

NEWSLETTER August 2020

Dear friends

Since our last newsletter, the Corona virus really created havoc worldwide. Our sincerest sympathies if it affected your health, prosperity, or if you lost anyone dear to you.

In this newsletter we look at how Lockdown affected BARC and how BARC contributed to the general welfare of dogs in the community during this period. Sad to report that the first to be affected if incomes dwindle, are pets. BARC did some sterling work to assist these dogs in the community, see next page.

This newsletter also reports on the general activities at BARC and how it affects their purse, a real eye opener.

Sadly there are always those who sit on the side-lines and criticize those who roll up their sleeves. If you have any questions or suggestions please consider speaking to Annalie at 0828260631, we are always open to positive new ideas.

Hannelie and Nols Jonas
Nols is Field Worker & manages the kennels. Hannelie is involved with all the admin work to ensure that BARC runs efficiently.
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Nols and Hannelie in the BARC office where the phone hardly stops ringing.

Lockdown @ BARC

What happened during

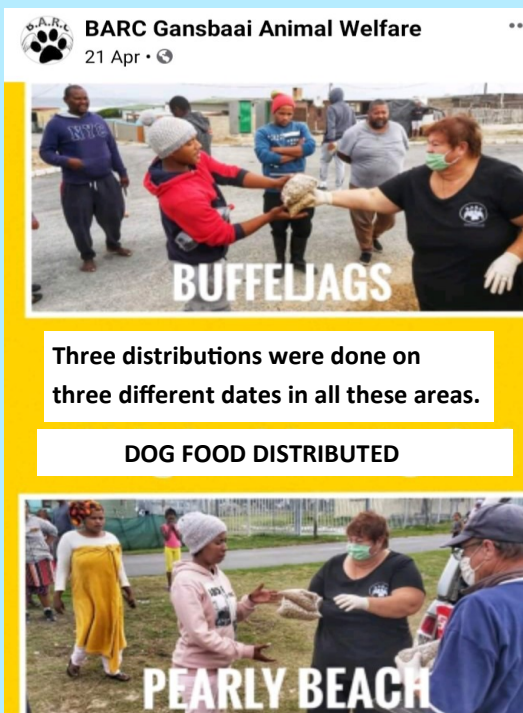


this time

When Lockdown was first announced, there were 12 dogs in the kennels. Luckily all 12 dogs could be placed with foster families before level 5 kicked in. Most of these foster dogs have since been adopted by their host families. We thank you for opening your houses and hearts to these dogs.

During Lockdown necessary repairs and maintenance could be done. One staff member came in to clean but Nols and Hannelie were on duty full time.

But as Covid cases escalated and incomes dwindled, some owners could not feed their dogs and in desperation took them to BARC. This was not the answer though, so BARC came up with the solution of making up food parcels for dogs. These food parcels were distributed in the worst affected areas of Buffelsjag, Eloxweni, Masekhane, Blompark, Pearly Beach, Beverly Hills as well as in Gansbaai. Once again we thank the sponsors from far and wide who generously donated money and food during this period to make the distribution of these food parcels possible. When the shops opened during Lockdown, many people also personally delivered pet food at BARC. Bless your hearts. A total of 1,471 kg dog food was distributed.



Acts of kindness

To donate to BARC:

SMS WORD BARC TO 442030

SMS COST R30



Normal sms rates apply.

**CUT THE RED TAPE AND MAKE A DIRECT CONTRIBUTION TO BARC.
BANK INFORMATION:**

**BARC ANIMAL WELFARE/ NEDBANK/ BRANCH NO 198765. ACCOUNT NO
1498103006/ PLEASE REFERENCE YOUR CELL NUMBER.**

PLAY WITH THE DOGS

BARC kennel hours are from 9:00 to 16:00 and Sat from 9:00 to 11:00. Even if you are not planning to adopt a pet, there is much joy in playing with a dog in their special play area. Since Lockdown no dogs can be taken out of the shelter for walks.

PLEASE DONATE PUPPY FOOD / CAT FOOD / FLEA & TICK PRODUCTS & more

BARC was blessed to receive many donations during the Lockdown period. There are still public requests for food which we try to accommodate if we have efficient stock. **There is however still a shortage of cat food, puppy food, blankets, puppy toys, as well as flea and tick products.** Tax free certificates for cash donations are sent out by BARC.



The lovely new Cattery which was made possible with a R16, 000 donation by the ladies who competed in The Lighthouse to Lighthouse run. Thank you ladies, the kitties are snug as can be.

Managing BARC

There are so many aspects to consider when you run an animal welfare organization, that we thought it fit to inform our BARC friends how money is spent every month.

Let us start with staff salaries. Staff consist of Nols Jonas as field worker and his wife Hannelie who does the administration. She handles all the intakes as well as boarding of dogs, everything meticulously recorded. There are two cleaners who clean the cages every day, feed and clean the dogs and wash the bedding blankets amongst others.

All puppies born at BARC or taken in by BARC, require that they are dewormed and injected at a cost of about R250 each. All dogs and cats are also sterilized. This varies between R700 to R900 between males and bitches. The adoption fee for cats is only R400 and for dogs R500. So the adoption fee does not cover all BARC costs here.

At this stage we have 28 puppies at BARC. They can only be adopted when they are 8 weeks old and until this time they need special puppy food. Puppies also need deworming and flea treatments every two weeks. When they are adopted they need to come back at the age of 6 months to be sterilized, this is included in the adoption fees.

Most big dogs that come in have mange. They then have special care needs with extra costs.

The dog kennels need to be kept pristine. The cleaning materials for the cages cost about R1,500 per month. Pest control once a month combats mice and rat plagues. So far, no germ outbreaks have been reported. There are 24 kennels in total to accommodate dogs.

Water for cleaning the kennels, cost about R1,200 to R1,300 per month.

A bakkie (small pick-up truck) is used for transport of animals as well as for daily rounds and call outs. Sterilizations are done in Hermanus by Dr Robey and locally by Dr Rozelle Theron. Animals that are hurt also need to be transported to the Hermanus facilities. The fuel costs about R5000 per month, maintenance of the bakkie not included.

Dog blankets need to be washed daily, using washing powder. The washing machine has broken and BARC desperately needs an industrial washing machine and industrial tumble dryer for rainy days. We do hope to find a sponsor/s willing to help out with replacements.

These are the main expenditures, we once again thank you for your assistance to keep the kennels afloat.

BARC ENTRANCE



HUGE PLAY AREA FOR DOGS



Adoption news

*BARC is very grateful
There are however still
5 cats waiting*



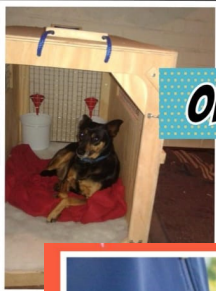
*for each animal adopted.
about 11 dogs; 28 puppies;
for forever homes.*



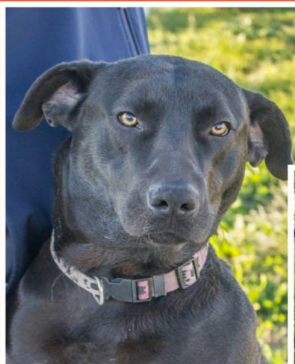
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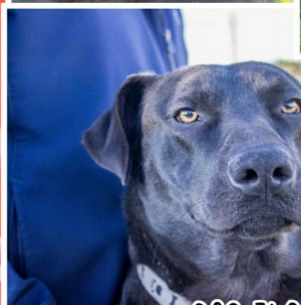
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**AT LAST,
ON HER WAY TO
GERMANY**

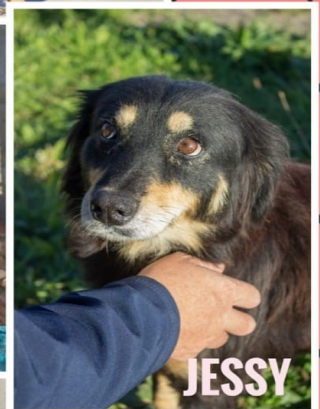


DUKE



**Duke is a
Labrador
1,5 yrs
old.**

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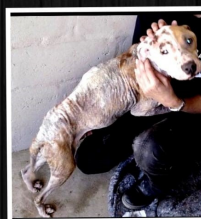


JESSY



**Jessy is two
years old.**

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Diesel vandag

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Images of
Diesel the
way he looked
when he was
brought to the
kennels and
of how he
looks now. He
was restored
back to good
health through
the love and
devotion of
BARC staff.

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BARC lodgings and shop

PET/S TAKEN CARE OF @ BARC

Remember to book your dog/s accommodation in good time for your holiday. Phone BARC during office hours at 083 742 3903. The costs are R80 per day for the first dog and every additional dog after that costs R40. This includes full boarding with food. If your pet has special dietary needs you can bring your own dog food. Your dog will be well looked after and you can fetch your dog for exercise if you are staying over in accommodation that does not allow pets.



BARC kennels for the dogs.

BARC SECOND HAND SHOP

The shop first opened its doors on 22 August 2009. The shop generates good income for BARC. The two friendly assistants in the shop are Lydia and Rene.

There are however also monthly expenses involved. The assistants salaries continued through Lockdown. Then electricity costs are about R574 per month and rental amounts to R6000 per month.

The shop stocks clothing, shoes and ornaments amongst others. Home made articles initially meant for the market are also available for example scratch poles, toy mice and head bands.

The shop needs bedding, towels, curtains and bathroom accessories. If you can spare any, please drop off at the shop.

Any donation for BARC could be dropped off there as well during business hours. **Situated at 64 Main street next to Kekkel and Kraai.**

Open 8:30 to 17:00 weekdays and Saturday 8:30 to 11:00 .

INSIDE THE BARC SHOP

