

# Scottish SPCA call on animal lovers to get involved this Christmas



The Scottish SPCA are calling upon animal lovers to take part in The Edinburgh Christmas Events in Inverleith Park this December.

The Edinburgh Christmas Events include The Edinburgh Christmas Walk (Choose from a 10K, 1, 2 or 3 mile distance) going along the Water of Leith and finishing at Inverleith Park, followed by a carol service with hot minced pies and mulled wine on Saturday 3 December. The Edinburgh Christmas 5K and 10K Run along with the Santa Toddle Parade takes place on Sunday 4 December. There's lots of fun to be had for all the family, including canine companions and supporters can even visit Santa in his grotto. There will also be live music from choirs and local schools throughout the weekend and prizes to be won.

Balerno centre manager Diane Aitchison said, "There are events to suit all abilities, from a full 10k run to a 3 mile walk.

"There are also junior events for children so it's a great opportunity for kind-hearted youngsters to make a difference in their community.

"We don't receive any government or lottery funding which means we rely on the public to be able to continue our work rescuing and rehoming animals in desperate need of our help.

"Anyone who sets themselves the challenge of taking part in one of the events really will be helping save lives."

Anyone interested can register by contacting [fundraising@scottishspca.org](mailto:fundraising@scottishspca.org) or visiting

[www.christmascharityfestival.com](http://www.christmascharityfestival.com) and selecting the Scottish SPCA as their chosen charity.

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