

Midlothian man runs the London Marathon in aid of the Scottish SPCA



A Midlothian man is running the London Marathon in aid of the Scottish SPCA to help animals in Scotland.

Iain Ross from Midlothian will experience one of the world's largest running events while supporting Scotland's unwanted, abandoned and neglected animals on Sunday 23 April.

Choosing a charity to support was an easy decision for Iain as he's an animal lover himself.

Iain said, "I ran the Edinburgh marathon back in 2014, and recently got back into running by participating in various 10ks and Parkruns. The London Marathon just seemed like such a great opportunity, and I couldn't think of a better charity to be doing it for. "I'm up to 16 miles in my training plan so feeling good and I'm really excited for the massive challenge I have ahead. "My girlfriend and I adopted our guinea pigs, Ginger and Jessie, last year, and they've brought so much happiness into our life. She's training to be a vet nurse so animals are a regular topic of conversation in our house! We spend a lot of time on the Scottish SPCA rehoming pages, and it's just made me want to do what I can to help those animals get the homes they deserve."

Diane Aitchison, manager of the Edinburgh Animal Rescue and Rehoming Centre, said, "This is an incredible challenge and we're extremely grateful to Iain for choosing to support the Society as we rely solely on the generosity of the public to help us care for abused, abandoned and neglected animals each year.

"We wish Iain all the very best for the big day!"

To sponsor Iain head over to his Just Giving page at:
<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/iross90>

If you are inspired by Iain to take part in a marathon for the Scottish SPCA please visit www.scottishspca.org/events