



BENDIGO ANIMAL WELFARE & COMMUNITY SERVICES

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Office : 43 Williamson Street Bendigo 3550 **Hours:** Wednesday to Friday 10am to 4pm

Shelter : 488 Millwood Road Huntly North **Hours: Adoption Cattery Saturdays only** 11.30am to 2.30pm

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Newsletter Issue: 35

Hello everyone. This issue of our newsletter has some great updates on our new Shelter facility at **488 Millwood Road Huntly North**. We are now operational with our Adoption Cattery and our Boarding Cattery with fantastic volunteers helping out each morning to ensure the cats and kittens are all well cared for. BAWCS is entirely volunteer run so we are so delighted to have such a great group of people that enjoy giving their time to BAWCS.



Our **Administration building** is now also finished thanks to funding received via a State Government Grant - Animal Welfare Fund administered by the DEPI. BAWCS Adoption Cattery is now open to the public on **Saturdays between 11.30am and 2.30pm** and we have been getting a steady stream of people visiting who are looking for a new feline/s to join their family.

SPECIAL mention of **IBIS Styles Melbourne – The Victoria Hotel** who have been a major sponsor of our outdoor Adoption Cattery area ensuring our cats have a great environment whilst waiting to be adopted.



Thank you to General Manager Peter Barker and the great staff who all love cats. If you're making a trip to Melbourne, you won't be disappointed if you stay at The Victoria Hotel. 215 Little Collins St Melbourne. Tel: 9669 0000

Socks...

THIS is **Socks**. He was surrendered to BAWCS so we could find a new home for him. In care for a little while, we started to notice he wasn't quite right. A trip to the vet and unfortunate news was to follow. Socks has been diagnosed with a tumour on his bladder which is inoperable. Fortunately he is in BAWCS care which means he will receive whatever he needs to maintain his quality of life rather than being euthanased like large animal shelters would do. We don't know how long we will have Socks in our lives but we will ensure he is kept happy and comfortable until the time comes when we have to say goodbye. Socks receives lots of love and attention as our Office cat from our volunteers and other visitors.



Memberships due...

Supporting BAWCS by your membership fee? Memberships are now due for renewal. If you don't receive your renewal with this newsletter, please contact us!

LIKE to become a member? Go to our website www.bawcs.org.au or email us at admin@bawcs.org.au

ADOPTION success stories

A lot of the dogs that come to BAWCS have been surrendered because their previous owners can't manage them anymore.

A dog's behaviour is usually a reflection of what it is NOT getting, whether it be exercise, attention, stimulation or just the company of another.

Each dog that comes to BAWCS is assessed and placed into an appropriate foster carer home. This gives us an opportunity to observe the behaviour and also work on correcting any issues that present with our Animal Behaviourist and Dog Training Mark Murray being involved. Mark has had many years experience with dogs and runs **Murray's Dog Training** here in Bendigo www.murraysdog.com Telephone 0410 635 568

Frankie was a classic case of one crazy mixed up dog that BAWCS rehomed a number of times, each time thinking it was the right home, making sure the new owners were well equipped to take him on after he'd undergone assessment and training with Mark. Poor Frankie kept bouncing back and we were mortified at how much we were putting this poor dog through. Frankie's last placement was with a different foster care home to the previous one he'd had and we are now delighted to report now this is now his permanent home! Thanks to the dedication of the carer and her family, thanks to the tips from Mark and thanks to Frankie doing more 'hard yards'... the work has paid off and another life that most probably would have been snuffed out had he ended up in the wrong shelter, has been saved.



Frankie has landed on All four paws thanks to BAWCS approach to caring for each animal as an individual and not just a number.

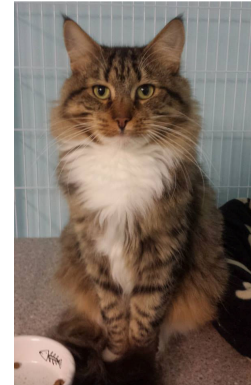
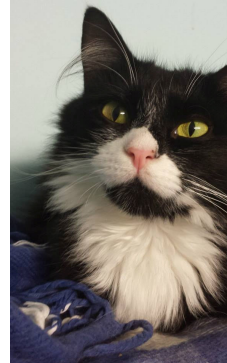
Interested in becoming a Dog foster carer? The rewards are huge when your dog goes off to a great new home. BAWCS supports everything your dog will need whilst it stays in your care.

Please contact us for more information 5444 5783 / 0417 382 741 admin@bawcs.org.au

Cats looking for new homes....

At time of writing this newsletter, BAWCS had over 65 cats / kittens in care. If you're looking for a new feline family member, you can view all of our cats and kittens available for adoption at www.bawcs.org.au and go to Animals Available. Maggie, Marvel and Basil are just a few of the ones listed.

Maggie



Marvel



Basil

You can also come and view our cats and kittens every Saturday at our Shelter at 488 Millwood Road Huntly North between **11.30am and 2.30pm** We look forward to seeing you!



Are you looking for a cat or kitten to join your family?

BAWCS adoption cattery is open!
You will be able to view all of the wonderful cats and kittens that we have available for adoption.

**We're open every saturday between
11:30am to 1:30pm.
488 Millwood Road Huntly North**

If you'd like more information then please contact us:
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BUY-A-BAG for BAWCS Initiative

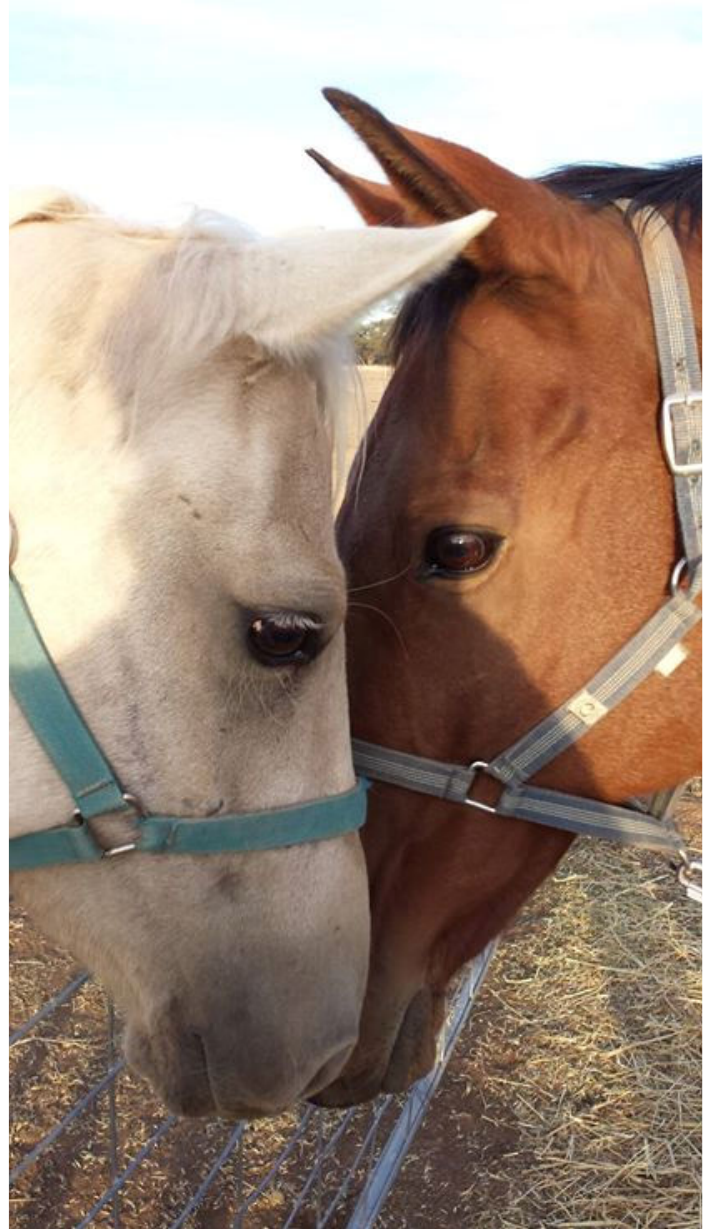
BAWCS Farm Friends Program continues to flourish with pigs, horses, cows, sheep, chickens, ducks and donkeys all calling the Millwood Road shelter their home.



We have many mouths to feed and we have partnered with **CEPA Farm Supplies** at 4 – 10 Stanley Street Bendigo to develop our **Buy - A- Bag for BAWCS Initiative**.

Buy purchasing a bag of feed and leaving it at CEPA Farm Supplies for BAWCS to collect, you don't have to worry about carrying around heavy bags of feed! Donations start from as little as \$7.40 and you'll be helping BAWCS to keep our many animals happy.

Phoenix Paladin and Jimmy (paddock mates)



Bruce and Wiggy, just two of the four pigs BAWCS is currently caring for.

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FARM ANIMAL SUPPORT

~ Purastock Custom Mix Pellets	20kg	\$12.10
- for sheep, pigs, horses & donkeys		
~ Purastock Free Range Pellets	20kg	\$11.80
- for chickens, roosters, ducks		
~ Bags of chaff - Lucerne, Oaten or Mixed	\$18.50 - \$32.00	
- for donkeys & horses		
~ Pollard	25kg	\$20.00
- for horses, ponies and donkeys		
~ Bran	25kg	\$13.75
- for pigs		
~ Chicken starter	20kg	\$22.95
- for newborn chickens & ducklings		
~ Bales of hay (Lucerne, Oaten & Rye) from	\$12.00	
- for sheep, horses, donkeys & cows		
~ Bales of straw for bedding	\$7.40	
- for ducks, chickens, roosters, pigs & sheep		
~ Horse rugs (large - winter)	\$89.95	

COMPANION ANIMAL SUPPORT

~ Advance Kitten dry food	3kg	\$35.30
	8kg	\$80.20
~ Blackhawk Puppy dry food	3kg	\$23.00
	20kg	\$95.00
~ Blackhawk Adult dog dry food	3kg	\$23.90
	20kg	\$94.70
~ Blackhawk Adult cat dry food	3kg	\$24.90
	20kg	\$96.60
~ Purastock Free Range Pellets - for cat litter	\$11.80	
~ Max's Cat & Pet Litter	12kg	\$17.70

CEPA Farm Supplies

Phone: 03 5443 6072
4 - 10 Stanley Street
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www.cepa.com.au

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PRICES ARE VALID AS AT 20TH MAY 2014
PRICES SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE

Even if you're not local to Bendigo, you can give **CEPA Farm Supplies** a call on **5443 6072**, make a payment over the phone and CEPA Farm Supplies will call us to collect!

Volunteers needed!

LIKE to volunteer in our Adoption Cattery? You will need to be physically fit, have a driver's licence (the Shelter is not accessible by public transport). Shifts available are from 9am to around 12noon Mondays to Saturdays and you can do 1 shift or as many as you like. You'll be working with a great team of like minded volunteers who love cats! More info? Contact our Adoption Cattery Supervisor Liz on 0400 979 280 or email catadoptions@bawcs.org.au



volunteers wanted!
for our adoption cattery

Want to work with a great organisation that does not euthanase animals?

BAWCS currently has limited places available for volunteers in our adoption cattery.

It's not glamorous, but you do get to interact with our many cats whilst doing the job. You must be physically fit. Interested? Please contact us!
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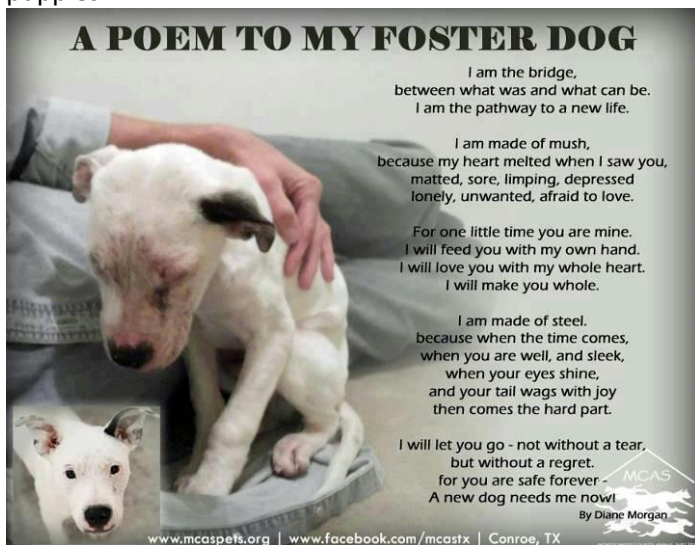
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Dog Foster Care homes needed

BAWCS is also looking for **Dog Foster carers**. Without these homes, we aren't able to save as many dogs and puppies.



A POEM TO MY FOSTER DOG

I am the bridge,
between what was and what can be.
I am the pathway to a new life.

I am made of mush,
because my heart melted when I saw you,
matted, sore, limping, depressed
lonely, unwanted, afraid to love.

For one little time you are mine.
I will feed you with my own hand.
I will love you with my whole heart.
I will make you whole.

I am made of steel,
because when the time comes,
when you are well, and sleek,
when your eyes shine,
and your tail wags with joy
then comes the hard part.

I will let you go - not without a tear,
but without a regret.
for you are safe forever -
A new dog needs me now!

By Diane Morgan

www.mcaspets.org | www.facebook.com/mcastx | Conroe, TX

Tax Time!

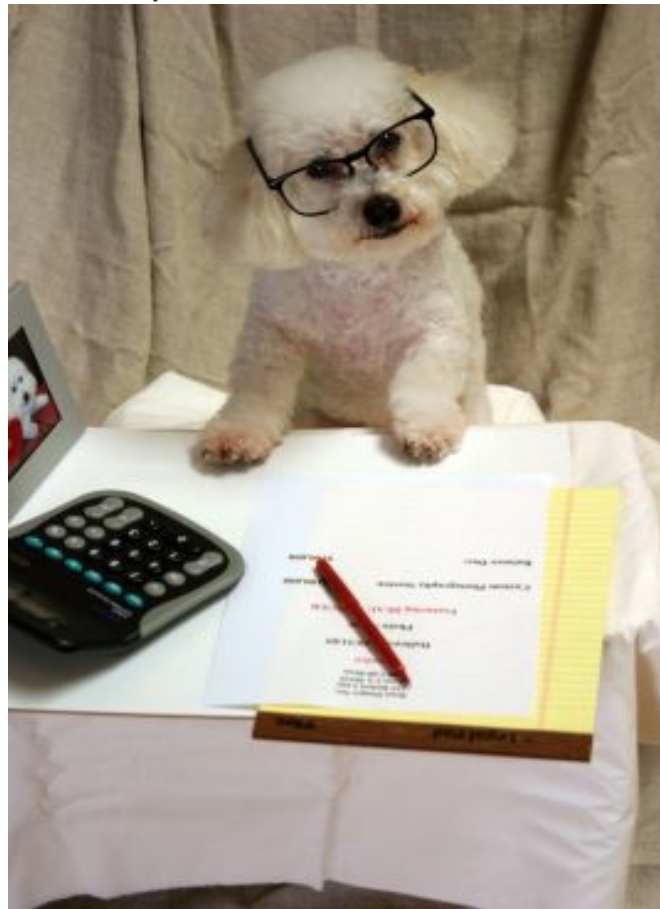
Take advantage of Tax Time by making a **tax deductible** donation to BAWCS. All donations of \$2 and over are eligible.

You can donate **direct to our Bank Account**
BSB 013 533 Account No. 478527768

Via **PayPal** – the link is on our website homepage.

Online at www.givenow.com.au/bawcs

OR complete and return the enclosed / attached **Donation Flyer!**



Please contact us on 5444 5783 / 0417 382 741 or email admin@bawcs.org.au for more information on this rewarding experience.

**To everyone that supports us in our work,
we very much appreciate it!**