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Dear Friends,

Can you believe it, half the year has gone and the winter is also in full swing. When I lie in bed at night all warm and curled up with my furry friends, I can't help but think of the poor cats and kittens outside, lost, homeless and cold. At least we can be grateful that with your support, we are able to help save many of them from this fate.

The sign is also now up at the Glen Animal Clinic in honour of the people who so kindly sponsor us financially on a monthly basis.

We are also in the process of extending the adult sanctuary at the Glen Animal Clinic with extra accommodation and a bigger run. We are still hoping to get sponsors for the mesh and a new metal roof as the existing one is leaking badly. We have received a generous donation of R1200.00 from **Peter Groves Air Conditioning Sales**, which will be put towards the funding of the above alterations.

We hope to have an Open Day when it is all finished so everybody can come and share in the cats pleasure and joy.

We have not yet received our NPO number and it hopefully will happen in the near future.

Just a reminder of the stall we have at the "Ladies Day" on 2nd September and we still need lots of "arts and crafts". Ladies prepared to help with the sewing or donate any material or haberdashery can contact Engela in this regard. A great thanks to Felicity and Carola that are very busy with their donations for the table.

We have good news both from the kittens and adult adoptions. Avril was able to have a whopping 54 kittens adopted since March 2006 with the following news from her;

" I follow up all the adoptions and have had such a positive feed back from the new owners-which makes this job-at times very stressful-so very worthwhile. The kittens appear to have taken over the new homes, especially the beds of their new owners and have become very important additions to the families. Our grateful thanks to the volunteers who have undertaken the onerous task of bottle feeding the abandoned little ones with such wonderful results. Without Elsa, Rinie, Peggy, Lauren, Herony and Diane I could never manage, as the need for a bottle feeder is always one of great urgency. These kittens make great companions, as their association with humans has only been pleasant. With winter here, the kitten number should dwindle and I hope soon to have all the remaining kittens adopted."

NEWS FLASH!!

We are looking for a home for 3 kittens, now about 4 months. Due to very sad circumstances they had very little contact with humans until they came to me and as a result are very distrustful. They need to go to a smallholding where they can be safe and be left to do their own thing. Their mother was a domesticated cat who has since been adopted, but her offspring are not "wild" but very skittish - one of them is more socialized than the other two. I would love to give them a chance to be settled somewhere safe. They are very handsome, two black and white and one black.

The adult cats at the Glen also experienced a very exciting month! Charlene is sharing her news with us.

After spending many long months in our pens most of the adults have been homed and we are hopeful that these cats have found their special place in the sun. We know that people who adopt adult cats are very exceptional and we are most grateful to the new owners. It is unfortunately so that most adult cats

spend many months in the pens, especially those that are not big in the "looks" department. Virtually all were adopted in one day and they are worth a special mention.

Elias alias "Aslon" who also featured in our "Lonely Hearts" column in our last newsletter went to Karen. Karen also has a number of other cats and Elias, being a more senior gent makes this adoption for her more challenging. We wish her and her family a pleasurable future with Aslon.

Billy was originally brought in as a feral but we soon realised he was just a very stressed tame cat. Because he was in imminent danger of being clubbed to death in that specific environment so he was taken in. He was adopted at one stage but was brought back the next day due to careless introduction/integration on the part of the new owner. He spent many

more months in the pens but was eventually adopted on a trial basis. Thanks to Lynn he is now doing well and settled in with an extremely caring family. Thanks Lynn for sharing your love and home with Billy.

Amy and Molly were brought in as two sisters and could not be preferably be separated, as they were very dependent on one another. This made rehoming them all more difficult. After many months they have been homed to Lindsay in Boksburg. She has not even seen them but was prepared to adopt them, as they were most unlikely to find a new home. What a remarkable lady!

Susan Heyns is a loyal supporter and has adopted a number of cats from us. Fortunately she is very passionate about "torties" and has once again taken a one from us. Thanks Susan for extending your large cat family again.

Adult cats currently looking for homes:

Kenny: a beautiful marble tabby with a cheeky courageous attitude. He was named after Dr Dave Kenyon who kindly took him in.

Shiloh: Semi longhaired black female dumped at a nursery and in danger. She is named after the Brangelina baby.

Amor: Beautiful champagne color long haired cat. Would love the comforts of a loving home. Previous owners moved and left her behind.

Bonny: Tabby short haired cat, only six months old. Very affectionate and loves to play.

Linka: British shorthair look alike, very shy but loves to be cuddled. Needs a quite and peaceful home.

There are more adult cats available but at time of press have not yet been named as they have just come in. Please come and have a look or phone Charlene. Sadly however as one adult is homed there are always two or three waiting to come in.

“Too many cats but not enough laps”