

Newsletter

FOR OUR CORPORATE SUPPORTERS



A THANK YOU FROM US ALL!

Welcome



Welcome to our update for 2020. We wanted to take the time when things seems so bleak to celebrate some of the good things that have happened here at Ferne in 2020.

We have been busy re-homing animals – albeit in a different way and have found forever homes for 101 dogs, 163 cats and 8 horses amongst the many. We have taken in a number of very elderly ducks over the past year who seem very content to wander around the pond and fields grazing happily.

We have also added some lovely ladies to the chicken coops including Blanche the white silkie who is just gorgeous.



Arnie the Shetland has joined our resident animals – he has a long list of health issues so will be a permanent resident and companion for Wotsit.

On the farm a complete refurbishment of the pig field was destroyed by the Mangalitsa sows in the space of a week – but it was good to see the field looking so green – even if it was only temporary.

The pigs also enjoyed their move to other fields on the sanctuary - especially being able to forage under some great hedges and sleep the warm summer days away under a different tree.

In the Autumn we were delighted to be

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able to introduce water voles to our ponds with the help of the Blackdown Hills AONB and we have fingers crossed for some babies in the Spring.

Water voles are quite rare in our part of Somerset, so we are keen to help support their return.



With three lockdowns on the sanctuary the staff have made good use of the time by painting and timber treating everything that didn't move!

Paul, our Estates Manager had the entire contents of his donated tins of paint used – at one point the only colour left was pink – but even that got used!

Looking forward to 2021 we are currently planting a new willow exhibit to help people learn about animals, we are creating new and relevant activities on the sanctuary to give our visitors the very best day out possible and all that fabulous admissions income will help Ferne to continue to look after as many animals as possible.



YOU ARE OUR EXTENDED FAMILY

During the year we have been humbled by the support that our local businesses have given us. We see you as part of our family. Like family, we see our role at Ferne is to give as well as to receive so we are always happy to support new promotions or initiatives that you have running. This can be either through social media, a piece in our magazine or a flyer strategically placed in our Visitor Centre. We know times have been hard and we are keen to be as supportive as possible. Speak to us about how we can help you.

This year we are keen to work even more closely with you! We have a whole range of ways in which we can work together, and these are all listed below.

WAYS YOU CAN HELP!

- LINKS ON SOCIAL MEDIA — SHARE AND SHARE ALIKE!
- BUSINESS TEAM BUILDING DAY — MUDDY BUT DELIGHTFUL
- CHARITY OF THE YEAR — DO YOU HAVE ONE. COULD THAT BE US?
- CAKE SALE/DRESS DOWN DAY/PYJAMA DAY
- ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO FILL A DONATION POT
- USE OUR CONFERENCE ROOM AND GET A FREE TOUR
- TEAM FUNDRAISING — GET THE CREATIVE JUICES GOING!
- BECOME A CORPORATE SUPPORTER — WE ALWAYS NEED CASH!
- DONATE SOMETHING YOU DON'T NEED — WE CAN USE IT OR SELL IT!

If you are interested in learning more about any of these then please email us and we can talk! The best email address is claire@ferneanimalsanctuary.org.



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Ferne wouldn't be able to continue the vital work we do without the support we receive from our corporate sponsors & generous local businesses. From all of us at Ferne. Thank you VERY much! Please use these links to other supporters who you may be interested in working with!

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