



HUMANE SOCIETY
OF NEW ZEALAND INC

Newsletter

July 2015

We may be right into winter with shorter days and longer nights but there are still some animals in need of our help. As I write this the society has three dogs and two cats available on the web site for adoption and more either waiting to come in or going through the processes before being made available. Also, daily, we are processing requests for spay and neuter assistance.

We are very fortunate to have the number of active volunteers that we do, to assist with answering phones, paying accounts, looking after animals, checking fences etc. Thank you to all those who help.

A few months ago we had a lovely fun day in the park with yet more volunteers helping and others giving of their time to help entertain us. See page 2 for more about the day.

Shortly we have our AGM. At this our members have the opportunity to hear about the developments of the last year and share possible ideas for the future. For many years we have held, at a considerable financial loss, a pets picnic in the park. With the changes at Council level and the involvement of the Maori authorities this activity is something that may change in the future. To keep it going in the current form would involve further additional charges of up to \$1000. An alternative needs to be considered.

When and where is the meeting? It is on 18th July 2015 at the Epsom Community Centre at 11.00am. A light lunch with a hot tea or coffee will be available after the meeting. It would be great to see you there.

As we come into July it is time for membership fees to be paid. These have remained at the same rate for as long as I have been a member. We are very fortunate in that many of our members regularly add a donation to the membership fee. This, of course is tax deductible as well as GST free for the society. While we continue to receive these donations it is to our benefit to keep the membership fees low.

Coming up, in October is the Pet Expo at Greenlane. We have been present at this for the two years it has been held there. It provides great exposure for the Humane Society. We like to have a few dogs there that the show visitors can interact with. If you think that you and your dog could be starters please see the request further on in the newsletter.

And finally I would like to say a huge thank you to those members/supporters who have been doing knitting for us. Multi-coloured toys and blankets have been arriving and they are greatly appreciated by both foster homes and animals. If you have any wool that is seeking a new home please give us a call so that we can pass it on to the knitters. Any wool is appreciated.

Your committee:

Don Sharp, Jill O'Keeffe, Heather Wade,
Johanna Brens, Trish Burke,
Don McKenzie, Jenny Mitchell and Fiona Seiffert

Pets Picnic in the Park—2015

“A Great Day of Challenges, Entertainment and Fun”

Each year we love to catch up in person with members and animals that have been part of the Humane Society. After the rain and wind of the previous days we were fortunate to have pleasant weather. Our numbers were down a little but there were lots of competing events on the same day.

We were very pleased to have D for Dogs with us. It was really great to see so many dogs of all different sizes having a go with help on hand from name and name to use the various pieces of equipment. I was particularly delighted to see one dog go from absolutely refusing to go in any tunnel to managing the tunnel that was closed at one end quite happily. I would not have expected such rapid progression that quickly. We again enjoyed fabulous performances from the Dancing Dogs. It was great to see both the skill and enjoyment of all the participants.

We did miss Dawn and Norm with the Trash and Treasure table but wish them well in their retirement out of Auckland.

Below are the results of the competitions held on the day. Those who entered were very well behaved this year. Maybe some who watched this year will take part next time. It is great to see how well the dogs and owners all do. And weren't some dogs and owners alike this year!



NOVELTY EVENT WINNERS PETS PICNIC IN THE PARK 2015

	First	Second	Third
Best Quick Trick	Gary Stickler “Milly”	Juliana Evans	Margaret Wastney “Shadow”
Best Six Legs	Rose Thomas “Wolfie”	Pat Mellon “Rocky”	Ella Williams “Petey”
Best Rescued Dog	Raewyn Hall	Peter Caddell “Robbie”	Sandra Jackson “Baxter” = Alex Titchener “Charlie” =
Dog Most Like Its Owner	Kate Walsh “Maddy” =	Jason Thomas “Caesar”	Jo Smout “Charlie Brown” Juliana Evans =
Best Child Handler	Ana Tereapii “Shadow”	Sophie Nannested “Pip”	William Cameron “Meg” = Lisa Finucane “Demond”
Best Veteran	Zoe Tibbett “Mikey”	Jason Thomas “Caesar”	Di Cameron “Finn”
Dog Judges would most like to take home - Alex	Gary Stickler “Milly”	Lisa Finucane “Demond”	Margaret Wastney “Shadow” = Avindu Kalansuriya “Alfie” =
Jenny	Peter Caddell “Robbie”	Alex Titchener “Charlie”	Lisa Finucane “Demond”
BEST IN SHOW	Peter Caddell “Robbie”	Gary Stickler “Milly”	Raewyn Hall

ANIMALS IN FOSTER CARE

Cheeka is a tortoiseshell with lots of white underneath and the stronger colours on top. She likes to tell you what has been happening during the day and is quite happy to escape the run for a while but is ready to return for her meals and 'loves'.



Patch is a grey and white cat who likes to think he is the boss. He is always delighted to welcome me when I visit the cat run and enjoys being patted but is a little reluctant to be picked up. He is the quizzical cat who, if something is different, will hold his head to one side as if considering what has changed.

As with all our animals Patch is desexed and vaccinated.

**REMEMBER — MEMBERSHIP FEES NOW DUE and
AGM IS ON 18th JULY AT EPSOM COMMUNITY CENTRE 11.00am**

Tessa, an 8-9 month old long legged, female Staffie X who is very affectionate dog who loves cuddles, play, the car and walks. As she does get excited and is a medium to large dog she would be best suited to a family with older children. She would also make a great work dog or companion as she enjoys following people around and being close to them. She gets on well with other dogs and cats



Wriggles is a 7-8 month old Heeler X. He is about knee high. His delight is to be with you so he will need some human daytime companionship. He gets on well with other dogs and has been fine with the cats at the foster home. He would probably best suit a family home with children over five.

Ash is 6-7 months old and is a Hunterway X Collie. He gets on well with other dogs but could be a cat chaser. He is a little shy but quickly wants cuddles once he gets to know you. He would probably be best with some companionship during the day.



To enquire see www.humanesociety.org.nz or Ph 630 0510

And just for an interesting thought - Who was here first?

While we enjoy our pets and the part they play in our lives we know they were not the first creatures here. According to a recent study published in November 2014 insects arrived on Earth about the same time as the earliest land dwelling plants—about 480 million years ago.

By the time the dinosaurs walked the earth dragonflies and damselflies had already been here for many millions of years. Insects are diverse, economically and ecologically important organisms with huge biodiversity.

Life on earth started in the water, but the first creatures to inhabit the land and the air above were insects. Whatever people do, insects did it first. They waged war, they took slaves, they learned to work cooperatively, they flew and they farmed.

Five of the oldest insects on earth are:

Silverfish are about 420 million years old. The modern day ancestor first emerged about 250 million years ago.

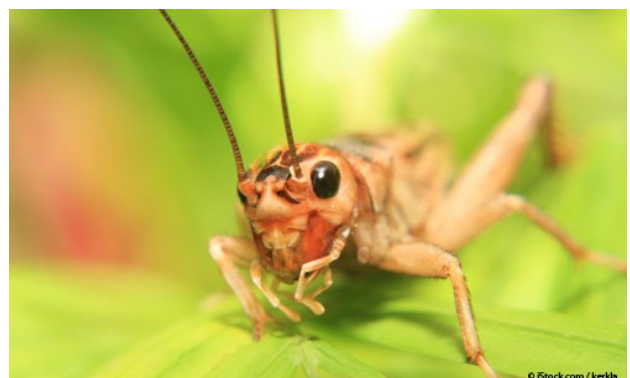


Dragonflies and damselflies appeared on earth about 406 million years ago and they looked different from today's insects. At that stage they had visible antennae.



Cockroaches, never the most popular of bugs, have been around for 230 million years and, according to one source some types are more closely related to termites than other cockroaches.

Crickets, Katydid and Grasshoppers had a common ancestor that lived just over 200 million years ago, and their lineage goes back even further. They were here before grass was.



Calling all friendly, bombproof dogs

On the 10th and 11th October the Pet Expo will be coming to Auckland again, and we are looking for some dogs to be ambassadors for the Humane Society on the stall, (and get lots of attention and cuddles). All sizes and breeds welcome.

Your dog would have to be very relaxed around noise, crowds, other animals and small children, and enjoy lots of attention. There are normally two dogs (and their owners,) and one extra person on the stand at a time, and the dogs are on for a 2 ½ hour shift. The owner will be provided with a t-shirt, a bandana for the dog, and free entry to the show and parking. It's a pretty chaotic 2 ½ hours, especially in the mornings, as the show got just under 20,000 visitors last year, but it's fun and a great way to bring the Humane Society to people's attention.

If you would be interested in participating or would like more information please get in touch with Fiona Seiffert email dogmad@orcon.net.nz.



Thank you to all the members and volunteers who help in so many ways.

Thank you.

CALL FOR WOOL

Do any of our readers have balls of wool that they are no longer going to use?

Lynn, one of our volunteers on Waiheke Island has been knitting lovely warm blankets for our foster dogs for many years but is in need of more wool.

If you can help out please call our duty phone volunteer who will be able to tell you where the closest place for drop-off would be.

Thank you.

DATES TO REMEMBER

1st July
Membership Fees Due

18th July
AGM at Epsom Community Centre 11.00am

10-11 October
Pet Expo at the Showgrounds in Greenlane.
If you have a bombproof dog and are able to help please let us know.

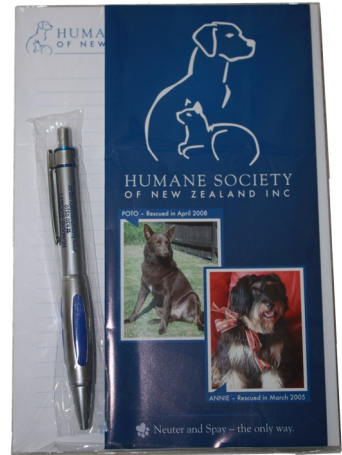
Humane Society Merchandise Available

Orders should be sent to: Humane Society, PO Box 29060, Auckland 1347

A Water Bowl to take with you \$10



A Handy little Gift Pack - Just \$4



Humane Society Key Ring \$2



Humane Society Pen \$2

Blue Polo Shirt

\$30

Keep your Drinks Cool for just \$10

Order Form

Item	Quantity	Amount
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
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_____	_____	_____
Please send to:	Post and Packaging	4.00
Name: _____	TOTAL	\$ _____
Address: _____		ENCLOSED

Donation Form

**The Honorary Treasurer
Humane Society of NZ Inc.
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Auckland. 1347**

☐ **Donation**

I enclose a gift of _____ to help the service to animals rendered by the Humane Society of New Zealand, and for the progression of educational public awareness programmes to highlight the necessity for responsible ownership.

Name: _____

Address: _____

☐ **Form of Bequest for Humane Society of New Zealand Incorporated**

To those benevolent individuals who may wish to become benefactors by Will to this Society, the following form is respectfully suggested:

I, _____ bequeath to the Humane Society of N.Z. Inc. the sum of _____ free of all duties payable at my death and the receipt of the Treasurer for the time being of the said Society shall be sufficient to discharge for such legacy. (If it should be desired that the legacy should be expended on some particular phase of the Society's work, a direction to this effect may be added to the form of bequest)

CAUTION: All Wills or Codicils must be in writing signed by the Testator and attested by two witnesses in the presence of the Testator and each other.

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☐ **Membership or Volunteer**

Please register me as a member for the year commencing 1 July 2015

ENCLOSED: \$12.00 (Supporting Member)

\$15.00 (Family Member)

\$ 8.00 (Senior Citizen)

I am interested in helping the Society with:

WEEKEND PHONE VOLUNTEER

WEEKDAY PHONE VOLUNTEER

DOG FOSTER HOME

DOG PLACEMENT CHECK

NAME: Mr/Mrs/Ms _____

ADDRESS: _____

POST CODE _____ PHONE _____



«Title» «FirstName» «LastName»
«Address1»
«Address2»
«Address3»
«Address4», «Postcode»





«AGM 18th July 11.00am at 200 Gillies Ave, Epsom».

«Title» «FirstName» «LastName»
«Address1»
«Address2»
«Address3»
«Address4», «Postcode»

