

# Tales from the Riverside

Newsletter April 2017

Downham Market Adoption Centre



Registered Charity No 203644 (England & Wales)

## Welcome to the Newsletter of Cats Protection Downham Market Adoption Centre

This month we would like to start by saying a big thank you to Tabitha. Tabitha wanted to help cats in need and decided to collect items she thought they might need. She chatted with her school friends at the Liberty Intermediate School in Lakenheath and persuaded them to start collecting items too and look what they brought us, towels, food, toys and good wishes!



Thank you to all the students at Liberty Intermediate School for their generosity and helping cats in need and a special thank you to Tabitha for inspiring her school friends.

## Fundraising

Another big thank you goes to the Stowbridge Mind, Body and Spirit Fayre who kindly donated all the money from the raffle at their event last month, to us, which was almost £100!

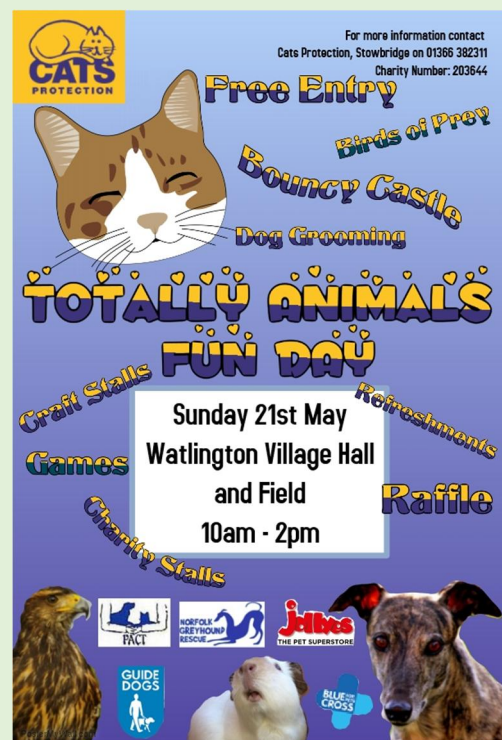
## Events

Next month sees our Totally Animals event which is being held at Watlington.

Is it going to be a fun day for children and all animal lovers with birds of prey, guinea pig rescue, greyhounds and many other animal charities, together with Jollyes pet store, Terrington Veterinary Centre and animal related craft stalls. There will also be games and raffle and bouncy castle.

Entry is free and there will also be refreshments available.

Inside the hall is almost full with stalls, but as this event also spreads out onto the vast field, there is still room for more, so if you would like to have an animal related stall and help us raise funds and make this a great day, then do please get in touch with the Adoption Centre.



## Open Day

We are in the process of planning our annual Open Day here at the Adoption Centre and the date has been set as Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> August.

This year it will be more focused on information and rehoming of the cats we have at the Centre and we have a Cats Protection behaviourist coming along to do a workshop.

There will still be fun things to keep the children amused, like games and bouncy castle, but it is very early in the planning stages at the moment, but if you would like to help at this event, then do please get in touch, as the more volunteers we have, the more stalls we can host and the more funds we can raise.

## Volunteers

We are desperate to get out into the community to raise more funds for the cats in our care, but to do that we really need volunteers. We have a handful of events we are either organising or attending this year and we'd love to do more. If you can attend just one event, one week out of the 52 in a year, it would help us massively.

## Cat of the Month - Patsy



This beautiful little lady is called Patsy, she came to the centre as her owner was allergic to her. Patsy can be nervous to begin with and would take time to settle into a new home and get use to her new surroundings. Patsy is looking for an adult only home where she could get lots of one on one attention, to help her show her true personality.

Patsy loves a stroll around the garden and will follow you, so a secure garden in her new home is a must. Patsy is looking for a home where she can relax and bond with her new owner slowly.

Please consider this sweet natured girl, or come along to meet some of the other cats we have at the Adoption Centre at the moment.

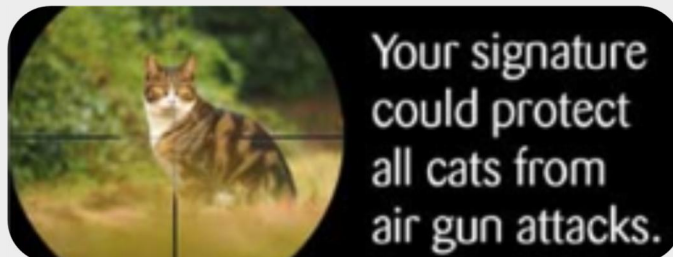
## Air Gun Petition

We need your support!!

Cats are regularly the victims of shootings. Licensing of airguns will help ensure that only those people with a good reason obtain a gun legally and this will help track down those who misuse them.

For more information and to sign the petition please check out:

[www.cats.org.uk/airgunspetition](http://www.cats.org.uk/airgunspetition)



## Dates for your Diary

Date	Time	Description
Sat 8 <sup>th</sup> April	10 - 2	Easter Fair, West Winch Village Hall
28 <sup>th</sup> & 29 <sup>th</sup> April		Suffolk Skydive Beccles Airfield
Sun 21 <sup>st</sup> May	10 - 2	Totally Animals Fun Day Watlington Village Hall and Field
Sat 27 <sup>th</sup> May		Pawsome Tea Party Supawstore, A10, Tottenhill
Sat 5 <sup>th</sup> Aug	11 - 4	Cats Protection Open Day, Adoption Centre, Stowbridge
Sun 19 <sup>th</sup> Nov	10 - 2	Christmas Craft Fair, Town Hall, Downham Market

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The Centre is open 6 days a week,  
closed Tuesday's.

