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Supporting the care and conservation of elephants in Asian range countries.

AES Aids in Deployment of New Veterinarian in Thailand

With support from AES, our dear friend, Dr. Khajohnpat Boonprasert from the Chiang Mai University Mobile Vet Clinic, has teamed up with a second veterinarian, Dr. Siripat Khammesri. The two will both be traveling, providing veterinary care and health checks to Thailand's elephants.



Dr. Siripat with the Chiang Mai University Mobile Vet Clinic

The addition of a second veterinarian is critical, especially during the pandemic that has left many elephants out of work due to the lack of tourists. Owners have taken their elephants back to their home



Thanksgiving 2020 is going to be a day that most people in the world will never forget. It's going to look and feel different than any other Thanksgiving in the past. For some, it may prove difficult to find their blessings this holiday. But because of you, AES has plenty to be thankful for.

We couldn't have made it through this troublesome year to fulfill our mission without the assistance of our loyal supporters. Your gracious donations kept coming even when finances were so precious to conserve. These crucial funds were able to provide assistance to elephants and their caretakers who have been out of work due to the abrupt decline in tourism in Asian countries.

So, as we may not be able to gather together to give thanks at our dinner tables, we want to share our gratitude virtually to everyone who kept us going. From individual donors, families, zoos and zookeepers, to elephant enthusiasts from around the globe. All of your contributions to AES this year have gone a long way and made a world of a difference to elephants and their caretakers.

villages and the mobile clinic is spending much more time on the road to care for these elephants.



Elephant from Surin Province surveys CMU Van's trunk space

One of their recent stops was to Surin Province, located in south eastern Thailand. There, the doctors collaborated with the Institute of Elephant Research and Healthcare services, livestock department and with the Thai Elephant Conservation Center. While on this mission, the doctors treated a remarkable 65 elephants!

In the photos from Surin province, you can see the doctors helping the local men and women perform blood draws from the elephants' ears, which helps in determining an elephant's overall health.



Veterinarians and Mahouts performing blood draw

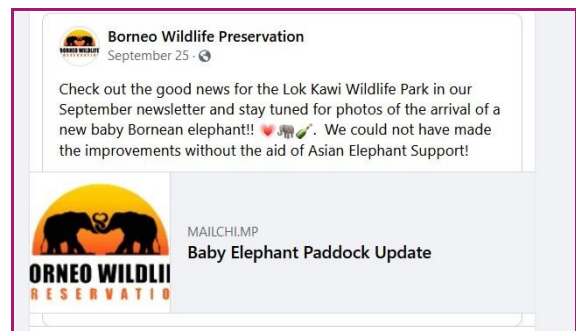
On the way home to Chiang Mai, they stopped at a Buddhist festival in Uthai Thani province to provide healthcare services for three elephants there. Treatments included NSAIDs for lameness and eye care medications.



Partners In the Field Thankful to AES Supporters

We here at Asian Elephant Support, know the hard work of those in Asian range countries does not happen without you, our generous donors! And we can't stress how appreciative our partners in the field are for your support, especially during these trying times. In case you missed them on our social media, here are some the recent **THANKS** that **YOU** have received for ongoing projects helping Asian elephants!

From Borneo: Funds from AES went into baby-proofing the elephant paddock at Borneo Wildlife Preservation, providing safe housing for a new generation of the Critically Endangered elephants in Borneo. We can't wait to share more news and photos of the dams and calves who benefited from these improvements!



From Thailand: With ongoing support from donors, AES continues to provide Elephant Medical Boxes for the treatment and prevention of illness to Thailand's elephants. Veterinary staff and Mahouts alike, share their thanks for these life-saving kits.





Uthai Thani Province elephant receiving care for an eye issue

Looking ahead, the two veterinarians will be able to travel to an extended area in northern Thailand, and be able to cover for each other for emergencies, on weekends and holidays.

With the use of the transport vehicle, both doctors will be able to serve Thailand's elephants more effectively. We are proud to watch the vehicle AES donated to the CMU Mobile Vet Clinic be used, both effectively and efficiently. We hope you will follow along with us while we watch the impact of the mobile unit grow. AES thanks our donors who make such efforts happen. Thank you!

Help Elephants Today!

You can support Dr. Siripat and Dr. Khajohnpat on their mission to provide care for Thailand's elephants. Donate today or explore our other options for giving, below!

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An Exciting Update from Our Field Partners in Sumatra!

From Myanmar: As reported in last month's newsletter, AES and Little Rock Zoo provided emergency funds to the Elephant Hospital following devastating floods that destroyed their clinic and solar power system. Those affected send their sincere gratitude for stepping in to ensure that they can rebuild and provide the necessary care for the region's elephant population.



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Little Rock Zoo together with Asian Elephant Support have provided valuable help to us to recover from the flood. We are thrilled to have your precious support, especially in these challenging times. You have truly made a difference for us and we are grateful! With your generous donation we are trying our best to continue moving forward. At this time, we have made the difficult decision to postpone all the repairs and delay everything due to a second wave of Covid 19 striking Myanmar. Life is not back to normal yet. Once we can safely restart our routine, we will continue to keep you informed regarding our activities. On behalf of the Elephant Hospital and L.O.V.E.Team, we would love to once again express our gratitude and wish you, your teams, and your loved ones health and safety.

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From Cambodia: Kulen Elephant Forest is exceedingly grateful for the funds provided by AES, allowing for the translation of the **Elephant Care Manual for Mahouts and Camp Managers** into Khmer, so that it can be a resource throughout Cambodia. Previously published in English and Thai, the Care Manual was already an important tool for caring for and conserving elephants in other parts of Asia!

🇬🇧🇹🇭🇰🇲 An important step forward for elephants in Cambodia!

Today, with very generous funding from [Asian Elephant Support](#) and the cooperation of the [Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations \(FAO\)](#), we were able to translate the "Elephant Care Manual for Mahouts and Camp Managers" from English and Thai into Khmer.

This book will be a useful resource for understanding basic elephant care for all elephant owners in Cambodia. If you own an elephant, please give it a read to better understand the basic problems faced by your beloved animal.

Read the book here: <https://drive.google.com/.../1HdMT65DPyEhBUb0zdB6.../view...>

See Translation



AES provided support for a project to deploy a total of six GPS collars on wild elephants in Way Kambas National Park in southern Sumatra.



Five of six radio collars deployed in Sumatra

Our field partners have informed us that all six GPS collars are working well and providing regular information on elephant movement to the National Park authorities, thereby helping prevent conflict with villagers whose farmland adjoins the National Park.



Preparing to fit new radio collar on a Sumatran elephant

We are grateful for the efforts of the field staff of the Way Kambas National Park and to our in-country partner [Komunitas Untuk Hutan Sumatera](#) who work to support the conservation of Critically Endangered Sumatran elephants. Thank you to all of our partners working to reduce Human-Elephant Conflict in Sumatra and beyond!

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*The inscription included in the Khmer version of the **Elephant Care Manual for Mahouts and Camp Managers***

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The Herd is Gathering!



Thanks to Catherine Keith for creating the little herd above!

This December, we will be welcoming a herd of hand-crafted elephants from across the nation for our adoption fundraiser, just in time for the Holidays! Some knitted, some crocheted, some felted, these Little Eles will be sure to delight, and all proceeds will go directly to projects helping elephants in Asia.

It's not too late to get some stitches in! If you are interested in supporting this fundraiser by creating one yourself, you can email us at elephants@asianelephantsupport.org for a knit pattern. We would like to receive all creations **by or before Monday, November 30th**. They can be mailed to: 4764 Brookton Way, St. Louis, MO 63128. Just email us to let us know when they are on their way and we will be on the lookout for them.

Not-so-crafty, but want to support? Look for our adoption event notice on Facebook, Instagram and in your Inbox in early December so that your new herd-member arrives in time for the Holidays!

THANK YOU

We wish to extend a very sincere thank you to each donor who has voted their support with a financial gift. We value that confidence and will always do our best for the animals we all care for so deeply.

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