

## NEWSLETTER - MAY - JUNE 2006



### **AT LAST!!! WHAT WE HAVE ALL BEEN WAITING FOR!!!**

On **FRIDAY, 9<sup>th</sup> JUNE** our totally renovated sanctuary is hosting its **OPENDAY** from 10am till 6pm. (Parking is a problem, so we suggest you park your car and catch the No 2 bus.) You will not only be able to enjoy our delightful new premises, but also meet Mufusa, Mccavity, brothers Fred and Henry and all their friends. These contented, well loved cats, plus our thirteen kittens, are all awaiting adoption, fostering or sponsoring!

We are holding two ceremonies on the 9th, both to which you are invited to. The first is a presentation of a plaque at 10am. This is to the people at MOD who worked so hard making our dreams come true.

The second ceremony is the Official Opening at 1pm. The Minister of the Environment, Mr. Jaime Netto, who is very much an animal person, has kindly agreed to officiate.

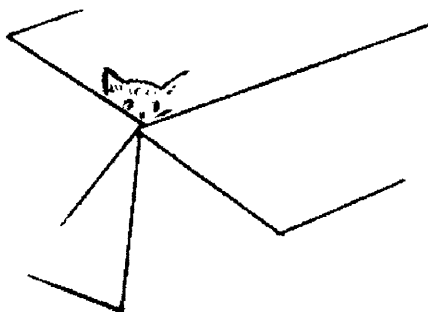
### **MUCH NEEDED FUNDRAISERS...**

On **SATURDAY, 27<sup>th</sup> MAY** we will be holding another of our popular **BRIC A BRAC** mornings on the Piazza in Main Street. Please come and support us and give us whatever you no longer need, to sell. Good books and videos are also welcome.

On **SATURDAY, 17<sup>th</sup> JUNE** Morrison's have, once again, allowed us a **RAFFLE MORNING** on their portico. We will have delicious cakes for sale. Do your shopping on Saturday, and come and support us there!

On **WEDNESDAY, 31<sup>st</sup> MAY**, Mark of the Rosia Veterinary Clinic is donating a mini one day **SNIP a STRAY** for us. Mark and his staff are making their services available for free, we only pay for the medicines. This is truly a magnificent gesture. Mark envisages snipping around 70 cats!!! This will be a tremendous help in keeping the cat population under control!

**FEEDERS, THIS IS IMPORTANT and URGENT!!!** Please count the cats that you feed and check which ones need spaying/neutering and which ones are pregnant. Please!!! make sure that you notify one of our committee how many cats you have that need spaying/neutering and their locations. Do this before Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May. We have a lot of planning to do, so please don't leave this too late or forget!!!



As always, we urgently need to borrow cat/small dog boxes to act as holding cages, and we need old towels and sheets and all the usual things you so kindly bring us. Please phone one of the committee and say what you can help with.



If you would like to receive our NEWSLETTER on your e-mail, please advise us at [catwelfaresociety@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:catwelfaresociety@hotmail.co.uk) and we will add your name to our list. Names and addresses will be kept totally confidential.

We are looking for a SPONSOR (tax deductible?) to photocopy our bi-monthly newsletter and to pay for the postage. At the moment our mailing list stands at around 300 and is growing. The sponsor will receive recognition in the form of their logo appearing as sponsor. Please call if you would like further information.

### "GATOS SIN FRONTERAS"

Cat Welfare is in contact with the la Linea Animal Shelter, PRODEAN. As you are no doubt aware, there is a vast cat population in the town and harbour areas. With the assistance of KISMET and World Veterinary Services, who have assisted us over the last two years, we have arranged a Snip a Stray to take place in la Linea the last week of June. It will be known as "Operation Cat" and "Operacion Gato" If you have friends who feed cats over the border or would like to help, please ask them to contact us.

A very special thank you goes to four very special members of our committee. Lisa, Gemma, Linda, and Louise. This team of devoted "cat women" have performed an absolute miracle. They not only raised the funds to remodel the Sanctuary, but bullied the voluntary male workers to do the impossible, by themselves setting the pace on the building site, laying bricks and doing all manner of physical work!

A big thank you, as always, to MOD for their incredible generosity and support. To Morrison's for always kindly accommodating us, and not least, to another "cat woman", Barbara of the Silver Shop, who always gives us so many of her lovely "goodies" to sell on our Bric Bracs. Our grateful thanks to all of you! Without you support we would be very much poorer than what we are!

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