5UxAJl4ib8.html?rcc_id=baiduchisou)



A screenshot of the programme

Karen Mok charity advertising appeared in downtown Chengdu

In April, Karen Mok's series of charity advertising, including being a responsible owner of cats and dogs, being a healthy foodie and saying no to eating cats and dogs, and how to get along with dogs, appeared on the LED screens of Chengdu Silver Stone Square and Chengdu 339 Square, both of which were landmarks of Chengdu. By the end of April, it is estimated that the charity advertising in Silver Stone Square covered more than 363, 000 people and the Chengdu 339 Square, more than 176, 000 people.



339 Square



Silver Stone Square

Radio programme

On 12th March the *Happy Life Home* programme broadcast by Sichuan Happy 900 Radio Channel, saw the person-in-charge of Chengdu introducing the background, theme and interesting events of our Dr Dog programme. The link to the radio programme is here:

<http://qingting.fm/channels/4887#/programs/154991/date/20150312160000?from=968>

Newspapers:

On April 2nd, the International Day of Autism, three Doctor Dogs in Guangzhou: Feishi, Heimei and Doudou, visited children in Guangzhou Women and Children's Medical Centre, which was covered by many Media. Please see below for links to the relevant reports:

Guangzhou Daily: http://gzdaily.dayoo.com/html/2015-04/03/content_2896680.htm

Information Times: <http://www.xsb.com/findArticle/5229.html>

Southern Daily: <http://www.kaixian.tv/gd/2015/0403/127165.html>



Dr Dog Heimei and her owner reading with a boy

Magazine:

One of Animals Asia's series posters themed with ending cruelty and spreading care is "Your future is doomed with animal abuse now". This poster was published in the February issue of the charity magazine named *Yangzi River Life Weekly*. We thank this magazine for their support to animal protection.



Guangzhou Dr Dog Adi Was Presented International Award

Adi, a doctor dog in Guangzhou, used to have a difficult life. After he was adopted by his current owner, he participated in the Doctor Dog programme of Animals Asia and visited many homes for the old and centres for special children. His story touched the PDSA (People's Dispensary for Sick Animals) and therefore was awarded the Outstanding Contribution Award by this world-renowned animal charity organization. Please see the following for relevant reports:



Adi and his owner visiting special children



Adi's award

Guangzhou Daily:

[http://newsapp.gzdaily.com/jsp/share.jsp?](http://newsapp.gzdaily.com/jsp/share.jsp?code=MDAwMDA2MDQ2Ng==&from=singlemessage&isappinstalled=0)

[code=MDAwMDA2MDQ2Ng==&from=singlemessage&isappinstalled=0](http://newsapp.gzdaily.com/jsp/share.jsp?code=MDAwMDA2MDQ2Ng==&from=singlemessage&isappinstalled=0)

Ocean News:

http://gzdaily.dayoo.com/html/2015-04/21/content_2908125.htm

Halong Web:

http://news.cqnews.net/html/2015-04/21/content_34018248.htm

National Public Education Campaign

In March, we sent promotional materials to many universities in order for schools associations to conduct public education campaigns. This month we received feedback from Hunan University regarding their “Caring for Animals” campaign. In this campaign, students participated in a Q&A session designed by volunteers for how to get along well with animals. For those who answered the questions correctly, they won a bookmark designed by the Youth League Volunteer Association of Chemical Institute of Chemical Industry in Hunan University. About 300 people participated in this event that saw a positive effect in spreading the concept of being kind to animals.



In April, we delivered free information leaflets to many associations, to support them in conducting education campaigns of various content, including "civilised dog-keeping" , "opposing animal abuse" , and "say no to eating cats or dogs" .

- On 1st May, we delivered materials to Xia Men Animal Protection Association for them to conduct a campaign themed with “Love animals, raise dogs in a civilised manner and build together a beautiful home” ..
- We delivered materials to the Small Animal Protection Association in Tang Shan city who plan to carry out the “Tang Shan Animals Day” campaign in mid-2015.
- We delivered materials to the Chengdu Animal Protection Volunteer Group, as they are planning on a campaign themed : “Love animals, raise dogs in a civilised manner and build a beautiful Chengdu” .

We thank all of our volunteers, including the four legged furry ones, for supporting our work and bringing happiness to people in need :)

