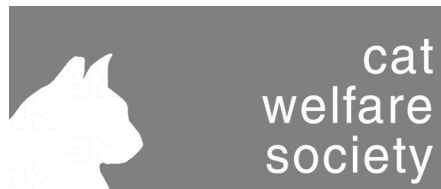


CAT WELFARE SOCIETY



**REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 DECEMBER 2001**

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ABOUT THE CAT WELFARE SOCIETY

The Cat Welfare Society was registered under the Societies Act on 23 October 1999. It was set up by a group of people concerned about the welfare of a growing number of cats living on the streets of Singapore.

The Cat Welfare Society believes that animals are sentient beings whose lives deserve our protection and consideration. Our mission is to:

- . promote tolerance, kindness and respect towards cats and other living creatures
- . raise awareness about the plight of Singapore's stray cats in order to stop abuse, abandonment and neglect of cats
- . provide for the well-being of cats who are sick, injured or otherwise in need
- . advocate sterilisation as opposed to eradication as a means of controlling the stray cat population
- . promote responsible pet ownership and responsible management of stray cats
- . cultivate better understanding and appreciation of cats, and
- . foster better cooperation between caregivers, management councils and government authorities

The Society works closely with other organisations and individuals who care for the many stray cats on our streets. Through our education, adoption, rescue and stray cat management programmes, we hope to enhance the lives of these cats so that there will eventually be no more abuse, killing, and suffering associated with life on the streets. We also organise and participate in exhibitions and events to raise awareness of the plight of our stray cats.

The Society is run by volunteers, and does not have an office or other premises, due to a lack of resources. The Society does not receive any regular funding. All the money needed for our work comes from member's subscriptions and donations, sale of Society merchandise, as well as contributions received from friends, supporters and the public. As we have no overheads and minimal administrative costs all funds we raise will go towards helping the cats.

More information about the Society and our work can be found at www.catwelfare.org. Many of the items mentioned in this report - such as newspaper and magazine articles, interviews, speeches and information on the exhibitions - can be viewed on our website.

The Society can be contacted by email at info@catwelfare.org or by post at Orchard PO Box 65 Singapore 912303.

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COMMITTEE MEMBERS 2001/2002

President	Jean Lau
Vice-President	Evelyn Toh
Treasurer	Lynn Yeo
Secretary	Loh Yeow Nguan
Committee Member	Dawn Kua
Committee Member	Kuay Soong Teck
Committee Member	ST Soh
Committee Member	Tay Sia Ping
Committee Member	Wee Liang Tong
Committee Member	Jacqueline Wong

Thank you to Millie Phuah who served on the committee from 23/10/99 to 15/9/01.

The committee meets every month.

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MESSAGE FROM THE COMMITTEE

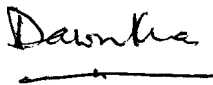


It has been another busy year for the Society. While we continued carrying out our programmes from the year before – stray cat management, rescue, adoption, sterilisation – in 2001 we also launched two new programmes/ events which we hope furthered our aims of raising awareness and increasing understanding and compassion for the stray cats.


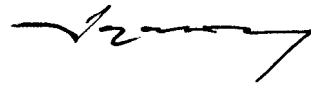

In July, we launched Dr Meow, the Society’s new Pet Assisted Therapy programme. Dr Meow involves bringing cats to visit the elderly and children in daycare centres with the aim of providing companionship to them, while overcoming misperceptions about cats, and increasing the chances of them being adopted into homes. Dr Meow received a lot of good publicity with the support of the NorthEast CDC, who worked hard with us to bring the benefits of cat therapy to two eldercare centres in their precinct. Since its launch, Dr Meow has been invited to three other homes.

In September/ October, we organised Singapore’s biggest ever World Animal Day Exhibition & World Animal Day Concert, which saw many animal and environment groups and individuals participating in a joint effort to tell the public about the plight of animals all over the world.

This year we also tackled an important issue : the rule concerning the keeping of cats in HDB flats. In an attempt to change what was generally viewed as an unfair ruling which prevented HDB dwellers from keeping pet cats, we wrote a detailed proposal for the consideration of the relevant bodies, explaining why it was time to review the ruling and providing suggestions on how to implement the proposed changes.

As a Society run by volunteers, we depend completely on the willingness of animal lovers in Singapore to come forward and help the stray cats in any way possible. Our work may never be finished, but with each small step we take, we know that there are fewer hungry, sick, frightened and needy cats out on the

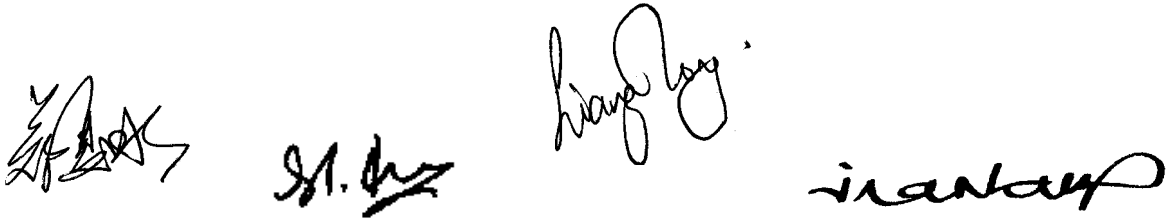




streets. Your continued support is making all the difference.

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AGENDA FOR 3rd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

1. Minutes of 2nd Annual General Meeting

To confirm and adopt the minutes of the 2nd Annual General Meeting held on 17th March 2001.

2. Annual Report of the Committee

To receive and adopt the Annual Report for the year 2001.

3. Audited Accounts

To receive and adopt the audited accounts for the year ending 31st December 2001.

4. Election of 2nd Management Committee

To elect the following office bearers and ordinary committee members for the years 2002 & 2003.

- a. A President
- b. A Vice-president
- c. A Secretary
- d. A Treasurer
- e. Six Ordinary Committee Members

5. Any Other Business

To consider any other business as may be transacted at an Annual General Meeting of which notice has been given in writing to the Secretary.

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MINUTES OF 2nd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Held on : 17th March 2001
At : 2.00pm
Venue : Meeting Hall at Tiong Bahru C.C.
 67A, Eu Chin Street, Singapore 169715

1. Attendance

There were 24 members at the Annual General Meeting.

2. Opening of meeting

At 2 pm, Jean Lau (L0001), the President of the 1st Committee announced that the number of members present was 24. The number was not enough to form a quorum. The meeting was adjourned for the requisite half an hour, after which she declared the meeting open.

She then went through the Society's annual report for the period 23 October 1999 to 31 December 2000.

3. Agenda

3.1 To confirm and adopt the minutes of the 1st AGM

Proposer : Judith Lindley (L0103)

Secunder : Ellen Gaw (G0005)

3.2 To receive and adopt the annual report of the committee

The Annual Report for the year 2000 was presented by Jean Lau and was adopted.

Proposer : Kuay Soong Teck (K0382)

Secunder : Jack Teo (T0386)

3.3 To receive and adopt the audited accounts for the financial period period 23 October 1999 to 31 December 2000. The Audited Accounts for the period ended 31st December 2000 was presented by the Treasurer, Lynn Yeo, and was approved and adopted by the meeting.

Proposer : Ellen Gaw

Secunder : Marie Bte Rosly (R0034)

The President went through the items in our statement of changes in fund balance.

- 3.4 To elect two Honorary Auditors for the year 2001 and 2002
Wong Ee Choon and Shirley Ong were elected.
Proposer : Lynette Ong (O0031)
Secunder : Judith Lindley

3.5 **Any Other Business**

- 3.5.1 Judith Lindley enquired whether a pet shop in Chip Bee Gardens could post details of their cats for adoption on our website. Jean Lau replied that they could do so if they send the details and photos of the cats to our e-mail address.

Jean Lau took the opportunity to thank Andrea Borg for her efforts as head of the Adoption Committee.

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- 3.5.2 Kuay Soong Teck enquired about the success rate of re-homing cats to people outside the Society. He was told that 59 cats were rehomed by the Adoptions Committee and that the Society was exploring ways of improving the adoption rate.
- 3.5.3 Aminah Bee Razak (R0319) enquired whether cats to be adopted out had to be first sterilised. She was informed that this was preferable provided the cats were old enough.
- 3.5.4 Janice Ong (W0138) told the meeting that the cleaners at Jalan Rumah Tinggi and Jalan Bukit Merah had been instructed to kill the stray cats.

The President asked whether AVA had been informed and stressed that it was important to file a police report so that it would be easier for any action to be taken. The Committee also said it would investigate the matter.

- 3.5.5 Janice also brought up the ruling against the keeping of cats in HDB flats. Jean Lau informed the meeting that this issue was of importance to the Society and CWS was working on a proposal for a change in the ruling as reported on page 20 of our Report. She further elaborated that the Society was coming up with a viable proposal that would cover issues such as the keeping of a register of cat owners and considerations like micro chipping.

She also gave some background about the pilot AVA/Town Council Stray Cat Rehabilitation Scheme at Bukit Merah View. Despite a concerted effort to sterilise the stray cats in the area, a 1998 survey reported that there were still many others to be sterilised. The findings suggested that there may be some truth to the Town Council's contention that caregivers from other estates were 'dumping' their stray cats in Bukit Merah View as they thought that it was a safe haven.

Marie Bte Rosly added that it helped if residents were allowed to keep the cats indoors so as not to incur complaints from neighbours.

- 3.5.6 Shirley Wee (W0348) of Indus Road mentioned that there were stray dogs killing the stray cats in that area. AVA had been informed but so far the dogs had eluded capture. Judith Lindley and Wee Liang Tong (W0263) mentioned similar cases in the NUS Kent Ridge Campus and Bendemeer areas respectively.

- 3.5.7 Judith Lindley requested for more membership forms.
- 3.5.8 Jack Teo proposed having the membership form on our website for downloading by members of the public. Jack also volunteered his services to distribute to needy cat feeders any pet food donated to CWS. He also suggested that CWS write to pet shops to ask them to donate any excess pet food.

4.0 Closing of Meeting

There being no further business, Jean Lau thanked Tiong Bahru CC for the use of their premises. She also thanked the floor for their feedback and comments. The meeting ended at 5.00 p.m.



Jean Lau, President, 1st Executive Committee

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COMMITTEE'S REPORT

Highlights of the Year's Events

January – March	Talk at Maris Stella Primary School Talk at Orchard Library Investigated into abuse case in Lower Delta Road Meeting with Ang Mo Kio stray cat group Tanjong Pagar Town Council Family Fair at Bukit Merah View Mediated in River Valley case 2 nd Annual General Meeting
April – June	Exhibited at Cat Club Show, Singapore Expo Asia for Animals Conference, Manila, Philippines Fundraising Committee set up Interviewed by Pagoda films for documentary “Two Hearts” Participated in NVC’s 24 Hour “Volunteer Around the Clock” event
July – August	Interviewed by Channel U Interviewed by FM 93.3. NVC “Volunteer Around the Clock” event award ceremony Dr Meow launched at St Luke’s Eldercare Centre Talk at May Primary School Talk at Catholic High Primary School Talks at Philatelic Museum exhibition Talk at Yu Neng Primary School CWS awareness VCDs produced Dr Meow featured on “Thinking Animals” “So I have fared”, concert in aid of CWS at Young Musician’s Society
September – December	Participated in Cats and Dogs Exhibition at Suntec City

Talks at Cats and Dogs Exhibition at Suntec City
Went to visit Ellen Teo, the lady with 59 cats in her flat
Organised World Animal Day exhibition at Suntec City
Interviewed on Channel 8's "Good Morning Singapore"
Interviewed on FM 91.3's "The Living Room"
Organised World Animal Day concert at Youth Park
Meeting with HDB about ruling on allowing cats into flats
Mediation at Lorong Pisang Asam
Talk at QiFa Primary School
Talk at Ponggol CHIJ Primary
investigate case of animal neglect at Toa Payoh
Fundraising at Mount Pleasant Animal Hospital
Radio interview with 91.3 FM
Attended closing of NVC's International Year of Volunteers
Participated and gave talks at Liang Court Exhibition
Exhibition at Stage Club's Christmas Pantomime

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OUR ACTIVITIES

Adoption & Fostering

Our adoption and fostering team did even better this year than last, managing to find homes for 87 cats. Through their hard work and effort, they were able to re-home cats who were victims of abuse and abandonment, or who had been injured.

All prospective adopters are interviewed before a cat is placed with them, and an adoption contract is signed. The adoption team also tries to follow up on each cat to find out how it is doing in its new home.

Education & Public Awareness

This year our public awareness programme was more ambitious and we took part in more exhibitions and gave presentations and talks where invited. We also organised a large event for World Animal Day.

1. Exhibitions

Singapore Cat Club Show, April 15th, 2001

Once again, the Singapore Cat Club invited us to set up our exhibition at their annual show. The categories of cats on show included local cats.

Cats and Dogs Exhibition, September 1st, 2nd, 7th & 8th 2001

K9-Shiloh Dawg School invited the Society to set up an exhibition at Suntec City to promote the "Cats and Dogs" movie. Lynn Yeo, our Treasurer, gave a short talk and explained that cats and dogs can and do get along. The Society also screened our educational videos to the audience.

World Animal Day exhibition, September 15th and 16th 2001

The Society organised another World Animal Day exhibition this year. We believe that this is the first time that so many animal and environmental groups have come together for such an event. The organisations who took part were : Asian Geographic, Action for Singapore Dogs, Centre for Animal Welfare & Control (AVA), Metta Cattery, SPCA and the Vegetarian Society of Singapore. Other organisations who were invited but could not come were the Singapore Zoo Docents, Singapore Kennel Club, Nature Society and Wildaid.

The exhibition was a great success with thousands of visitors stopping by to learn more about our animal friends over the weekend. We hope to make our WAD Exhibition an annual event.

Exhibition at Liang Court, December 8th, 9th, 15th and 16th December 2001

The Society was invited to hold an exhibition at the Liang Court event for pets. We gave a talk and showed our videos. Our committee members were also asked to judge the pet contests for best dressed pets.

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2. Concerts

“So I have fared” concert, August 24th and 25th 2001

A fundraising classical concert was organised by member Carol Tan as a gesture of gratitude to CWS for helping save her cat, Blue Blue. She enlisted the help of her son, prize-winning baritone, Melvin Tan, and his friends Leslie Tay, Julie Tan, Stephanie Beckman and Harith Amery to help out.

The concert, “So I have fared” featured a wide repertoire of vocal music from art songs to popular songs and the audience enjoyed themselves tremendously. Wine Culture and Komoco Motors Pte Ltd generously co-sponsored the event, and \$7,200 was raised for CWS from the event.

World Animal Day concert, October 6th 2001

The Society organised our first large scale, open-air, free concert at the National Youth Council's Youth Park to celebrate World Animal Day. The two-hour concert was to raise awareness on animal welfare in Singapore. Not only our members, volunteers and members of the public attended, some brought their canine and feline friends too.

Local media stars from television, music and theatre, including Wendi Koh, Pam Oei, Norleena Salim, Hossan Leong, Shwing, Melody Chen, Nadya Hutagalung, Claire Wong, Cat Ong and friends, Ellen Ng, Stephen Francis, Michelle Chong, Asha and Emelda Paulo, came to present and sing during our concert. A visiting Nigerian dance troupe, the Ozulumba troupe, also gave a rousing and colourful performance, while there was a dog obedience show from the Singapore Kennel Club.

The event was sponsored by Pedigree/Whiskas and webcast by AlternateTV (www.alternatetv.com). A Video CD "It's their World too", to commemorate the event and raise funds, was produced and is available from the Society at \$15.

3. *In the Media*

This was a busy year for CWS and correspondingly, we were featured quite often in the newspapers, on radio and on television, speaking about stray cats. We responded to letters in the forum page of the Straits Times, to clarify certain issues on cats and health. Our concerts were also featured in the newspapers and on the radio.

"Two Hearts", aired July 2001

The Society was featured in this series on volunteerism produced by Pagoda Pictures. The episode was about stray cats in Singapore and the CWS volunteers who help them.

"Thinking Animals" aired August 13th 2001

A segment of this show focussed on the Society's Pet Assisted Therapy programme, Dr Meow. CWS volunteers were shown bringing the cats to St Luke's Eldercare for one of the monthly sessions.

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4. *Talks*

Our Education Committee gave talks throughout the year at schools, libraries and museums. The schools to which the Society has given talks include : Maris Stella Primary School, May Primary School, Catholic High Primary School, Yu Neng Primary School, Qifa Primary School and Punggol CHIJ Primary. In addition, talks were given at exhibitions such as the Cats and Dogs exhibition and other exhibitions.

Talk at Orchard Library, February 28th 2001

Lynn Yeo, our Treasurer, gave a talk on cats and how they make excellent companions for people of all ages. She also showed a video about animals and their capacity for great love and intelligence.

Talks at Philatelic Museum, July 26th – 27th 2001

Lynn Yeo and some of our volunteers gave a series of four talks to students who came for the exhibition held by the Philatelic Museum to promote their "Pets" range of stamps.

5. *Presentations & Meetings*

Meeting with River Valley Police Post, February 15th 2001

CWS committee members went down to meet with caregivers and to speak to the police at the River Valley Police Post about the abuse cases that had been going on at Lower Delta Road. Cats had been badly scalded in the area as was reported in our last Annual report.

Through our abuse hotline, which was launched in November 2000, we received a tip about a suspect. The witness did not wish to come forward subsequently, but the information was passed on to the police.

The meeting at River Valley Police Post was for the Society to request for an update on the case. Subsequent to this meeting, the police went to interview the suspect. At this time, no further cases have been reported.

The Society also assisted cat feeder Poh Beng Bee, who was alleged to have littered while on one of her usual feeding rounds. Ms Poh, who has been feeding cats in the area for many years, was subsequently found to be a responsible feeder, and the littering charge dropped.

Asia for Animals - 14th to 16th May 2001

The first ever Asia for Animals Conference was held in Manila, Philippines, and was hosted by the Philippine Animal Welfare Society (PAWS). Animal organisations from all over the world were invited to take part, including groups from Hong Kong, Philippines, the United States, England, China and Singapore.

CWS President Jean Lau represented CWS at the conference. Topics discussed included animal overpopulation and control, talks on euthanasia and on running a shelter. CWS was able to get to know animal organisations from other countries, and learn from their experiences. Several prominent animal welfare personnel, as well as a former Philippines Minister, gave presentations on various topics.

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Meeting with HDB to discuss the ban on cats in flats, October 16th 2001

Committee members met with representatives from the HDB and MND to discuss the ban on cats in flats. The Society's detailed proposal was presented to the meeting and discussed at some length. All questions that the HDB and MND representatives had were addressed.

Included in the proposal were the survey forms sent by people who either wanted to keep cats in flats or had no objections to their neighbours keeping cats in flats. The Society received 2509 signatures, which were shown to the HDB. The Society also showed the letters signed by 28 practising veterinarians in Singapore supporting the proposal to allow cats in flats.

The Society subsequently received a letter from MND dated 26th February 2002, informing us that the Society's proposal had been turned down. The reasons given were that there were many complaints about cats every year across Singapore (200). It was felt that any liberalisation of the policy might lead to more irresponsible owners keeping cats.

In addition, the MND's letter stated that HDB would not have the resources to monitor and enforce the proposal that the Society had put in place. They also felt it was unfeasible to rely on volunteers, such as the Society and other animal groups in Singapore, to do the monitoring.

The MND also felt that the pilot project to be run in Tanjong Pagar Town Council and in Northeast CDC would not be reflective of the effectiveness of the scheme islandwide.

The Society will continue to appeal to the relevant bodies to allow cats in flats. The Society will also be sending out letter to all members of the public who had sent in the survey forms to support keeping cats in flats.

Mediation & Liaison

Meeting with PREMAS, July 2001

The Society sent representatives down to meet with PREMAS to discuss the situation in College Green. Some of our volunteers at College Green reported that stray cats in College Green were in danger of being taken away and culled due to the complaints of one resident.

The Society informed PREMAS about the on-going sterilisation project being carried out College Green by the caregivers. As a result of the meeting, PREMAS agreed to allow the cats to remain where they are provided the caregivers and volunteers continue to look after them responsibly.

Meeting with Ellen Teo, September 2nd 2001

CWS representatives met with Ellen Teo, the lady with 59 cats in her flat, after her story came out in the Straits Times. Ellen and her cats were to be evicted from the flat as neighbours had complained.

The Society advised Ellen to have the cats adopted out but she wanted to keep them all. She later found alternate accommodation, and the Society assisted in paying and arranging for the sterilising of her unsterilised cats.

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Mediation at Lorong Pisang Asam, November 20th 2001

The Society was asked to speak to some residents at Lorong Pisang Asam about sterilising their cats. The residents agreed. Through the tireless work of a volunteer living in the estate, almost all the cats have now been sterilised.

Rescue

Last year, the Society spent \$19,043 on medical costs relating to the rescue of sick and injured stray cats sent to vet clinics for treatment.

The Society also helped caretakers and feeders to file police reports in the cases of abuse, in Indus Road, Bukit Panjang, Bendemeer and other areas.

Toa Payoh, December 2001

The Society was called in to investigate a suspected case of animal abandonment in a flea-infested flat in Toa Payoh. It turned out that the owner of the flat, a 63 year-old lady, had been imprisoned for renting out her flat to illegal immigrants and care of the animals had been passed to a care taker. The animals, including two dogs, three cats, two rabbits and a tortoise, were fed daily but apart from that were not being cared for.

CWS representatives who visited the flat to check on the condition of the animals were badly bitten by fleas. Due to the bad lighting condition, they were also unable to find the animals.

The Society's representatives returned the next day with SPCA staff, who had also been asked to help locate and rescue the animals. Together, we managed to rescue one of the dogs, a paralysed cat, two rabbits and a tortoise. The decomposing body of the second dog was found in the bedroom. Two other cats could not be found and after a thorough search, it was concluded that they had escaped through an open window.

The dog was re-homed by the Society, while the rabbits and cat are still in foster care with the Society's volunteers. The tortoise was re-homed by the SPCA.

When the owner was released from prison in January 2002, she agreed to give up the animals. The Society's volunteers have since been helping her to apply for help from the various social welfare agencies, and have also been visiting her with food and updates on her animals.

Stray Cat Management

The Stray Cat Management programmes, involving trap-neuter-release were expanded from the four Town Councils working with us in 2000 to include several other Town Councils in 2001. The Town Councils under the programme now include : Tanjong Pagar, Holland-Bukit Panjang Town Council; East Coast, Jalan Besar, Bishan-Toa Payoh, Pasir Ris & Tampines.

Under the programme, up to 24 stray cats a week are sent to the AVA for sterilisation. In addition, the Society provides free or discounted rates for feeders for an additional 34 sterilisation slots a week at private vet clinics.

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The number of cats sterilised in 2001 were :

AVA : 706 cats
Private vet clinics : 744 cats

The Society aims to expand the programme even further in the coming year and hopes that volunteers and caregivers will continue to step forward to volunteer.

Volunteers

In 2001, the Society was entirely run by volunteers. As in the past, people have volunteered their help to us through e-mail, mail, exhibitions and through NVC's Volunteer eMatch programme. In an effort to have better control over different aspects of the Society's work, we set up a Fundraising

Committee. We are also planning to set up at least two more committees in 2002, the Pet Assisted Therapy Committee, and the Operations Committee.

Meeting with volunteers at Teck Ghee Community Centre, February 17th 2001

CWS committee members went down to speak with caregivers in Ang Mo Kio about forming a Stray Cat Management group to work together to look after the cats in Ang Mo Kio. A short presentation was given about the importance of a well-managed cat colony. The feeders were all given AVA Stray Cat Rehabilitation scheme forms and some signed up as registered feeders.

Fundraising

A new Fundraising Committee was set up in June 2001, and now has a total of 14 members. The committee is in charge of setting up exhibitions for the Society, designing new merchandise, and raising funds to support the Society's work.

Dr Meow: Pet Assisted Therapy

In June 2001, we launched our successful Dr Meow pet assisted therapy programme, where cats are brought to visit the elderly and children in day care centres and homes. With the help of Northeast CDC, to whom we are grateful for their support and commitment to the programme, Dr Meow was launched in both St Luke's Eldercare Centre and Tampines 3-in-1 Centre.

The Society's volunteers visit both homes once a month with specially picked cats, which have sweet and friendly temperaments. The residents look forward to the visits that the "Dr Meow" team makes.

The Society has plans to expand the programme to Thong Teck Home in Geylang, at the recommendation of Metta Cattery, and YWCA in 2002.

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Working with Other Organisations

National Volunteer Centre's 24 Hour "Volunteer around the Clock" Event, July 6th 2001

Volunteers from the NVC's programme accompanied caregivers on a typical round of feeding cats to observe how it is possible to be compassionate as well as a responsible and considerate feeder. Several volunteers from around the island took part in the programme, which was run in the early hours of the morning. '

Private vet clinics

The Society is grateful to all the private vet clinics who have provided discounted rates for the stray cats sent in for medical treatment and sterilisation. We would especially like to thank Mount Pleasant Animal Hospital and its branches, Namly Animal Clinic, Clinic for Pets and the Animal Clinic.

Animal & Environmental Organisations

The Society was glad to establish ties with the newly formed groups, Action for Singapore Dogs (ASD), ACRES (Animal Concerns, Research and Education Society) and the Vegetarian Society of Singapore.

The Society was grateful to have the support shown by several of the animal and environmental organisations who took part in our World Animal Day exhibitions and who have shown their help in many other ways. The Society hopes to continue to work with them for a better world for all animals.

Other Matters

Sponsorship

The Society is very grateful for the sponsorship we have received from several companies and individuals, a list of whom can be found below.

The Society would especially like to thank Whiskas/ Pedigree who sponsored our education programme again, including the production of educational videos for screening at schools and public events, and for sponsoring our World Animal Day Concert.

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AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF CAT WELFARE SOCIETY

We have audited the financial statements of the Cat Welfare Society for the year ended 31 December 2001. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Society's executive

committee. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Singapore Standards on Auditing. Those Standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements are properly drawn up in accordance with the Societies Act and Statements of Accounting Standard and so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Society as at 31 Dec 2001 and of the cash flows of the Society for the period ended on that date.



Shirley Ong
Honorary Auditor



Wong Ee Choon
Honorary Auditor

23 March 2002, Singapore.

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2001

	\$
REVENUE AND OTHER RECEIPTS	
Membership fees	9,600
Donations	28,295
Sale of merchandise	28,611
Fundraising concert sales	7,152

Interest received	18
	73,676
COST OF SALES	9,971
OPERATING EXPENSES	
Education	11,018
Equipment	933
Medication, food, collars etc	1,331
Rescue	19,043
Sterilisation	22,219
Transport	1,589
	56,133
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	
Advertising	100
Bank charges	24
Printing, stationery & postage	414
Refreshments	1,041
Telecommunication	147
	1,726
Surplus/ (Deficit)	5,846
Add: Fund Balance at beginning	38,765
FUND BALANCE AT YEAR END	44,611
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2001	
	\$
CURRENT ASSETS	
Cash at bank	44,611
FUND BALANCE	44,611

Jean Lau

Jean Lau, President

Lynn Yeo

Lynn Yeo, Treasurer

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

Income

The Society's activities for the year 2001 were funded from the following:

	\$	%
Membership subscriptions	9,600	13.03

Donations*	28,295	38.41
Proceeds from concert	7,152	9.71
Sale of Society merchandise	28,609	38.83
Interest received	18	0.02
Total	73,674	100.00

* includes \$1,305 donated to the Reward Fund

Apart from subscriptions and donations, we received income from the sale of merchandise which included t-shirts, postcards, bookmarks, car decals and keychains, which were sold at exhibitions, vet clinics, pet shops, supportive retail outlets or direct by volunteers. A substantial portion of our income was also received from a recital concert "So I have Fared" held on 24th and 25th August 2001.

Expenditure

Our main expenditure consisted of vet fees relating to the rescue of injured, sick and abused cats, sterilisation fees, education expenses. The cost of transport increased in 2001 as more cats were brought in for sterilisation and pet transport had to be hired (at specially discounted rates) to cope with the increased load. Cost of Sales includes cost of merchandise that has yet to be sold and thus profits from such merchandise have not been realised. Refreshment expenses were for guests and volunteers during our World Animal Day and Recital concerts. Our total administrative expenses were kept remarkably low at 2.54% of our expenses for the year. The breakdown of expenses is as follows:

	\$	%
Operating Expenses:		
Education	11,018	16.24
Rescue	19,043	28.08
Sterilisation	22,219	32.77
Equipment	933	1.37
Food, Medicine, Collars, Tags	1,331	1.96
Transport	1,589	2.34
Cost of Sales	9,971	14.70
Administrative Expenses:		
Advertising	100	0.15
Bank charges	23	0.03
Printing, stationery and postage	414	0.61
Refreshments	1,041	1.53
Telecommunications	147	0.22
Total	67,829	100.0

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