



121 Animal Therapy

Case Histories - June 2009

Maizy, Our Latest Star!

November 2008

Maizy Robinson is a three year old Miniature Schnauzer who came to us after having been diagnosed with FCE (Fibrocartilagenous Embolism), which initially paralysed her hind legs. She has been coming to 121 where she has used the surfboard, the water treadmill and the spa.

Her owner Julia and family have worked extremely hard with her at home where, I'm told, she now surfs to Olympic standard in the bath! She also has a very specific exercise regime to help back up the work we have done here with her. I am glad to report that she has made massive progress thanks to their continued work with her. She and they really are all stars!

Toby Surfing!



August 2008

The star of the "Surfing 121" video on the 121 Animal Therapy web site is Toby. He is over 17 years old and due to his age he was walking down on his hocks like John Wayne. Now, after laser treatment and participating in the "121 Small Dog Surfing Programme", his condition is steadily improving. Surfing activates his "forgotten" muscles as he adjusts the distribution of his weight with each slight movement of the board.

October 2008

Sadly Toby had to be euthanised due to liver / kidney failure. He will be greatly missed, not only by his owners, but also by all of us who knew him - he really was a great character. He will keep his position as the star of our surfing video for which we will all remember him! At least

he really seemed to thrive for his last 6 months. We won't forget you Toby.

Tony's progress proves that surfing is great for restoring key synaptic pathways when the dog has proprioception problems or ataxia. The 121 team plans to set up a similar facility for larger dogs.

Flectabed and Posturepal.

Flectabed is the "central heating for pets" bedding. Posturepal is the Memory foam bedding. Both types of bed can be ordered from us and you can either have them delivered to your home address or you can collect from us on your next visit. We have samples in stock. Please ask for sizes / prices / leaflets.

Star of the Month!

May 2008

The star of the month this month has to be Buddy. About 7 weeks ago Buddy's owners got up one morning to find one hind leg had stopped working, this was followed very shortly by the other one. There was no obvious cause - the veterinary surgeons did countless tests and took X-rays but were unable to find the root of the cause. He spent a considerable time at the Veterinary Surgery, was then given steroids and his owners had to take him in twice a day for catheterization.

When he first arrived at 121 Animal Therapy he was hardly able to use his hind legs at all. His owners were using a "sling for support" which meant they were carrying the weight all the time they took him for exercise. Their love and will for Buddy to succeed have made all the difference to his recovery. He has been using the water treadmill twice a week, supplemented with sessions in the spa. He is now walking totally unaided (and running whenever he gets the chance). Jo and Karli get him to do different land based exercises and the combined result is a resounding success! Congratulations to Buddy, Karli and Jo - you really are all stars!

Aquamat Dog Towels

Aquamat Dog Towels as seen at Crufts are now available. These are the ones you've seen us use that just soak up the water and can be wrung out repeatedly and are also machine washable. Size 70 cm x 50 cm. Colours - Blue or Orange. Price £3.50 each or 3 for £10. RRP £5.99 each. Remember to buy one for your dog when you visit.

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