

## Diesel powers on after his leg is amputated

Each month Abbey Vets highlight a pet that's made a good recovery after going through a difficult time. Our MARCH MONTHLY MIRACLE is Diesel, a two-year-old Staffordshire Bull Terrier.

Diesel has made a fantastic recovery after having one of his legs amputated following a road traffic accident that left him with a fractured tibia and fibula in his front leg. He also developed an infection in the leg.



Vet Stephen Capon said: "Diesel's leg was swollen and very hot, which are signs of an infection under the skin. I gave him a course of antibiotics and saw him again three days later. The infection was still present, and after discussing and weighing up

the various options for further treatment, his owner felt that in the long term, the best course of action for Diesel was amputation."

Diesel's owner, Russell Dawson, said: "Abbey Vets reassured me that pets who lose a limb quickly adapt to their new circumstances, and that is certainly the case with Diesel. He quickly recovered from the surgery, and



it's amazing how well he has adjusted. Just a few days after the amputation, he was jumping on and off the settee with no difficulties."

Featuring Diesel as our Monthly Miracle highlights just how well a pet can recover and adapt after a limb amputation, and can go on to have a rewarding and happy life.