

# Israel

## Pegasus Sanctuary, Ramla



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## 2017 Sponsorship Update

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**For Einat, Eldad, Jordan, Ness, Rahat and Shmaya**

# Einat



Though old and blind, Einat loves life and wants to keep on living. She enjoys the things that other people and donkeys take for granted, like basking in the warm sun while listening to the sounds of nature roundabout. She “sees” with her ears, and engages other donkeys on occasion in serious conversation of braying back and forth, her ears picking up every tone and sound. It would be wonderful if every living creature who was blind, could live out their old age in safety and peace like Einat.

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# Eldad



Eldad celebrates life and freedom every day. When he was rescued some years ago, his legs had been cruelly held together with wire, a fierce method to prevent him from running away. The wire had cut his legs deeply. He continues to be the leader of the pack at Pegasus. He proudly gallops around always happy that his legs and his soul, are forever free.

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## Jordan



A reminder of how Jordan was rescued many years ago: Zvika had been contacted by the Israeli military forces about an injured donkey on “no man's land” a strip of land, which is filled with mines, and located between Jordan and Israel. I chuckle whenever I think of the rescue as army officials took the situation very seriously, and set up a makeshift “war room” near the location. As they studied strategic maps and conferred how to get the donkey out of the minefield. Zvika who was with them, walked over to the separation fence with a piece of bread in his hand while gently calling the donkey who walked right up to the fence. The only thing needed to be done was to cut the wire fence and Jordan was home free. His leg had been severely damaged, probably by a mine and was amputated. He continues to be a living example of how one can endure a physical challenge yet, live life to the fullest, and boy does he ever. He is still wooing the female donkeys to this day, and loves to frolic with them.

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# Ness



Ness, the donkey that was doused with gasoline and badly burned, is making headlines at the Sanctuary! Today, Dr. Roni our vet here at Pegasus, arrived to neuter him. This is a wonderful turn in such a horrific tale.

It took us 4 months to get him to this point - 4 months of unbearable suffering for Ness and for us as we cared for his wounds. Ness had horrendous deep burns all over his body. He lost sight in one of his eyes and his ears were so badly burned that not much is left of them. His entire body and soul were badly scarred. But Ness stayed as sweet and friendly as he always was.

He is healthy and ready to join the rest of the herd, now that he will be neutered. This makes us so happy here at Pegasus. We will continue to treat the affected portions of his body as he jumps and plays like a normal donkey with all the rest, hopefully forgetting the horrors he witnessed and experienced while he still had two eyes.

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# Rahat



Rahat, once burnt by evil boys, is forever safe at Pegasus. He loves to energize the pack, sometimes challenging another donkey to a race. He loves to show off that he is now healed, healthy and happy, and never must worry about being set on fire ever again.

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# Shmaya



Shmaya (to hear) shows the world of animal lovers that though he once endured tremendous cruelty, he is aware that not all humans are bad and that he is now loved, something he had never experienced before his rescue. He continues to be a symbol of overcoming. Though he can't hear, yet he sees Zvika coming from a distance and he rushes over to receive a big hug from Zvika every day. Zvika receives a hug back, in a donkey sort a way.

Shmaya is doing just great, enjoying the mild winter, along with his fellow housemates. We must give you also some "bad" news along with the good news. Actually, it should be called "naughty" news, as just the other day, Shmaya was apparently enticed by a green patch of grass which was just outside of the sanctuary property. He was so tempted, that he calculated the right moment, and sneaked out a momentarily open gate. We allowed him to fulfill his urge while we chuckled at the naughty boy. He had a good treat to his tummy, and when he was finished, he turned his head to look at the "scolding" team, who were laughing along at his shenanigans, so he knew that he wasn't in too much trouble. We led him back inside the fold where he happily trotted back to his friends while smacking his lips with a little twinkle in his eye.

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