

HAWS



Hartbeespoort Animal welfare Society

Newsletter April 2011



What's news?

On Saturday, the 5th of March, we were invited to an 'Adopt a dog day' that was held at the Fat Giraffe on the Hennopsriver road. A few welfare organisations were invited, along with some of their four legged friends, to spend the day getting to know one another and, more importantly, add another member to the family through adoption. There was a lot of interest and several dogs were homed.



A fun day with our junior volunteers as well as the cubs and students from the mountain Cambridge school was held on Friday, the 4th of March. Excitement reigned among both the kids and the animals as cuddles, walks and grooming were among the highlights of the afternoon. Divided into groups of four, they each had a dog that they bathed, brushed and walked as well as handing out treats. Not only was this a time for them to help these poor abandoned animals and give them a bit of love and attention, but it was also educational as our chairperson, Linda Spencer-Coye, chatted to the kids about the importance of having your pet sterilized, why these animals are at a shelter and, above all, loving and taking care of your pet.

It is clear that everyone enjoyed the day, judging by the pictures!





From everyone here at HAWS (especially the animals) we would like to thank each and every one for spending their afternoon with us. Every ounce of love given is greatly appreciated!



MURIEL'S DOG TRAINING AND BEHAVIOUR IMPROVEMENT

Muriel, owner of the Pets Rendezvous in Rietfontein, Hartbeespoort, has kindly offered her time in training some of our dogs here at the kennels. She does various forms of training (eg. Clicker training) as well as behavioural improvement and healing (Ttouch and Reiki) with almost all kinds of animals.

She visits us on Saturday mornings from 10.00 - 12.00 noon. Anyone who is interested in volunteering their time with the handling of dogs and training with Muriel can phone the kennels at 076 455 0322.



HELPING HANDS CALENDAR

Helping Hands has put together a beautiful calendar from **May 2011 – December 2012** in aid of several organizations (including HAWS) that really need all the help they can get from animal lovers out there.


If you ever thought about how you can help, why not purchase a beautiful calendar? Here are previews of some of the photos that will be in this calendar:




See below for details on how you can get your own calendar:

DOG days calendar 2011&2012

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Desperate pleas:

We would like you to meet some of our friends, who are really looking for a loving home.



Hi! My name is Stoffel. I am a terrier cross, just over a year old. Some say that I am quite a character! With my big brown eyes I can jump right into your heart.

He is a lively little dog, with a heart of a lion. Alert too he doesn't let anything pass by without catching his attention.



My name is Meisiekind. I'm a cross breed and around 3 years old. I have been here for a while now and I'm really longing for a good home where we can go for walks, play and be close. I am very friendly, love children and get along with other dogs. I do jump a bit, that is if the fence is low enough!

She is a real sweetheart and a gentle-natured girl.



My name is Kattedbol. I am a young feline, just over a year and a half old. My name says it all, I am a skattedbol. I love to be close to you and sit on your lap while you scratch me behind the ears. I am a quiet fellow with so much love to give.



Hey! The name is Katte, an unusual name, I know. I am the feline with the two coloured eyes – one blue and one green, to be precise. I like to talk to you and rub up against your legs for attention. But mind you, do not scratch me on my belly, that's not my style. I'm a cool, laid back-cat who can't wait for you to take me home.



THANK YOU!

In the first week of March, we received welcome donation of Complete Pet dog food from Helping Hands. Every bit sure helps in keeping those tummies full! A big yapping thanks goes out to Judd and Claudia for this donation.



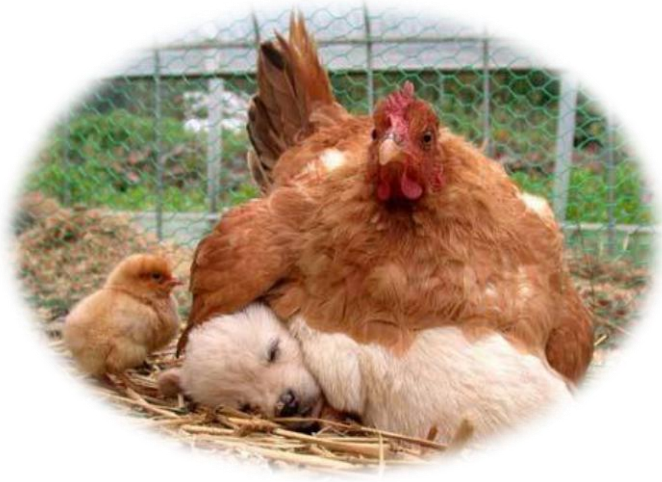
Claudia and Stanford with Cotton & Maggie

Haws would like to thank:

- **Spur** – for their donations of buns and patty boxes towards the Northern Farms event.
- **Tiger brands** – for their donation of Energade sports drinks (Northern Farms event)
- **Conti Tyre** – for fixing our flat tyres for free... as always!
- **Charlene Bence** – for your kind heart and love of animals. Thank you for being such a wonderful foster mother for some of our four legged friends. With your help we managed to find really good homes for 11 of our dogs and in future hope for many more!
- **Audrey** – for the gate motor and installing it for us



It's Easter this month and if you are planning to go away for the Easter long weekend, make sure your pets are well taken care of.



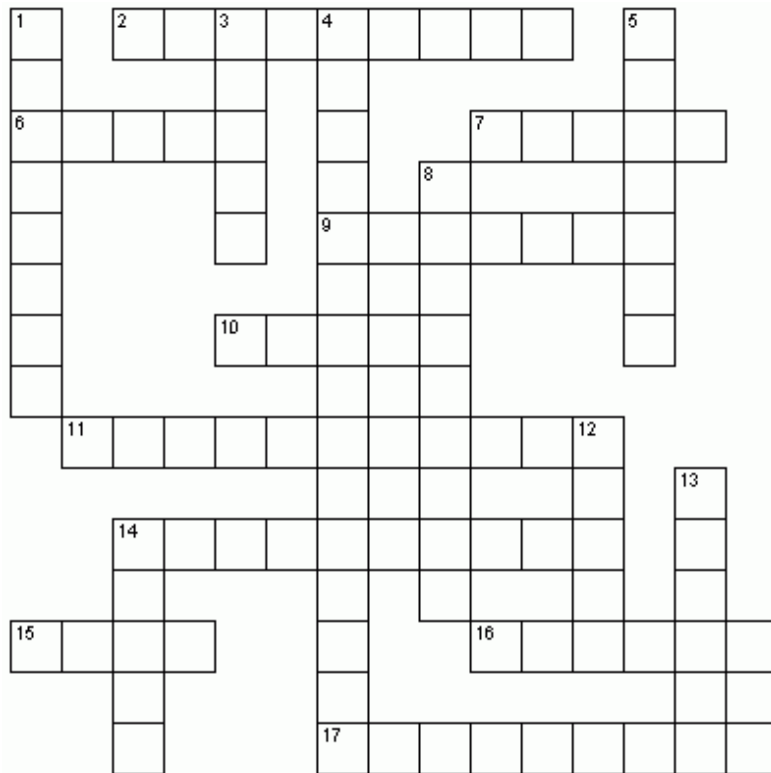
Lots of friendly purrs and sloppy licks and a happy Easter to all,
The HAWS team



KIDS' CORNER

Here is a fun crossword puzzle for you kids to complete – don't help too much, mommy!

BlackDog's Dogs Crossword Puzzle



Across

- 2. Think "hot dog."
- 6. A stocky, short-haired, pug-faced dog.
- 7. These dogs hunt game animals using their eyes (sight) or noses (scent).
- 9. Small, very active dogs originally developed to drive game from burrows.
- 10. A strong dog trained to pull sleds over snow in cold climates, like Siberia.
- 11. A stocky hunting dog with short legs and long ears -- famous for howling.
- 14. A small dog with long, straight, red hair and erect ears. Think "Pom-Pom."
- 15. A Chinese breed of medium-sized dogs having a thick black, blue, red, or cream coat and a blue-black tongue.
- 16. Think "Fi-Fi."
- 17. Any dog trained to retrieve game.

Down

- 1. A large, black watchdog with a glossy coat known for helping police.
- 3. The Queen of England loves these dogs.
- 4. A short dog with curly black hair originating from Scotland.
- 5. Any mixed-breed dog.
- 8. These dogs are very fast runners.
- 12. A wild dog in Australia.
- 13. Think Lassie.
- 14. Slang word for dog.

Word Bank

Basset hound	Doberman	Retriever
Boxer	Husky	Scottish terrier
Chow	Mongrel	Terrier
Collie	Pomeranian	Greyhound
Corgi	Pooch	Hound
Dachshund	Poodle	
Dingo		

For the aspiring little artists, here's a picture for them to color in.

