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THIS MONTH'S "SPECIAL" APPEAL

THE BRUIN COMPETITION

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THE CAT

THE OLDEST MAGAZINE
DEVOTED ENTIRELY TO
CATS AND THEIR WEL-
FARE



"Perhaps the most valuable gifts which the cat can give to man are its tranquility and grace and detachment, and in this distracted era of ours we were never more in need of tranquility and grace and detachment." *Compton Mackenzie.*

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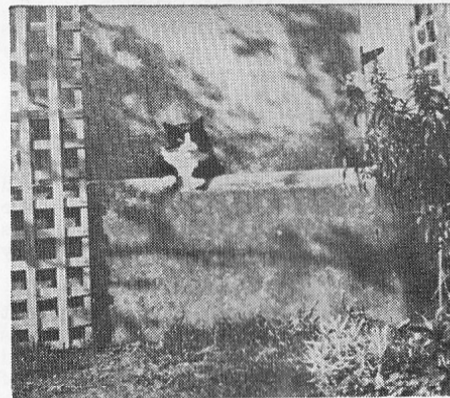
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ROUND AND ABOUT

Report and Comments on "this and that" concerning the welfare of cats and kittens and the work of the League generally by the General Secretary/Editor.

WE APOLOGIZE first of all for the reduction in the number of pages in the September/October issue which was due to a miscalculation of the amount of copy sent to the Printers: my fault.

Then the omission of the address of the Ralston Purina Company's London agent: not really my fault. The address was changed and I had not got the new one but, of course, I should have taken out all my comments on the subject.

There were too several little things that went undetected when correcting the proof. We will take greater care in future.

VOLUME XLIV No. 6, as this is the last issue for 1970 we send our greetings and best wishes to all who read the magazine, the medium through which we keep in contact with our members and friends. We wish you everything you wish yourselves from now on and through the Christmas period. We hope it will be a much better Christmas than last year for all the homeless cats and kittens. We at Headquarters will do our best to ensure that as many as possible do not go hungry. To be able to cater for all would be ideal, but the impossible is still outside our scope. We will get to know the needs of our Branches in regard to feeding strays etc., and try to meet their requirements.

We Aim to make Christmas 1970 the best ever as regards support for our Branches. **We Expect** that by the end of this year we shall have issued a thousand Vouchers to Branches.

We Estimate the Neutering Project and Voucher Scheme generally over the whole year will have cost the League (H.Q.) at least £5,000. Our accounts for 1970 will show the actual expenditure.

We Anticipate that the Isle of Wight Memorial Home development will have been completed and operating (but not officially opened) by the end of the year and that the Haslemere Memorial Home will have commenced its "rescue" service within the next few weeks.

In addition to the extended Neutering Project these are no mean efforts and will provide facilities that must benefit stray, homeless and unwanted cats and kittens of which there are still far too many.

The Ryde (Isle of Wight) Memorial home development was long overdue but it was a question of sufficient reserve funds to enable the work to be started and completed to our satisfaction. A pictorial brochure will be published as soon as possible after all the work on the project has been completed. More about the opening date in due course.

Purina: The United Kingdom distributors are Jenks Brothers Foods Ltd., 21 The Arcade, The Octagon, High Wycombe, Bucks. The Purina range, for cats, as far as we know, is, SeaNip Dinner and Dairy Dinner in packets, but dog Chow is also acceptable to some cats. We have tried all three, we found SeaNip has the greater acceptance.

THE BRUIN COMPETITION
GUESS HIS NAME AND WIN HIM:
6d. per Guess
Competition Closes
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30th



Photo by A Pullinger Esq.

Entries received after that date can only be accepted if the winning name has not been received. No limit to the number of entries per person but if the total entries do not reach a minimum of £10 the competition will be held over.

**ENTRIES AND REMITTANCES TO
 BRUIN COMPETITION**
C.P.L. HEADQUARTERS
29 CHURCH STREET
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Animals Fair 1970: Will be held on Friday, Saturday, 4th and 5th December, in the Royal Horticultural Hall (old hall) Vincent Square, Victoria, S.W.1.

BOOKS ABOUT CATS

In the last issue I reviewed six, but failed to explain they were not on sale at Headquarters. I will be more emphatic in future, and apologise for any inconvenience I may have caused members who were anxious to obtain copies.

C is for Cat is on sale, as per notice on page 91, I did explain at the beginning why it was decided to make this arrangement. In our opinion it is the best buy yet for cat owners generally.

We Learn on good authority that the Good Homes for Kittens scheme on which we have voiced our protest so much and so often has come to an end; for which we are truly thankful.

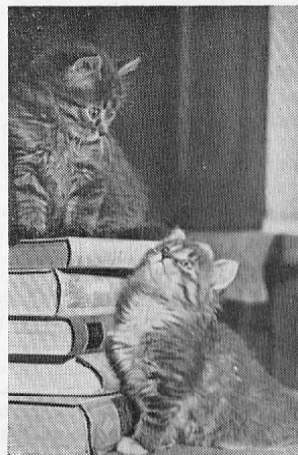
Basically the idea was commendable but operated with a commercial slant it was deplorable in as much that it encouraged owners of female cats to keep batches of kittens for which no homes were available. **Never Before** have there been so many unwanted kittens brought to H.Q. Clinic and never so late in the year as this. Only recently, between 10.30 and 11.30 Saturday morning 3 female cats and 18 kittens were brought in. We already had more in the Cattery than we can normally accommodate (see page 91).

Elsewhere we hear the same story. It will take a long time to break down the build up created by the scheme.

Clinic versus Rescue. As the feeling against Animal Welfare Clinics not under the direct control of a resident Veterinary Surgeon grows and the Tendency for group practices increases, the wind of change blows more forcibly towards the new pattern of cat welfare, mentioned in the previous issue.

Rescue in the widest sense of the word becomes a demand that must be met. We at C.P.L. Headquarters are turning our attention to this urgent need. There are many avenues into which we can direct our efforts. Haslemere, already mentioned, is one and the possibilities of bringing Branches into the network of operations, as we visualise them, are being considered.

Meantime at 29 Church Street we are making the necessary alterations to cope with greatly increased requests in connection with "rescue". The "casualty" section has been located in the main cattery and the old building completely changed to give greater space for dealing with the problem in connection with trapping and lethalling. It will also give cover for some things that had previously to be done in the open.



BOOK REVIEW (Not obtainable from C.P.L.)
The World of Show Cats - May Eustace - Pelham Books Limited - 45/-

There must be a large number of owners of domestic cats who have a keen interest in the "aristocrats" though not necessarily wanting to own one. The history of Cat Shows and Show Cats and all that pertains thereto is produced in a manner that cannot fail to absorb the reader's interest to the end of its 200 odd pages. Pictures, opinions, show points and Show biz generally create interest and talking points and above all a reliable reference are combined in *The World of Show Cats*.

Book of True Animal Stories - Eric Delderfield - David and Charles, Newton Abbot - 35/-

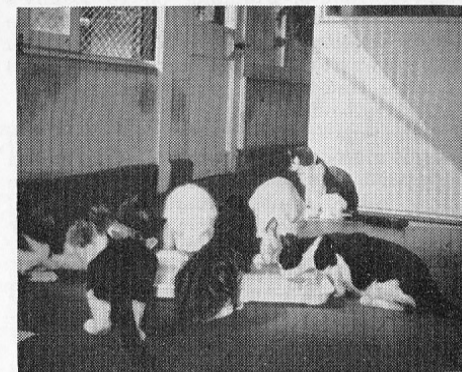
What more pleasing gift than "True Stories of Animals" could be given to the younger member of a family for any occasion? There is something for everyone be he or she, cat dog or even elephant lovers. A most absorbing publication and enjoyable reading.

LOOK
COLLECTING BOXES
PROCEEDS TO NEUTERING PROJECT

With this issue of *THE CAT* we are enclosing one of our small Collecting Boxes. This is by general request. If, inadvertently, we have sent one to those who have asked us not too, we apologise. Please return next time you write.

DO YOU GIVE YOUR CAT A PRESENT FOR XMAS?

If so you might like to consider a novelty feeding bowl. Details from Vera Clarke M.I.P.R. - 13 New Bond Street, London, W.1. Please enquire direct to the above address.



Headquarters Cattery October 1970

C IS FOR CAT

By Frank Manonlson—Handy size, 7 in. x 4½ in.—220 pages—
 Art paper covers—5s. 6d. including postage. From Cats Protection League, Prestbury Lodge, 29, Church Street, Slough, Bucks.

NOTE—All proceeds from the sales of the above *C is for Cat* will be devoted to our neutering project. *Editor.*

"BROTHERS IN DISTRESS"

Both Cushla and Benjamin are members of that happy band, on whom some kind persons took pity in their need. Cush, the white and red cat, was brought as a stray to my kennels ten years ago, a bag of bones, ill-used to such an extent that one scarcely dared to put a hand on him, with no nose end where he had rubbed it off in removing dustbin lids, his paw against yours and your hand, in his opinion, raised against his. It has taken years to gain his confidence, and he will even now resent handling and is pretty quick on the draw.

Benny was another skeleton when brought in eight years ago, suffering from dysentery and other things, because of ill-treatment and neglect, but is now a fine, loving, friendly cat.

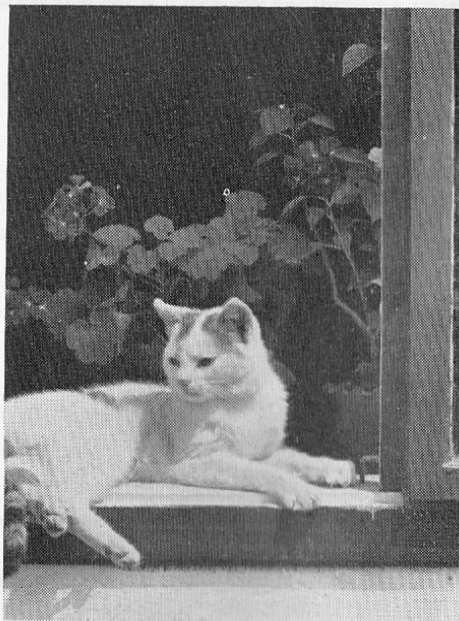
Some weeks ago, Benny was very ill from some unknown cause, and all my nursing and the devoted attention of our Veterinary Surgeons seemed of no avail. At his worst, when he had really almost given up hope. Cush appeared on the doorstep, crying like a mother cat to her kits; in his mouth he carried a minute mouse. Jumping on to Benny's day-bed, he laid the mouse tenderly before Benny's unseeing eyes. I explained to Cush that Ben was to ill to eat, petted his wistful little face, and let him out again.

An hour or so later, he re-appeared with the same muted cries, and this time presented Benny with a sparrow. I feel sad when the cats catch birds, but fortunately they do so very seldom. Benny, as before, let the sparrow lie there and Cush, very puzzled, went off again. For over a week, he brought some little offering for Benny, and I wished and wished that I could give Cush the comfort and reassurance he asked me to give. He would sit with Ben, push the mouse gently towards him, then roll it over as though he were a fisherman showing his choicest wares to his customers: then wait a little while before going off to find some other tempting dish for the sick friend.

The day came when I felt that Ben was at the end, and made up my mind to ask the Vet to put him to sleep. Then I noticed that Cush was playing with the latest offering in a joyous manner, and as I watched, Ben weakly took it, mouthed it for a moment or so then doze off with it between his paws. He began to mend from that moment, and the first thing he ate, which he had not been made to eat, such as Brand's, etc. was a microscopic mouse, faithfully produced by his loving little friend.

The sequel? Three weeks ago, Cushy, in jumping from one place to another, took a short cut across the small caravan range, and burnt all his feet. He was extremely lucky to burn badly only one foot, but it does not need much imagination to realize the agony he suffered every time he stood on his feet. He has been wonderful about his dressings, especially as he bitterly resents being touched, remembering no doubt what he endured as a kitten before he came to me; he has allowed me to do the dressings with no retaliation, but accompanied by the most shocking and would-be-intimidating language, looking however for his reward of condensed sweetened milk at the end. Benny has escorted him around the garden, swarming up the wire door to look through the nearby window and ask me to let Cush in, going off out again when he has seen Cushy settled. When Cushy's feet have been hurting unbearably, it has been Benny who has jumped up before me, his little worried face and voiceless mews telling me that Cush is sitting in the "Surgery" corner of the caravan, i.e. on the windowsill in the bedroom, awaiting an easing of the pain with fresh dressing, and a teaspoonful of Nestles. Reciprocation of the right kind indeed, between these two, especially as they have been members of a family of eight for the last eight years, and never seemed to be really close buddies. Cushy is awaiting treatment, Ben says

MISS K. E. MACHIN



BRANCH AND GROUP NEWS AND DIRECTORY

Enquiries from anyone wanting a kitten or who would adopt a cat or two are welcomed by C.P.L. Honorary representatives whose names and addresses are starred. *

But please note:— DO NOT CALL AT ANY OF THE ADDRESSES EXCEPT BY APPOINTMENT: MAKE CONTACT BY LETTER OR PHONE FIRST.

SEE INSIDE BACK COVER — FOR BRANCH AND GROUP HONORARY REPRESENTATIVES NAMES AND ADDRESSES

Birmingham

Will the time ever come when kittens are in short supply? — Oh, happy day! —

In spite of having 227 cats neutered this year we are still inundated with requests to find homes for unwanted kittens and stray mother cats with kittens. It is, unfortunately, the same sad story that while there are plenty of kittens to be obtained, there are few offers of homes for the little mothers. These sweet, gentle creatures are always left behind when the kittens have gone.

If anyone in the Birmingham area could find it in their heart to adopt one of these little mothers, (all now speyed), please let us know. They would be so grateful for a small corner of your hearth this coming winter.

There is now a professional animal-catcher in Birmingham who is under contract to various hospitals and factories to catch the many wild cats which have formed colonies on their premises.

Upon hearing this news we, ever mindful of cats being caught for vivisection, made immediate enquiries, and late one night, two of our members, having obtained permission, went along to one of the hospitals where the gentleman was doing the catching. However, he appeared to be a pleasant enough man, willing to let us watch his activities.

He had been trained by a veterinary surgeon and caught the cats by means of a large net; he then gave them a tranquillising injection, the effects of which lasted until they could be taken to the local vet to be put to sleep.

However, he promised to let us have any cats which were tame enough to rehabilitate, and up to now he has kept his promise, even delivering them to the home of one of our members. So far we have taken eleven young cats. Unfortunately, he can supply us with more than we can ably cope with, as we have neither the funds, nor the boarding facilities to take in more than this, as we have other cats besides these. Heartbreaking as it is, therefore, we do have to refuse some.

Our member who is hoping to run our cattery for us, Mrs. Barlow, has not yet

moved into her new house, so I am afraid it will probably be next Spring before plans for this get under way.

Autumn is our time for replenishing funds, usually greatly diminished by the Spring and Summer rush to cope with the unwanted kitten explosion.

This year we have an extensive programme which should be in full swing by the time this article goes into print. Our activities include a Jumble Sale, Whist Drive, Bazaar, Sarah Coventry Jewellery Party and our main event:

**The Animal Welfare Association's Annual Fayre,
Birmingham Town Hall
Saturday, 28th November, 1970
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

Please come if you are in the Birmingham area that day. Twenty seven Animal Welfare Charities will be represented.

We shall have three stalls, so please may we appeal for gifts to sell, suitable for Christmas presents.

To those of you who can knit, may we appeal for bed-socks, gloves, dressed dolls etc.

We are also hoping to devote one stall entirely to "Cat Gifts", so if you have any books about cats, pictures of cats, cat ornaments, cat dishes, collars, brushes, combs, cat-nip toys, mice, balls etc. these would be more than welcome.

One of our members has promised to make us some soft toys to sell on our stall, and is appealing for **old clean tights or nylons** for stuffing. These should be sent to: Mrs. S. J. Thulborn, 106, Park Hill, Moseley, Birmingham, 13.

Please send your gifts to the Branch Secretary or to the Branch Chairman, Miss M. Jenkins, 196, Kingsbury Road, Erdington, Birmingham 23.

Remember the Fayre is on 28th November, so let us have your gifts as soon as possible.

Finally, on behalf of our members and our cats, may I thank you for all your support and good wishes over the past year and wish you all a very happy Christmas.

Chelmsford

Things have really happened since our last report. The Shelter is almost completed and by the time you read this we should be ready to move all the cats out of the boarding kennels and into their lovely new accommodation. Once they are in their new quarters we feel sure that homes will be much more easily found. Instead of Mrs. Middlemiss having to organise cats in and out of the kennels by "remote control", it will all now be happening in her own back garden. What a relief and, thinking back to one year ago, what a miracle! It really does read like a fairy story

Once upon a time, there lived nine beautiful cats with a poor lady who was unable to cope with life's problems. In time, they were all turned out of their home and the lady was never heard of again. But the nine beautiful cats were eventually found nice homes and, because good fairies from all over the Kingdom found pity in their hearts for the poor lady, the nine cats, and the Chelmsford Branch because of the financial difficulties that were caused by the cats, a miracle happened and enough money was gladly given to pay off the debts and found a new Cat Shelter in the County of Essex Poor Mrs. O. - if ever you read our end of your story, be blessed.

It is really only the beginning of the story for us of course, and we very much doubt whether we will live happily ever after. But we shall do our best to see that hundreds of unhappy cats coming into our care in the future will!

Back to the land of reality. It is going to cost a great deal of money to run the Shelter. All our money is raised by our very frequent fund raising events, members' subscriptions and donations. All our Members and friends receive our Newsletters (generally four a year) and thus keep in touch with our activities and share with us our hopes and fears. Won't you please help us to support the Shelter? Here are some ideas.

1. Orders are now being taken for our **1971 Calendars** (many of them made from the Christmas cards you kindly sent us). Subjects are Cats (naturally) and other animals, Floral and Pictorial. Please state which you prefer. Prices are 1/-, 1/6d., 2/- and 3/- each and please could you enclose a little extra to help with the postage. Orders to Mrs. B. Hopkins, 24 Peel Road, Chelmsford.

2. Our **Grand Christmas Draw** tickets are now available. Lots of goodies and Christmassy prizes to be won. Books of 5 tickets (6d. per ticket, 2/- per book). Please send for as many books as you think you can sell without losing your friends! The money can

be returned with the counterfoils. Requests for books of tickets to our Promoter: Mrs. E. Stiling, 48 Highfield Road, Chelmsford. All proceeds towards the Shelter, of course.

3. The Shelter buildings, all neat and nice looking in rich cedar wood are splendid, but the garden all about them looks a mess! A churned up sea of mud and no money left to do anything about it! Please will you or your cat buy us a coloured paving slab? Donations to **Paving Slab and Garden Fund** very much appreciated and includes free Membership of our Branch for one year!

4. All the other things we constantly beg from you - please send to Mrs. Middlemiss: Good used clothing. Vast quantities of postage stamps, torn off with a good margin of paper around the stamp. Gifts for our Bazaars. **Anything** you don't want, which we can convert into money for the Shelter.

Finally, once again our thanks to all our wonderful good fairies for making 1970 "The Year of the Cat" in Chelmsford. The next report will be in 1971 and so we join with all the other Branches in wishing all cat lovers and cats a very happy Christmas.

During May, June, July and August, 198 cats and kittens were placed in good homes and 154 were neutered.

Glossop

Very sadly I have to report the death on August 6th of Tibby, well known to readers of "THE CAT" and my constant companion for fourteen years, since the day he was handed to me as a part-grown kitten from amidst the Stalybridge traffic.

We have other lovely cats, but Tibby was quite unique, intelligent, venturesome, very affectionate yet independent. He was gentle and tolerant and showed no trace of resentment or jealousy towards the many stray cats and kittens brought into our home, knowing that no other could take his place in my affections.

Mac, Tortie and the other Cowbrook cats are again having a Christmas tree in the hall and are asking all their friends to please send a gift for strays and old cats in memory of Tibby who was the inspiration behind the formation of this Branch. Each donation received during November and December will be recorded on a red foil stocking and hung on the tree during Christmas week.

This year the need is greater than ever as we have more rescued cats and kittens in our care than ever before and we are also helping old people to feed cats they have rescued. The little families mentioned in our last report have been brought in and we thank all friends who helped to make this possible. Several others have been rescued including little Penny, picked up

GLOSSOP cont.

one night in a gutter near Belle Vue and brought to us the following morning.

Winters on these Pennine moors can be very severe and we need electric heating for our three shelters. This will put up boarding costs.

Our recent sale of Christmas presents was a very happy event and we thank all who helped in any way. A Jumble Sale is to be held in Community House, Market Street, Glossop on Saturday, November 21st at 3.00 p.m., and a Coffee Morning early in December probably in Whaley Bridge.

WE STILL NEED

1. Gifts for our sales.
 2. Coins including pre 1954 pennies for which we can get 3d. each and farthings. 6d. each. I could supply a little collecting box.
 3. Green Shield and S. and H. Trading stamps to Miss M. Thomas, 292, Hyde Road, Woodley, Nr. Stockport, Cheshire.
 4. Picture cards from tea packets and old picture post cards pre 1932.
 5. Used postage stamps particularly foreign and special issue. Please leave a margin of paper all round.
 6. Tatting patterns.
 7. Post war novels including paper backs for Miss Houston's little Lending Library on the South Coast, also unbreakable disc records for Sue's and Janie's Music Box. Address and list of records on request.
 8. Pieces of woollen blanket if they have not been near any cat infection - one of our greatest hazards.
- Wishing all cats and kittens and their friends everywhere a very happy Christmas, and adequate food, shelter and loving friends in the New Year.

Leicester and Loughborough

We have been very busy this summer, dealing with the astounding numbers of cats and kittens, most of them abandoned, lots of them again showing signs of being very cruelly treated, that I did not realise I would be too late to have our news included in the September copy of the "CAT", and therefore hasten to send our hearty thanks to everyone who helped us by sending gifts, second-hand clothing, used and new postal stamps of all kinds, milk bottle tops, old woollen articles for the chilled, frightened cat to be wrapped in, and the very kind lady who sent us the money so that we could buy a perspex cat-carrier for Manxie, who loves it.

A jolly crowd of friends are helping with our House-to-House Collection, begging money for our cats. Any abuse from animal haters is laughingly shared between us, so the very large bill we had from the Vet. due to rampant

cat 'flu and other epidemics last winter and spring, is being reduced considerably. A few suspicious house holders send for the Police occasionally, but we always carry our permits from the Chief Constable with us, and we are cleared immediately. We can thoroughly recommend to other Branches this way of raising funds, and quite a number of cat-lovers have been found this way, too. As usual, several old and quite a few younger cats, desperately saddened by being abandoned at Holiday Times, and despite loving care and attention on our part, have simply given up and died. We managed to save the life (and find an excellent home for) a very tiny black kitten found in a cardboard box, tightly taped, in a mens' lavatory. Our Vet. said its injuries were consistent with someone having kicked its face hard. It needed five stitches and several of its baby-teeth were removed. We also fetched in two four-week old fluffy kittens which two boys were taking to the River Soar to be drowned. They had also been throwing them into the air like tennis balls. One died of a ruptured liver, but after a good drink of warm milk the other one happily ran around, someone said, like a full-stop on little wheels.

For the first time ever we were allowed space at the Abbey Park Show, on September 1st and 2nd. We took along Manxie, and as well as holding a Gift Stall, we raffled a small radio, making a net profit of £51. We also handed out lots of leaflets which told about our efforts to help cats.

On June 6th we had a Gift Stall at the Enderby Show, and another one at the Braunstone Park Show. Manxie went to Enderby. Her collecting box made us richer by £3 7s.

We are still desperately short of transport, either for taking cats for neutering and speying, or for fetching the rummage which people are kind enough to sort out for our little shop, but we are hoping our leaflets and news letters will find someone with a car, and spare time. We are also very much in need of saleable articles for our Christmas Bazaar, so if anyone has White Elephants of any kind or can spare unwanted gifts for us we would be most grateful. Mrs. Gray of 131 Upperton Road always welcomes newspapers or tins of cat food too.

The long haired grey Persian-type cat, which had been attacked by two Alsations, now has a loving home, and the white cat, burned and slashed is still very happy with Mrs. Freer. The full-stop on wheels is now mine, and she rides in our car wherever we go, just as contented as a dog!

CATS IN VERSE

THE PRAYER OF THE CAT

O my master, do not take me for a slave, for
I have in me a taste for liberty;
Do not seek to divine my secrets, for I have
in me a taste for mystery;
Do not constrain me with caresses, for I have
in me a taste for modesty
Do not humiliate me, for I have in me a taste
for pride;
Do not abandon me, for I have in me a taste
for faithfulness (fidelity)
Love me and I will love thee, for I have in me
a taste for friendship.

*Translated from a postcard published in
Geneva with acknowledgement to the author
and publishers.*

MRS. JOHN VIDEAN

PANGUR BÀN

Pangur Ban is a Cat
I hunt for knowledge in my book
While Pangur hunts a mouse or rat.
I delight in trapping sense and wit:
Pangur feels no pangs of envy, No!
He deftly traps his own tit-bit
He purrs when hunting at the mid of night;
I cry with joy when knotty problems come to
light
He sharpens claws against the wall;
I sharpen brains on problems tall
Perfect prints, our paths can never cross,
Perfect prints, whose sev'ral gains,
Can never mean each other's loss
Pangur Bán

A reader sends a child's reactions to the
varying moods of cats. A second cat joined
the family; squabbles were frequent; now,
six months later, "Smokey" and "Dinah"
are firm friends.

TO SMOKEY AND DINAH

I hate cats!
Horrible furry things.
They hiss and they spit,
They laze and they sit,
I hate cats!

I love cats -
Lovely, furry things.
They butt and they purr
And have shiny fur,
I love cats.

CAROLYN SUTHERLAND

If I could sing my "pussy-song" outside your
window
To wish you "Happy Birthday" filled with joy
I would very gladly do it
But I fear you'd only rue it
And alas! My efforts would be - to annoy!

Yet, **humans** do make THE most HORRID
noises,
With supersonic bangs and much the like.
Or - Pneumatic drills
To augment the human ills,
And the bumps and bangs and roar of motor
bike.

Now OUR vocal "pussy-chords" are quite
distinctive,
Are clear and high and cover QUITE a range,
But WE never get "encores",
Only horrid human "roars"
To my feline comprehension, it's MOST
STRANGE!

So, as I cannot come and serenade you -
I send you all best wishes most sincere,
From a happy Tabby "PU"
Take this "ode" (just meant for YOU)
To wish you: HAPPY BIRTHDAY,
HAPPY YEAR!

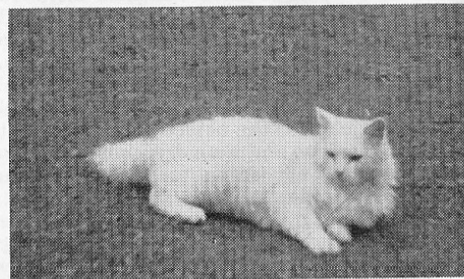
DENISE HYNN

IN MEMORY

Little cat, in a distant sky where mice are
friends and bluebirds fly,
Where pain is forgotten and you can pass with
leaping grace over green green grass;
Little cat, will you catch a star and wonder, a
moment, where you are?

Little cat, in a distant land where nothing can
harm you as you stand
And gaze at the clouds, so pure, so white; and
all is gay with a fresh delight,
Little cat, in your newborn years, will you
spare a thought for my falling tears?

MELODY COLLIER



BRANCH & GROUP NEWS cont.

London Committee

We are all making a great effort now to get
in a little extra money, so that we can start
the New Year with something in the bank.
It would be encouraging for everyone if our
balance sheet could show us out of the red
on that important day, 1st January 1971
If anyone has the kind intention of giving us a
little something, we would like to have it in
time for the New Year.

As a start, Countess Grudzinska is having
a special bazaar, on Saturday 12th December
2 o'clock at St. Philips Hall, Earls Court
Road, W.8. We would be very grateful for
articles to sell at this, and we do want all our
friends to come along, buy those important
Christmas presents, and hear our news. We
have never had a London Bazaar so near to
Christmas before, it is a new venture for us,
so please support us.

Christmas Dinners For Cats will be organi-
sed as usual. We arrange for someone to call
with dinner for cats left on business premises
over the holiday, but we do need to know in
time, it is very difficult to arrange at the last
minute, so we will be very grateful if anyone
who is likely to want this help will let us know.
And anyone in London who can give a hand
with the distribution, please write and let
us know, at 12 The Close, New Malden.

The other kind of Christmas Dinner for
cats is the dinner for the strays at the
Rescue Centre. Last year they did very well,
thanks to a kind friend who sent special
donations for them to have a large meal. We
do not keep them short of food ever, but
they do enjoy a bit extra of rabbit or cod,
and we like to make Christmas day interesting
for them.

At the Rescue Centre, little Dorcas has
found several friends, and we hope that she
may be going home soon. A small black cat
has arrived, Fedora, who was running wild all
over some allotments, cats are not as welcome
as one would wish where plants are growing,
so Fedora has been brought to us. She will
need care for a bit, and any well wisher who
would send her a little extra, would be helping
a very cheerful and friendly little creature.

Curio Corner is asked for some odd things,
and so far we have generally managed to find
them. We have been specially asked for
turquoise, or anything at all which has a
turquoise in it, for an opal, for a silver
skewer and for a model of the Taj Mahal.,
or a picture of it. Can anyone help us? We
will be glad of anything else you can spare,
too, of course.

Manchester

Our rescue, care and welfare of cats and
kittens continues and I am grateful to all who
assist this very necessary work with donations,
articles for sale or in any other way. We have
accommodation for thirty-six cats and the
exceptionally large cages can, and often do,
house several kittens. Many people visiting
our establishment often proclaim that they
dislike cages and I reply in the affirmative.
I detest cages but the issue is that they are a
very necessary means to accommodate un-
wanted and stray cats and kittens. If such
cages were not available the innocent
creatures who pass through our care would
otherwise be left to die and suffer terrible
agonies in the process. We do, therefore,
through the use of "detestable cages"
provide a breath of life which must be pre-
ferable to the innocent recipients than suffering
certain death.

Cat Chalets are the answer but an organisa-
tion is governed in accordance with the capital
at its disposal and most important of all -
SPACE. I would reply to critics that col-
leagues and myself fulfil a desperate humane
need in our locality and save countless
numbers of innocent creatures from unneces-
sary suffering and place the majority of our
"Rescues" in approved homes after neutering
or arrangements have been made to ensure
neutering at a later date, depending upon the
age of the kitten involved. I am proud of the
excellent work carried out and it is most en-
couraging and exciting to discover each week
how many creatures have been found ap-
proved homes. I am deeply grateful to our
staff at BURTON ROAD who exercise
every care in their conscientious duties to
keep the "Cattery" clean and well disinfected.
Although our Branch is some 200 miles from
Slough, officials at Headquarters need have
no fears regarding the cleanliness of our
establishment.

May I say that the place is open for in-
spection at any time and without prior
notification of the intended visit - this pleases
me very much and once again credit and
thanks are due to our staff.

It is true that we do not have a great deal
of capital at our disposal and we do operate
on a very tight budget but this does not deter
colleagues and myself in our humane en-
deavours on behalf of creatures in need of care
and protection until good homes are found.
The extent of our humane progress is measur-
ed against the financial support so freely and
willingly given by real animal lovers who, alas!
are small in numbers.

During the months from late May up to the
middle of September, unwanted cats and
kittens etc., are in abundance due to holidays

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and prolific reproduction by female cats — hence the neutering of male and female cats being a vital part of our policy. It is extremely difficult to find homes for all our healthy "inmates" but we do our best. Alas! a humane passing must be administered to some unfortunate creatures. Regrettable this may be but one must remember that there are definite cruelties in our midst — ABANDONMENT IS ONE — and these are often far worse than humane disposal. However, our objectives are to save life and prevent unnecessary sufferings and to these ends we direct our energies and actions. Our "Centre" is a valuable asset to the strays and the people who take advantages of our services. Unwanted cats and kittens are constantly being delivered to our establishment and this is definite proof of the necessity for such a "Receiving Centre" in Manchester.

I love all animals and birds but after a life time directly associated with cats and dogs, I am of the opinion that the former — THE CAT — is the most ostracised of all domestic pets and yet, (I say this with all sincerity) the most intelligent. The feline species is absolutely independent; possesses terrific character; a mind of its own and will utilise its little brain to the best advantage. The cat will not be ruled, dominated or become subservient to humans and yet will be a faithful companion provided there is no interference with the creature's normal routine and way of life. These are some of the reasons for my deep rooted respect for "THE CAT", and why I exert effort to provide sustenance, care and welfare for those creatures desperately in need of the same.

North London Branch

We are very sad to report the death of Lady Jane, a cat who came to us from the derelict site of the old Euston Hotel five years ago. By all accounts, she had been born and lived for nine years in the ground surrounding the Hotel and Euston Station, relying on kind humans for her food — and breeding unnumerable families. There is no doubt that she enjoyed her last five years, with regular food and her bed by the Shelter boiler, although she never completely overcame her fear of humans.

Grannie, our sixteen year old permanent resident and several of our older cats are, all at once, requiring attention to their teeth. The dental treatment for each cat is more expensive than a neutering operation and our funds are being drained. Will any kind members wishing to associate themselves with our work, pay for dental treatment for one cat — the cost being two and three guineas?

In our last report, we happily announced the discharge of Miss Hutt from Hospital. Alas! our joy was short-lived because, at the beginning of August, Miss Hutt was again admitted to Hospital and we have been without her valued services. We all wish her a speedy and complete recovery.

Will members please note that although the London Telephone Directory shows two numbers for the Shelter, our only number is 607 5355. The other number is disconnected and has not been a Shelter number for many years. Many people have been very irate because they have failed to obtain a reply from the second Shelter telephone number and others have come to the conclusion that the Shelter has closed down permanently because of the lack of reply. One member quite recently informed us that she had revoked a legacy to the branch in her will for this reason.

We have at the Shelter a poor cat who came to us with a broken leg, the stump of her missing tail bleeding, starving and covered with fleas. After Veterinary treatment and careful nursing, she is now happier and more presentable and due to go to the home of one of our helpers who does a great deal for us. Thank goodness we have friends who are prepared to take in our "under-privileged" cats!

While writing this report, Fred the Barrow boy cat, of whom we wrote in our last report, has got himself almost inextricably tangled up on our telephone wire and, on being released, has knocked over two cups of "elevenses" — Won't someone relieve us of him? He would make life interesting in any home. "Grannie" is disgusted with the goings-on of these modern youngsters.

Miss Smithson, to whom we are very grateful for dealing with the sales of Christmas cards, reports very brisk trade. If you need any please order quickly because we are likely to be completely out of stock by the end of November. **But Please Note:** orders should be sent direct to North London Branch and not to Headquarters. Many people have applied to Headquarters giving Mr. Steward much needless work. Each letter so addressed must be acknowledged and then forwarded to us, at a cost of 10d, in postage apart from the cost of stationery and secretarial time. So please write to us and order early.

Our Christmas Bazaar is this year being held on the 12th December at the Hall of the Holloway Baptist Church, 626A Holloway Road, London, N.19. Get off the bus at "The Nags Head" Holloway and you won't be far away. Last year 627 people visited the Bazaar and we hope to see even more this year. There will be the usual toy stall, gift stall and stalls selling almost everything you

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will require for Christmas. We cannot guarantee that Father Christmas will be present. Finding a volunteer to wear false itchy whiskers for six hours at a stretch becomes more difficult year by year!

If you have unwanted Christmas or Birthday presents tucked away, we would be delighted to have them. Toiletries, bric-a-brac, home made cakes and preserves would also be very welcome.

All people on our mailing list will shortly be notified of the bazaar, thanks to Miss Smallman who does such a good job in keeping our register of helpers and sympathisers up to date.

Sussex Branch

During the past month we seem to have had more stray cats and kittens than ever and Cat Haven has been over crowded. As the result of an advertisement in the local paper we found homes for one cat and two kittens but others have gone up to take their place. We were particularly pleased that the cat was taken as she was brought to us with seven four week old kittens. Re: Owner was moving to London and could not take them, and they would have been destroyed, and the cat had been with us for several months.

Unfortunately at Cat Haven Annexe with Miss Mark two of the kittens had died of cat flu, and because of this we have not been able to send any cats there for a few weeks.

We now have a lovely ginger and white cat needing a home. One of our members phoned to say that some neighbours moved away taking it with them but it returned. They came for it once but when it returned a second time they left it and she thought they were glad to be rid of it. Another little cat was brought to us, but that one was claimed by its owners with great rejoicing. At our Annexe we have a very frightened kitten which must have been terribly ill treated; it just runs away and hides in a corner if anyone goes near it and is obviously terrified of humans. We hope that it will gradually lose this fear and be able to go to a kind home.

We have two lovely black kittens and a beautiful little fluffy which were taken to the P.D.S.A., to be put to sleep. Mrs. Banks always wanted a ginger kitten and couldn't resist this one so has taken it for herself.

I am always happy when members who send their subscriptions write a kind letter of encouragement and praise of the work we are doing. I'm afraid these letters do not always get answered, but I am very grateful all the same.

The alterations to Cat Haven are now complete, and the enlarged run gives the

cats so much more freedom and more sun. We have also had more fibre glass roofing added and fibre glass covering one side, so that the whole place is drier and sheltered from the wind. We are now going to have heating installed in the sleeping quarters.

Our next event is a Bring and Buy Tea on November 11th at which Mrs. Bennett and Miss Woolgar are kindly acting as hostesses.

In response to my appeal in the last number of the magazine I have received quite a number of paper backs for which I am very grateful. One parcel came with no name and address and another from "Lilly of Birmingham". Thank you both for your kindness.

And now I want to beg again. This time I'm asking you to let me have any old cat calendars that you may have after Christmas please.

Ulster

A few months ago I referred to the impending departure to England of our then Honorary Treasurer, Mr. Ian Parker, who with Mrs. Parker had done so much for the Ulster Branch and I said we felt that 1970 had got off to a bad start. Little did I know what was ahead. In June we heard with deep regret that we were also to lose our President, Mr. J. King Carson. It is impossible to put into words what Mr. and Mrs. Carson have meant to the Ulster Branch — I won't even try. They have now left Northern Ireland and are living in Exeter where we hope Mr. Carson will soon be restored to health after his recent illness. We are going to miss the Carsons terribly.

It's supposed to be the last straw that breaks the camel's back and that happened for me in August with the news that our Honorary Assistant Secretary, Miss Hilda Long, would also be departing to England, following her marriage in October. From the time our Shelter opened Hilda has spent every Sunday at the Cattery doing voluntary duty. She loved the cats and worked with them expertly in her quiet, gentle way. The old, the sick, the less attractive cats always had a special place in her heart. One of our Committee members wrote "Best wishes to Hilda for her future happiness, my sympathy to the cats who are losing one of their best friends". And so, I think, say all of us. For, me this means the end of a wonderful happy partnership and I feel very, very sad. Hilda is irreplaceable, losing her is a catastrophe for the Ulster Branch, which it can ill afford.

Our Shelter Manager is now Mrs. Betty Tredrea, who has taken over from Mrs. Miller and is doing a marvellous job, assisted by Mrs. Ann Jones. This still leaves a vacancy

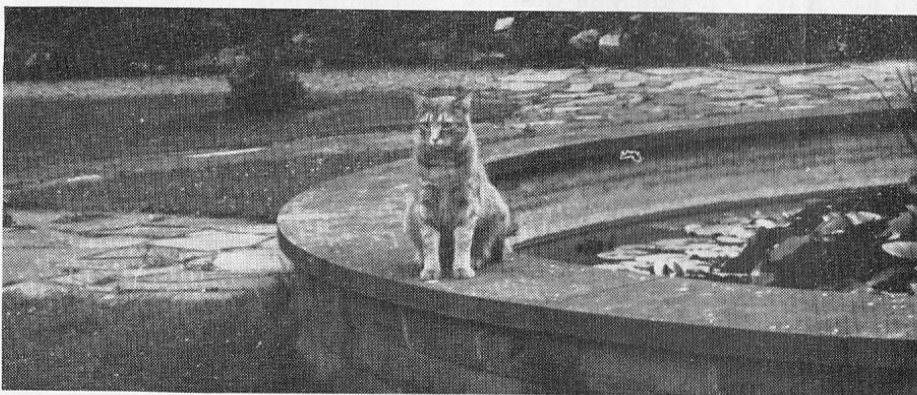
but we hope it will be filled in a few weeks time when Mrs. Irwin returns from her holiday in America and joins the Staff.

By the time you read these notes our Jumble Sale and probably our annual Sale of Work will be over. I hope to let you know the result of these efforts in January. On the 24th November we plan to hold a General Meeting when we will have the Ballot being organised by Mrs. McBride. This was originally intended to take place in October, but had to be postponed.

Here is a request. A member who does wonderful crochet work and turns out attractive rugs which she sells for our funds is in need of wool scraps, preferably gay cheerful colours. At the moment she has to buy wool which reduces our profit. Please will you collect bits and pieces from your friends and send them direct to Miss M. Bradshaw, 21 Knockburn Park, Belfast, 5 - or you can leave them at the Shelter if more convenient. And, just in case anyone has forgotten we still want used postage stamps, tinfoil and scrap metal (this latter is most lucrative), old nylons, waste paper, jumble and white elephants. Articles for Stalls at Coffee evenings are also most acceptable.

It seems early to send Christmas wishes to all our friends but it's my last chance. I hope you will have a happy time over the festive season and from my experience I think I can safely say that the cats will also enjoy a special meal, thanks to your generosity, which never fails.

HAPPY XMAS



West Cornwall

Our long suffering gang of helpers reckon their legs have worn short after miles of walking and running around our domain this summer. The gate bell and phone always rings simultaneously so we are constantly on the trot. Sunday is treated like any other working day, so we have little time for slacking, however this healthy kind of occupation works wonders for our figures, so we have much to be thankful for.

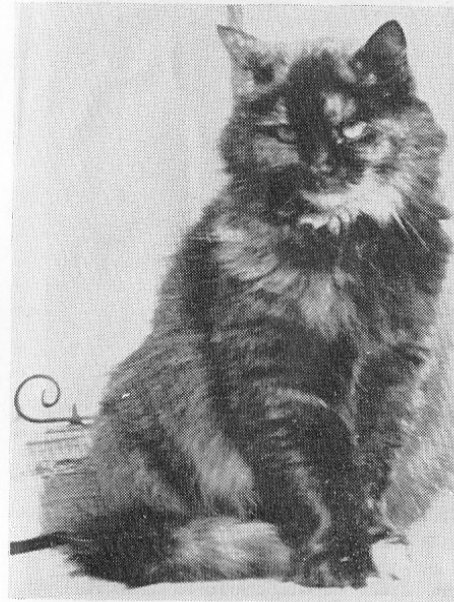
It has been an interesting season, good numbers of visitors some from overseas. Takings in the bazaar have dropped, and we feel money is scarce, but we manage to keep going and the cats in the unwanted catteries are living a life of luxury, we wish we could help more felines but that would mean expanding again which is difficult with the rising costs of material and labour.

We received some very useful parcels from readers, we are gradually accumulating a fine collection of Victoriana which we hope to exhibit at a future date. We should like more foreign stamps please. Miss Loane of Glastonbury has been doing a fine job sorting and mounting our stamps and they are selling well.

Christmas always catches us unawares. We are planning to house the usual numbers of cats left straying by owners who are too mean to board their cats. On their return they will no doubt acquire another kitten, and we will be trying to find their poor old cat a new home. The boarding catteries are already booking up so we should all have a really CATTY Christmas.

Cats and humans at Cathlowena would like to send greetings to cats and cat lovers everywhere, and the best of wishes for 1971. AND thank you all for your help.

MEMBERS CORNER



PETAL the ARISTOCRAT

On a dismal November day in 1959 we found this miserable bedraggled knotted starving kitten in our village and took her in - nobody even claimed her, though we made enquiries. After cleaning and disentangling, we took her to the Vet: and she had a complete hysterectomy. She will be eleven this November and has never left us - she says "my dad was a coloured man, as you can see from my right hand which I show you in my photo".

F.G.S.

METALDEHYDE SLUG BAIT

Those who do not wish to indanger the lives of birds, small wild life, or domestic pets but yet wish to preserve their gardens from the onslaught of slugs, would be well advised to place the downturned hulls of grapefruit in those parts of the garden where those pests mostly congregate. They gather under these hulls and can then be disposed of in a bucket of salt water.

This method of catching slugs has proved to be most effective.

MISS ELIZABETH ELLETT

Cats have means of communicating. It seems that one of the original strays we started feeding a year ago, a real big tomcat, whom I believe has sired many of the new cats in the area is forever bringing a new cat or kitten to our back door and they wait for food. This is not the food we place near the woods for them. It is amazing how this tomcat knows just which door to come to, and how he can communicate with the other cats to let them know it is alright to follow him is beyond me. Mind you, these cats you cannot pet. They do not trust a human being.

This morning as we were having breakfast there was "Blackie" as we have named him, waiting for food and milk with another kitten, about five months old. A new one we have never seen. After they ate, off they went. He Blackie, stays with them while they eat.

One must see it and like animals to appreciate it.

We do not encourage this because it is best for these cats to stay in the woods, because we have seen some of the children throw stones at them and they have tried to trap them, only to abuse the poor cat. Since we cannot always be there to watch out for them it is best if they stay in the woods. People and children can be so cruel.

TILLIE MOTYL, MRS., TEXAS AVENUE,
BRIDGEPORT, CONN. U.S.A. 19.8.70

There was a stray cat around here, a wild, savage tom. He attacked any neutered cat (male and female) he saw. Owners threatened to shoot him. But he was the father of my cat's kitten's and I was pretty certain there was nothing wrong with him but frustration because there were no other unsprayed females about.

For a long time I fed him (outside) and tried to make friends with him, but couldn't get near him. At last I borrowed a trap from the R.S.P.C.A. and took him in it to the local vet. to be neutered. He was then released at the spot where he was captured.

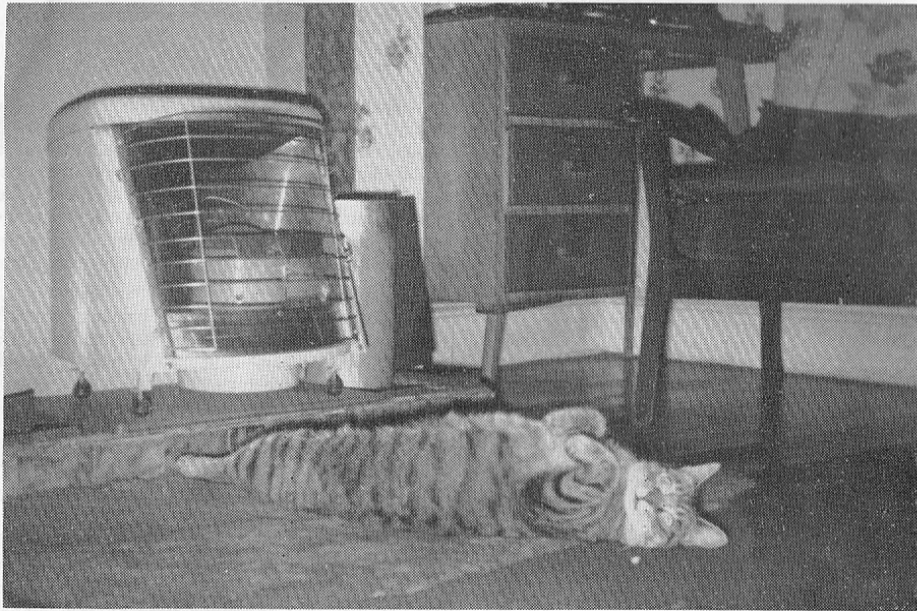
For nine weeks his behaviour remained as before. Then, suddenly one evening, he became madly friendly.

He has now been adopted next door and is a great pet - madly affectionate!

A. B. KEEN

Please find enclosed 6/- money earned by Sheena Chapman (9), by making and selling hairbands.

F.I.C.



The enclosed indoor snap is for you and your staff to see how individual Tibby is, she was soaking wet when she came in and looked so funny, I simply had to snap her.

None of the other cats have done this. She hates being towelled when she comes in wet.

M. Wood

For real cat-lovers only

Villa on the Costa del Sol - 1 mile Marbella - 300 yards from sea, with three bedrooms, and usual offices will be let RENT FREE from approximately 1st May to 15th July 1971 to someone prepared to look after our two cats in the villa. Preferably elderly couple, or pair, and NO Children.

Apply in first instance to
Mrs. M. J. Gross Curth, 9 Aldsworth Close,
Fairford, Gloucester Phone Fairford 498
(evenings only)

I enclose herewith a donation in memory of my beloved Smokey and Tabitha who left us all just a year ago. Perhaps you can get something for the larder. S.P.

I enclose a cheque towards your neutering scheme, which I trust is progressing. We shall feel so glad when cats are harder to get and when people have to pay to get them. It seems a pity that cats can be had for nothing because as we all are at present, most people value more what they have to pay for - and a cat is not licensed, which of course would cost more. I think if cats are given a good home and kind treatment they are most

affectionate and gentle animals - it is only when they have been frightened that they become wild. E.F.P.

Will you please accept the enclosed cheque as a donation in memory of my very dearly loved puss cat JENNIFER who went to sleep on August 12th aged 14½ years. So very much missed. H.M.

It is with great pleasure that I send the enclosed two pound postal order. We in Ambleside had a coffee morning at Dr. and Mrs. Lancaster's home for the R.S.P.C.A. She is our Secretary and Treasurer, I, by the way am the Chairman.

Here's luck to your work. These small sums all help, do they not.

LILIAN NEVOLS

I enclose a donation for your funds in memory of my much loved cat "BLACKIE" aged 13 years who recently died of a stroke. I still have her mother aged 14 and brother GINGER aged 13.

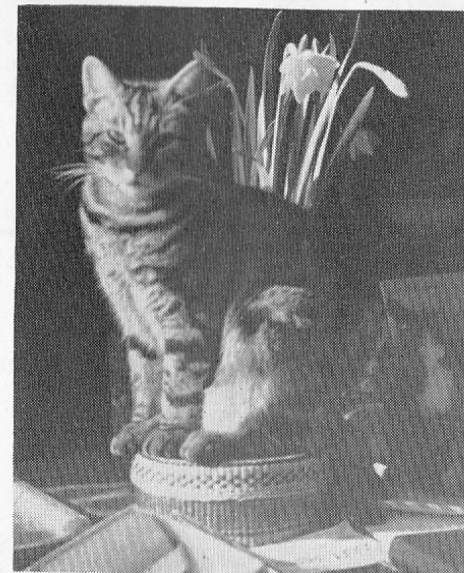
I.V.T.



The British Wild Cat is found in the Scottish Highlands. It resembles the domestic tabby, but is much larger - some reach a length of nearly four feet. Completely untamable the wild cat lives mainly on rabbits and game

birds, but it will kill fawns and lambs, and is sometimes lucky enough to catch fish, it is quite uncommon to catch sight of this cat for it is extremely shy.

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BARNY
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IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of a good, faithful, brave cat "WHISKY" who died July 4th 1970, aged about 15 years.

K. AND J. C. North Chingford

In loving memory of "PATCH" given release in his 17th year. United with all our cat family he loved so dearly. Sleep, our huge Beauty, You are in my heart, as are all, for ever.

F. JONES

In loving memory of all our beloved pets who have gone before us, but will always be affectionately remembered.

FROM ERIC AND ELSA MARTYR

In memory of darling MITZI our much loved friend for 15 wonderful years. Kindly put to sleep August 4th after a longish illness. "Till we meet again Mitzi". Always in our thoughts.

MR. AND MRS. P. G.

Treasured and beautiful memories of our dear SOOTY, BLODWYN and TOD-HUNTER SMYTHE (TODDY) who died so tragically this year (1970). Peacefully sleeping, till we meet again in God's heaven. Always in our thoughts.

A. AND J. HUNTLEY

In ever loving memory of my best beloved Baby Tweens, who passed over 21st September 1968, and my best beloved Boy, who passed over 2nd December, 1967. Always together in God's loving care.

MRS. A. HORSFIELD

In memory of my little "DINAH" who was killed by a car 24.9.70, aged just over a year.

A. M. L. ANDERSON

In memory of SOOTY, tamed as a born-wild kitten 2 years ago and died, as the result of a road accident, on August 4th, 1970. A gay and loving little cat, sadly missed and always remembered.

A.E.N.

In loving memory of BUTTERCUP T.W. 4218, died September 26th, 1967.

MRS. U.A.

In memory of MITTENS of Dreich, Fairlie, PTOLLY of the Knapp, Camberley and of PUDDY of Dorchester Abbey: Always remembered.

M.H.-J.

BEE-BEE 1950 - 1965. Remembered today and every day by his Mum.

F.G.S.

HOMES WANTED

Country homes wanted for Siamese neutered tom born June 1968. Exceptionally gentle, affectionate and clean. Transport arranged. Owners emigrating.

Lees, Dildawn Mews, Castle Douglas, Kirkeudbrightshire.

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