## MAY 2019

Your update from The Cat Protection Society including our 2018 Annual Report

#### Agenda

Financial statements for the year ending 31 December 2018

## Cat Protection Society of Victoria

# Nine Lives

## My name is Savannah, please adopt me.

#### Female 1 year old #STA003707

Savannah came to us as a stray and is a friendly, easy going and affectionate girl who just loves human interaction.

## NOTIFICATION OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Our 2019 Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 22nd of May commencing at 7.30pm in the Conference Room at Phoenix Park – 22 Rob Roy Road, Malvern East, 3145 and we would encourage as many of our valued Members to attend as possible.

To confirm your attendance, please email members@catprotection.com.au or call our Society on 03 8457 6500 before 4pm on Friday 17th May, 2019.

If you are unable to attend and would like to nominate a proxy to vote on your behalf, please complete and return the below Proxy Nomination form to our Society prior to Friday 17th May, 2019.

#### FORM OF PROXY ISSUED BY THE CAT PROTECTION SOCIETY OF VICTORIA

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Of .....

Being a Member of The Cat Protection Society of Victoria do hereby appoint .....

The proxy is hereby authorized to vote *\*in favour / \*against* the following resolutions:

Dated ...... Signature of Member .....

Note: In the event of the member desiring to vote for or against any resolution, they must instruct their proxy accordingly. Unless otherwise instructed, the proxy may vote as they see fit.

\*strike out which is not desired

Please send your completed Proxy Form to: Mr Ian Crook, CEO, PO Box 257, Greensborough, VIC 3088 prior to Friday 17th May, 2019.

## CAT PROTECTION SOCIETY OF VICTORIA 2019 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AGENDA

Our 2019 Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 22nd of May commencing at 7.30pm in the Conference Room at Phoenix Park – 22 Rob Roy Road, Malvern East, 3145.

- 1. PRESENT
- 2. APOLOGIES
- 3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS AGM 23RD MAY, 2018
- 4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT
- 5. CEO'S REPORT
- 6. ANNUAL BALANCE SHEET & ACCOUNTS FOR CONSIDERATION & ADOPTION

#### 7. ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

- a. Joanne Birdseye and Tony Meggs offer themselves for election to the Board in accordance with Clause 15.3.1a
- b. Ronen Atzmon and Ian Crook both retire and offer themselves for re-election to the Board in accordance with Clause 15.3.1b
- 8. SPECIAL BUSINESS

#### 9. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS

Crowe Horwarth be reappointed as the Society's auditors for the 2019 financial year

Please RSVP to our Society – PO Box 257, Greensborough or email: members@catprotection.com.au – to advise attendance by 4pm Monday 21st May 2019.



# 2018 in review

2018 was an incredible year for our Society. As you would be aware, our Mission is to work with the community to ensure that we can find a loving, safe and healthy home for as many cats as possible and in 2018, we are confident we achieved this.

Our Society found new homes for 91% of cats who came into our care during 2018, whilst we also re-united 7.5% of lost cats with their families. Our Society also supported the Lost Dogs Home, providing short-term accommodation and re-homing almost 300 cats from their Shelter.

Our Private Feline Vet Clinic had its busiest year to date, providing care to over 1000 new clients who entrusted the care of their cat to our wonderful Vet team.

We are well aware that we could not have achieved any of the above without your generous support. We are so very grateful for your Membership because quite simply, we couldn't do it without you so from all of the team at The Cat Protection Society of Victoria – thank you.

We are sure that the year ahead with the opening of our new Shelter and Vet Clinic will allow us to achieve even greater outcomes for cats in need and we look forward to sharing regular updates with you throughout the year.

Thank you for your continued support and thank you for helping CPSV provide a forever home to cats in need during 2018





#### Female 1 year old #SUA3719

Cleopatra is a gorgeous little lady, she loves attention and a cuddly but also loves to play and investigate. She is a bit of a "Queen" and she will let you know when she has had enough. An experienced home that will teach her right from wrong would be best for her, a home without young children.

## My name is **Carona**, please adopt me.

#### Male 11 years old #SUA003784

Carona is a Senior gentleman looking for a likeminded Senior to sit back and enjoy the spoils of retirement. Carona's needs are minimal, he does not want to be smothered with love nor does he want a busy and noise life. He simply wants to keep you company watching TV or gazing out the window and reminiscing about years gone by. Carona would need to be your only feline family member and young children are definitely not in his retirement plan.

## An update from Ian Crook: Our CEO 2018: A Very Good Year

#### 1. Introduction

As your CEO welcome to this year's AGM and the Annual Report for Financial year 2018.

2018 has been the most successful of the last five years for the Society. Progress with the new shelter continued in line with a revised building plan and project and construction management being the responsibility of the Society. It is now anticipated that the new facility will be functional in the third quarter of 2019. My report will update you on further change and progress that has occurred throughout 2018 including an update on progress in relation to the strategic priorities of the Society.

#### 2. Our Vision

The staff at CPSV have continued to uphold the CPSV Vision of a community in which all cats are valued and respected as companion animals and have a high standard of welfare and wellbeing.

#### 3. Our Mission

To actively promote, protect and improve the welfare and wellbeing of companion cats through shelter and clinical services and public awareness and education.

#### 4. Strategic Objectives

The strategic priorities for the Society have been updated to ensure that the Society continues to perform its Mission:

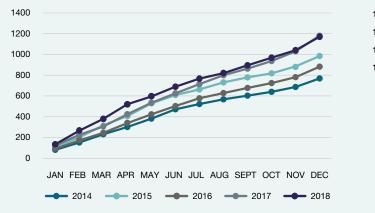
- Maintaining appropriate CPSV values and behaviours, staff development and performance appraisal.
- Enhancing the public profile of CPSV
- Growth of existing services
- Diversification of revenue sources.

#### 5. Shelter Statistics

In spite of continuing to operate from temporary facilities during 2018, releases were in line with 2017. 1400 cats and kittens were received by the shelter. Rehoming and reclaim rates were slightly lower than previous years. The number of cats held at the shelter remained low due to advanced veterinary and management practices.

In 2018 the euthanasia rate was 10.4%

Expanded private patient consultation occurred in 2018. These services exceeded expectations budgeted to increase significantly in 2019 once the new facility is open.



ADOPTIONS YTD 2014 - 2019

ADOPTIONS 2014 - 2018



#### **EUTHANASIA & REHOMING RATES**



#### 6. Staff

Two additional part time Veterinarians were employed during the year to assist Dr Ann Enright CPSV's Senior Veterinarian with increased shelter requirements and private clinic consultations. Three experienced part time veterinary nurses are now part of CPSV's veterinary team.

#### 7. CPS Profile

During the year CPSV continued to participate in a number of local Open Days to raise the awareness of the Society. This included having a stand at the Dog Lovers Show. CPSV were involved in the Cat Lovers Show in 2018. The website continues to be an important source of information in regard to CPSV. CPSV now has 18,000+ Facebook and 7000+ Instagram followers. Engagement rates continue to be well above the industry average. A part time Communications and Marketing Manager was appointed in 2018.

#### 8. Governance

Throughout 2018 appropriate resource continued to be allocated to ensure proper financial management and risk management. The Risk Register was updated and reviewed by the Board.

An unqualified audit has been completed for 2018. Perpetual Ltd continued to provide financial advice in regard to funding the new shelter/clinic and optimising CPSV's investment portfolio. The CPSV Perpetual longterm portfolio had a gross return of 6.67% in 2018 and an average of 6.1% over the past three years.

A Board Nominations Committee was formed in 2018 to select suitable candidates to fill Board vacancies in line with identified Board Skills requirements.

#### 9. Financial Performance

The financial performance of CPSV in 2018 exceeded budget. Operating income increased by 61% due to cat and shop sales. Employee expenses were slightly down on the previous year. Interest income was affected by expenditure on the new building. Bequests significantly exceeded expectations.

Planned fund raising remains a critical priority for 2019.

#### 10. New Shelter

CPSV operations continued in temporary facilities during 2018.

Early in 2018 the CPSV Building Committee, in conjunction with expert consultants, took over the design and construction of the new facility. Progress and expenditure in 2018 has been as expected and a compliant and high functioning facility will result. The expected completion date is now the third quarter of 2019.

#### 11. Conclusion

Our new building is now progressing as expected. The awareness and profile of CPSV has been significantly enhanced by our social media presence and the initiatives of our Communication and Marketing

Manager. The key indicators of performance for the shelter continued to improve and the financial results were very satisfactory.

I would like to thank the staff and The Board for their continuing invaluable effort and support.



Ian Crook

## My name is **Ginny**, please adopt me.

#### Female 4 years old #STA003577

Ginny is an absolute sweetheart! She is an affectionate, friendly and easy-going girl who has lived with other cats.

## An update from our Ronen Atzmon: Our CPSV Board President

Welcome to the 2019 AGM for the Cat protection Society of Victoria. Overall the 2018 calendar year has been successful for the Society in spite of the fact that the Society has continued to operate from temporary premises throughout the year. The patience and understanding of all our clients and new adopters and the hard work and dedication of the staff remains key to this success.

The strategic objectives of the society have been reviewed and four key priorities have been determined for the next three years. These priorities are:

- CPS culture, staff development and performance appraisal.
- Growth of existing services.
- Diversification of revenue sources.
- Development of the CPS profile.

These priorities reflect the need for the Society to become less dependent on bequests to continue to fund its operations. Planning to achieve these objectives are being formalised by CPS's management team prior to Board review and approval.

In regard to the strategic objectives of the previous period I can report that:

- The construction of the new shelter and clinic is progressing as planned and will be operational in the third quarter of 2019.
- The Society's purpose of satisfactorily rehoming as many cats as possible in 2018 was in line with the record of the previous year. The euthanasia rate remained low in spite of the intake of feral cats from new areas. Disease control was challenged due to a particularly virulent strain of cat flu that was treated successfully.
- The Society's investment strategy continues to be successful with returns in line benchmark rates.
   The current investment strategy will be reviewed at the completion of the new facility to ensure that adequate reserves are available to the Society and that the return/risk profile of the investment portfolio remains appropriate.

 During the past year the Society has invested significantly in social media to increase awareness and stimulate interest in the Society's purpose. A marketing and communications manager have been appointed to develop additional activities. The Society participated in the inaugural Cat Lovers Show. The "Seniors for Seniors" initiative with residential care facilities has proven very successful.

As in previous years challenges remain. The membership of the Society remains static, but plans are now in place to make membership more attractive by providing increased value to Members once the new facility is open. The need to continue to inform the public in regard to responsible cat ownership is ongoing. The Society will work more closely with nearby councils as part of this objective.

I remain confident that the opening of the new shelter and clinic will provide the Society with the opportunity to do this, in addition to becoming the facility that best provides adoption, advice and clinical services for cats and their owners.

I would like to thank all those who have involved themselves with the Society over the past year. Your hard work, professionalism, teamwork, dedication, volunteer support and generosity have been absolutely critical to the Society's success.

I particularly wish to acknowledge the support of Board Members who have contributed their skills, experience and wisdom to the operation of the Board over the past year. I would also like to formally welcome new Board Members and look forward to their contribution to the Society achieving its strategic objectives.

## Get to know some of our Cat Protection Society team

Our team of Staff, Foster Carers and Volunteers at The Cat Protection Society of Victoria have a diverse set of experiences and backgrounds but share a mutual passion for animal welfare and protecting the rights of those who can't do so themselves. We pride ourselves on providing the highest level of care to cats in need and are committed to helping every cat find their perfect forever home. Get to know a little more about some of our newbies to the CPS team:





	Cathylee Marks (Cat)	Nicole Sprague (Nic)	Rachel Bitzilis (Rach)			
	Adoptions Officer	Vet Nurse	Marketing and Communications Manager			
When did you join CPS?	18th June 2018	July 2018	October 2018			
What do you enjoy most about working at CPS?	Being part of a team that does everything they can to give cats and kittens a second chance of life, a second chance of finding a forever home.	Working alongside an amazing shelter team and veterinary team. Being able to provide much needed assistance to cats and their owners.	Receiving updates from customers who have adopted from CPS with their cat or kitten thriving in their new home + being able to pop into the Adoption Rooms and cuddle Cats & Kittens when you are having a tough day			
What is your fondest memory?	Rescuing baby kittens and having to get up every few hours to bottle feed them. Seeing their progress with their mum in foster care to then being there on the days they got adopted to loving families was one of the biggest days l've got from working with the cats.	While working with one of the vets, she was expressing a bladder of a cat prior to its spay and she "accidently" squired it at me.	Taking kittens into Nova for a media event and 1 of the kittens being adopted & taken home by the Nova Advertising Manager who fell in love instantly.			

And your biggest challenge?	My biggest challenge so far is taking on the reception role without much experience but it's also been so rewarding pushing through my challenges to keep on going and loving my job.	Working in such a fast-paced environment you always have to be on the ball and ready to go.	Not taking any of the incy- wincy ow-so cute kittens' home with me (yet :) ).
What do you love most about working with cats?	Getting to be a part of making kids and families smile when they get to adopt the cat or kitten they have spent time with.	Being able to make a different and understand cats which may have been surrendered to us for being nasty but we are able to rehabilitate them	That like people, they each have such unique personalities and character traits and it's just wonderful when they find their perfect match in an adoptee
What advice would you provide to someone adopting a cat or kitten from a Shelter?	Come in to the shelter for a cuddle and meet our beautiful fur babies so then you can see how you bond with them, how they bond with you and your family. Our staff will go through how to settle them in at home from the moment you choose the right one to join your family on the new journey of cat/ kitten cuteness.	Try to think of the personality of the cat you want and decide of this, not the age or look of the car/kitten.	Allow yourself plenty of time when visiting the Shelter so you have the opportunity to meet and cuddle several different cats and kittens to see who you / you and your family bond best with- you may be surprised who wins your heart.
Describe yourself using the first letters of CATPROTECTION	<ul> <li>Creative</li> <li>Adventurous</li> <li>Team Player</li> <li>Productive</li> <li>Reliable</li> <li>Outgoing</li> <li>Thoughtful</li> <li>Exciting</li> <li>Customer Orientated</li> <li>Thoughtful</li> <li>Interested</li> <li>Organized</li> <li>Nice</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Charming</li> <li>Adventurous</li> <li>Talkative</li> <li>Passionate</li> <li>Realistic</li> <li>Oddball</li> <li>Trustworthy</li> <li>Experienced</li> <li>Compassionate</li> <li>Thoughtful</li> <li>Imaginary</li> <li>Outgoing</li> <li>Nimble</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Confident</li> <li>Ambitious</li> <li>Talkative</li> <li>Personable</li> <li>Rakish</li> <li>Optimistic</li> <li>Thankful</li> <li>Experienced</li> <li>Caring</li> <li>Trustworthy</li> <li>Imaginative</li> <li>Organized</li> <li>Newbie</li> </ul>

## The Cat Protection Society of Victoria Feline FanClub Membership Program

We are thrilled to introduce our new Cat Protection Society of Victoria Feline FanClub Membership program: a Membership program that helps celebrate and reward your love of all things cats whilst helping to support the work of our Society to re-home cats in need. Our Feline FanClub will launch in June 2019 and will replace our existing Cat Protection Membership Program (for annual members).

When you join our Feline FanClub Membership program, you will receive:

- 1 x Welcome Pack with Tote Bag, Re-Usable Coffee Cup and Pen (issued during your 1st year as a Feline FanClub Member)
- 1 x The Cat Protection Society 12month Calendar (issued annually in December to all Feline FanClub Members)
- Exclusive access to The Cat Protection Society Merchandise
- 10% discount of all products from our Shop (including Merchandise & Retail products for your cat – excluding adoptions, Feliway and donated goods)
- Invitations to VIP Events
- Nine-Lives Magazine (produced twice yearly)
- And regular e-updates from The Cat Protection Society (when an email address is provided)

For an annual price of \$45 for individuals, \$30 for concessions or \$60 for families. Life memberships are also available for a one-off payment of \$300 (with Merchandise and Calendar issued during your first year of Membership)

Children under 12 years of age may like to join our Junior Feline FanClub – for more information, visit www.catprotection.com.au/justforkids

As an existing Cat Protection Society Member, you join our new Feline FanClub Membership Program before 30th June 2019 for only \$30\* for your first year. To join, complete and return the enclosed Membership Renewal Form.

\*Further discounts are not available on concession memberships

## My name is **Quasar**, please adopt me.

#### Male 3 years old #SUA003785

Quasar is a friendly boy once he has got to know you. Win his heart over he will shower you with affection and your lap warm. Quasar has lived with another cat but would rather be your only feline family member.

## My name is **Spud**, please adopt me.

#### Male 5 months old #STK003597

Spud is an absolute cutie, he has stunning greens eyes that will captivate you! Spud is a curious boy but also a little shy, he would like to get to know you a bit before he showers you with affection.

## The search is on for our "Famous Felines of CPS"

Is your feline friend the coolest cat in town? Or is it their exceptional good-looks, spunk or cheekiness that helps them stand out from the crowd?

At The Cat Protection Society, we are on the search for x 14 Cats who can be crowned our "Famous Felines of CPS" for 2020, with both the cats and their owners being able to take full advantage of the bragging rights associated with holding such a coveted title. These 14 cats will star in our incredibly popular Cat Protection Society 2020 Calendar.

#### Think your Cat has what it takes?

To enter, email the following to marketing@catprotection.com.au before 8th September, 2019

- A maximum of 2 high resolution photos (landscape orientation) in JPEG or TIF format
- Why your cat/s deserves the title of "Famous Feline of CPS" (maximum 100-word response)
- Your contact phone numberYour cat/s name and age
- When you adopted your cat
- With email subject heading: Famous Felines of CPS Entry

• Your name

Entry is only valid when all of the above information is provided.

All valid entries will be considered and the winning 'Famous Felines' will be selected at the sole discretion of the CPS Marketing and Memberships Manager

Winners selected and announced by 13th. September, 2019. Good-luck!

Our names are **Dillion and Molly**, please adopt us.

Male and Female 4 years old #SUA003790 and #SUA003791

Tammy is a beautiful lady who is very friendly and loves a pat and cuddle. She has lived with cats and she has a wonderful temperament.

## Out and About with CPSV

Our Seniors to Seniors program continues to gain traction, with more and more Retirement Villages inviting our Cat Protection Team into their facility to offer "cat cuddling" sessions with residents. These sessions provide a great opportunity for both the residents and cats who benefit from the socialization, whilst providing CPSV with the opportunity to promote Senior to Senior Cat Adoptions.



In early 2019, our team was invited into the radio studios of Nova 100 to meet the Nova Breakfast Team (Chrissy Swan, Jonathon Brown and Sam Pang) with the aim to increase awareness of The Cat Protection Society and drive adoptions during the month of February. Knowing Chrissy Swan was an incredible cat-lover, we came armed with kittens and the response was overwhelming with x1 kitten even being adopted on the day.







## Wordsearch



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# All the feels

At CPSV, we love having the opportunity to save the lives of cats in need and whilst it can be an extremely emotional environment to work within and not every story has a happy ending, there are stories like that of Maverick that are not only incredibly heart-warming but serve to reinforce our belief in the work we do.

Maverick was abandoned by his Mum straight after birth and was bought into our Shelter at only 18hours old, weighing a tiny 70g. Despite the odds being strongly stacked against him, Maverick was placed into the care of one of our most experienced Foster Carers to give him every chance to flourish. Without his Mum available, the tiny Maverick needed to be feed via a bottle every 2 hours around the clock for his first 3 weeks and to our absolute delight, he became stronger and stronger with every week that passed. Maverick was bottle feed for a further 6 weeks and became an honouree "step-brother" to another litter of kittens and their Mum also in Foster Care to learn how to be a cat and important social and behavioural skills.

Maverick spent 13 weeks in Foster Care before officially being ready for adoption, but given their journey and what they were able to achieve together, there was no-way our Foster Carer was ready to say goodbye to Maverick. Maverick (or Mav to his family) was proudly adopted by his Foster Carer and despite his rough start, is now a happy and cheeky kitten who is living his best life with his 3 human brothers.

He has indeed found his forever home and we could not be more thrilled.



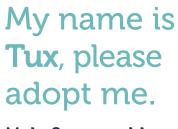












#### Male 2 years old #RSTA00340

Tux is a really sweet boy that would suite a family with older children (he is a bit scare of young kids). He is a delight and has a wonderful disposition. Tux is FIV+ and he deserves a home the same as every other cat, he just needs to be inside only.

## Where are they now?

At The Cat Protection Society, we are driven by our desire to see every cat that comes in to our care provided with their second chance at love, health and happiness and we just love learning how cats adopted from our Shelter are thriving in their forever home.

#### Logan

Logan was surrendered to The Cat Protection Society with another 7 Cats who had been neglected at a home Cat Rescue Organisation. Logan had to have multiple surgeries before he was available for



adoption and was confirmed to be FIV positive. Logan spent almost 7months at the Shelter before being adopted by a Vet Nurse and her partner Scott and Logan has just flourished

#### Alfie

After spending months at our Shelter, 12yo Alfie was adopted in early January & has settled in exceptionally well with his humans Leanne & Tom. Rather than being confined within the Shelter,



Alfie now enjoys watching TV on Leanne or Tom's lap, exploring his new house & taking his position on a kitchen chair when the family eat.

#### Pepe

13 years ago, we adopted the biggest love of my life.

He was long and lanky, constantly hungry and had a big voice. The day we met, he jumped onto my brothers' shoulders making a beeline for the exit and his cheekiness instantly made me love him. You may remember him as Jay. We named him Pepè (Giuseppe when he's in trouble) but commonly goes as Baby, Brat or Bugalugs.

He is still always hungry, still cheeky and still has the biggest voice. He's in wonderful health, is the biggest cuddler, and follows you around everywhere. We often have breakfast together and as he's getting older he's more reluctant to wake up from naps

Adopting Pepe was best thing I've ever done. He brings so much happiness, laughter and love to my life. Although cats are independent and often branded as being aloof, they provide the best companionship when they bond.

Although the vet can't believe he is 13 – there's a lot of years left in this little guy – I know he's getting older and I wanted to say thank you for introducing us.



#### Smudge (aka Champ)

I just wanted to give you an update on Champ who is now called Smudge who I adopted on the 17th November. He has settled in really well and although I was a bit worried about how



he would cope with 3 dogs I was pleasantly surprised. He was not bothered by them at all and he plays with them often, although the pug is definitely his favorite. He is a beautiful, affectionate and relaxed boy and loves being involved with whatever I am doing. He is part of the family and I feel very lucky to have gotten him. Thank you for all that you do.

#### Misty

#### Happy 20th Birthday Misty!!

Thought you might be interested to hear that a kitten adopted from you in April 1999 turns 20yo on the 1st January. She was 4 months



old when I adopted her for my Mum's 80th birthday. She was a wonderful companion for Mum in her last years. She's been my cat for many years now and is so loved. This is a photo from a couple of months ago. She is a real princess; 3 soft blankets are required for her rest! Thank you for being there for Misty so long ago, and for all the cats since.

#### Reggie

It has been two years since I adopted Reggie (she had been at CPS for ~2.5 years) and I thought I would let you know how she is faring. She still loves spending time in her outdoor enclosure, especially on a warm



sunny day. She will sometimes sit on my lap if I place a cushion there for her or she will sit next to me and put her two front feet on my lap. It is also her habit to come up on my lap most nights when I first go to bed whilst I am reading my book (happily purring away). She happily sleeps next to me most nights. Of course, she is still cheeky at times and will give me nip or a swipe of the paw, but that is just part of her character. Her weight loss is slow going, but she has lost about one kilo overall.

Thank you for all the terrific work you do. I love it when a long-term cat finds a home.

#### Samuel

An update on Samuel, a 5-year-old tabby, adopted in August 2018. He has been the most delightful addition to our family, whilst he loves a good sleep, he also has bounds of energy throughout



the day chasing shadows, spiders and whatever he can find. We can't believe how playful a 5-year-old cat can be! He has bought a lot of extra laughter to our household especially when he's entertaining us in his "crazy cat" mode. We can't believe how lucky we are to have found such a wonderful companion.

Carolyn, Mick & Jack



#### Figaro

Firstly, I want to again pass on my gratitude to you all for the fantastic work you do. It is clear that you take the time to get to know and understand the personalities of each of your cats, then ensure you take an active interest in knowing those who come in as potential parents to these guys. In early March 2018, I came in to have a look around and very soon was chosen by 'Tommy' who smothered me with smooches and purred like an engine. I didn't want to make an impulse decision so was there for quite a while, even then returning the next day before adopting him. Staff were incredibly patient and informative, helping me to talk it through. One lady in particular was very gracious and generous with her time, but I cannot recall her name. She has light brown hair up in a ponytail and has been at reception when I've been in.

I brought in a few little donations for the kitties as a thank you and will continue to bring more.

I changed Tommy's name but thought you might like to see how he's going...Here are some pics of Figaro (Fig for short) named after the black and white cat from Pinocchio...

#### Pedro

We adopted Pedro (Peddy) over 4 and a half years ago from Cat Protection. It was September 2014, it seems like yesterday. He was 13 months when we adopted him. We had been looking for a cat, as sadly



and suddenly our cat Lucky passed away just before. He is a very laidback and affectionate cat. My son adores him. He sits between his legs on his chair and cries at my son's bedroom door in the morning to wake him up. He is 4 and a half now and is looked after like a prince. We love him very much and are so lucky to have found him.

#### Millie and Lulu

We adopted our two beautiful cats from the cat protection society and they are both perfect fur additions to our family.

We adopted Millie back in February 2019, you may remember her as Possum the 1-year old tabby. The

going joke in our family is that she's not a real cat, more of a dog cat. Millie Moo as we call her follows us everywhere and always wants to be in on the action, and as you can imagine a house with 2 young kids is never quiet. She always greets us at the door, lays in the kitchen when we're cooking, jumps up and watches the kids in the bath and never misses out on our bedtime stories.

We adopted our second cat LuLu (also known as Princess LuLu) just over a week ago (April 2019) you'll remember her as 6-month-old Sweet Pea. Lulu was a little shy at the shelter and found the big wide world a little scary but loved the pats from the kids and I. I knew right when we met her that all she needed was a loving home and a confident cat friend to show her how much fun she could be having. Upon bringing LuLu home she was very nervous and hid under the desk in her new room. Millie was very curious and would be meowing at her door - LuLu was intrigued and would come out and talk to her. The two are now inseparable, having lots of fun playing around the house and Lulus sweet personality is shining, she loves to snuggle up for cuddles with us and we know in time that she too will be a very confident cat.



Our names are **Gizmo and Bowie**, please adopt us.

Male Himalayan and Rag Doll X 9 and 12 years old #SUA003735 and #SUA003734

These beautiful boys would love to be adopted together. Gizmo is like Bowie's big brother, Gizmo is the more outgoing whereas Bowie is a bit timid. They are stunning boys who enjoy each other's company and would love a quiet home without children to spend their retirement lazing around..

## How you can help



The Cat Protection Society relies solely on donations, legacies and memberships for its day to day existence. Donations are tax deductible. Below are various ways you can donate to assist the CPS care for cats now and in the future.

#### **Bequests**

If you would like to make a bequest to the CPS we have details on our web page www.catprotection.com.au or please contact the Hostel on 8457 6500 for a brochure to be mailed to you.

## Fostering

Cats can live up to and beyond 20 years old, so fostering is a great way to help us, without the long-term commitment of adoption. Fostering one or more of our cats and/or kittens will not only help us help them it will be a wonderful a rewarding experience for you.

We need foster carer's to look after kittens too young or unwell to be rehomed when they first arrive at the Shelter. Some kittens may still be feeding from their mother. We also need foster carer's for our adult cats for various reasons, from mental stimulation for the cat, to freeing up space at the Shelter for more cats and kittens. Primarily, Cat Protection Society is looking for short and long term foster carer's to help with cats that may not do too well with our move into temporary facilities while our new facilities are being built.

For expressions of interest and more information, please email info@catprotection.com.au. We will send you an application form to complete and return, as well as comprehensive information on Fostering.

## Donations of goods

Donations of good quality cat food, cat toys, towels and blankets to keep our fur-babies warm are always very much appreciated.

Newspapers! If you have old newspapers lying around we'd LOVE to take them off your hands.

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The CPS receives no government funding in so all donations are very much appreciated and go directly to the care of cats. All donations over \$2 dollars a text deductible. CAT PROTECTION SOCIETY OF VICTORIA is endorsed as a deductible gift recipient DGR under section 30–15 of the income tax assessment act 1997.	Please send to: <b>The Cat Protection Society of Victoria</b> PO Box 257 Greensborough 3088 Credit card donations may be emailed to members@catprotection.com.au

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If you can provide a loving home to any of the Cats shown, contact our Shelter on 8457 6500 with Cat's Name and ID number or pop in for a visit. We are open Monday-Friday from 10am-4pm and Saturday-Sunday 10am-3pm. *All Cats displayed were available for adoption at the time of printing.* 

## Our names are **Baci and Suske**, please adopt us.

## Male and Female 10 years old #SUA003790 and #SUA003791

Baci  $\vartheta$  Suske are a very bonded pair and are to be adopted together, they both love and rely on each other. They are a bit overwhelmed being at the shelter but spend some time with this pair and you will find they are chilled and cuddly. Baci and Suske need a home without young children and no dogs (they are scared of them). They would be suited to a quiet home where they can lounge away the days without a worry in the world.

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