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The Nowzad Donkey Sanctuary 2017-2018 Report for Animal Aid Abroad



Introduction

The first ever donkey sanctuary in Afghanistan started construction during 2017 with the generous support of Animal Aid Abroad. The arrival of the harsh Afghan winter delayed the builders from fully completing the project on time. The ground soon became too frozen for any further downward progress with our much needed well and sadly our Chowkidor (guard) living quarters and store were only partially finished. But, thankfully, we did manage to fully complete the stables required for our six donkeys to move into their new home.

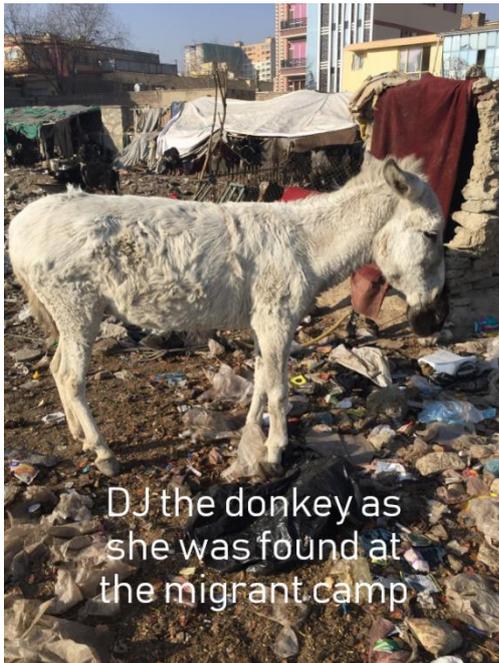


The Nowzad Donkey sanctuary:

Finally, as summer has arrived we have had time to plant the paddock with grass and thankfully Rosie and Khushi have given the seeds time to grow. With capacity currently at 6 stables we had room for some new residents to join our sanctuary.

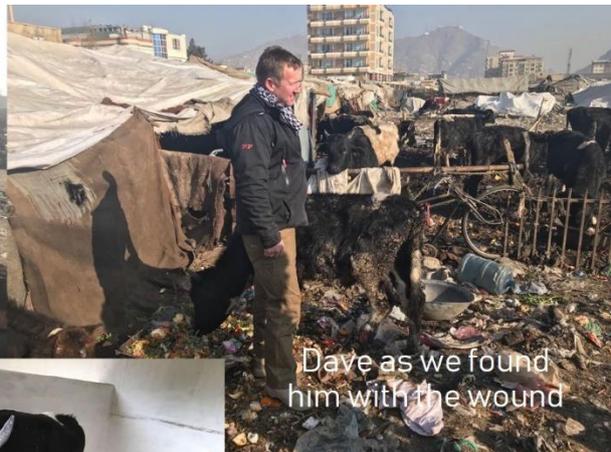


New arrivals:



DJ had been discarded and was found wandering with a severe limp at a migrant camp. Underfed and tired we soon realised she was struggling due to uncared for hooves. A simple visit by a farrier would have solved her immediate problem.

Once DJ was safely at the Nowzad donkey sanctuary we called our farrier to get to work on her overgrown and neglected hooves.



Dave the cow was found with a severe wound to his leg that had been wrapped in plastic in a vain attempt to treat it. After a monumental effort to transport him back to Nowzad, Dave is recovering well and will not be destined for the Kabul meat market.



Lola the one eared donkey

Lola was found with a serious injury; her left ear had been removed brutally. The wound was open and sore and she was shivering uncontrollably. We arranged for her to be transported to Nowzad for immediate treatment to control the infection and tend to her wound.



Azad as we found her

Azad with Juma safely cared for at Nowzad

Azad was left tethered and ignored. Forced to eat what rubbish was to be found within her reach. Now safely at Nowzad she is slowly learning to trust our staff.

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Working Donkeys:



Nowzad is still operating a programme to promote animal welfare amongst the working donkey population on the streets of Kabul. As always lack of large scale funding limits our ability to reach as many donkeys as there are on the streets here in Kabul.

Here Dr Tahera can be seen after treating the working donkey which is used to collect trash from private residencies. Carrots being a favourite treat.

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Rosie

One of our longest residents, having been with Nowzad since April 2013, is still struggling to realise we will never make her work again! Standing behind Rosie is never a good idea.

Always looking out for her offspring Khushi; who she is never too far away from. For an older donkey she shows no signs of slowing down just yet.

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Samson

It has taken many years for our oldest resident at the Nowzad sanctuary (since January 2013) to relax around people; but Samson is now finally happy to accept treats by hand – a real game changer!

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Khushi

Born on the 30th April 2014 at the Nowzad shelter; Khushi took some time to realise that she was actually not a dog but a donkey. Still to this day she will lick your face to say hello when she sees you. Playful and full of energy Khushi loves nothing more than chasing her mum Rosie around the paddock.

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Jalala

Found suffering on the side of a mountain in 2015, Jalala was limping badly with a severely damaged front leg and a suspected hernia.



After loving care and treatment by the Nowzad vet team, Jalala has made a full recovery; if only her previous owners had given her time to recovery and rest. Nearly three years later Jalala has settled to allow our team to brush her down and clean her hooves when required. No mean feat in the early days!

Having suffered from an eye infection earlier this year Jalala is now back to her healthy good self.

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Summary:

The Nowzad donkey sanctuary is now home to eight donkeys, one horse, a cow and King – the night time chowkidor's dog. With room to expand and build another two stables we could in theory rescue four more donkeys once we have established long term funding for the many years of care they will require at Nowzad.

Nowzad would like to thank **Animal Aid Abroad** for their invaluable support in supporting working animal care in Afghanistan.

