



Proud to be a Humane Shelter

Newsletter

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Our Mission

The Arnprior & District Humane Society believes that animals deserve our respect and compassion, that no animal should suffer, and that all animals should have food, shelter and protection. The Society promotes health, safety, and humane treatment of all animals through public education and awareness.

Dear Arnprior and District Humane Society friends and family.

We hope that everyone is enjoying a lovely summer. August is upon us and passing all too quickly. WE would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for your donations of time, money and supplies. Without these donations, our little shelter could and would not be able to provide the love and care our furry friends deserve. We are all so very appreciative of all that you do on a daily basis. Thank you.

As we move through the summer and look forward to autumn and winter, the needs of the shelter and its residents, continue and change. Our reliance on your continued generosity and support in time, money and supplies remains ever present. All donations, big or small, are welcomed with open arms and grateful paws. April, May, June and July have been busy months for our volunteers, staff and board members, working hard to raise funds to keep the shelter operational. Fundraising is vital to the shelter to cover the medical, nutritional and housing costs for every pet that currently calls the shelter home. We would like to highlight some of these recent events in this newsletter and thank the people involved for their support and dedication.

Check out our important dates and events further down. We look forward to seeing each and every one of you in the coming months at our numerous events. Thank you again for all you do. Your generous gifts help to care for those who have no voice.

Fundraising Highlights

All during April, the amazing staff at **Pet Valu Arnprior** worked tirelessly every day to help to raise funds for the shelter. The staff as well as shelter volunteers and board members held a bake sale, a membership/sponsorship drive, an adoption event and a microchip clinic. The Pet Valu staff also took it upon themselves to host a raffle. We can't thank them enough for their devotion and dedication in hosting this event and the difference it helped make in the lives of the shelter animals.

Our **annual yard sale** was held on May 26th, and although we weren't sure the weather was going to hold out – it did. There were numerous tables stacked with treasures for the suave yard sale goers to choose from. Thanks to all the volunteers that came out to help with set up and pull down, and to all the folks who donated items for the sale, you were as always amazingly generous! A special thank you to the folks at PODS, who donated 3 of their pods for storage. We will be having a fall yard sale this year on September 15th, stay tuned for details.



June saw us holding events involving dancing, signing, walking and planting. On June 2nd Bridges Bar and Grill in Pakenham opened their doors to us to host our first **Rock n' Rescue event**. The band Raw Sugar donated their talent to the event and kept the party moving. We also held a 50/50 draw and silent auction with many items generously donated by the owners of Bridges. Thank you to the owners of Bridges: Dave & Tracey and David for making this event so successful. As well, we'd like to shout out a thank you to the businesses and people who donated items for the auction.



We held a second Sip & Sign event on June 7th – thanks to Krave restaurant for hosting and to Shelley from Out of the Woods Designs for “guiding” us to produce amazing signs! Stay tuned for another event in the fall.



Our walkathon was held on June 10. A beautiful day with lots of sunshine! A special thanks to Chris Kyte, who did an amazing job of emceeing the event (as she does every year), and to the Hetherington Clan who organized and put on a wonderful BBQ for all to enjoy. Brenda and Jerry were there with the “sucker pull” stand for the young’uns. The planning for this event starts in January. Thank you to all the volunteers who contribute their time and talents to make the walkathon successful.



A second plant night was held on June 13th. Thank you to the East India Company restaurant for hosting this event. Many happy people went home with their personalized gardens to enjoy.



On June 19th, Lynda Duffy and Jan Smith were invited to attend a pay it forward event at Stitsville Public School. This grade 6 event is held yearly to encourage the children to research various not for profit organizations, make the public more aware about them and come up with ideas to fundraise for them. Lily, Hannah and Olivia chose to learn more about the shelter. They presented an in-depth PowerPoint presentation and raised some funds to help the shelter critters.



July kept us busy with the golf tournament on the 7th. 9 teams attended Mountain Creek golf course to play 18 holes and then relax with a BBQ dinner afterwards. Several amazing door prizes were donated by local and not so local businesses. No holes in one – maybe next year. Thank you to Adam, Courteney, Shawn & Jen for organizing the event!



On the same day as the tourney we also had a bottle drive at the Beer Store. Lana, one of our volunteers, takes care of all of the cans that come into the shelter by counting them and pulling off the tabs to donate to another charity that collects them to help people who need wheelchairs. Here she is with Saturday's collection. Thanks to everyone who came out to donate.



Our bottle drive is ongoing at the shelter – please consider helping our furry friends by dropping your empties in the shed.

On the 23rd we were at the Arnprior legion for BINGO. The first game is the charity event and the pot is split 50/50 between the charity (us) and the winner. Thanks to Larry (you never call my numbers) Carruthers and all the other volunteers who came out to help and play.

Volunteers

The shelter depends on the dedication of volunteers for multiple roles within the organization. Frankly without caring volunteers the shelter would simply not exist. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a volunteer please visit our website and fill out an application. On the form you will see the various volunteer roles available. If you'd like to talk to someone about volunteering please give the shelter a call and leave a message for the volunteer coordinator.

Canada Helps Campaign

We have recently had several animals in our care require dental surgery. We started a **“Put Your Money Where Their Mouths Are”**, Canada Helps Campaign, this will run from mid- August until the end of September. We are hoping to raise enough money to help these wee souls get the surgery they so need!

DOBBY

This adorable little guy was found wandering all alone in a parking lot, he was picked up by the OPP and brought



to the shelter for care. We searched for his owner's but no one came forward to claim him, we can only guess that it was because of his medical issues. Upon examination we realized he had two large growths in or near his mouth and his teeth were in horrible condition. This little man who we've named Dobby is a sweet soul who loves cuddles and attention. With your help we can get him the dental care he needs to help make him comfortable and ready to find his happily ever after!

HEATH

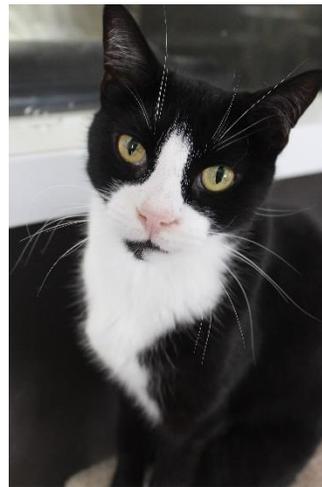
Heath is a very handsome tabby cat that came to us as a shy guy that needed attention and reassurance, he has a sweet disposition and loves to be gently petted.



Lately he has been having difficulty swallowing and eating his hard food. After a vet visit we learned he has severe stomatitis and will require a full mouth dental extraction, which will hopefully ease the pain he is living with. Please consider aiding in making Heath's life a life without pain.

SASSY

This stunning sassy girl has been with us for quite some time. She is so sweet but is very reserved in her



affections and she makes you earn her trust. Once you have gained her trust, she loves nothing more than head rubs and behind the ear scratches! She deserves to have a forever home with another cat. Recently she has been losing weight, so a vet visit was in order. She was diagnosed with dental disease and requires a cleaning and some extractions.

You can find the link for the Canada Helps page at:
<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/arnprior-and-district-humane-society/p2p/moneyformouths/>

Upcoming events:

DATE	PLANNED EVENT
Until August 31st	Tats for Cats at Free World Tattoo in Ottawa
August 4 th	Information booth at the Carp farmers market
August 18 th	Barks & Bubbles dog wash and microchip clinic at the shelter. Many vendors will have displays at this event. BBQ Little Rays Reptiles
August 18 th	Information booth at the Pakenham fall fair
September 8 th	Pawramedics animal first aid course
September 15 th	Fall yard sale at the shelter
September 20-23	We will be at the Carp Fair
November 4 th	Book and Bake sale at the Nick Smith Center

More events will be posted on Facebook and the website as they are confirmed

Feature Pet – WOBBLEY WAYNE

Wayne was brought into the shelter as a stay, he was found in downtown Arnprior lying on the sidewalk. He



had many abrasions all over his body, he was very dehydrated and had severe mobility issues. After an examination at the vet clinic, it was determined that Wayne was most likely hit by a car and had neurological issues from the collision. Wayne is a

sweet, affectionate cat, he has no idea that there is something wrong with him and still tries to run and jump. He can walk and get around but does occasionally wobble and fall over. A home with carpeting and no stairs would be ideal for Wayne. Come in and meet this special guy!

Feature Pet- WEBSTER



Webster is a very handsome 3 year old Walker Hound. Originally brought in as a stray this silly boy is patiently waiting to find his forever home. Webster is an energetic boy that enjoys going for long walks, he would make an excellent jogging partner! Webster enjoys the



company of other playful dogs and with some training he could possibly live with a cat. True to his breed he does follow his nose so would be best suited in a home with a fully fenced yard. If you are looking for a goofy, playful companion, look no further.

Fostering

Another way to help the shelter is through our foster program. We most often need foster homes for kittens, but on occasion cats with special needs require foster care. For dogs, our usual need is a home that can care for pregnant dogs, or mother dogs with young pups. We provide all supplies necessary to support foster animals. A foster application is available on our website.

Wish List

We are always looking for donations of the following supplies and greatly appreciate all donations!

Dry cat and kitten food, Canned cat food, Cat treats, Dry Dog Food, Canned dog food, Paper towels, Lysol Wipes, Laundry soap, dryer sheets, bleach, Clumping and Non clumping cat litter, hand sanitizer, office supplies, gift items for our online auctions. Also donations of gently used, towels, blankets, pillows, pillow cases and sheets are always put to good use.

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