



SNIP Newsletter Summer 2014

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Welcome to the SNIP Newsletter, where we invite you to our AGM on the 13th November 2014 which we hope you will attend and renew your membership. We don't receive any official or lottery funding so individual donations are our lifeline. Without your vital support we could not help so many strays and feral cats in urgent need.

A very warm welcome to our 2014 Newsletter. What a year it's been! Since seeing many of you at our AGM last year we have notched a few thousand more miles and have rehomed lots of lucky feral and timid cats to pastures new.

We are pleased that we were able to keep going through the wettest winter on record, we managed to tramp through soggy fields to barns and stables all over the country. Spring and Summer has been non-stop and we look forward to your continuing help and support to keep up the good work.

The Amazing Yen and Saul Bloom set off for Stonehenge...

Check out the new SNIP website which went live in the Summer - direct your mouse (maybe not!) to snipcats.org



SNIPPETS

Stories from our friends
old and new

HATTIE

“Hello! Just thought i'd post an update on Hattie. She has really settled into country life and loves curling up on the hay. Plus our mouse population has definitely dwindled! I've attached a picture of her at dinnertime, her favourite time of day, although she does get stroppy if its late to arrive!” SB, 15th October 2013



HOLLY AND TINSEL

“Hi - we had two cats from you in December = Jasmine and Poppadum (now Holly and Tinsel) Tinsel was the younger and she has totally settled in - she knows us and our cars now and she is so playful she keeps us amused all day. Holly was older and is more self contained - but she does know us. She has also killed 3 rats and a rabbit (though Tinsel tried to pretend she had done it).” CT 13th April 2014



FREDDIE

“I only just found your FB page so thought I'd show you how my SNIP cat Freddie is getting on. He's 10 now and has been with me since he was a big 5 month old kitten. When he arrived he was the same size of my 18 month old girl cat!”

MD, 20th December 2013



VENUS - IN MEMORY

“Yesterday I had my dear cat Venus put to sleep at the age of 20. I received her eighteen years ago from SNIP. She was the most gentle, loyal and faithful of friends. I cannot thank you enough for introducing us together all those years ago. we grew up together.”

VG, 14th January 2014

MAX

“Max is still max and here he is loving his new life. He is really friendly and loves getting attention. He loves to play on the hay bales and have a nice nap he has caught a few mice and we are so pleased about how he is getting on! Thank you for these 2 amazing cats!”

MF, 8th August 2014



FRANKLINS FRIENDLY FARM FERALS

It was great to stop by our friends at Franklins Farm in Somerset in the summer. They've got a very busy dairy farm and our ferals are fitting in very well - pictured are Lulu, Mr Skippy and Marley. They seem part of the furniture at the farm and are proving handy at pest control too!



TIGGERS TALE

Tigger is a lucky chap. He's found a home amongst the Met's Mounted Police division in Shepherd's Bush.

His solemn duty is to patrol the stables in a ceaseless mission to deter any rodents foolish enough to trespass on his turf.

He quickly became the toast of Her Majesty's finest, as you can see he's modelling a fine feline Christmas get-up.



AGM 2014

Our AGM will be held in the Emergency Fostering Unit of the RSPCA Central & North East London Branch with whom we work very closely and whose staff trap most of the ferals that we resite. Date: 13th November 2014 Time: 7pm for 7.30pm start. Venue: RSPCA Fostering Unit, Unit 1G, 1 Thane Villas, Holloway, London, N7 7PH. Please see directions below. Phone: 07557 118 484

SNIP SLIDES

During the evening there will be a slide show of the cats we have resited to stables and a tour of the animals at the unit (50-60 cats plus rabbits and small furies).

WHITE ELEPHANT STALL

We will have a White Elephant stall selling new and high quality goods to raise much needed funds. PLEASE BRING ALONG YOUR UNWANTED BRIC A BRAC FOR US TO SELL.

SNIP SNAPS

There will be our usual photo competition. We welcome your funny, heart warming or just your favourite snaps, so please bring along your pet pictures.

BRITAIN'S GOT CAT-TALENTS

There will also be the ever popular cat modeling competition.

SPARE A COPPER OR TWO

There will a prize for whoever brings the heaviest bag of copper coins to donate.

RSPCA SHOP

The RSPCA unit also contains an ethical pet shop where you can buy very good value cat food and litter, cat toys and treats and safe baskets and collars.

DIRECTIONS

We hope you can join us for this fun evening.

Please note this unit is not marked RSPCA as it is not open to the public. It is marked as UNIT 1G. If you ask for the RSPCA locally they will wrongly direct you to the Harmsworth Animal Hospital almost opposite.

To find the venue get to the junction of Thane Villas and Seven Sisters Road, where there is a café called The Atlas.

The Emergency Fostering Unit is next door, behind a car park, with a big yellow industrial bin outside. It is between The Atlas and Regents Studios. There is a buzzer you need to ring to gain entrance. Please bring proof of ID as the meeting is only open to members of SNIP.

SNIP 2014

MEMBERSHIP

SNIP's Membership year starts in April. Please fill in this form and send your subscription for April 2014 to March 2015 to the address below (unless of course you are a Life Member or have already paid). We are desperately short of funds and need your help. Thank you.

Date:

I would like to show my support for SNIP's work with cats and kittens which have no owners by renewing my subscription of: £5.50 annual Individual /£3 annual Unwaged /£10 annual Family /£100 Life

Donation: £

My total payment (to SNIP) is: £

Using Gift Aid means that for every pound you give, we get back money at a rate depending on current basic tax rate from the Inland Revenue, helping your donation go further. Just tick the box below.

I want all donations I've made since 6th April 2011 and all donations in the future to be Gift Aid until I notify you otherwise ! I understand I must have paid or will pay an amount of Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax in each tax year (6th April - 5th April) that is at least equal to the amount of tax that all the charities I donate to will reclaim for that tax year. I also understand that other taxes such as VAT and Council Tax do not qualify.

I'd like to help SNIP with fund-raising/transport/fostering/organising events !

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