



# The Paw Prints

Monthly Newsletter for Animal Advocates of Pedasí Members

## ANIMAL ADVOCATES OF PEDASI MISSION STATEMENT

- \*To provide low cost spay and neuter clinics in the Pedasí district.
- \*To advocate for education on the care and responsible ownership of domesticated pets.



## AUGUST CLINIC

On August 4th, a clinic was held on the patio of Proyecto Eco Azuero in Pedasí. 15 dogs & 15 cats were sterilized that day, thanks again to the committed efforts of Dr. Jonathan, his assistants, & our team of volunteers & sponsors. An thanks also to Kelly De Rocco for trimming nails. The next clinic is scheduled for Sunday, September 22nd in Paritilla. Cindy is working with Maruja for local volunteers. A large clinic in Pocrí is scheduled in October and the last clinic of 2019 will be back in Pedasí in November. Volunteers are still needed to assist in transporting animals to Dr. Jonathan's office in Las Tablas in between clinics. Please contact Cindy Kennedy for more information and volunteer opportunities.

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## Calendar

SATURDAY,  
 AUGUST 31st  
 BINGO!  
 3PM-  
 SANTA CATALINA  
 RESIDENCIAL  
 HOTEL

TUESDAY,  
 SEPT. 3rd  
 AAP PLANNING  
 MEETING  
 6-7:30 PM  
 GATO de FUEGO  
 HOSTEL

SUNDAY,  
 SEPT. 22nd  
 7AM-2PM  
 STERILIZATION  
 CLINIC  
 PARITILLA

## VOLUNTEER MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

### Do you want to know how you can help Animal Advocates?

There are many opportunities: Sterilization Clinics; Fundraising Events; Children Activities; Transportation of Animals; Volunteers and Equipment; Graphic Design & Printing (Posters, Brochures, Flyers, etc.). Maybe you have new ideas or an opinion you would like to share with the group? Do you want more information about AAP or want to be part of the decision making process? There are lots of things you can help with & plan. Come to our next Planning Meeting, usually scheduled the first week of each month.

### UPCOMING EVENTS ARE STILL IN THE PLANNING STAGES-KEEP WATCHING FOR UPDATES!

AAP will soon be visiting the local public elementary school to talk to all the children (Pre-school thru High School) about responsible pet care. We will be passing out educational materials and treats to every student. If you would like to help to stuff bags or assist while visiting the school, please contact Melanie, Connie, or Lupe.



The PET FAIR will be held mid-October. AAP is planning to register animals and provide collars, leashes, and identification tags. A pet parade, animal training demonstrations, and various animal-related booths will be included. Contact Melanie White for more information & to volunteer to help.



Another "MOVIE NIGHT" is being planned for Pedasí, possibly in September. Due to new restrictions for use of the basketball court, AAP is looking at other available locations. Also a possible "MOVIE NIGHT" in Pocrí may be organized as a fundraiser for the upcoming Sterilization Clinic in October.



### BINGO!

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 31st, 3PM AT SANTA CATALINA RESIDENCIAL HOTEL.**  
Everyone invited to play.

### SHOPPING BAGS ON SALE!

The new law in Panama has gone into effect now: no more plastic bags. So AAP has dropped the price of their cloth Shopping Bags from \$5 to \$3 each. Purchase while they last at Pedasí Love or by contacting Melanie.



### "MERCADO 2019" - SAVE THIS DATE: SATURDAY, DEC. 14th

Melanie & Connie will be co-leaders for this huge annual event, but we need many volunteers to help plan and participate. We can't do it without you. AAP will continue to collect slightly-used or new items for resale in Connie's garage. Call her to arrange drop-off. Thanks to all who helped pre-sort a large clothing donation in July.

**AAP WhatsApp Chat Group:** All AAP members are invited & encouraged to participate, share their ideas & stories, ask questions, & keep up with what's happening. To join, please contact one of the AAP officers or sub-committee leaders to be added to the group.

**NEXT ANIMAL ADVOCATES MEETING: Tuesday, September 3rd, 6pm at Gato de Fuego Hostel in Pedasí near townsquare (formerly Buena Vida Language School).**

**Everyone invited!**