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#### **NEWSLETTER**

Gosh, as quick as a cat nap, this year has gone!
Without everybody's help we could not have done all this.
Since August when our last newsletter appeared we have had over 60 kitten adoptions. The winter months, although not as quiet as last year, were relatively kitten free and that gave us a chance to spring-clean the Cat'Otel and bring in new scratching posts and toys thanks to generous donations.

We have now made up for the winter season and thanks again to our bottle feeders and foster mommies, as we were inundated with little abandoned kittens.

Without these volunteers, many little kittens would have been left to die. We now have our full complement of kittens, with Lynn taking in the overflow. Her kittens have the added fun of being able to explore her garden and climb a tree (under supervision)

The kittens love the visits of Alex and Andre and they have brought many timid kittens out of their shells. It is not unusual to find Andre lying on the ground with a "blanket" of kittens all over him. More visits like these would be appreciated as it is good for the kittens to interact with as many people as possible.



#### **NEWS FLASH**

BEWARE: A ginger tom having had a wonderful time left his progeny as far a field as Hartebeestpoortdam!! They came in all variations of ginger, but all adorable - we even have 3 ginger girls, which is most unusual.

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All the adult cats in our previous news letter and more were adopted.

Joseph and Morris were adopted by a big cat lover and South African author, Jassy MacKenzie; they are now editing her latest novel. Bear had to get a passport as he is now owned by an American family. The rest of the adopted cats are now part of loving families. Thank you, also to the foster families who took care of them.

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#### Medal awards for bravery

## Cats credited for saving families from fire JESSY AND MG

Greta left the bread machine on during the night with a kitchen towel inside by mistake and it caught fire. Jessy woke her up standing on her chest meowing (which she never does) when the house was full of smoke. Someone who would like to stay anonymous fell asleep in bed with a cigarette and MG also woke her up by meowing and touching her face when the mattress caught fire.

"I had been told that the training procedure with cats was difficult. It's not. Mine had me trained in two days." -Bill Dana

### Open Day & Jumble Sale

Great success came from our open day and jumble sales, which raised much needed funds. Many thanks to those who donated their time and art skills and our supporters for buying the goodies on offer.

We will be having another open day next year selling the handmade items which were very popular, so please keep us in mind when you are in your creative mood.



## Thank you

Many thanks to the Waterkloof Veterinary Hospital, Hatfield Bird and Animal Hospital, Lakeside Veterinary Clinic, Willow Park Small Animal Medicine Specialist Hospital and Moreletarif Animal Clinic for their continued support through the year.

To Marina Davis who also organised us a donation of cat food for the feeding of feral cats, thank you, that was much appreciated.

The cat food is distributed to several feral feeders feeding about 1000 feral cats.

We would again like to say thanks to our many regular sponsors, who still make regular donations despite the tough times. Remember any donations no matter how small, are greatly appreciated.

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## WISHING YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A PURRRRRY NEW YEAR

GREETINGS

"Too many cats but not enough laps"