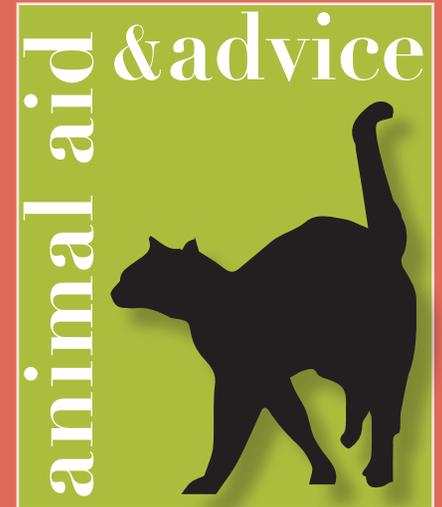


Newsletter 1

Winter/Spring 2018



Two kittens who had a very happy Christmas after being rehomed just in time

Our AGM

This years AGM will be held on Saturday 6th April 2019 at 2pm.

The venue will be the same place as usual at the

**Loraine Estate
Community Hall
on Holloway Road
N7 9SA**

Don't forget to bring a photo of your cat for the cat competition and win your pet a hamper of goodies!

A BIG THANKYOU!

We are pleased to say that we have been very fortunate again this year to have Linda who fosters mum cats and kittens for us and her daughter Sam, in re-homing. Maria who deals with all our emails and enquiries and Sam, have been fantastic at promoting our charity through the local press thus generating many offers of homes for our cats, kittens and fitting in home checks, all whilst doing a full time job! Thank you.

New homes for a few of the cats we rescued in 2018



Huggy says "I love my new family, but my dad is the best"



Bella when we found her



Phoenix the naughty torty in her new home and right, with her new friend. She'll soon sort him out, we're sure

Deacon (right) enjoying a nap in his new home with Christine



Bella (above) was dirty, hungry and very thin, hiding under some dustbins where Andrea's son worked. He phoned his mum to say this poor cat is in desperate need of help, she immediately said bring her home. Andrea fostered her and brought her back to good health and she is now settled in her new home with a family who love and care for her.



Bernard looks very happy in his new home



Kiki has new home with Phil and Zika



Thelma and Louise

Belle (left) was a young mum cat with four two day old kittens when we found her. She is now happy in her new home



Book Shop Closes

After 12 years our bookshop in Blackstock Road, Highbury has now closed.

It became increasingly hard to get volunteers and it had to be closed for several days in the week because there was no one to serve in the shop and as a result we were losing money.

It was closed on 31st December 2018 due to lack of volunteers.

Christmas Fayre

The Annual Christmas fayre in aid of ALL ANIMAL welfare issues and held at the Kensington Town Hall, is attended by charities from all over the country. They come from far and wide and it is a remarkable event when you see so many people coming together who hope to make a difference to animal welfare.

Our table of home made hats, scarves and socks that have been made by our knitting and crocheting team throughout the year raised £210. Well done you all, same again next year, so get busy!



Remembering Josephine Burke 19.09.1930 - 21.01.2019

Josie was always ready to help out the many animal charities that she supported over the years. Serving on the stalls at outdoor events, standing on a windy corner with a collection tin and working in various charity shops.

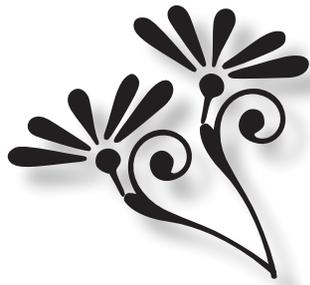
Her last shop was with us at the Animal Aid and Advice shop in East Finchley, where her knowledge of

art, music and literature was a great asset to us. She worked closely with Maureen and Jeff who had no idea she was in her 80s, as her enthusiasm in whatever she chose to do was amazing. Josie used to come in the shop some days and say "it's a bit chilly in here". Maureen would reply "you should be wearing a vest. And Josie would answer "only old people wear vests"!

Friendly banter was the order of the day in our shop, a good team that worked very happily together and we are sure Josie enjoyed every minute of it.

Her attitude to life was 'a day at home is a day wasted'. A remarkable lady indeed.





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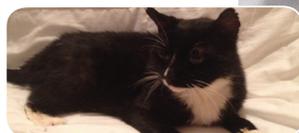
Much loved Molly - such a happy girl, who left us too soon. Sadly missed by M, M and J.



Our Henry, named after Henry Cooper the boxer, had the right name.

He was a tuff little character, who got on with everyone, but would stand his ground against any little disagreements that arose, he had a mean left hook when needed.

A fighter to the end, our Henry who put up a brave battle. We will miss him.



Marley (below), although an old lady, was still a cheeky torty, always looking for mischief. Such a wonderful character. Missing your funny little ways.



Kermit, (left) a lovable rogue who always wanted to be the centre of attention. Sadly missed after a sudden illness.

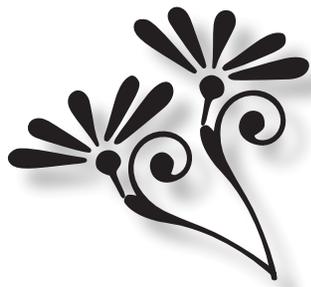


This little cat was being fed by people for a few months and yet again they left it too late to get help for her as she was so poorly that she had to be out to sleep after collapsing on the vet table. Why did they not get her help sooner?

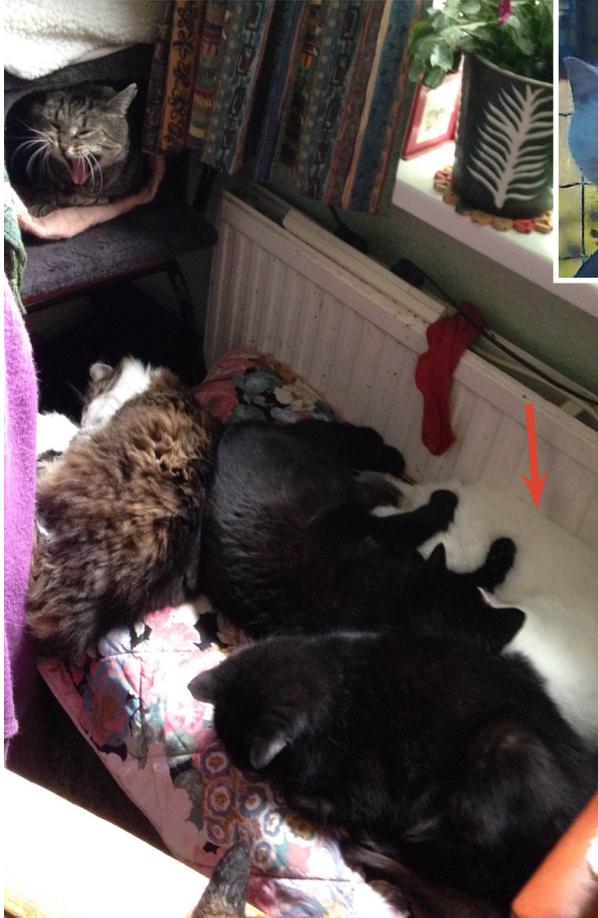


Zoe (above) was a much loved cat who found a good home with Jessica and Adam after being a stray for a long time. She was very happy there and will be very sadly missed.





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Egg seemed to be a very special cat to all his cat companions. The only way to describe how they were all together was the song from the Carpenters, 'Close

to you". When he came into a room they would all look up or come and sniff him as if he was wearing some beautiful perfume. They always wanted to rub up against him and when he lay down to sleep he was never alone as two or three others would always want to be with him.

When he walked down the garden he always had one of his friends touching his shoulder. The football song 'You'll never walk alone' comes to mind. Egg is the white cat squashed in by his many friends. Although he is gone, he is not alone, as Henry Cooper and Marley have now joined him and Maggie the tabby and Cookie went ahead to make sure everything was ready for him.

✿ **Scroitchy had been around for many years and was being fed, but when we finally persuaded the lady feeding him that he needed a vet, it was too late.**

✿ **Boris, another garden cat who was yet again being fed, help was too late, when they finally caught him with the loan of our trap.**

✿ **Smartie, cared for by Liz. Although you were a bit grumpy, she did love you.**

Blake, a gentle soul, we thought you had a future, but it was not meant to be.



Banksey was a well loved stray taken in by Jill who worked in our charity shop for many years. Banksey has now gone to be with Jill.

✿ **Snowy a long time stray, fed by people who gave him food and shelter in their front garden, but had too many health problems, when they finally asked for our help to get him to the vet.**