

**CLOSE CALL FOR TORTOISE TWOSOME**



Vet Roz Taylor was faced with the challenge of trying to piece back together two lucky tortoises recently. The pair are owned by Mrs Weaver who helps to rescue and re-home

unwanted tortoises. A fox had broken into their shelter during the night, attacked them and left them outside in the garden after the fox was disturbed. Luckily the fox had not

managed to shatter their shells completely, but it did cause some nasty injuries and there were some pieces of shell missing.

Treatment included antibiotics and painkillers with their dressings being changed every day until the wounds had healed. A few weeks later Roz was able to repair their damaged shells with fibre glass resin to replace the missing pieces.

Both tortoises are doing well and have now fully recovered from their ordeal.

**REPEAT PRESCRIPTIONS**

Some pets with certain conditions may need long term medication. If that is the case with your pet the following information will be of help.

Repeat prescriptions can be ordered anytime during office hours.

Allow at least 24 hours before collecting your prescription - longer if they are ordered at the weekend

You may be required to make an appointment to see the vet for a thorough reappraisal to assess your pet's clinical response to treatment and to monitor changes or possible side effects.

These regular check ups are important to pet health and are required under dispensing regulations.

**GUIDE DOGS CHALLENGE—FULL REPORT**

Thank you to everyone who supported our staff members Rebekka Fiorani, Heidi Robinson, Roz Taylor, Becky Hillman and Emma Maidment in the Coniston Challenge in aid of Guide Dogs at the end of last year. The team were placed 11th out of 32 having completed the 12 miles of cycling, 3

miles of canoeing and 7 mile hike up The Old Man Of Coniston in the Lake District in just 5 hours. The day of the event was scorching hot so all the team were relieved to get a cold drink at the end of the exhausting day. Team members have said that it was very tiring but worthwhile as they

managed to raise lots of money for a good cause. Would they do it all again? Watch this space!

