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AGM

Our 2024 AGM will be open to members at 2:30pm on SUNDAY 14th April at
48 High Road, East Finchley, London, N2 9PJ.

Due to the small venue we ask that you let us know if you will be attending.

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email: animalaidandadvice@gmail.com or letter to 48 High Road Thank you

SUMMER MADNESS

We had a call in the summer from a concerned neighbour about a number of cats that belonged to the people living in the house next door. She was friendly with them and knew they had un-neutered female cats that had produced many kittens. She offered to find help for them whilst they were going back home to Turkey for four weeks, with a sister in law going in daily to feed them. They themselves knew the situation was greatly out of hand and they agreed to have help if she could find it.

We went to the house and all we could see was small and tiny kittens running all over the place. We

were told there was a cat under the sofa who had just given birth three days ago with five kittens!

The whole household consisted of -

One adult female under sofa with 5 new born.

One adult with 5 kittens five weeks' old

4 older kittens about four months old and

3 young adult females, all from a previous litter.

When we had them neutered one of these had skeletal kittens inside her where they had died.

In total there were 19 cats.

The original female cat that they started with went back to them after being neutered. We were also extremely lucky that we were able to find other charities to help with such a large cat problem.

Some of our cats needing a home



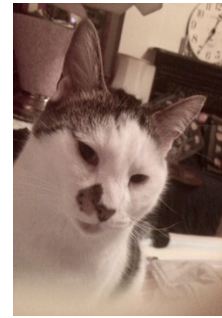
SMOKEY was a stray that was wandering on a housing estate. Although he was being fed by people for about eighteen months, they then contacted us after he had had an accident and was struggling to walk. We were told he had been left behind by someone who had moved away. One lady encouraged him into her flat with food which made it easier for us to collect him.

Smokey, who they had called him, was shown to have a badly fractured pelvis that showed up on his x-rays. He was lucky enough not to need an operation but had pain relief and cage rest for eight weeks. Then extended cage rest but still not allowed jumping up for another four weeks and finally he was allowed out into the room for gentle exercise. He is now completely healed and is a friendly cat that likes to play with his catnip toys and just loves his scratching post. He runs around and jumps on and over the bed with his friend Stevie, and they are now good friends.



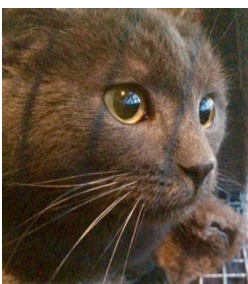
STEVIE was another stray that was wandering on a housing estate and being fed by a kind lady. He is now friends with Smokey in a foster foster home.

Unfortunately, Stevie suffers from Dry Eye Syndrome which means he will need on going treatment of eye drops twice a day and this can be a lifetime condition.



BUSTER was another street urchin in need of rescue. A strange looking cat that that was two toned when we collected him. Half of him was black and white and the other was a reddy brown colour it was as if someone had drawn a line right round his middle to divide him in half.

The lady who was feeding him said she thinks he may have fallen into something on the allotments that were near by, as it was only half his body that was discoloured. He is now a handsome boy who enjoys his food. He is friendly but has a bit of catitude now and again if he gets nervous.



GREYSON is another garden stray. Although he was being fed by the people in the house, was not allowed inside however much he tried at every opportunity as it was a cold winter outside. When we went to collect him he was so happy he hung onto us for a cuddle.

Greyson is a petite male cat around 2-4 years old but looks small for his age, but he eats enough for two cats. Always a hungry boy.

Benny the stray urgently needed to be rescued

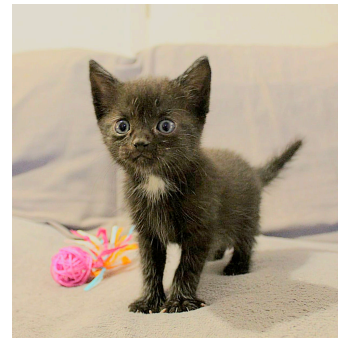
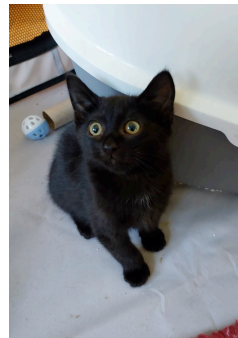


Benny as he is now called, was an old be-draggled looking stray being fed in a warehouse. He has been taken in by us as he has been found to have numerous health problems so will now be cared for by the charity. Benny is now in a new home where he has asserted his position as Top Cat with the resident dogs and can be a bit naughty his foster mum said.



1st trip to vet Now a cheeky boy

Some of our successful homing's during 2023



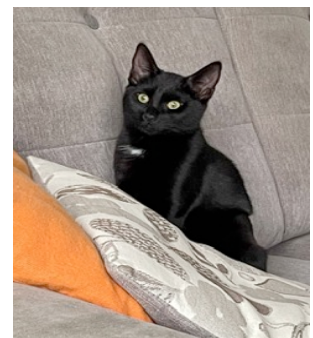
*After an influx of black kittens over the weeks see some of them above
We were lucky to find homes for all twelve of them. Some photos below*



Robin now Gene was homed in Jan '23
He now has to get used to a little
Madam who is always ready to play.
He retreats to the garden when she
gets too much for him.



Lily soon made herself at home with
the resident cat and makes sure he
sits still whilst she washes his face.
He doesn't mind really as she's good
cleaning his ears.



Steve said he's never had
such an affectionate cat
before, she's a breath of
fresh air, but wishes she
would be kinder to his sofa

Some more of our cats and kittens that have been homed



Mickie & Minnie



Rhubarb



Ben Flower pot kitten ▽



Goran



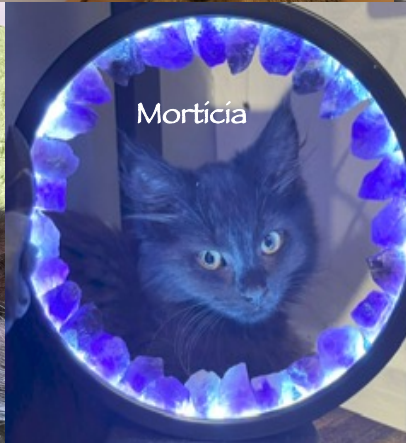
Seamus



Mum & kittens born in A flower pot



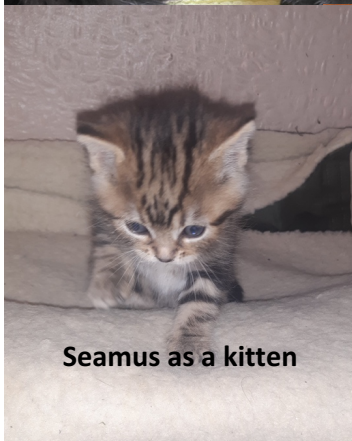
Dot & Spot



Morticia



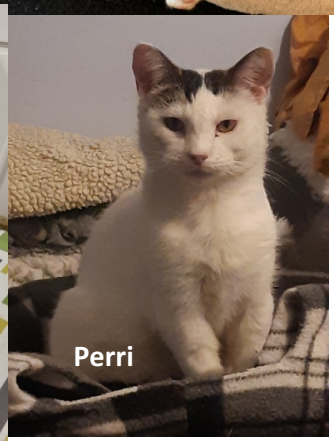
Simba & Matilda



Seamus as a kitten



Pye & Nero



Perri

Remember Me - 2023

We have lost a few cats throughout the year and we would like them to be remembered as they were much loved and part of someone's family

Jenny – Was a poorly looking cat with a bad skin condition who we rescued from a garden about four years ago. She must have spent her life producing kittens as she was an older un-neutered female. When she finally got to the stage where she enjoyed having a stroke and a cuddle (sometimes) it was lovely to see the change in her. We were sad to have to say goodbye to such a funny little thing with a big character. Will miss your funny little ways

Dude - A much loved cat and company for Maja. He came from allotments where it was found he had a chicken bone stuck in his mouth which prevented him from eating. The lady feeding him noticed his difficulty and called us to see if we could help him. Although living rough on the allotments he turned out to be what we call, an ex-domestic cat. Whoever had owned him before they just couldn't be bothered to neuter him, so he wandered off and became a stray. He was an older cat, but once he settled down with Maja, he loved to sleep by the radiator. Much loved

Terry - Another stray, who tested FIV+. He was a right character. Quietly confident in himself but not amiss to sit and sock it out with anyone who tried to bully him, but he never started anything himself. Any trouble in the cat household amongst others, he would step in and sort it out. The others seemed to know this and they soon dispersed when they see him coming. Sadly missed.

Zak – Was another stray who tested FIV+. He was very shy and took a good while to settle in with his fosterer Mal and his family who spent long and patient times with him, making him feel safe and loved. Over the number of years he spent with them, he was a great companion to Mal who was devastated when the time came to say goodbye. He will be forever in his heart.

Nelly & Pixie – Very unusually, two cats both had deteriorating health conditions at the same time. They were not related but were friends and had grown old together. One had cancer, one had bowel problems. Friends in life, they went off together. With love and fond memories of you both.

Daisy – Was an old lady by the time she was found in someone's garden. May have wandered off or the person who had owned her may have moved away. She was found a new home with a lady's mother who wanted a cat for company and Daisy fitted the bill perfectly. Very sad occasion when the time came to say goodbye. An empty lap as a reminder of the friendship you gave.

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