



A belated welcome to February! It has been a very busy first month back for Nursing Pawfection. This week was the first 'quieter' week of the year and resulted in lots of extra hours at the SPCA! A sucker for punishment here!

In this newsletter there are 2 months' worth of foster updates, and a few wee stories from our own furry family.

NURSING PAWFECTON FAMILY UPDATES



Family matriarch Brandy, has been a frequent flyer at the vet recently - much to her disgust! She has been steadily losing weight despite eating well. We have ruled out all of the usual suspects for a cat her age - Hyperthyroidism, Chronic Kidney Disease, and Diabetes. We are now waiting on a new battery of test results before pursuing ultrasound. Meanwhile, she enjoys being hand fed her favorite snacks by her Dad.

Many years ago, Sterling went missing for 10 months, and when we finally found him, he had a long scar on one of his hind legs. For years this didn't bother Sterling at all. Then one day, Sterling began obsessively licking his scar. He has spent the last two years trying to get to the bottom of this issue. You name it, we have tried it! This boy has worn more E-collars, body suits, cat pants and pool noodles than you could possibly imagine!

The list of prescription and natural remedies we have tried is endless. Recently, Sterling had surgery to remove the damaged skin and tissue below in an attempt to heal a clean surgical wound. Alas, Sterling is still obsessed with his leg. As if this current saga was not enough, on Wednesday, Sterling began having trouble urinating and had to be taken to the vet urgently to prevent a blocked bladder. Luckily, with the appropriate medication, Sterling has improved dramatically. We still have a long journey ahead with this problem child.



On the 27th of February, Ollie will finally have his back surgery! This means **Nursing Pawfection will be closed 24th February to 5th March**. I will check emails and messages intermittently during this time, but Ollie and his recovery will be my main focus.

FOSTER UPDATE

With such a brief newsletter last month, I have so many fosters to tell you about!

I am happy to report Roisin (Rossi) and Parker have both found their forever homes! Two new socialization foster cats Margarett and Leo both came, learned to enjoy human company and have gone on to find their homes as well. I have seen Leon, Moochi, Elliot and Zeus in their new homes and they are all settling in well and living their best lives. Their gorgeous Mum Sahara is now ready for adoptions too! Have a look at her profile here:

https://www.sPCA.nz/adopt/animal/555904/cat-sahara-christchurch?species=all¢res=christchurch-centre&breed=&size=all&animal_id=&minAge=&maxAge=&pageNum=2

We still have another 8 fosters who are not yet ready for their forever homes. We have 3 absolutely gorgeous fluffy kittens, Fizz, Sherbet and Marshmallow, who have been staying with us to put on some weight. They will be rechecked and hopefully go up for adoption on Saturday. Our other 5 fosters are part of an inspector job so have to be kept super top secret. I can confirm however that they are quite adorable!

