

# CATT!TUDES

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## **ca-r-ma.org Moncton Volunteer Bulletin    Volume 13 June 2008**

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### **June TNR and Support Activity**

In June we did 7 spays and 5 neuters. Nine kittens were taken into foster care. Sadly two of them died, but several were saved despite being in desperate condition when they were surrendered to us. Fostering is very tough, especially when you have sick little babies. We owe a great deal of gratitude to Eileen, Gail, Marlah and Elizabeth for their fine work in saving some very young and ill kittens. The fundraising committee went to the Farmers' Market on June 14, 21 and 28 to sell tickets on the Labour Day BBQ package and dishcloths and distribute information on ca-r-ma.org Moncton. The market teams consisted of Mia and Verlie, Eleanor and Kelly and Eileen and Judy. Ticket sales have been slow, but one team sold a *lot* of dishcloths and the begging jars did well at these events. We also had several enquiries from people interested in volunteering. Trapping was only marginally successful, and with one of our caregivers moving, the push is on to get her feral colony moved along with her. We have several kittens in care pending adoption and will be taking in more soon. Myrna put up flyers at various locations around town promoting adoption from ca-r-ma.org Moncton, and Sue took some great photos for our kijiji ads.

### **ca-r-ma.org Moncton Stars**



On June 6, Rogers Community Television filmed a segment on ca-r-ma.org Moncton. Marlah, Joanna and Elizabeth explained the plight of feral, stray and abandoned cats and talked about what ca-r-ma.org Moncton is doing to rectify the situation. The photographer got some excellent shots of some of the cats at the east end colony and of Elizabeth setting a trap, but he failed to capture Becky who resolutely kept her back to the camera. The segment aired several times in June and Rogers has agreed to do a follow up in the fall. Many thanks to Joanna for arranging and spearheading this outstanding publicity event.

### **Adult Cats Update**

There was a small crisis recently when the people who adopted Carmel suffered a family breakup and returned him to us. Carmel appeared in an earlier newsletter when he was relocated from a feral colony to his new home. Finding people who want adult cats is very difficult, but Carmel got lucky again. He met a family that will let him roam outside their country home when he wants to and be inside when the weather is bad. His easy going nature won them over, and it seems to be a perfect match this time.

Bonnie, our super-Mamacat, is happy and safe in foster care with Gail, but we have not been able to find her a permanent home yet. Bonnie is an exceptionally kind and sweet-natured cat. She has been spayed and would make a wonderful pet for any family.

### **We Get Pictures**



On the left is Charlie; his adoptive Mom carries him around in a port-a-pet strapped to her body and had a formal portrait photo done of him.

On the right is Tiny. One of the “tail-less wonders” she is happy in her new home and gets along great with Rez, the other cat who lives there.



Photos like these remind us we are accomplishing great things and making a lot of animals and adopters very happy.

### **Financial Stuff**

In June we took in \$680 in donations, \$177.92 from the begging boxes, \$42 for ticket sales on the Labour Day BBQ package and \$135.87 from the Farmers’ Market begging jar and dishcloth sales. Our vet bills totalled \$1256.34 and we spent \$118.51 on non-vet animal expenses. With the exception of a couple of feeding bottles, this cost was entirely for food. Our babies need the best in order to survive and thrive, so we give them Medical Development Formula moist and dry food.

**Don’t forget the NBLCC fundraiser July 24, 25 and 26  
and the TMH bake sale July 31!**

**It’s also not too soon to start collecting donations for the Sept 13  
yard sale.**

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