

Eilidh Doyle launches Scottish SPCA's 'Pound for Paws'



Team GB athlete and animal lover Eilidh Doyle got the Scottish SPCA's first ever 'Pound for Paws' event off to a flying start by taking to the track against her four-legged competitor

The track and field athlete, who captained Team GB at the recent World Championships in London, is lending her support and is asking people to walk, jog or run a distance of their choice throughout the month of September to raise much needed funds for the animals in the Society's care.

Bran, a talented border collie belonging to a Scottish SPCA staff member, gave Eilidh a run for her money over at Grangemouth Stadium to help launch the event. Eilidh was also joined by Mo, a dogue de bordeaux, a current resident at the charities animal rescue and rehoming centre in Edinburgh.

Eilidh said, "Animals bring so much joy to their owners and they all deserve caring families, which is why I want to help promote Scottish SPCA Pound for Paws. It's also a great way for people to get active and help raise money for the charity"

Scotland's animal welfare charity is looking for animal lovers to take part and get active throughout September.

Participants can choose to walk, jog or run a distance of their choice throughout the month of September to raise much needed funds for the abused, abandoned and injured animals across Scotland. Animal Rescue and Rehoming Centre Superintendent Sharon Comrie said, "We are delighted to have Eilidh's support for 'Pound for Paws'.

“It’s a great opportunity for all ages and abilities to get out and about in their local communities, all while raising vital funds.

“This event is unique – there’s no minimum sponsorship or specific distance, all we ask is that anyone involved raises as much as they can and has fun while taking part.

“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 this event really will be helping save lives. And as an added bonus – by the end of the month you’ll be feeling fitter and healthier!”

For more information on Pound for Paws and to receive your fundraising pack please email fundraising@scottishspca.org or call fundraising on 03000 999 999 (option 4).

Pictured with Eilidh is: Mo a dogue de bordeaux and Bran a border collie. Photos from Scottish SPCA