

# PETS' MEWS

The MewsPaper for Instagramming Pets, Plushies and their People

## I Believe in Furry Tails



Words from [@lobilat's](#) blog - read more on their [website](#).

not all names can be used as some might not translate well and can be considered offensive.) We take photos of the fluffy friends in Berlin, once they have been donated.

### How do the fluffy friends get to their new human pets?

It is Miss Stanhope's job to push and press ALL these fluffy friends into our mega big bags... It takes hours. Luckily she is a master in fluffy pressing. Then we fly to Lebanon. Once there, we are head to Zahle, which is in the Bekaa, a mountain area in Lebanon where we meet members of the NGO himaya.

With them, we drive right into the refugee camps. We hand out the fluffy friends. Miss Stanhope also takes a few thousand pictures.

### What kind of activities do you do at the camp?

We do not only hand out fluffy friends. We also bring them paper hearts, which were drawn by Berlin primary school children. We also try to organise art activities. Usually we draw on the floor of a tent or on plastic chairs. Miss Stanhope brings some coloured pens and paper along for the star project or the paper heart exchange.

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## Plushies Build Bridges



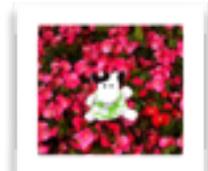
Hello Everyone,

How's it going? Well, I've said it before, but I'll say it again, [#plushiesbuildbridges](#), bringing together great ideas, great deeds, and great fun across the world. We know so many of you are doing wonderful things, and in this issue, we've asked some of those lending a helping-paw to pets, humans, and each other, to share their story. Read about [@teddybear\\_brothers](#), [@absalon\\_the\\_gorilla](#), [@ginger\\_ned](#), and [@adventurabbit's](#) wonderful projects. If you've got more like it, do get in touch and let us know. And of course, no issue would be complete without [@altravelbunny's](#) Eye on Style.

Lots of love,  
[Topsy Cat Bose xxx](#)

Благодаря

[@doyka\\_supercow](#) газеты Pets' Mews теперь можно читать на [русском](#) -



### What is a "fluffy mission" ?

Well, I consider myself to be on a fluffy mission when I bring Syrian refugee children fluffy friends. BUT we also do some art activities with the Syrian kids in the camp. Those activities are part of the fluffy mission.

### Why go on fluffy missions?

Life in refugee camps can be very tough. That's why Miss Stanhope thinks those Syrian refugee children should have a fluffy friend to hold on to.

### How can people help?

Visit [www.lobilat.com](http://www.lobilat.com). The donor can decide on the name of the donated fluffy friend (but

## Teddy Bear Brothers Help their Animal Bear Brothers

[@teddybear\\_brothers](#)

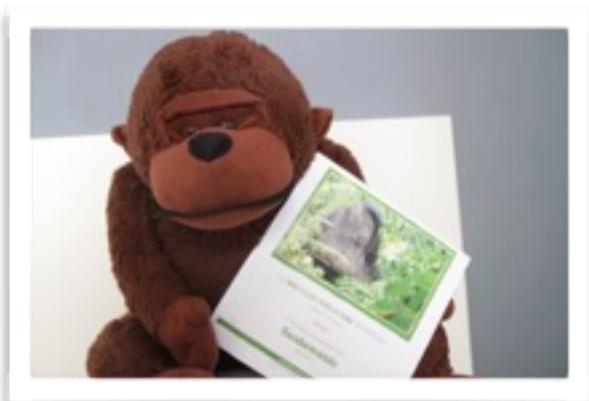
For those who haven't met us yet, we are two teddybear brothers coming from the land of Transylvania, Romania, a part of the world known by most as the land of scary Count Dracula (inspired by our cruel prince Vlad the Impaler). You might think in this place Dracula is the ultimate villain, sleeping all day and flying around at night sucking the blood of the innocents (quite a Halloween story, right?)

But real evil villains are amongst us in Romania, threatening our brothers, the brown bears, with terrible laws that allow hunters to shoot with cruelty protected species of wild animals.

Being part of a beautiful plushie community we decided to stand up for our bear brothers and spread the word about this cruel law issued by the Romanian Minister of the Environment. With this in mind, we asked our plushie friends to join our fight. And they amazed us with their response and beautiful posts for our Giveaway #wwfromania #donthuntthetedybrothers.

On 30<sup>th</sup> of October we adopted one baby bear and a plushie version of him was sent to one of our IG friends.

But more about our story... half of the European Brown Bear community lives in Romania. But in their own homes they are threatened everyday by the growth of infrastructure, new roads, ski slopes and tourist resorts, but most of all by legal hunting, with approximately 250 bears hunted each year. We think wild animal populations have a lot of benefits which ensures a complete balanced ecosystem. If we want to maintain the wild animals population it is absolutely vital for them to be accepted by local communities who live close to their territories.



Hi everyone! My name is Absalon and I am a gorilla from Boston. I live with my human parents and my other plushie brothers and sisters (such as [@bellemthemonkey](#)) 💕

You might have noticed that there are quite a few of us gorillas on Instagram. We are spread in different countries around the world so we don't get to see each other often. However, I know that we all have a safe home to grow up happily in, and friends and family who take good care of us.

However, in the big bad world out there, many gorillas in Africa are facing grave danger. Among the threats are increasing rates of poaching, destruction of habitat due to logging and mining activities, and spread of Ebola viruses and other

## Great Gorilla Fund

[@absalon the gorilla](#)

diseases. Gorillas may soon go extinct, according to a United Nations report. We need to take actions, now.

This September marks the 50th anniversary of the Dian Fossey Gorilla Fund, which is dedicated to protect the gorillas, and the fund is having a special campaign to celebrate it. On September 27 I saw that there are only three days left but the campaign still fell short of its 100k goal and I was super worried. So I became a fundraiser and shared the story of gorillas on Instagram. Within two days I raised 78 dollars for the Dian Fossey Fund and the campaign also exceeded its goal by 28k. I was so happy! I'd like to thank my friends [@tremaineandganesha](#), [@originalcow](#), [@francisandfreddy](#), my humans and all the donors out there that made this happen!

My page is <https://donate.gorillafund.org/fundraiser/1131881> and you can still donate to the Dian Fossey Fund on my page and save the gorillas today. Like gorillas a lot of animals are in danger every day, and I hope all of us plushies can do our best to make sure they live happily and safely like us!

## Ginger Ned helps out at Crisis

@ginger\_ned

Last year, I spent some time assisting on the night shift at the Women's Centre for Crisis at Christmas (I was mostly helping in the office, guarding the sharp, pointy things). For those of you who aren't familiar with the Christmas project, Crisis provides shelter, food, company, entertainment and services to adult homeless over Christmas week. Last year, the women even made some rather entertaining versions of me!

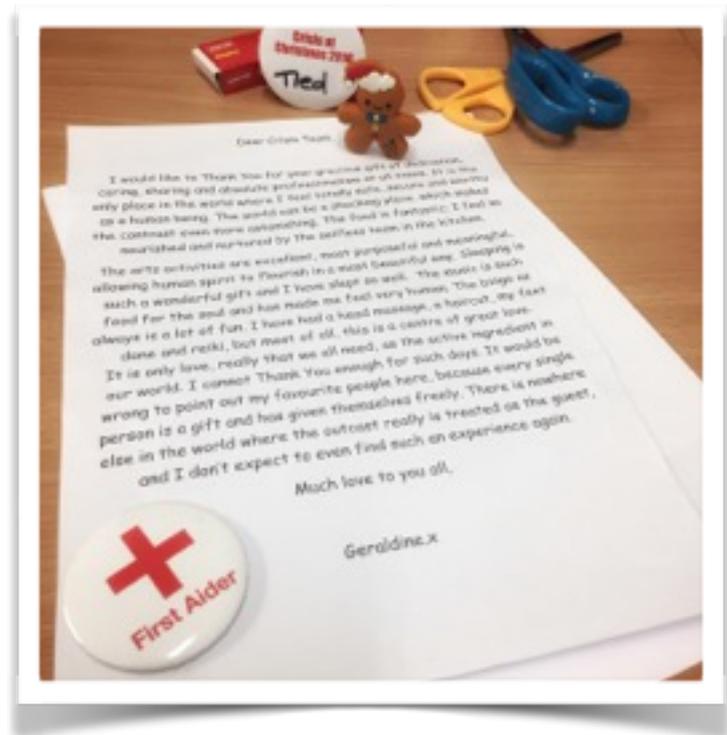
The charity is almost completely reliant on volunteers to run the Christmas project, with many schools, colleges and other



institutions offering space for the centres. Specialist volunteers provide services from housing advice to salon treatments. Entertainers bring the festive cheer all week and general volunteers staff the centres and keep guests safe throughout their stay.

There are so many things I could say about the wonderful people I have met during my time volunteering, but I think

this wonderful letter from one of our fabulous guests says more than I ever could.



In no time at all, Crisis at Christmas will be opening its doors for another year. If you would like to support Crisis, you can volunteer, sponsor a volunteer, donate or reserve a place for someone. There is something for everyone and any contribution, great or small, is appreciated. I promise you it will make you feel all warm and fuzzy with the spirit of Christmas.

Please visit <https://www.crisis.org.uk>

Thank you!

@ginger\_ned

## Hero Rats & Adventure Rabbit

@adventurabbit

Inspired by @travelingwolves who donated money to charity @adventurabbit decided to do the same for his anniversary hosting of Plushie Colour Quest. Here's what he said: My charity of choice was APOPO - an organisation that trains African Giant Pouched Rats to sniff out landmines and TB! (You can find them here: @herorats) I chose them, because I love the charity and because the rats are furry heroes just like us. For every picture posted I donated \$1 to Apopo (up to \$84) and with that money our community was able to adopt a Hero Rat who detects landmines for 12 months!

The great news was, that we adopted Ikemba who sniffs out landmines in Angola! This amazing lady loves bananas and going for walks! She is also very kind and loves making new friends. Thanks to all my friends who helped spread the word about this great cause. Want to do more? You can adopt your own rat or even buy a basket of bananas for one of these hungry heroes. Check out the site at [apopo.org](http://apopo.org)



# #CookieBerryFashion

by [@altravelbunny](#)

This month is a special tribute to one of the most successful plushie designers, Cookie & Berry of [@cookiemreport](#).

In a short time Cookie & Berry Fashion has managed to become a widespread fashion influence across the globe, for high end clothing, everyday comfort and of course their signature cookie pin.

If you have been fortunate enough to acquire a Cookie & Berry masterpiece, feel free to add #CookieBerryFashion, so we are all able to admire the entire collection.

\*\*note; all pictures belong to their original plushies



TL- [@honeygrovebears](#) Hope models a comfy bear-next-door Cookie sweater

TR - [@hello.yes.this.is.bantha](#) Baby Bantha features an incredible full body snuggle blanket & signature pin.

BL- [@gnme\\_rudy\\_jennie](#) has a modern over-the-shoulder shaw & signature cookie pin

BR - [Dušana](#) has a Netherlands Tulip winter dress, with French beret attachment & cookie pin



TL- [@cinnamonpika](#)

TR - [@LittlePandaPo](#)

BL - [@tietje](#) and [tillmann](#)

BR - [@blabbyboy](#)

Have all acquired a signature & coveted Cookie Pin.



Top - [@ct.theteddybear](#)

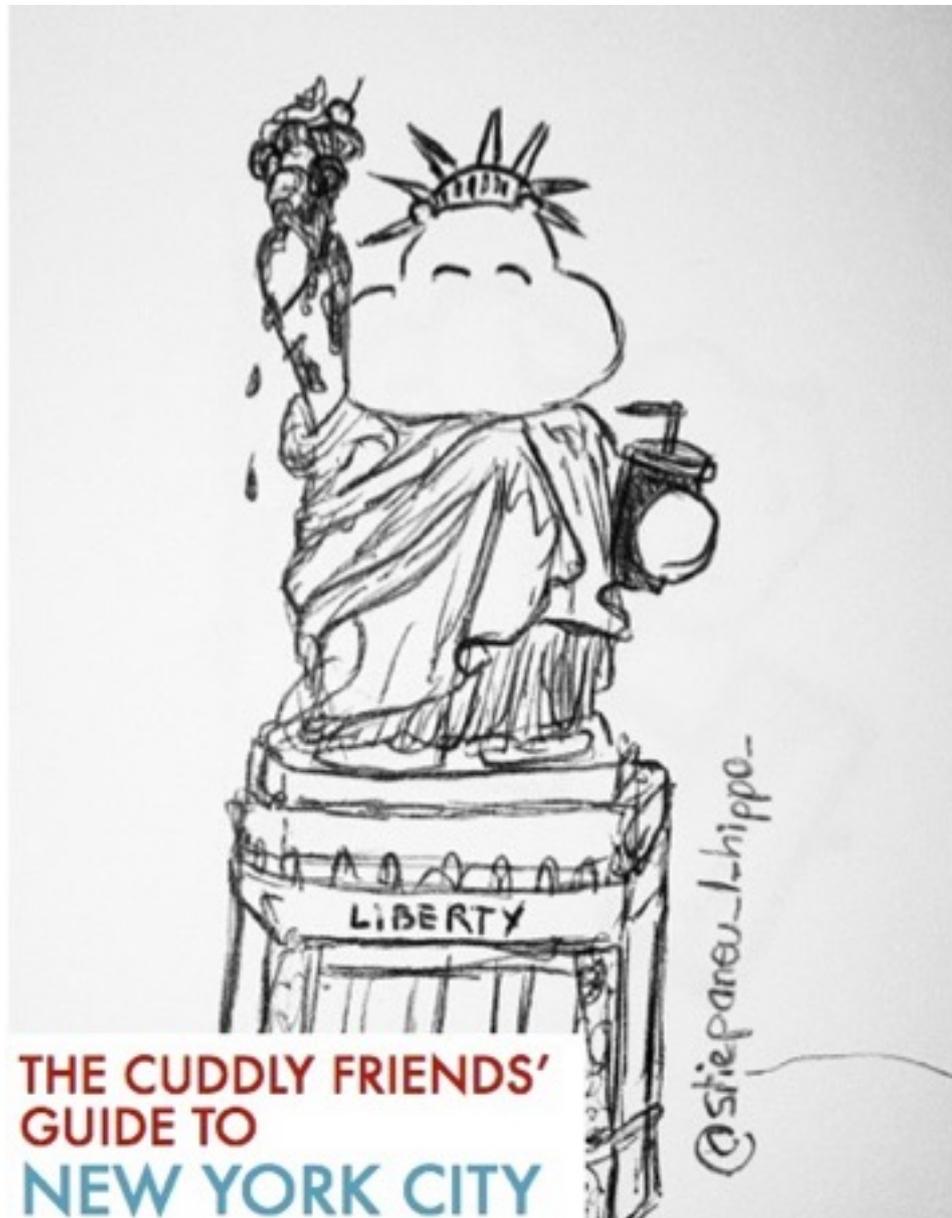


Middle - [@clarkthecolt](#)



Bottom - [@jaques.jacqueline](#)

All modelling the coveted signature pin, with Clark in the position to recommend this fashion to become part of an international pilot uniform.



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