

PLEASE HELP

“Possum” was left for dead on the A417,
he was brought in barely alive,
in need of emergency surgery and ongoing care to save his life.



**PETS BARN HAS DONATED OVER £350
WE HOPE YOU CAN HELP BY DONATING
TOWARDS THE ONGOING TREATMENT
THAT POSSUM NEEDS.**

*Money raised over these costs will go into the
Pets Barn Emergency Care Fund
for pets like “Possum” in the future.*

“Possum’s” Story

Possum was presented in shock with hypothermia after lying unconscious on the side of the road in the pouring rain. Two kind ladies went to shift from the road, what they thought was a dead body, only to find he was breathing. Rushing him immediately to Pets Barn, they thought he would be euthanised, but we knew that emergency treatment could save him, and if he survived he would have an excellent quality of life.

Possum had been hit on the right side of his face, fracturing his jaw and multiple teeth, almost cutting his tongue in half, and abrading significant skin from his chin. He also had significant swelling on the brain.

With intensive fluid, plasma, and medical therapy he regained consciousness, but even with the heaviest analgesia, he had to be anaesthetised and placed in a drug induced coma overnight to alleviate his overwhelming pain. We repaired the injuries to his jaw, mouth and chin, and maintained high level intensive care for the next 24 hours.

He made an excellent recovery over the next three days. By this time we had found his owner, and he was able to go home. Unfortunately his owner was unable to afford the treatment that Possum had received and needed in the future. Possum is doing very well now, had his sutures removed 2 days ago, and apart from a little vision disturbance, should lead a full and happy life (as a housecat !!)



***NB:** Possum isn't his real name, but a name given to unknown strays by Tony, our Vet from New Zealand where, unfortunately, a lot of "possums" are victims on the roads.*

**PLEASE HELP US TO BE THERE
FOR THE PET WHO DOESN'T HAVE SOMEONE TO PAY FOR THE
TREATMENT THEY NEED**