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# PetPals

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ABSA Bank (Strand)  
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Branch Code : 632 005

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Non Profit Organisation  
Number : 063 – 126 – NPO  
Public Benefit Organisation  
Number : 930031796

## *Newsletter – April 2013 – Distributed by Chameleon Innovation*

Friendly greetings from the PetPals team. Please find below our latest newsletter giving you an update on the voluntary work we do. If you have the time, please read our entire newsletter, we are sure you will enjoy the happy ending and feel-good stories as much as we do. ☺

On the topic of newsletters and networking, we want to remind you that PetPals has a Facebook page that is updated frequently with postings regarding adoptions, events, happy endings, etc. Since we only distribute electronic newsletters quarterly, the Facebook page is a great way to keep updated about our work in-between newsletter distributions. PetPals is extremely grateful towards the volunteers who keep PetPals on the map in the world of social media – thanks so much Casey, Liezie, Kim, Andries and Christina! For ease of reference, the link to our Facebook page is:

facebook  <http://www.facebook.com/PetPalsAnimalRescue>



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**Your 'co-networking' on Facebook is highly valued. Please get involved by doing the following:**

- ❖ **LIKE** us on our PetPals Facebook page.
- ❖ E-mail any interesting news (such as pics and stories of pets you adopted from us) to [info@petpals.org.za](mailto:info@petpals.org.za) so that we can put it on our Facebook page, or you can post it on our page yourselves.

# Purrrrrrrrfect Endings

Please find below a couple of purrrrrfect happy ending stories about kitty adoptions. A few families who adopted cats from PetPals sent us the updates and pics below:

## From Avril Glendining:

*"I am sure you remember us collecting from you two beautiful children from Teva Vet a number of weeks back. You mentioned at the time they were born on the 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2012. Well these photos attached are Benji and Jorja who are just the love of our lives. They are full of energy and mischief and just the most loving little beings. Our home has turned into a toy shop with "stuff" all over the place which they just love to play with."*



*"Benji the little boy is a typical boy and little Jorja, well she is just a princess observing every naughty thing Benji gets up to and then copies him. The latest, bunjee jumping! Full speed down the passage through the bedroom, to bed, to curtains, to railing and then bunjee launch onto the bed - and off they go again. Quite cute, but actually down right naughty!!"*



The Slamdien family sent the adjacent pics to us with the following quotation:

*"Pixie and Savannah as naughty little spoilt brats..... especially Pixie (white cat)..... Savannah is a complete little lady."*



# Vet Bills...

Although we prefer to share good news and happy endings, it is sometimes necessary to also share some of the challenges we face on a daily basis. Our biggest expense is vet bills, which often amount to more than R5000 per month, mostly due to sterilisations and emergency care. Any animal welfare organisation will vouch for the utter importance of sterilisations, so this expense is unavoidable.

However, the need for emergency vet care is also extremely high in poor communities. Not only do these residents have very limited resources (if any) to pay for vet care, but accidents and illnesses occur more frequently among pets living in poor communities. These pets are more accident and illness prone because they often run loose in the streets, they are the victims of assault and abuse, they don't always have access to balanced daily meals, and they rarely receive pet care (such as tick control and inoculations). We are sharing these (unfortunate) facts with you, because our organisation needs your financial support to pay for our vet bills so that we can, in turn, support pets in need.

28/02/13	I			<b>Invoice No. 233008</b>
28/02/13	A			Rounding adjustment
28/02/13	T	Spay/Week	25077	Lab : Blood Smear
28/02/13	T	Spay/Week	126014	Frontline Spuit 20kg Kort Haar
28/02/13	T	Spay/Week	25133	Spay Dog Normal No charge
25/02/13	I			<b>Invoice No. 232605</b>
25/02/13	A			Rounding adjustment
25/02/13	T	Lucy/Arbatoir Street	I27130	Clips Stainless Steel
22/02/13	I			<b>Invoice No. 232322</b>
22/02/13	A			Rounding adjustment
22/02/13	T	Lulu/Morkel cottage	25058	Euthanasia : Cat & Small Dog + Bu
22/02/13	T	Lulu/Morkel cottage	25002	Hospitalisation : Small Dog
22/02/13	T	Lulu/Morkel cottage	A230163	Prednisone 5mg tabs each
22/02/13	T	Lulu/Morkel cottage	25002	Hospitalisation : Small Dog
22/02/13	T	Lulu/Morkel cottage	A230163	Prednisone 5mg tabs each
21/02/13	I			<b>Invoice No. 232235</b>
21/02/13	A			Rounding adjustment
21/02/13	T	Lucy/Arbatoir Street	P100049	Synulox 50mg tabs each
21/02/13	T	Lucy/Arbatoir Street	P100046	Rimadyl 20ml Inj p/ml
21/02/13	T	Lucy/Arbatoir Street	30699005	Synulox RTU 40ml p/ml
21/02/13	T	Lucy/Arbatoir Street	INJ 2	Injection Im/Sc x 2
21/02/13	T	Lucy/Arbatoir Street	NY958	Nylon # 3/0 3/8 reverse cut 39mm
21/02/13	T	Lucy/Arbatoir Street	20006	Surgical Time Per Min
21/02/13	T	Lucy/Arbatoir Street	25133	Spay Dog Normal
21/02/13	S	Lucy/Arbatoir Street	HOSP2	Hospital Consent Afrikaans
20/02/13	B			<b>Balance brought forward</b>
20/02/13	L			Statement handling fee
19/02/13	I			<b>Invoice No. 231938</b>
19/02/13	C			Cash payment
19/02/13	A			Rounding adjustment
19/02/13	T	Lulu/Morkel cottage	25197	Consultation : AWS
19/02/13	T	Lulu/Morkel cottage	22173603	Prednisolone Inj 1% Kela p/ml
19/02/13	T	Lulu/Morkel cottage	INJ 1	Injection Im/Sc x 1
19/02/13	T	Lulu/Morkel cottage	10010	X-Ray First Exposure
19/02/13	S	Lulu/Morkel cottage	HOSP2	Hospital Consent Afrikaans
19/02/13	S	01Drug/Food		LOLA DU TOIT
19/02/13	T	01Drug/Food	C120029	Petcam Oral Suspension 100ml
18/02/13	I			<b>Invoice No. 231760</b>
18/02/13	A			Rounding adjustment
18/02/13	S	Sheba/ Rescue	HOSP2	Hospital Consent Afrikaans
18/02/13	S	Sheba (Morkel Cotta)	HOSP2	Hospital Consent Afrikaans
18/02/13	T	Sheba	10475	Consultation : No Charge
18/02/13	T	Sheba	BET158	Betamox 500mg caps each
18/02/13	T	Sheba	P1600221	Trichazole 400mg tabs each



The three veterinary clinics who do business with PetPals all charge us welfare rates, so our vet bills could have been much higher. If you are in a position to contribute to our organisation's vet expenses, please make a donation directly into PetPals' bank account (see letterhead for details) or contact the Strand Animal Hospital (tel. 021 854 7037) to make a donation into our vet account. Any contribution, no matter how big or small, makes a difference and is highly appreciated by us and of course by the animals in need. Thanks so much in advance!

# Feel-good story

In March 2013, a PetPals volunteer came across a thin Bordie Collie cross in the industrial area close to the Somerset Mall. The dog was obviously injured as she was unable to run away, and she was clearly in tremendous pain. The volunteer and Dawie from PetPals rushed her to the vet, who then diagnosed a badly broken front leg. PetPals was given the option to let her undergo an expensive and risky operation (which could even have resulted in amputation if not successful) or to have her put to sleep. We simply had to give her a second chance, and we were very grateful for the blessed outcome – not only was the opt successful (no need for amputation) but also a longstanding PetPals supporter offered to pay for the operation. ☺

This doggie's story was distributed far and wide, and thanks to excellent networking amongst animal-loving friends, we managed to find her a wonderful forever home on the very same day that she was discharged from the vet. Now called Suzie, she is part of the Murray family where she is much loved and even has another Border Collie companion. What we love most about happy endings like this one is how one can sense from photos alone the change in body language of a rescued and grateful animal. They transform from insecure and sad creatures to proud and happy furballs, which just shows you the power of tender love and care! You can clearly see this transformation in the pics below from the day of Suzie's operation until her embracement into the Murrays' lives.





# Adoptions

The following pets are desperately in need of loving forever homes. Please read their stories and consider making one of them part of your home and family. All of them will be most grateful for getting a second chance.

*"I am the only surviving kitten after my four siblings all got killed by a dog. Fortunately, PetPals rescued me, and I am now in their dedicated foster care. I was full of fleas and very thin. However, after some potent flea treatment, a bath, and plenty of food, I am feeling soooo much better! I am a cute little boy of about 7 weeks old, and can assure you that I will bring lots of sunshine and fun to your home if you make me part of your family."*



## Charlie



*"My name is Charlie girl! I was lucky enough to be rescued from the N2 after being knocked over and just left there. I had so much pain and was so worried that my life would end, but a kind-hearted animal lover stopped to help me and took me to the vet.*

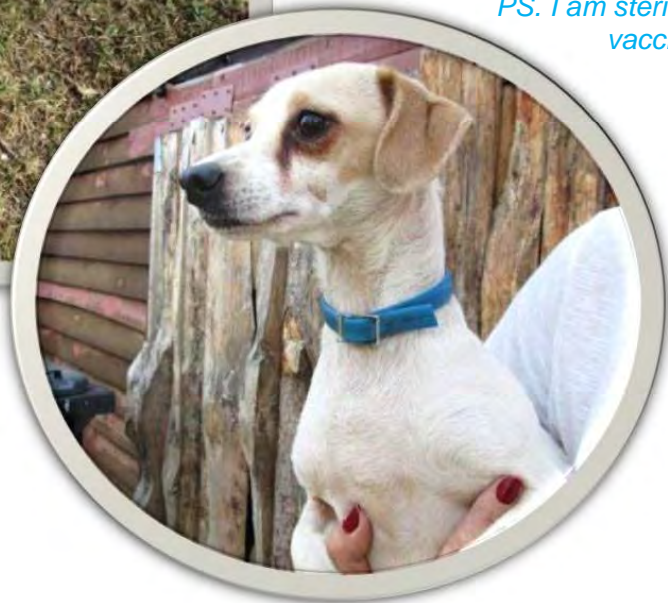
*Thankfully the vet was able to save my leg from being amputated, and I am now in PetPals' loving foster care. Please will you help me find a special home of my own, one that will love me and look after me the way I deserve. I just love having doggy friends. You don't even have to house-train me, because I am already house-trained. I have been sterilised and vaccinated. They estimate me to be about 3 to 4 years old... what can I say, I carry my age well!"*

*"My name is Mr Bean. I am a small doggie of about 3 years old. My ancestors had some Jack Russell and Dachshund blood in them. I used to live in a caravan park where I was surrounded by other dogs and cats (which I loved), but my previous owner cannot afford to keep me anymore. I am now in PetPals' foster care, and I hope I will find a loving forever home soon.*

*PS. I am sterilised & vaccinated"*



Mr Bean



If you are interested in giving any of these pets a loving forever home, please contact Yolanda on:

**021 854 6317 / 083 411 0738**

Please note that an adoption form needs to be completed and an adoption fee is applicable to contribute towards vet expenses.

**Thank you to all the vets, volunteers, donators, contributors, networkers, and adopters who suppawwt PetPals. Your help, no matter how big or small, never goes by unnoticed!**

Thank you for your valuable time to read PetPals' latest Newsletter. Please feel free to visit our website ([www.petpals.org.za](http://www.petpals.org.za)), especially to read older newsletters about our endeavours since 2008. Please contact us should you have any further enquiries about the voluntary work we do.

*Friendly PetPals-regards,  
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