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AGENDA

President: Robert Stanley
Secretary: Paula Connolly

WELCOME Robert Stanley 1. 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA **3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** AGM of March 29, 2015 1 4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2 Robert Stanley Attached 5. REPORT ON SPAY/NEUTER PROGRAM 3a to 3d Attached Dr. Peter Foley 6. **REPORTS** A. Catnip Mice 2015 4 Norma Brown and Kathleen Williams Attached B. Donna Hickox Feed the Ferals Program 5 Paula Connolly and Vicky Smith Attached 7. FINANCIAL REPORT Separate Document Michell Burge MRSB 8. **ELECTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS** (10) 6a & 6b Four members remain until AGM 2017 Attached 9. **OTHER BUSINESS** 10. **QUESTIONS** (As Time Permits)

ADJOURNMENT

Cat Action Team Annual General Meeting

March 29, 2015 at 2:30 pm Atlantic Veterinary College

Attendance: Nineteen people were in attendance.

1. Welcome/President's Report:

Krista Adams, President, welcomed everyone and gave the President's Report.

2. Approval of Agenda, March 29, 2014:

It was approved by Vicky Smith and seconded by Bob Stanley.

3. Approval of Minutes of 'April 6, 2014:

It was approved by Diane Minick and seconded by Bob Stanley.

Committee Reports: 4.

Krista reported that all the reports were included in the handouts.

5. Report from Dr. Peter Foley on TNR Statistics:

Dr. Foley presented the TNR Report for 2014. He stated that in 2014, 634 cats were spayed / neutered through CAT giving a grand total of 9,972 cats spayed/neutered through CAT as of the end of 2014. Early in 2015, CAT went over the 10,000 mark. He stated that cats were being tested for FeLV and FIV at AVC on the Saturday neuter days and throughout PEI on an as needed basis.

6. **Financial Report:**

Michelle Burge of MRSB presented the financial report and answered questions. Geoff furthered her information by explaining why certain lines on the financial report may seem confusing.

It was moved by Geoff that CAT accept the financial report as presented and seconded by Beverly Hillier. The motion was carried.

7. **Election of Board Members:**

There were seven vacant positions on the board of directors.

Caitlin Bradley put her name forward prior to the AGM. Debbie Reid, Vicky Smith and Shante Peddle offered from the floor to serve on the board. There were no other nominations. This brought the board number to seven.

Prior to nominations, a brief discussion was held on the question Carol Ann put forth to the board on reducing the number of board members. The board decided to leave the board member numbers the same.

8. Auditor for upcoming year:

Motion was put on the floor by Harry Smith, seconded by Bob Stanley. The new board should consider Porter-Hetu International as the new auditor. The AGM membership approved this on the basis that Porter-Hetu were qualified to do an audit and charges were not to exceed \$2,000 if these conditions were not met then audit was to fall back on MRSB. Motion carried.

9.	Krista adjourned the meeting.			
	President	Secretary		
	Krista Adams		Donald Turner	

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The year 2015 seemed to go by so quickly. We at Cat Action Team continue to work for the feral, stray, and barn cats of Prince Edward Island. We had a busy year at the neuter clinics. Dr. Foley will be addressing how many cats were spayed/neutered in 2015

Thank you to all those who donate their time, energy, and often money to help the cats. We have strong volunteer support helping the cats, and our TNR program continues to reduce populations. We have had held yard sales and draws to raise funds for our TNR and Feed The Ferals programs such as the Christmas Cheer Basket, 50-50 Draws (Thank you Paula). We have sold T-Shirts (thank you Debbie) and Calendars (thank you Vicky).

We have applied for our usual grants (thank you Carol Ann DesJardins for your hard work on applications). As we ended the 2015 year we received a grant from CanFel for printed material so that we will have new and exciting brochures, banners, and Banner-bugs, to begin reaching out more to the community to educate and inform. CAT members have been working very hard at every task to help the cats of PEI.

If you attended last year's AGM, you may recall that we, the new CAT Board, was mandated to look at changing our Auditor "if" we could get monthly bookkeeping at no additional charge for about the same cost. Unfortunately, after research. we discovered there were additional fees that would increase the cost of a different Auditor. Due to our mandate, we continued with M.R.S.B. and our treasurer, Vicky Smith, kept an excellent account of our monthly bookkeeping.

We do, however, require more people to step up to the responsibility of being Board members, which requires a minimum of two hours of meeting per month and a little online time between meetings to make sure our organization continues to do our great work. We need experienced volunteers/members (a)to assist the co-ordinators; (b) to screen emergency calls in Queens/Kings; (c) to screen people wanting cats/kittens spayed/neutered in east Prince; (d) colony care co-ordinator for Kings. The system we have now has been working very well for many years, but we need more people to step forward as we continue.

On a personal note, I will not be re-offering to be on the CAT Board this year but will endeavour to assist CAT in the area of Education of the Community of our programs to help cats on PEI.

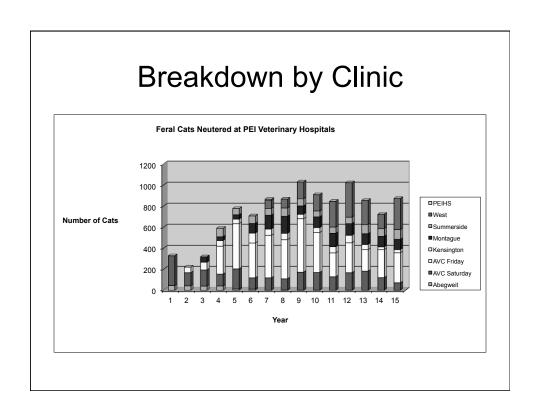
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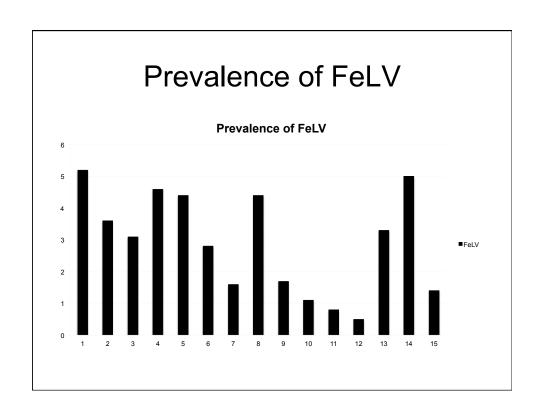
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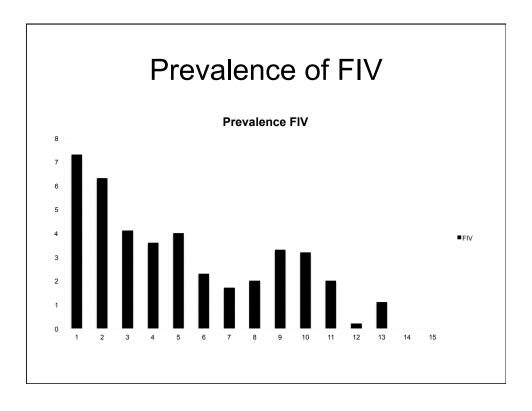
Peter Foley

Another Good Year for Cats

- 873 cats in 2015
- Grand total since 2000
 - 10,934 cats



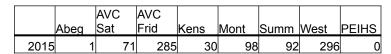




Impact

- Many of the earlier colonies never have new cats being neutered
- We are improving the lives of hundreds of individual cats each year
 - Disease prevention
 - Improved survival
 - Parasite treatment
 - Less fighting

Breakdown by Clinic



CATNIP MICE, 2015

In 2015, we made about 3,500 catnip mice--1,200 of those were Christmas mice which sold out in November and December.

We started 2015 with about two and half bags (1 lb. each bag) of catnip. We were using 12 bags twice a year but we increased by 1 bag our last order in 2014. That gave us some to start the year with.

We order *catnip* twice a year: 13 bags each time giving us 26 bags (26 lbs) Each bag yields about 120 mice.

About six bags of batting (stuffing) are used: about 575 mice per bag.

Material, yarn, and thread:.. always in demand. We look for sales and had a few donations. We are always looking for, and are willing to accept, any or all of the above.

The Mousecateers are always ready when mice get low, so never hesitate to give us a call. We have no plans on burning out for a while. We have a great system, with a few extra helping hands. The mice get stuffed and tails sewn on, and bagged within a day. Then they are stored till delivery time. Between the Mousecateers and Paula, we deliver to Vet Clinics and businesses across the Island.

Our goal for 2016 is to sell, sell, sell - do better than we did in 2015!



The Mousecateers
Kathleen Williams & Norma Brown

As many people involved with the Cat Action Team know, Donna Hickox was an advocate for the feral/stray/barn cats; and her main concern was that there be enough food to keep the cats fed and comfortable. She was a regular helper in the distribution of food.

When Donna died on April 24, 2010, money that was given as a memorial to her was used to purchase cat food.

Pennies for Paws was born on July 2, 2010 when Vicky Smith and Paula Connolly decided, with the CAT Board's approval, to continue the effort to keep a supply of food for caretakers who might need help keeping their colony cats fed. By the end of the year, approximately \$1,000 had been gathered.

With the pennies no longer being made, the name of the fundraiser changed to The Donna Hickox Feed the Ferals Program.

For many years, CAT was the recipient of reclamation food which was shipped to the Island two or three times yearly. That program ceased in 2015. Since then, Islanders have stepped up even more and have been most generous donating dry and canned cat food. Monetary donations still are made—between both sources, we have been able to have food available when it is needed.

Pet stores, veterinary clinics, and organizations have given food that is almost at the end of shelf life or returned because a cat cannot (or will not!) eat a certain brand. Colour Blind has a yearly fundraiser for the Humane Society and CAT - we receive a generous supply of food from those good people.

Supporters regularly drop off cat food donations to our Summerside and area food distributor Kathleen Williams. I, in Charlottetown, also have regular donors! Vicky Smith temporarily stores donated food, and then it is passed on to food distributors, as are food donations received by Kathleen and me. Cat food is purchased periodically from funds raised through the "Feed the Ferals" program and then it, too, is passed on to the food distributors.

We are most appreciative of the individuals, stores, and clinics who help in this important part of caring for the feral/stray/barn cats of PEI.

Many thanks, also, to the caretakers who feed the cats year after year!

Paula Connolly and Vicky Smith
Coordinators, The Donna Hickox Feed the Ferals Program