

# StreetLife NEWSLETTER

**StreetNews: June 2022 (Q2)**



**Hello StreetLife supporters... my apologies that this is only in English and not in Portuguese.**

**Our StreetLife Newsletter is our opportunity to let you know what we have all achieved working together as a group. They usually go out four times per year. We give you a few facts and figures so you can see how we are spending all of your donations.**

This Newsletter covers Q2 (April - June 2022 plus a bit of July ☺). I think I can safely say we have been busy organising sterilisations, fund raising events and more!

We are asking for more volunteers as we need more help.

Read on to see what's been going on and what's planned....

**First things first....**



# 700

**sterilisations**

Thank you StreetLife supporters / Obrigado apoiantes da StreetLife together we are making a difference! / juntos estamos a fazer a diferença!

At the beginning of July we hit 700 sterilisations, an achievement we are very proud of and we could not have done this without YOU!!

I know I go on about team effort but this is what we are.

Every StreetBuddy, every single supporter who has given their time, every jar of coins, every donation or anyone who has attended any of our events has helped to make a difference. Never underestimate your part in all of this.

**Collectively we are stronger...**

**a team to be reckoned with ☺**

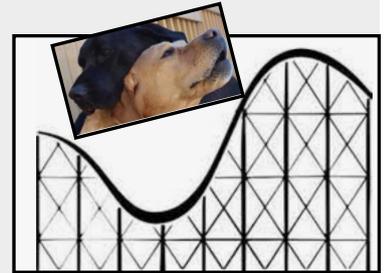
**700 dogs in the East Algarve will no longer produce unwanted puppies & strays because of YOU!**



## April to June StreetBuddies

Our StreetBuddy numbers go up... and then they go down.

I am constantly on a mission to achieve 100 StreetBuddies, but it always seems to stick around the 50 mark ...which is an excellent number of special friends who help us with a regular income all year round.



This makes such a big difference to the lives of many doggies from low income families and shelters..



**I am planning to have a slight revamp of the "membership package" from the 1st September.** Maybe introducing a quarterly gift of a restaurant voucher and reviewing the monthly gifts. I've several ideas in the mix. I will let you know and see what you think.

The SB scheme was introduced in January 2019 so it's probably time to spice it up a bit ☺...to try and attract more interest... and most important, let existing StreetBuddies know how important they are to StreetLife and our team.

**Reminder: The monthly StreetBuddy gifts are donated. The funds do NOT come from StreetLife.**

## StreetBuddy "winners" so far for 2022.

January	Kevin	Fuseta (unclaimed)
February	Ken	Santa Catarina (donated back)
March	Brenda H	Faro (donated back)
April	Amanda	Olhão (unclaimed)
May	Roseanne	Moncarapacho area
June	Kate	Bordeira, Faro

**If you want to know more please visit our website: [www.streetlife.pt/streetbuddy](http://www.streetlife.pt/streetbuddy)**

**There is an on-line application form to make it easy for you.**

**€5 per month makes a difference. You will support a family on low income to sterilise their dog & help reduce unwanted puppies & strays.**

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## In Quarter 2 our QuizWhiz Nights came to an end

Many of you will already know our QuizWhiz Nights came to an end on June 11th after four fun years.

Thank you Brian & Christine for organising these evenings ... you are superstars!

A full write up on the QuizWhiz Nights can be seen in our article "All good things come to an end"... on our StreetLife website in the Recent Events section.

**Since the QuizWhiz Nights started in 2017 you have raised in the region of €15,700.00 FANTASTIC!!!!**

**We are hoping many of our QuizWhizzers will continue supporting StreetLife by becoming StreetBuddies.**

**We will be contacting all of them in August to see if we can entice any into our StreetBuddy family☺**





**All good things come to an end—thank you QuizWhizzers: €15700.00 raised over five years!**

After five years and raising in the region of an incredible €15,700.00 for StreetLife the QuizMaster and QuizWhizzers have decided all good things come to an end and have finished on a high!

In September 2017 when StreetLife was launched Brian & Christine Beckwith immediately started monthly QuizWhiz Nights on the 9<sup>th</sup> September to raise funds for StreetLife – and all of the supporters were affectionally called QuizWhizzers.

The first quiz was at C&P in Moncarapacho with 58 attending and over time they moved to Caravela Restaurant in Moncarapacho. Because of the increasing numbers and popularity, the monthly events moved to Churrasqueira de Marim Restaurante. At this stage the numbers attending were in the region of 70+ players and 13 teams.

The Annual Awards Nights, with a BAFA theme, including a red carpet and trophies, not forgetting the fizz... rounded off each league year. They were real fun nights with a great deal of banter and frivolity. Many of the supporters contributing to the evening by making some very yummy desserts. There were also Barking Good Christmas Events with a "silent quiz"... with festive music to dance to - often resulting in the whole restaurant joining in!

For various reasons the restaurant had to be changed twice and finally reverted back to Caravela and then Covid kicked in. The QuizWhiz Nights were "hit" in their prime. Nothing happened for a few months then Brian and Christine had the innovative idea of starting the Stay at Home Quiz Nights. Once this was "advertised" many of the loyal regular QuizWhizzers wanted to take part and support StreetLife again. Great news!

These evenings continued for 12 months with often 50+ players supporting the evenings, giving StreetLife a steady stream of regular donations. Restrictions changed and earlier this year the general view from a survey taken was the QuizWhizzers wanted to return to a restaurant.

Brian launched the restaurant based QuizWhiz Nights again – but this time with a Dual Location option (restaurant or home based). This accommodated the teams who lived too far from the restaurant and had players in different countries, this meant they could still take part by using technology to link up. Many of our loyal supporters during covid could still take part. Once again, a very innovative idea!

As with most very successful ideas, over time, circumstances and people change and the support we had in the early days back in 2017 started to decline. No one's fault... it's a natural progression.

After a great deal of thought, Brian & Christine decided to "call it a day" and with a heavy heart the QuizMaster held the last QuizWhiz Night on 11<sup>th</sup> June 2022.

So much has been achieved by Brian & Christine. They persevered through the good times and during the pandemic. Over five years they came up with Quiz Questions every month to test the little grey cells of the QuizWhizzers, often creating a lot of head scratching moments! They made the evenings fun while raising money to help our local community. Helping families on low incomes get their dogs sterilised and reducing the number of unwanted puppies and strays.

StreetLife cannot thank them enough for their incredible contribution and to all of the QuizWhizzers, many loyal teams from day one, for their support in helping us to sterilise nearly 700 local dogs.

You will all be greatly missed and we are so pleased that Brian & Christine are part of our StreetLife Team... and we know we haven't heard the last of them ☺. A well-earned round of applause is deserved.

*Every sterilisation = less unwanted puppies & strays = less suffering & cruelty*



**Thank you from StreetLife**

**QUIZWHIZ**

All good things must come to an end!  
It's time to say goodbye...

Thank you  
Brian & Christine Beckwith, the organisers of the QuizWhiz Nights, & the QuizWhizzers who over the last five years have raised in the region of €15,700.00  
You have helped to make a BIG difference to the lives of so many dogs



**Thank you from StreetLife**

**QUIZWHIZ**

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Thank you  
Mr & Mrs QuizWhiz  
Brian & Christine Beckwith,  
You will be greatly missed and we are so pleased you are part of our StreetLife Team



## We support local animal shelters & associations

Our sterilisation programme mainly helps families on low incomes but we also on many occasions help animal shelters to sterilise their doggies before they get rehomed.

Since the law changed a few years ago it is difficult for us to take dogs off the streets and sterilise them. All dogs have to be microchipped when they are sterilised, which means the dogs have to be registered to an individual. Obviously StreetLife cannot register these dogs in our name because if they caused an accident we would be liable. Therefore we help shelters sterilise some of the strays and abandoned dogs they rescue from the streets, then hopefully rehome them.

When we have the funds available we will always help our friends at the shelters. We work together, supporting each other. Together we are stronger.

Currently many of the shelters are having to incur so many veterinary costs because of irresponsible people dumping their dogs. They pass their problems onto someone else.

Shelters we have supported are APAR, Cacela Dog Haven, Adapo, A Dogs Life, Second Hand Four Footers to name but a few. We also support private individuals who rescues puppies and strays, rehabilitate them and get them adopted.

Therefore when you support StreetLife you are not only helping families on low incomes, you help support some of our local animal shelters... you are supporting our local community.

We are hoping in the next several weeks... when the heat of the summer is out of the way, to have a meeting with several of the shelters to see how we can help each other more, how we can work together to reduce the number of unwanted puppies and strays.



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## Future events — dates for diaries

Places for the **Dine & Party Night at Restaurante Antonio** are going crazy. Currently 63 places have been booked. Will it be a sell out?

I think everyone remembered how good last year's Abba Night was and wanted to make sure not to miss out this year ☺.

We learnt a few lessons from our last music evening... we tried to sync the music inside the restaurant with the music outside – it's two different systems and it didn't work.

Also any announcements on the microphone were only coming through in the inside area, which was a nightmare when trying to announce the winners of the draw and make thank you "speeches".

This year we have two separate and independent dining areas. Wine & Dine (outside) and Moovers & Groovers (inside). The common theme will be raising funds for StreetLife and having fun. The poster explains the difference between the two areas.

There are two StreetDraws, two sets of prizes, different coloured tickets for each area. Totally independent BUT after dinner the guests outside can move onto the sofas in the bar area and go inside to dance. The absolute best of both worlds!

Two more events are organized this year, our **Absolutely Fabulous Fizz & Street Fashion** (Fizz, Fashion, Fancies & Fun) by the pool at Casa Rosa. Linda & Graeme, StreetLife Founders, are opening up their home for this event. Limited numbers and mainly by invitation,

Plus we have the **Annual Wine Tasting & Dinner at Vila Monte** organised by **afpop** EA. Bookings have already been taken!

**StreetLife celebrates our 5th anniversary**  
Dine + party to music of the 60's, 70's + 80's  
Thursday 1st September  
Restaurant Antonio, Moncarapacho  
7.30 onwards • €30.00

Abba Mo Town Rod Stewart  
Rolling Stones Roy Orbison Bee Gees  
Beatles Dusty Kinks

Two different eating areas...  
Two separate StreetDraws + prizes...  
Choose your preference when you book

**Wine + Diners (30 places)**  
are on the outside decking area with background music all evening BUT you can go inside to dance + also sit on the sofas in the bar area.  
The best of both worlds ☺

**Moovers + Groovers (35 places)**  
are inside the restaurant, background music with the meal then louder party music + dancing!

**MENU**  
• **Couverts:** bread, butter, olives, cheese + tuna pate  
• **Main:** Pork tenderloin medallions with pepper sauce, roasted vegetables + chips *or* Fillet of seabass on a potato bed with vegetables + Cataplana sauce  
• **Dessert:** Cheesecake with red fruits *or* chocolate cake *or* apple tart  
• **Drinks Included:** House wine (red/white) + water  
Included with the meal, followed by coffee  
*After the meal you pay as you go*

Book your places with:  
linda.cree@outlook.com

**Antonio**

**StreetLife**  
Animal Sterilisation Programme

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**Saturday 1st October**

**Absolutely Fabulous \* Fizz & StreetFashion**

**FIZZ, FASHION, FANCIES & FUN**

**Save the date**

**SATURDAY 1st OCTOBER**  
12.00 - 3.00pm  
VILA CASA ROSA, MONCARAPACHO  
€TBC inc fizz, "posh nosh" finger food, fashion & poolside music

**Our Absolutely Fabulous Fizz & StreetFashion event is a must!**

Good quality, hardly or never worn, fashion items available for a donation.  
Mooh by the pool with a glass of fizz in your hand.  
Enjoy the fabulous views down to the sea.  
Sit on sofas under the covered terrace, at poolside tables or in the garden & have fun fundraising!

Book your places with [linda@streetlife.pt](mailto:linda@streetlife.pt)  
Limited numbers

**Join us for a Charity Wine Tasting & Dinner**  
Vila Monte Farm House, Moncarapacho

**OCTANT** Hotels - Vila Monte

**StreetLife** Animal Sterilisation Programme

Wine supplier to be announced

**afpop** Eastern Algarve Area

**Thursday 17th November : 7.30 to 11.30**  
3 course dinner paired with wines €TBA

**Save the Date**  
More information soon

To make a reservation for the dinner contact : [linda.cree@outlook.com](mailto:linda.cree@outlook.com)

**SPECIAL ROOM RATES**  
Vila Monte has offered special room rates for the night if you attend the event.  
• Superior Room: €130.00 per night/room  
• Deluxe Room: €150.00 per night/room  
Book direct with the hotel & mention **afpop** to get your special rate.

**afpop EA:** Vila Monte, & StreetLife working together to support our local community

StreetLife supports low income families & shelters to sterilise puppies, pets & strays

This event is supporting our own local East Algarve Animal Sterilisation Programme

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## More StreetEyes needed...

StreetLife is achieving incredible results but we cannot continue at this pace without more help.

**Wanted...** more StreetEyes to help us visit families who have asked for support.

We need help in Tavira and Faro.... and extra StreetEyes in Moncarapacho, Fuseta and Olhão.

Go to [www.streetlife.pt/street-eyes](http://www.streetlife.pt/street-eyes) to find out more about StreetEyes. You need to speak some Portuguese to be able to talk to the families who need help.

If you are interested and think you can become a StreetEye please make contact and Graeme will have a chat with you and explain what's involved. Email: [info@streetlife.pt](mailto:info@streetlife.pt)



## Sterilisations to the end of Q2 - January to June

- To the end of Q2 (January to June) we have authorised 119 dogs compared to 84 dogs during the same time scale in 2021. A 41% increase.
- During June StreetLife was closed for two weeks for a break, then Linda & Graeme were both ill so the number of authorisations dropped slightly.
- This first six months we have spent in the region of €13,000.00 with our partner vets compared to €9300.00 in 2021.



*Please note: at the time of this newsletter not all invoices would have been submitted or paid, therefore it is the current situation not final for Q2.*

## StreetLife Coffee Morning

We are overdue a coffee and cake morning. Once this summer heat is "out of the way" we will plan a morning in September... something a bit different!



## Our animal sterilisation programme is now needed more than ever

The animal shelters are absolutely overflowing. One of our local shelters in Moncarapacho has 140 dogs and should only have 70.

New born puppies are still being dumped in rubbish bins, puppies left outside shelters hanging on trees in plastic bags. Dogs abandoned in the streets... desperate in this heat for water and food.

**We have** to get the word out there! **We have** to get the locals to understand about sterilisation.

**We have** to spread the word... BUT when we ask for volunteers to help distribute StreetLife posters, sadly the response is virtually zero! ☹️

Why can't more people help?... why is it always left to the same individuals who come to our rescue? I get so frustrated!

We really do need more people to help with fund raising, distributing posters... you name it, we need more hands.

I think many forget Graeme and I are "oldies" and it often gets too much for us, but on a brighter note, it keeps us "young" 😊

On behalf of StreetLife thank you to all of our supporters ... more news soon

*Cumprimentos ... The StreetLife Team*



**Amazing offer!**

**PRIME WINE**

**PRIME WINE** has very generously donated 600+ bottles of Estandon Brise Maritime French Rosé Wine to StreetLife for us to raise funds for our Sterilisation Programme

Minimum of 6 bottles / case  
Take as seen, no tasting!



**Estandon Brise Maritime French Rosé Wine**

Gentle weight, fine texture, backed by crisp acidity, finishing long & delicately dry  
12.5% Alcohol  
Originally €7.50 per bottle  
Donation: €10.00 per case of 6

**Hello fellow wine-lovers**

600 bottles of this rosé wine has been donated to StreetLife by Prime Wine in Loule ([www.prime-wine.pt](http://www.prime-wine.pt)) so that we can raise funds for our sterilisation programme.

This is not a Portuguese wine – it is French.

We are not allowed to "sell" wine, so we are "giving the bottles away" in return for a donation to StreetLife.

*Note: This wine needs to be drunk over the next few weeks, it is an ideal summer wine.*

*We have tried it and we feel it is very drinkable... or you may wish to use it to make a Sangria.*

