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President's Report

As members know, we believe every cat who comes into our care has the right to live a healthy and happy life in a loving forever home. We give them every opportunity to achieve that, whether they need only shelter, food and love while they wait for their special person, or whether they need complex surgery, veterinary treatment or intensive socialisation in order to learn to trust people.

Most of our cats and kittens are healthy but many have been victims of cruelty or neglect or have lived on the streets without proper nutrition and care. Every cat is unique and we treat them accordingly.

Robin was a struggling young stray mum when she was brought to us with her six kittens. She was so badly malnourished she could only eat small amounts without being sick. She channelled all her energy into looking after her litter.

Sadly, two of her kittens didn't make it but the other four survived, and then thrived, lovingly nurtured by one of our great foster care team. When her kittens were big and healthy, they came back to Cat Protection with Robin and she and her kittens were desexed.

Her four kittens found homes quickly but Robin was still painfully thin and very frightened.

It took many more weeks of socialisation and a high-nutrient diet for Robin to improve. She was then ready to settle in our main adoption room, where she is now waiting to find her forever home. At first she hid under her bedding, gradually becoming more confident in her surroundings. She now comes out at playtime with the other cats. She displays feline curiosity rather than fear, and she enjoys a pat and a quiet conversation. She's certainly come a long way from the starving, frightened alley cat we first met.

Ours is the only shelter in Sydney that would give Robin and cats like her the chance they deserve to live and to feel safe, to be healthy, to be happy and to give the joy of their companionship to a person or family.

We set a standard that is deliberately high because this means others will have to aim high too. We can't just wish for better feline care, we have to demonstrate it.

Thank you for your generous donations towards our goal of a dedicated feline rehabilitation centre. Although we've reached only 10 per cent of our target, we've determined that before property prices rise further, and while interest rates are low, we're prepared to borrow to fund our vision. It's too important to let slip away.

Cats like Robin depend on us. With your help, we won't let them down.

Rhonda House President



Cover photograph of Cat Protection kitten by Danielle Lyonne, Animax Photography

Fleas – small insects causing big problems

As the warm weather sets in, most pet owners will start to think about using flea control products on their pets. But successfully managing fleas requires year-round attention.

To understand why requires an understanding of the flea cycle. Fleas lay their eggs in nooks and crannies, in the carpet and pets' bedding. Sometimes fleas will lay their eggs on the cat, from where the eggs will fall onto the floor and wherever the cat sleeps. One adult female flea will lay hundreds of eggs in her lifetime.

The eggs hatch after two to 14 days and feed on dead skin particles and other detritus for two to three weeks or even longer, and then they form a cocoon. Another few weeks after that (depending on the temperature) the young flea is ready is ready to emerge from the cocoon ... but they don't emerge until they sense the vibrations caused by the movement of their host. They're happy to wait a long time which is why 'sudden infestations' can occur.

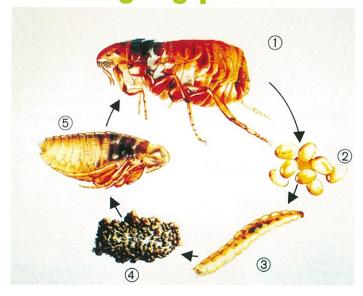
So, for every adult flea you see, there are hundreds of eggs, larvae and pupae on your cat and in your cat's environment. Just because we don't see as many fleas in the cooler months, the immature stages of the flea cycle are still there and, left untreated, will lead to a flea population explosion in the warmer months.

At best fleas are itchy and a nuisance but they can also cause more serious problems such as dermatitis and flea allergy. At worst, as Dumpling's story (see box) shows, fleas can be life-threatening. It is important therefore to always manage fleas — whether or not you can see them.

The number one year-round strategy is regular and thorough vacuuming (including those difficult to reach and dark places such as open edges below skirting boards, under furniture etc and also soft furnishings) and regular hot-water washing (with a eucalyptus-based wash) of your cat's bedding (and drying in the sun or a hot dryer or ironing).

Make sure to be careful when emptying the dust bag/cylinder that you don't release all those tiny larvae and pupae back into the environment. Carefully and tightly seal in a plastic bag and put it in the rubbish bin outside.

Secondly, maintain your cat's parasite prevention program. At Cat Protection we use and recommend treating your cat with a good quality, topical flea control product such as Advantage or Advocate. These products kill fleas and larval flea stages in the surroundings of treated cats. Supplement the monthly spot-on treatment with a Drontal tablet every three months to kill tapeworms.



The flea life cycle: (1) adult flea (2) flea egg (3) flea larvae (4) flea pupae (5) juvenile flea. Picture courtesy Bayer Animal Health.

Keep lawns trimmed and areas around the house clean and swept.

If you have a serious flea problem, you might carefully consider treating your home and garden with insecticide. But beware: many so-called 'safe' insecticides/pesticides contain permethrin/ pyrethroids or other organophosphates which can be fatal to your cat. Even professional pest control companies have called products 'safe for pets' when what they really mean is safe for dogs.

Cats have different metabolic physiology from dogs which means safe for dogs does not mean safe for cats. Also, cats groom themselves, which means they are more likely to ingest toxins.

If you are considering using an insecticide or engaging a pest-controller, make sure you first research the ingredients and talk to your vet. Ideally, with environmental control measures such as regular vacuuming and washing of bedding and soft furnishings, you can avoid using these products altogether.

Because cats are different from dogs, it is also vital to NEVER use flea products (or any other products really) designed for dogs on a cat. Dog flea treatments can kill cats.

It is best to avoid treatments that have not been proven to be effective in flea prevention and control such as flea powders, flea collars or other supermarket products. It is better to invest in a veterinary-quality product that works.

To apply spot-on treatment to your cat, part the fur between the top of the shoulder blades and apply directly onto the skin. Always follow the directions given with the product and if unsure, call the product information line or your vet.

Check with your vet whether a product is safe to use if you are applying it to kittens, lactating cats or older, immune compromised cats and make sure you know your cat's weight so you can apply the correct dose.

Record the date of application on the box for future reference. And always closely observe your cat for adverse reactions after giving any treatments and

call your vet immediately if your cat appears lame, breathless or shows other signs of shock or unusual symptoms.

Remember, the flea cycle takes several weeks so it can take several weeks to get a flea situation under control. The fleas that hop onto your cat are being killed but there is a 'replacement population' of fleas that will hop onto your cat until the cycle is broken. See your vet if your cat is very badly infested as they may need further medical intervention.

Dumpling's story

Dumpling, a four week old male kitten, was found in a car park by a young couple who brought him to Cat Protection wrapped in a beanie. He was cold and covered in fleas. Immediately we gave him a warm oatmeal shampoo bath, combed out as many fleas as possible, dried him then applied Advantage. He was put on a heat pad and syringe-fed some kitten food, then taken to Concord Veterinary Hospital for treatment.

Dr Rebecca Brady says: "He was in a very poor state. He was very, very cold, very weak, very dehydrated, was breathing very rapidly and was absolutely covered in fleas.

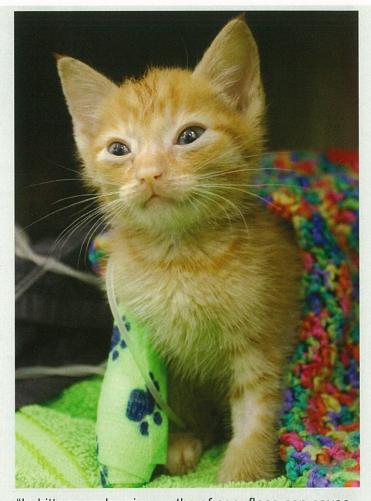
"His gums and tongue, which in kittens should normally be pink in colour, were very pale – almost white in fact. A blood test showed that his blood was very thin and that he did not have very many red blood cells circulating in his tiny body.

"Dumpling was warmed up with lots of hot water bottles and blankets and was placed on a drip to help correct his dehydration and support his body. He was also placed in an oxygen chamber to help his breathing.

"With intensive care in hospital including intravenous fluids, antibiotics, regular feeding and active warming, Dumpling responded very well to treatment over the following days.

"Dumpling's signs of weakness, dehydration and rapid breathing were most certainly caused by fleas. Yes, fleas!





"In kittens under six months of age, fleas can cause a significant anaemia due to the fact that they feed on the blood of the kitten through the skin. The kitten then does not have enough blood to carry oxygen around his or her body, leading to signs of weakness and in very severe cases, very rapid breathing. Weakness also leads to the kitten being unable to eat or drink, which results in dehydration and further loss of strength.

"Adult cats can also be significantly affected by flea anaemia, however, it is far more common in kittens. This is why flea control is so important in both cats and kittens. Flea control should be applied on a regular basis (even in winter) to help prevent fleas biting your cat or kitten. Fleas mostly cause irritation to cats when they bite, however, as demonstrated with Dumpling, they can cause much more than itchiness," said Dr Brady.

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Special cat Duncan

Our vets are amazing and every day we are thankful for the skills, expertise and compassion shown by the teams at the clinics we mainly use, which are Sydney Animal Hospitals Inner West; Rooty Hill Veterinary Surgery; and Concord Veterinary Hospital.

Here, Dr Rebecca Brady of Concord Veterinary Hospital explains how they saved a tiny kitten's life.

Someone found little Duncan in their backyard and took him to Cat Protection who then rushed to him over to us – he was in a terrible state.

He was covered in diarrhoea, was very dehydrated, extremely cold and in shock. Duncan was warmed up, stabilised with a drip and given a warm soapy bath.

Unfortunately, even though he started eating a little bit of kitten food, we couldn't keep his blood glucose at a normal level. It kept dropping to dangerously low levels so we had to give him four-hourly glucose through his drip.

The glucose saved his little life but damaged the vein in his front leg. Unfortunately, this caused his little leg to swell as the blood was not draining back through the vein. The swelling caused him to lose a few of his little toes. However, with lots of TLC and physiotherapy, even with some missing toes, his leg is back to full function.

Duncan is a beautiful smoochy boy who loves cuddles and to kiss you on the face. Since his recovery he has grown rapidly and is a very keen eater!

After his hospital care was complete, Duncan continued to recuperate in foster care and then, in full-health, he was ready to be desexed and find his forever home.



Duncan at the vet hospital

Thank you to everyone who helped Duncan through his hard times.

In our adoption centre, he's been racing around the kitten courtyard



Duncan now

playing with new feline friends. By the time you read this, we expect he will be the centre of attention in the home of a very lucky person.

We wish you well Duncan!

Parliament House lunch

18 October

Still on vets ... don't forget it's not too late to book tickets to our lunch to celebrate the amazing contribution to feline welfare by Dr Alice Noe-Nordberg.

Hosted by the Chairman of the Companion Animals Taskforce, Dr Andrew Cornwell MP (another vet!) you'll not only have an opportunity for a beautiful relaxing lunch with good friends but also a reflection on the past and a glimpse into the future.

Not to be missed! See our website or phone our office on 9519 7201 for more details.



Open Day

9 November

We're planning an excellent and informative Open Day for Saturday 9 November from 11am to 2pm.

It's a great opportunity to find out more about what we do and this year, we're focusing on cat care health and behaviour. There will also be educational activities for children.

And of course ... there will be a vet! Dr Anne Fawcett who practices at Sydney Animal Hospitals Inner West and lectures in vet science at the University of Sydney will be our special guest speaker. We will also have presenters with expertise in behaviour, nutrition and parasite control. So please do join us for a day of learning and fun.

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Project HoPe

Another vet doing great work is Dr Sam Kovac of Southern Cross Veterinary Clinic at St Peters. In August, as a part of Homeless Persons Week, Project HoPe was launched. Its aim is to provide assistance to the pets of homeless people, particularly health checks, vaccinations and flea and worm treatment.

Dr Kovac is working with MissionBeat and the Jewish House.

"I think many homeless people in Australia own pets because they make great, non-judgmental companions," said Dr Kovac.

"All of the diseases we will be vaccinating against are preventable ... the aim is ... to prevent these animals from becoming sick in the first place and avoid unnecessary angst and pain for both owner and animal."

Cat Protection was pleased to be joined at the launch by some of our Facebook friends and various political dignitaries and sponsors. It was heart-warming to see so many people recognising the value of the human-animal bond.

When Rabbi Mendel Kastel announced that Bunnings had sponsored kennels for the Jewish House there was a huge cheer. Now people provided with crisis accommodation by the Jewish House will not need to be separated from their pets. It is hoped other refuges will follow this excellent initiative.

Cat Protection looks forward to assisting Project HoPe where we can (one of our staff helped Dr Kovac vaccinate a dog just the other week!)



Clover Moore, Lord Mayor of Sydney, Dr Sam Kovac of Southern Cross Veterinary Clinic and Rabbi Mendel Kastel

Membership reminder

Thank you to everyone who renewed their membership. Forms were included with the Winter issue of *Cat Affairs*. If you haven't renewed yet or you're not sure, please call our office on 9519 7201. You can pay your membership online at www. catprotection.org.au

Your continued support is important to help us give cats a voice. Please help their meows be heard!



The future looks bright

It's always inspiring to see young people enthused by animals (and especially cats, of course). So we were delighted when Danielle Henry and Emily Wang of Abbotsleigh Girls Junior School chose to do their Year 6 Animals, People and the Environment school project on the Cat Protection Society.

We were very impressed with their final presentation. Well done, Emily and Danielle!



Danielle Henry and Emily Wang of Abbotsleigh Girls Junior School

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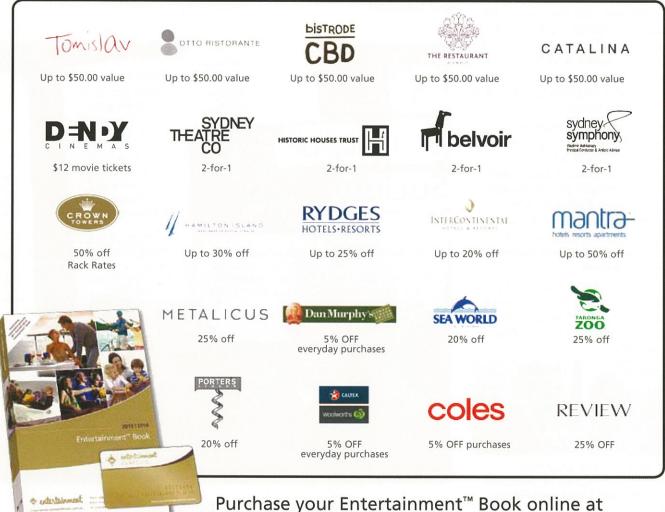
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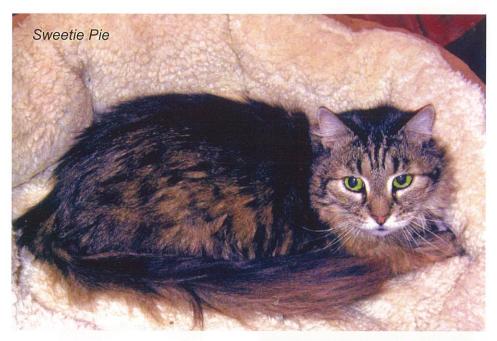
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Dear Kristina

I enclose a photo of my cat Sweetie Pie, 17. I adopted Sweetie Pie from a vet in Moss Vale when she was 13, and five years after my wife died.

My retirement village allows new entrants to bring pets, but they cannot be replaced when they die. I think this is a cruel and insensitive regulation, probably directed against barking dogs. My cat is virtually silent and never goes out of doors.

I cannot stress too much the importance of pets to elderly people who live alone and I'll be trying to get my village to change their rule when my cat passes away. With any luck I'll go first!

Your latest magazine was full of interest, with the cat Olivia on the cover looking like my cat's twin. I could also react familiarly with the article on indoor cats.

You might consider a name change for the magazine to "The Cat's Whiskers". This uses the cat word, but also implies superiority, which it is!

Best wishes

Nigel



Bacon

Hi CPS

We adopted Bacon from you in April and thought we'd drop you an email to let you know how he's going.

In short he's going great. He pretty much runs the place. He has a real personality and we are confident he made the right decision in choosing us.

Thanks for the work you do.

Matt

It's fantastic to see Bacon so happy and healthy. He came to Cat Protection after being found on the outskirts of Sydney, all skin and bones, curled up under a bush. He was a very lucky little boy to have been found by such nice people – and now so lucky to have found such a fantastic forever home. We're so happy!

Hi Emilie

Gavin and I named our kitten Sebastian. He is going really well and we love having him with us.

Sebastian loves his food and has been very active, especially after we bought him a big cat scratch house.

The biggest surprise is how well toilet trained he is!!! We have you guys to thank for that. We have not had one single issue with him in that regard; he has always used his litter.

Thought I would share my favourite photo of where Sebastian likes to rest while I read the paper. In this cold weather it is rather nice!!!!

Have a good day.

Mathew



Hi Ellen

Here are Custard and Gamma enjoying a visit to their country house.

Lisa



Hi Emilie

You'll be happy to know that my new kitten, now named Mia, has taken over my home within 10 minutes of being here. She's also cost me a packet as I've bought her loads of toys and essential cat equipment such as foam igloos, scratch posts, and a whole lot more.

She is an engaging little thing although everything is a toy to her and I've had to "kitten-proof" everything. And they said babies were trouble. That's because they don't know kittens!

Mia eats like a lion and she'll eat almost anything. Right now, she's eating all sorts of kitten food and kangaroo meat (approved by the vet) plus her Science Diet biscuits; she's a very demanding eater and has to have variety. She's already been wormed, treated for fleas and so on. I've been in touch with her personal vet to prepare him about this little, manipulative being who's turned my life upside down, but in a nice way.

Recently, she's discovered the kitchen sink but won't do the dishes. She's also taken over my laptop, and when I'm in the middle of working on something, she walks across the keyboard and types in gobbledygook, which I have to edit before my readers get to my novels ©

I've had a cat enclosure built on my balcony so Mia can view her 'domain' from the second floor of my unit. This is such a great idea as Mia can safely go to the balcony 24/7 and remain safe from harm while she terrorises the butcher birds in the neighbourhood, who all know her by now.

Warm regards Sylvia



Ripley

Hey CPS

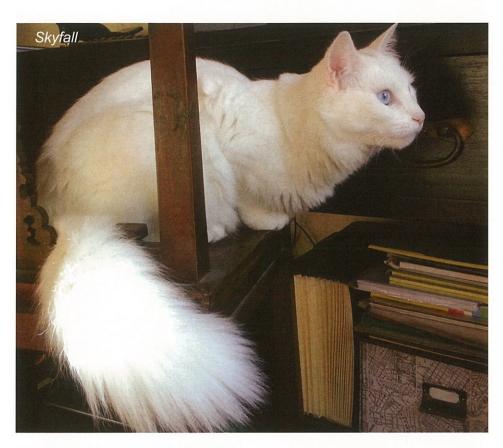
Thanks for the advice you just gave us regarding scratching posts and our cat's behaviour. Great tip on the "lean it anywhere" post; Ripley took to it instantly and seems rather attached to her new carpeted best friend.

Hopefully with a bit of positive & consistent reinforcement she'll give up on killing our floor rugs in favour of her own horizontal scratching surface.

Thank you! Lauren & Ivana



Mia



Hi Camilla

The little one is doing great, he settled in quite quickly; found his spot on the bed, likes to sleep around my neck or near my face ©

We named him Pepper. He loves a lot of attention!

Kind regards

Rosa



Dear Kristina

Just reading the latest Cat Affairs and thought I would send an update on Hero. I'm really grateful to CPS for giving Hero a second chance...he is a part of the family and has settled in with Michael and Phil as you can see. Whatever hard life he had in the beginning, he is certainly making up for it

I think your new rehabilitation centre is a brilliant idea - stress management is really vital in looking after any animals, particularly cats. So Hero, Mike, Phil and I made a little donation to help you along.

Anne

Phil and Hero



Dear Cat Protection Society

I am writing to let you know how well Skyfall (Astrid) is doing. She has been a real gem, with a great social personality and a fun loving playful attitude.

She loves company which is good because I like to entertain a lot! And she is the hit of the dinner party every time. I have even taken her to my local café for my morning coffee and newspaper read. And boy is she a hit there too! People can't believe how beautiful she is, and how well behaved she is as well.

Having Skyfall has taught me a lot. Luckily she is patient with me and lets me learn at my own speed! Our bonding times (first thing in the morning - luckily I am an early riser too! - and when I come home from work in the evenings) are very precious to me. It's like she prepares me for the day and then washes the day off me with her affection. She is the stress management program that I recommend to everyone!

I am so pleased for that hottest Sydney day in January when this wonderful little piece of sky fell into my arms when I visited CPS to adopt. We haven't looked back since! Thanks for the good work that CPS does to help both cats like Skyfall and people like me.

Cheers George

Hello

We adopted Vegas a couple of months ago and just wanted to let you know that he is doing really well & is such a happy boy! He loves being involved in whatever is going on & even enjoys watching the NRL of a Friday night! He loves eating, snoozing & cuddling and wakes us up with kisses every morning. We just love him.

Thanks again Yatu & James



Leroy and Zoey

Omar

Hi CPS

We adopted Omar as a kitten two weeks ago. He's great! He's very easy going and happy, loves to run around the house like crazy.

He is my first cat and I can't believe how easy they are compared to dogs!

Danielle



Hi Nerida

My kitten Zoey is doing really well, I've attached a couple of photos of her and one with Leroy who is our other (Burmese) cat. She's usually the disapproving big sister but he's recently taught her a few naughty tricks!

Zoey grew really fast and she's quite a big girl and is really pretty. She's very friendly and likes talking to us. She also LOVES food and not just cat food - she'll try to eat anything and everything off our plates!

Thanks!

Josie (and Zoey)

Hello

Caramel did not take long to lie in front of the radiator, and then a few hours later she was found climbing up to mummy's bed to play or sleep. There is a raised pattern on the quilt. She tries to 'catch' the pattern and follow it around the bed faster and faster.

Now she has a mouse on a stick - soaked by me in catnip- so she is very busy chasing that. She's awake for a couple of hours in the morning and then most of the evening.

The day time, especially if visitors drop in and out, is the time to spend under the bed! It's nice and warm under there and I have blankets stored under there, also some pillows. She's very smart!

I love her to bits. Dear Caramel will respond to visitors eventually but meanwhile they are only allowed to see pictures of her. It's too intrusive of them to peer under the bed.

I'd say she's pretty contented!

Thanks again for trusting me to care for her forever.

Renee





Hi Bronwyn

The kittens are doing very well, they have settled in. There is absolutely no need to worry; they still love each other very much. They are up all night playing and running around the house. Their names are Finn (our white little one) and Jake (our champagne boy).

Alison

Hello everybody at Cat Protection!

Thank you for all your hard work in looking after our new cat until we could find him.

We picked him up less than two weeks ago and he has settled in as if he has always been here. He runs to the door to greet us when we get home, is full of purrs and cuddles and is happiest only when he is sitting on one of two laps.

He is the sweetest kitten ever: affectionate, loving and warm. He has grown to love our Aussie Terrier and although they don't get into boisterous play, they do snuggle up to each other at night when they both think we're not looking. Oh yes, and we called him

Thank you again for looking after him so well. The love and attention you gave him is obvious by the way he so willingly gives it back in return now.

We are very much in love with our new kitty.

Kind regards

Paul & Toyosi

Hi Bronwyn

Harry's settled in very well and really become a member of the family, albeit a hyperactive one.

We love him dearly as he does us, and it seems like he's been with us forever.

Our home can be classified as a cat play pen most of the time and we all love it. Harry follows us around like a puppy a lot of the time but particularly our son John who is "Harry's Chosen One".

I've attached a few photos of "His Royal Highness"

Nick, Margaret, Danny, John & Harry



IN MEMORIAM



Please accept this donation in memory of Honey, who left this life in May.

She was 14.5 years and lived a spirited life, feisty and full of personality. Right to the end she was loving and wanting to play. But she was very ill, her poor little body wasting away from kidney and heart failure.

I miss her talks especially during breakfast where she liked to sit and see if there were any leftovers for her. She would come and give me an affectionate head-butt to say hello.

Gone too soon. Joan



Please find enclosed a donation on behalf of my beloved cat Mitzi.

I got her from you over 18 years ago and after breaking a few ornaments with her flying leaps from one piece of furniture to another, she settled in nicely. She loved snoozing on palm fronds, and I could only put one in the bin when there was a 'fresh' replacement.

I can still hear her little good morning meow and her growl of irritation if I had to get up when she was happily purring on my lap.

Farewell, my little pal. Tanya



In loving memory of my beautiful boy Cricket, put to sleep on July 10 aged 16 ½ years, the last of my furry family.

I miss him and all who went before him very much.

The precious memories are always with me.

Lesley



In memory ... one year without you Dingi and 20 good ones together x

Gunell

In memory of Rufus, dearly beloved pussycat of Alex and Michael, who left us in June.

Debbie

This donation is in special memory of Alice, my little cat, who died on 5 March aged nearly 16.

Margaret

I would like to give this gift in memory of My Dear Wife Carole, a cat lover all her life.

Colin

This donation is in memory of Sam.

Betty





This donation is towards your shelter appeal in memory of my dear Shelley, Blackie, Hermie, and all their many predecessors.

Margaret



In loving memory of Amber-Purr, who passed away at the age of 10 years and two months on 30 June 2013. He came into my life as a tiny, frightened and hungry stray kitten. With kindness and care, he grew into a healthy young cat who, while he didn't ever appear to enjoy being handled and lived out life out of doors in freedom, was nevertheless much loved. I miss him and will treasure my memories of him.

Diana

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Snorky In memory of Britt's cat, Snorky, from Beth

To a wonderful cat who passed away too early, from Fabian



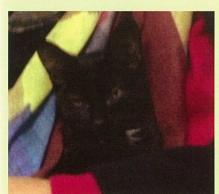
In memory of Mr Jaggy, who came from CPS in 2000 and went to the big scratching post in the sky in May.

Jude

I would like to give this gift in memory of Louis, once known as Lui, who I met at the CPS of NSW in 1994. He lived to be over 21 years and helped me to make friends everywhere we lived. Sadly, he passed away at Easter this year. Thank you CPS for keeping him alive until we met.

My greatest gift ever.

Kathryn



Little Lillian, my Little One

Taken from me so soon, far too soon.

You gave me such joy, such love. From the first moment, you gave yourself entirely to me, trusted me totally. You needed love and you loved. Every night, every day, you spent in my arms.

You stole the chicken out of my hamburger when my back was turned for a moment.

You were already a great tree climber.

Above all, you were the most affectionate little girl. You loved putting your paws on my face and rubbing your face on mine.

I miss you.

Jonathan

Made with love

Our members have many talents and we're grateful to them for so often sharing their skills with us: like Muriel and Wendy who knit cosy cat blankets for us, and Beverley who regularly sews up a storm of beautiful soft kitten 'bunny rugs' for us. As you can see, they're gorgeous. Thanks so much ladies, you're stars!



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