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Happy Homings

We all love happy endings, and what could make a rescued pet any happier than ending up with a loving family of their own. Following are pictures of some of the rescued kitties and doggies rehomed by PetPals during this quarter.



charlie

shadow

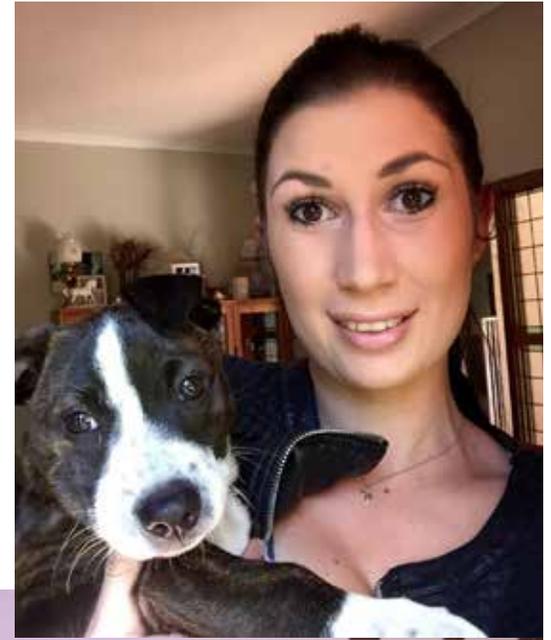


lucy



pippin

chloe



tammy



gem & gracie



bobby





Meet Snow, who we rescued from terrible living conditions in Morkel Cottage informal settlement. Unfortunately, his owner moved and gave him to the new family who moved onto the property. Snow was not cared for well, and was mostly left to survive on his own. It broke our hearts to see Snow deteriorating by the day. It appears as if he was mistreated due to a burn mark on his body. Being an older dog, the other dogs would often chase and frighten him. He was constantly running, and hiding.

We decided to take action. We managed to remove Snow from Morkel Cottage and re-homed him the very same day. Snow was filthy and riddled with thousands of fleas. We gently bathed, de-wormed and treated

him for the fleas. He will need to be bathed a few more times to get his coat the white it should be. Snow, who has been in a squatter camp all his life, is doing great and settling well in his new home and surroundings. Snow, who slept outside amongst the filth, with no shelter, has a warm kennel which he has taken well too. He is thin, but we will have him in good shape soon.



snow



We are truly excited, and so happy to be able to have helped Snow, who is very special to us.

Available for Adoption



tessa

This beautiful girl is Tessa. She is a lovely young girl of about 7 months old. She is gentle, playful and obedient. Tessa is currently in foster care amongst 2 other dogs, 2 cats and a bird. She sleeps inside, and is house-trained. She has been sterilised, vaccinated and de-wormed. Tessa is still a puppy, and will do well with a doggy companion.



Meet Merlin! This soft and gentle soul is looking for a new family to love. While it's not a requirement, Merlin says he would appreciate a warm and cosy spot by a fireplace. Or, at the very least, a lap to cuddle on. Merlin has grown up with 3 German Shepherds and a bird, so is used to a big family and gets on well with others. Sadly his family is emigrating, and his parents are looking for someone to love him as much as they did. All his vaccinations are up to date and he is neutered and microchipped.

merlin



spud

Spud is a very cute small breed male dog in need of a new home. Unfortunately, Spud's owners are going overseas and can no longer keep him. Spud is just over a year old, he has been neutered and his inoculations are up to date. He loves kids, and is very playful with other dogs. Spud will make a perfect inside dog and is fully house trained.



These puppies are looking for their forever homes! They are 7 weeks now, both female and they will grow up to be medium sized dogs. Petpals adoption procedures and adoption fee of R300 applies.

Community News



Dawie, came across this dog who was thin, had an eye infection, and was covered in mange. Dawie, was adamant to make a difference to this poor soul. We, unfortunately see many of these cases, and assist where possible. Unfortunately, the treatment must be applied over a long period of time. For 8 weeks Dawie (with the help of the residents) would dip and treat this dog, plus other dogs in the surrounding area.

The owner was educated, and willing to improve his dogs condition. We visited the dog and his proud owner today, and were happy to see the change. We actually rode passed the dog, and were unsure if it was him or not. He looks so much healthier, and also has a warm dog kennel to sleep in



Can you believe it? Since our last newsletter, PetPals has managed to spay a whopping 47 animals!



Dawie, Yolanda and Lynne at the AWS funday



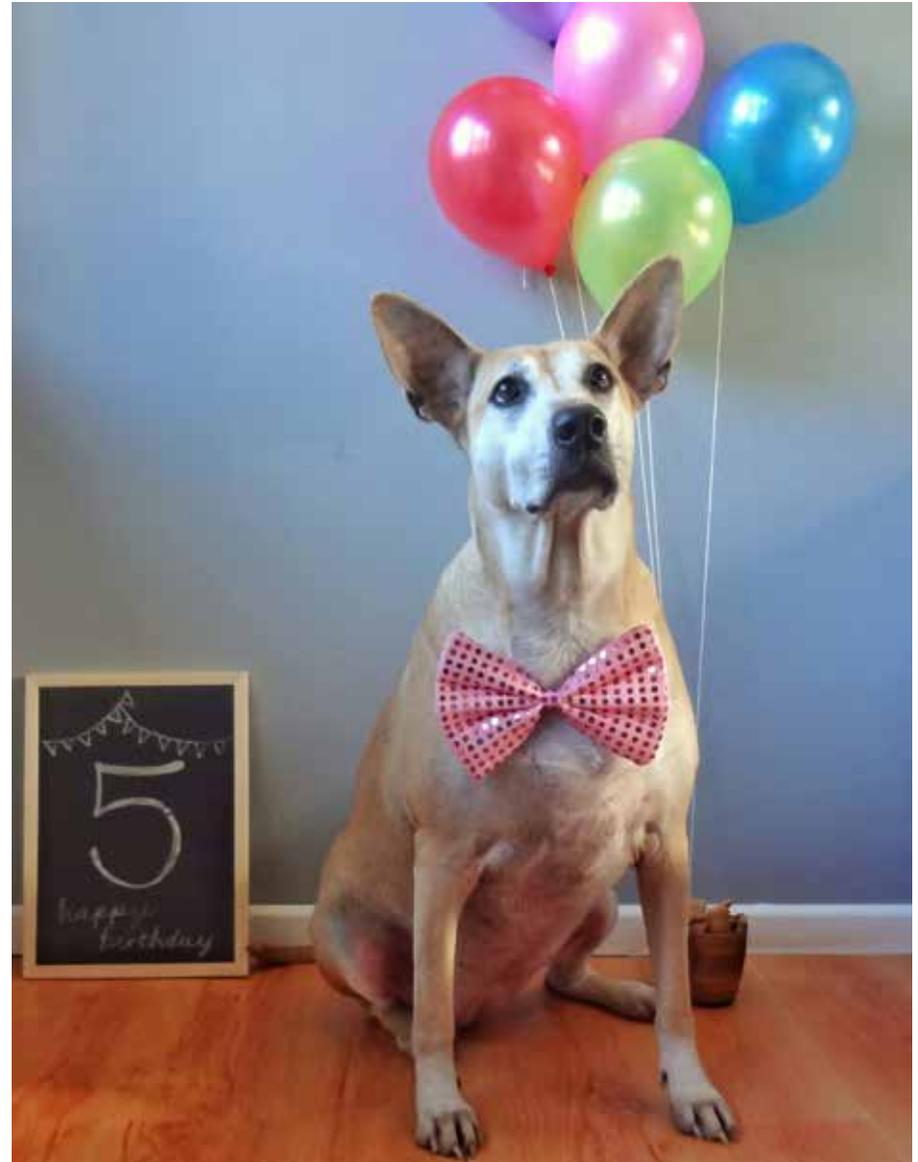
On Saturday the 26th July, Animal Welfare Gordons Bay hosted an open day and PetPals was invited to take part. Many people supported us at our table and bought some of the delicious cat and dog treats we had on offer. It was a very successful day, not only for us but for AWS as well.

We also cant thank Charlene from BuCo enough for arriving at the end of the day and buying all the left over products we had. It was great to end the day with an empty table!

Golden Oldie Adoptions

They say you can't choose your family, but we disagree. Sometimes it takes more than just mothers and fathers, brothers and sisters, uncles, aunts and cousins to complete a home. It's who you choose to share your life with, whether animal or human. Some families are not complete unless you have that cat curled up on your lap, or fighting that dog for space on your bed.

These are the stories of some of those times. And while these adoptions may have been recent or long ago, they all have one thing in common: wherever they've gone, they are loved and cherished, and treated as part of the family.





Kate & Tazz

Meet Kate and Tazz. They were adopted by Ilse and Jean 2 years ago into the most amazing and loving home. And now they have incredible news to share with everyone: they are going to be older sisters! Ilse and Jean will soon be adding a baby to the family and Kate and Tazz cant wait.

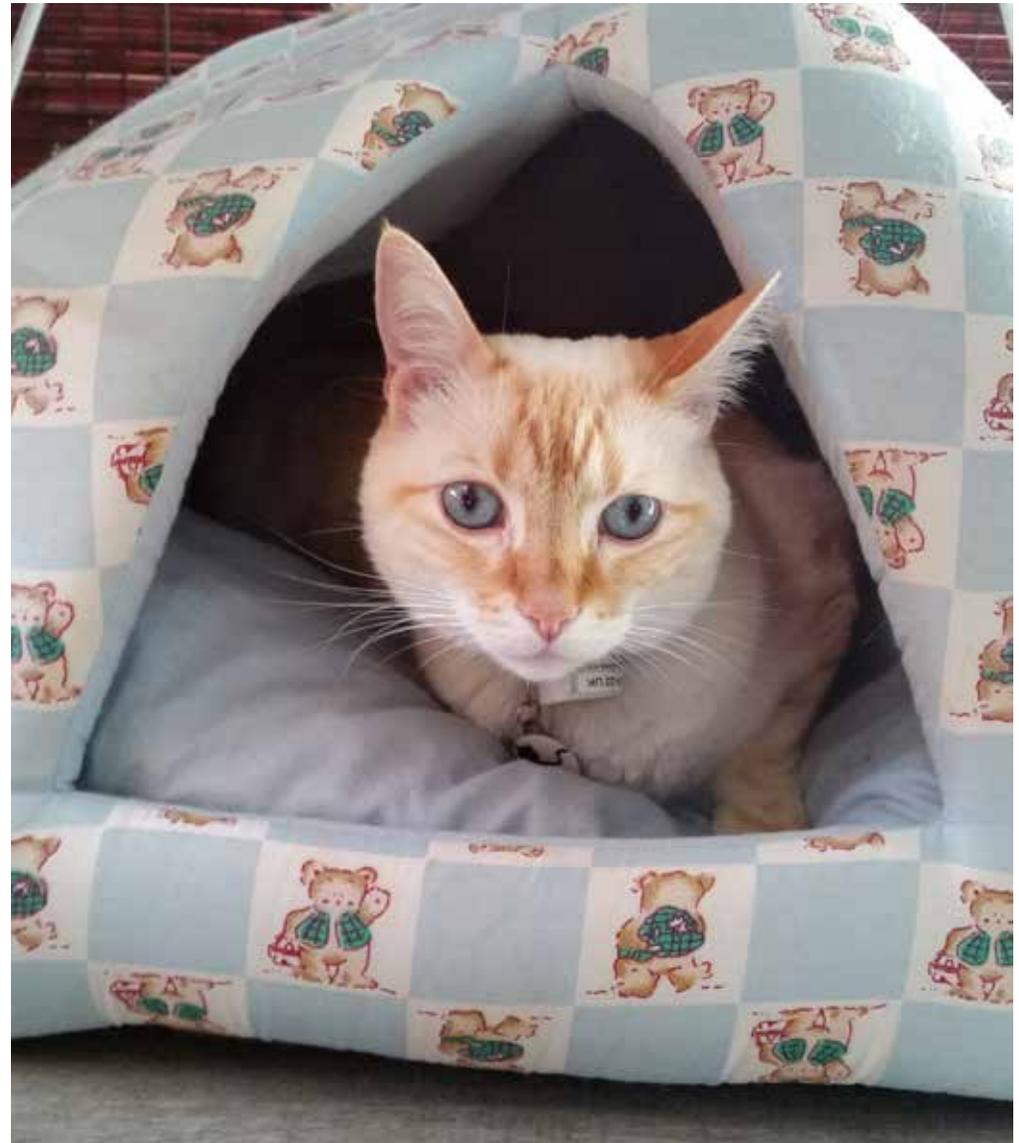
Kate and Tazz were put into foster together (then Annie and Becky) after they were found in a terrible state on the street. They immediately formed an inseparable bond and were adopted together into a home where they are treated like princesses. We know they will make the perfect older sisters and can't wait to see the photo's!

Castello

On one of PetPals' spay days in October 2008, three kittens were rescued after a resident living in a backyard shack indicated that the kittens' mother did not return to them for longer than a day already. The kittens were not siblings, because one kitten's eyes just started to open, while the other two were a few weeks older. The youngest white kitten was so tiny and weak,

PetPals thought he might not survive even the short trip to the vet. At that stage, it was estimated that he was just over 1 week old. The kittens were literally covered in fleas and very hungry, so they were bottle-fed and de-fleaed before placed in foster care. They were bottle-fed for weeks, and all three kittens survived. The two older kittens were re-homed together, while a PetPals volunteer couple decided to make the little one part of their own family.

Castello is now 6 years old and he is a sturdy, active boy who gives his owners affection (and grey hair) in abundance each day.





Shmouse

Let us introduce Shmouse, our very own celebrity. Shmouse, meaning cute, furry thing, or something to eat (because of the careful introduction to his jack russell/beagle cross sibling) was spotted for a photo shoot. After doing so well he was booked for a Volkswagen ad, and his life as a supermodel began!

Shmouse was adopted by his caretaker after the photoshoot and now lives on an 8 hectare smallholding with his best friend Max (a tabby rescued off a film location where they were filming Mad Max), 6 dogs, goats, sheep, cows, pigs, chickens, ducks and a macaw.

He has done numerous jobs and will continue to work as long as he enjoys it. He is an amazing cat who loves to travel, is fascinated by water and is clicker/target trained.



Maddi

Maddi came to us for fostering as a 3 week old puppy exactly 5 years ago. Of course, at the time, we had no idea she would stay for so long, but she would become our very first (and definitely not our last) foster fail.

Maddi's calm and gentle nature made her the perfect babysitter for all our other fosters, and she fit right into our ever growing pack. She is now the older sister to 7 other dogs and the true matriarch of the family. We couldn't imagine our home without her and we are so lucky that she has adopted us as her forever family!

- Barnard Family

I have done very little of the rescuing. Mobi is the one that rescued me. He amazes me and every night when he curls up on the pillow next to my head and I say 'thank you'.



Mobi

Mobi still has two birds to contend with. But again, I have complete faith in my rescue dog. In the last 5 or 6 months I came home twice to find one of the birds out of its cage. The first time Mobi was lying on the rabbit's pillow and the bird was quietly sitting next to him!

Here is the long of the short: I adopted Mobi on 11 November 2009. He grew up with a house rabbit (no hutch) called Elvis and two birds. For 5 years Mobi and the rabbit stayed at home during the day while I worked. I NEVER, not once, thought that Mobi would do anything to the rabbit. He never did. The rabbit passed on in October last year due to old age.

- Renée Leeuwner

Snowy

As an avid reader of Pets Pals Newsletter for some years, I saw a request for help in rehoming some fostered dogs and cats as the carer had to move house. Having just lost one of my cats, I thought I would see what was "on offer" – fatal, there was Snowy, so unusual and beautiful and about 3 years old. So she moved to my home.

She settled in very well with the other cats I had and has grown to be a very loving and possessive. The only thing I couldn't understand was her name, Snowy, when she was creamy/brown. However, when reading one of the free vet magazines, there was a photograph of Snowy – the reason for her name I assume is that she is a Bengal cat and the name of her breed is Snowy Marble.

My nickname for her is "Butterball" and she has proved to be a wonderful addition to the Taylor Cat Family.

- Sylvia Taylor





Sasha & Lucky



The gals (as they are affectionately known) are inseparable - if you are looking for them and find one, you will find the other right beside her. They have enriched our lives so much; their wagging tails when you get home from work, their smiling faces when you are preparing their food and their little groans of pleasure when you tuck them under their blankets at night. The highlight of their day is their early morning walk and then their Beeno biscuits before they go to bed at night. They are the light of our lives and have filled our hearts with so much happiness.

- Wendy Reyneke

More Golden Oldies

sambuca

tequila



mila

misty (white dog)



milo & marmite

juliette



Thank You!

We always enjoy feedback and pictures. Thank you to those of you who keep us in the loop regarding the 4-legged ones you adopted from PetPals.

PetPals would like to thank everyone for their continued support, these include:

- Every family who adopted rescued pet(s) from PetPals;
- The dedicated volunteers who foster rescued pets until PetPals can re-home them;
 - The computer boffins who assist PetPals;
- The Media, such as District Mail, RealDeal and Bolander, who advertise our pets for free;
 - Everyone who assists with networking, e.g. by forwarding our newsletters;
- Every single person who deposits money into PetPals' bank account and/or vet account;
 - Those of you who donate goodies, such as blankets, pet food, kennels, pet toys, etc.;
 - Dogs-4-Us for grooming our rescued dogs, when required;
- The Strand Animal Hospital, Ebervet Community Veterinary Care, The Cottage Veterinary Clinic, and Teva Veterinary Clinic whose vets and staff provide veterinary care at welfare tariffs.
- Strand Animal Hospital, Pet Savers and Ebervet Community Veterinary Care for often donating animal related products to PetPals.
 - Sylvia Taylor and the A-team for contributing towards our sterilization campaign.

We would like to express a special word of thanks to Marcel and Sylvia from SYLCO for keeping us on the road, for maintaining our vehicle, plus all the other extras. Sylco, who sponsor's PetPals with transport, has recently upgraded our vehicle with a newer model, for which we are most thankful. We are truly fortunate, and appreciate your on-going support.



Should you have any enquiries about the voluntary work we do, please feel free to visit our website (www.petpals.org.za) or contact us directly at info@petpals.org.za

**Friendly PetPals regards,
Dawie & Yolanda Hamman and Azanne van Wyk**
