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Dear Friends and Supporters,

Many of you will know that we have been campaigning for the removal of the "28 day rule" from The Code of Practice for Pounds and Shelters. Please refer to the home page of the SADS website for the coverage of this campaign. The "28 day rule" refers to that part of the code which stipulates that animals can only be kept in pounds and shelters for 28 days (and this 28 days includes the statutory 8 days holding period) before being removed permanently either through fostering or euthanasia.

We have known for some time that the Code of Practice is due for review and that there would be an opportunity to remove this part of the code.

Now we have been informed that the review of the Code is imminent and any proposed draft will go out to public consultation but that the "28 day rule" will be directly and completely removed through The Minister.

This is of course wonderful news and a great relief to all who work to save these creatures and who believe that it is wrong to kill non dangerous animals.

In keeping with this philosophy we do not kill the human friendly cats which come to us through our contracts. However we have experienced a great increase in numbers during the last 6 months and we are asking for help....please refer overleaf to the cat page of this newsletter.

I am of the firm belief that if it becomes unacceptable to kill these companion animals then the only way out of the situation will be for the community and the authorities to try harder to address and solve the things which produce these huge numbers of forsaken creatures.

It is through you, the community, that this will ever be achieved so please don't wait....do what you can today...animal welfare, like child welfare, should be everyone's responsibility.

Yours Sincerely,

Pam Weaver, President



*Teddy  
Terrier X  
6 mths old*

Teddy is a gorgeous little puppy who came to SADS with a badly fractured back leg. Unfortunately despite all our efforts the fractures could not be repaired and so on veterinary advice, and with much sadness, the decision was made to amputate his leg.

Teddy is free from the pain now and is active and happy and keen to start his new life in a loving home.

**DONATIONS YOU MAKE TO SADS OF \$2 OR MORE ARE NOW TAX DEDUCTIBLE ON YOUR ANNUAL TAX RETURN**

Save-A-Dog Scheme (SADS) was established in 1985 to offer a humane alternative to the killing of unwanted dogs, especially dogs of good temperament, that would otherwise be destroyed at pounds and shelters.

SADS is an incorporated, non-profit, community-based organisation controlled and operated by volunteers with the help of paid staff. It operates as a registered animal shelter and combines this with foster care in the community. Each dog is desexed, vaccinated, wormed, microchipped, vet-checked and temperament-assessed prior to adoption.

SADS has a no kill philosophy and believes that the dichotomy of a dog being "Mans Best Friend" on the one hand and an unwanted article for destruction on the other is totally unacceptable. SADS is a "coal-face" organisation, which saves hundreds of dogs each year and which seeks, by example, to provide a better way of treating non-human animals.

Save-A-Dog Scheme relies on donations for its continuing existence and does not receive any government funding. Donations to Save-A-Dog Scheme are now tax deductible and help with the general care of the dogs and the maintenance of the organisation. The greatest expense is for veterinary treatment for the dogs, which includes the care of sick and injured dogs. These dogs are nursed back to health rather than being destroyed as they may be elsewhere.

# Dogs & Cats For Adoption

All dogs and cats available from Save-A-Dog Scheme are de-sexed, vaccinated, wormed, micro chipped and vet checked.



**Tuppence**  
**Chihuahua X**  
**3 yrs old**

Tuppence is a ball of energy and loves to play with other dogs. He would like company during the day



**Benji**  
**Maltese/Shih**  
**Tzu X**  
**4 yrs old**

Benji is a sweet little dog who gets on well with people and other dogs. He has an easy going happy nature



**Cruiser**  
**JRT X**  
**2 yrs old**

Cruiser is looking for an adult home and someone who has time to further his training as he is very intelligent and alter. He is very good with other dogs



**Daisy**  
**Staffordshire**  
**Terrier**  
**Aged**

Daisy" is the perfect dog,housetrained,good with children and dogs,affectionate and quiet....as long as she has company!! She would be wonderful in an institution , business or private home where there is a constant human presence,so we are desperately seeking such a placement for her.



**Lola**  
**Kelpie X**  
**12 mths old**

Lola is an affectionate dog who likes the company of other dogs. She will need a busy active life



**Bill**  
**Shepherd X**  
**3 yrs old**

Bill is bursting with energy and probably needs to live with another active dog.



**Ajax**  
**Staffy X**  
**11 mths old**

Ajax is an outgoing dog and loves to play with other dogs. He has a very nice disposition



**Madonna**  
**Staffy X**  
**3 yrs old**

Madonna is a friendly dog who would like a home where she can have a lot of human company. She is good with other dogs



**Rusty**  
**JRT X**  
**8 yrs old**

Rusty is a great little dog with loads of energy and he is excellent with other dogs

## *Desperate Cat Situation*

At present we are in a desperate situation with the number of cats we are holding. We will not betray our no kill philosophy for human friendly cats but we need your help to save these animals.

Most urgently and importantly we need to get these animals into homes through either fostering, or preferably, adoption.

One of our biggest problems is that most people want very small kittens around 8 to 10 weeks old but we often have to wait past that age to safely desex them -and by the time they're 3 to 4 months old, many people will not consider adopting. This is actually putting the desire of the person or child to have a kitten as small as possible before the welfare of the kitten, and without consideration as to how to best help the animal welfare situation. Kittens of 3 to 6 months are lovely and loving animals even though they are not as toylike by this age. Please understand why these kittens are a little older than those from, for instance, a pet shop-and consider putting their welfare before the desire to have a kitten as small as possible.

Our adult cats are also in great need so please remember them and the fact that they also desperately need to leave us and go to a permanent home. If you would like to speak to us about adoption or fostering or if you have an enquiry please phone Pam on 0418 389 810 or Margie on 0488 502 121.



**Jock**  
**DSH - 2yrs old**

Jock came to us from one of the badly flood affected areas and what a terrific personality he has! He is Mr. confident and will boldly march up to anyone for a pat. He is a great talker and gets on with other cats and dogs. Jock will become a great companion cat as he always wants to be part of the action.



**Ken**  
**DSH**  
**5 mths old**

Ken arrived as a very young kitten with his mother, siblings, another Mum and her litter all of whom were living in someone's cupboard. Ken had an accident before he came to us and one of his back paws is missing but it doesn't trouble him in the least as he will run and play with the best of them.



**Andy**  
**DSH**  
**6 mths old**



**Chad**  
**DSH**  
**6 mths old**

Andy, his mum Carbon and siblings arrived at Save A Dog after being rescued by a member of the public. He has a happy nature and gets on well with other cats and is currently with one of his brothers, Chad



**Gus**  
**DSH**  
**4 mths old**



**Casper**  
**DSH**  
**4 mths old**

Gus and Casper were rescued out of a dumpster and hand reared for a while. They are terrific kittens full of fun and affection; love other cats and get on well with dogs. They would be very happy living together but could be separated as long as they were kept active.

# Location and Hours of Shelter

**36 Weir Street Glen Iris (Past Tait Timber off Carroll Cres.) (Melway 59 F5)**

**Mon to Sat Inclusive: 9am to 5 pm**

(Please refer to our website or phone for hours on public holidays) (Animal Viewing: 10am to 4pm)

**Sun: 9 – 12noon and 4 – 6.30pm**



## Pets in the Park

Saturday 26th March  
2011 11am-4pm  
Central Park, Burke Rd, Malvern East.

## Somachi Yoga Festival

Saturday 2nd April  
...please refer to  
SADS website events  
page for further  
details.



**Soda  
DSH  
12 weeks  
old**

Soda is the last kitten left at her foster home. You can see the litter in the group photo. She is a pretty tabby with a wonderfully well rounded and adjusted personality. She would like to continue living with other animals and to be allowed outside as well as in the house.



## Have You Become a Supporter Yet?

Annual Subscriptions are due by the end of June each year. Please fill out the subscription form below and post to:  
**Save-A-Dog Scheme Inc. Central Park P.O. Box 2325 Malvern East Vic 3145**

Student/pensioner \$10       Single \$15       Family \$30       Group \$50       Corporate \$100

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Surname \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Suburb \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Subscription \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(\*)Donations of \$2 or more are now TAX DEDUCTIBLE

- Tick this box to have charged \$ \_\_\_\_\_ each month to your credit card as a TAX DEDUCTIBLE donation until you advise otherwise in writing.
- Tick this box if you require a receipt. Receipts will only be issued for donations under \$50.00 if a stamped Self-addressed envelope is enclosed.
- Tick this box if you wish to receive Newsletters via e-mail & if so provide your e-mail address \_\_\_\_\_
- Tick this box if you do not wish to receive any other information about the shelter, which we believe may be of interest to you.

Form of payment: Cash  Cheque  EFT  Details: A/c Name Save-A-Dog Scheme Inc, Bank – NAB Malvern, BSB – 083-298, A/c Number – 792-025-571

Credit Card – Please circle Visa / Mastercard

Name on card \_\_\_\_\_ Card number \_\_\_\_\_

Expiry date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of card holder \_\_\_\_\_

Please contact the shelter on 9885 1188 if you are considering full or associate membership

**Form of Bequest:** If you care to donate money to S.A.D.S in the form of a bequest, the following bequest clause is recommended for Insertion in the wills of potential benefactors to Save-A-Dog Scheme Inc. "I BEQUEATH to SAVE-A-DOG SCHEME INC. A0004567T, ABN 71 887 339 646 ("the Association") the sum of (AMOUNT IN WORDS) dollars (AMOUNT IN FIGURES) free of all duties, to be Applied by the Association in pursuit of the purposes provided for in its Constitution and I DECLARE the receipt of the secretary, treasurer or other proper officer of the Association shall be complete discharge to my Trustee for any monies paid to the Association"