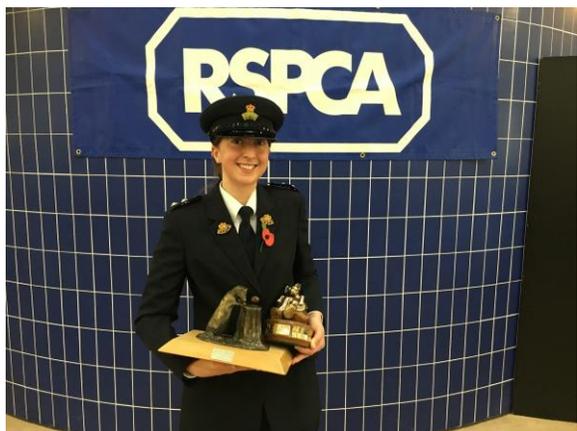


# N9 NEWSLETTER

## Graduation Day!



N9 is proud to announce that our Animal Collection Officer Lucy Green has completed her Inspector training course and is now a fully qualified RSPCA Inspector! Lucy spent 7 months working with the RSPCA Learning and Development department, learning the skills needed to carry out the role of an Inspector. Lucy and her classmates completed both written and practical exams, after extensive training.

Lucy proved she had what it takes by scooping 2 much sought after awards!.

Lucy has now re-joined N9 and is carrying out invaluable welfare work throughout the group. She continues to hold the role of Exotics officer.



## Outcome Report

Inspector Jilly Dickinson's case investigation heard at Hull & Holderness Magistrates court regarding charges of 'Failing to meet the needs' of a cat and a bearded dragon has resulted in the defendant being sentenced to 12 months community order with 80 hours unpaid work, £300 costs, £85 victim surcharge, and all importantly a disqualification order for 5 years from all animals and a deprivation order of both animals.

## Roe Deer Release

ACO Leanne Honess-Heather received an early morning call from Jean Thorpe, who needed help boxing up a female Roe deer for release. The deer had been hit by a car near Barmby Moor - York, having no serious injuries but suffering concussion from the impact, she had been taken to Battle Flatts veterinary clinic overnight to overcome her ordeal.

Jean and Leanne boxed up the deer and took her back to a large woodland area, close to where she was found, for a successful release.

## Outcome Report

Inspector Laura Barber's case investigation heard at Hull & Holderness Magistrates court regarding charges of 'Failing to meet the needs' and 'causing unnecessary suffering' of 6 cats has resulted in the defendant being sentenced to a 2 year conditional discharge, £300 costs, £115 victim surcharge, and all importantly a disqualification order for 5 years from all animals and a deprivation order.

## Swan Saga

Aco Leanne Honess-Heather had an interesting night on call. She spent the evening climbing fences and walking through muddy fields in the dark, to rescue two Swans.

Originally the call was for one Swan that had flown into overhead power lines and crashed into a wire fence. He was unable to stand and his left wing was caught in the wire.

On arrival there were two of them. Unable to examine them properly in the dark, it was difficult to tell if the female had also hit lines or if the male had called her in.

Leanne took them both up to Jean Thorpe at Ryedale Rehabilitation - Malton, to examine them fully and check if any injuries had been sustained.

The female was uninjured, a little quiet but this is not unusual if the birds have been stressed.

The male thankfully had no broken bones he could retract his legs and tuck his feet underneath himself.

Both wings were very stiff with superficial injuries to the underside wing joints. This will be from the impact with the electrical conductors.

Both birds were given fluids and bedded down quietly for the night. To be reassessed the following morning, to see if they'd recovered enough to be released.



After collecting the Swans ACO Leanne Honess-Heather and Jean Thorpe of Ryedale Rehabilitation, took the female Swan for release. It was a mixed day of emotions. Sadly after close monitoring and care, it became apparent that the male was not going to recover. The strike with the power lines and resulting electric shock that surged through his body, had left him unable to stand or walk so he had to be put to sleep.

The female was successfully released at a nearby location to where she was found, with plenty of other swans. She went well and in time we hope will find a new mate.

## Outcome Report

Inspector Jilly Dickinson's case investigation heard at Hull & Holderness Magistrates court regarding charges of 'Failing to meet the needs' of a Staffordshire Bull Terrier type dog has resulted in the defendant being sentenced to 1 days detention, £30 victim surcharge, and all importantly a disqualification order for 5 years from dog's.



## Tarred Guillemot Needed a Wash

ACO Leanne Honess-Heather collected an adult Guillemot. The little guy had somehow managed to get a large amount of Tar stuck all over his chest feathers, Leanne's main concern was that he might ingest the substance whilst trying to clean it off.

Bright and alert, he was taken to Scarborough Sea Life Centre, where Todd German took on the time consuming job of cleaning him. The results are amazing, Todd's patience and hard work paid off and the little Gilly is completely free of Tar, he'll stay in rehab until he's fully waterproof and fit for release.

## Outcome Report

Inspector Alice Cooper's case investigation heard at Beverley Magistrates court regarding charges of 'Causing unnecessary suffering' and failing to meet the needs' of an American Bulldog and a Bull Mastiff type dog has resulted in the defendants each being sentenced to 12 months community order with 80 hours unpaid work, costs of 375, £85 victim surcharge, and all importantly a disqualification order for 10 years from all animals.

## Christmas Wishes

N9 would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year! Thank you all for your help and dedication to animal welfare.

## Reindeer Food

**Looking for a wildlife friendly snack to leave out for Rudolph and his reindeer friends this Christmas? Follow our simple recipe for reindeer food that is free from glitter and suitable for reindeer and birds alike**

## Outcome Report

Inspector Alice Cooper's case investigation heard at Beverley Magistrates court regarding charges of 'Causing unnecessary suffering' and 'failing to meet the needs' of a West Highland Terrier type dog has resulted in the defendants each being sentenced to 12 months community order including rehabilitation, Costs of 300, £115 victim surcharge, and all importantly a disqualification order for an indefinite period- minimum 10 years from all animals and a deprivation order.

## Ingredients and instructions

A handful of wild bird seed (which may include sunflower hearts, naked rolled oats, dried mealworms, yellow millet, kibbled peanuts and black sunflower seeds)

A few rolled oats

Some dried fruit, like cranberries (if you have a dog, please don't use grapes, raisins, sultanas or currants as these can be poisonous for them)

Some dried insects – Rudolph and his bird friends love mealworms and waxworms

Some grated cheese

Mix together and sprinkle over the lawn!