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Dear Friends and Supporters,

As another year draws to its end and SADS hurtles towards its 32nd anniversary early in 2017 I can only rejoice that so many wonderful companion animals have been saved and cared for in 2016, and that 2017 offers promise not only of SADS' enhanced ability to continue this important work, but to enlarge upon its capacity to fulfill this calling.

They talk of glass ceilings....SADS burst through that barrier when it started on its path of saving so many dogs and cats previously deemed either impossible to rehome or "unworthy" of saving from destruction.

The redevelopment of the SADS owned Yarrambat property progresses with the extension and modifications of the acoustic wall now completed and tested to ensure the level of noise compliance requested by VCAT. SADS is now poised to enter the next stage of actually costing the project and putting it out to tender.

In the meantime of course the Yarrambat property continues to offer a safe haven for dogs and cats rescued by SADS and especially for those less suited to life at the SADS suburban shelter.

Without your the help and support no animals can be saved. SADS does the work you believe in, and so we not only thank you for enabling SADS to have achieved so much but we ask you to please please help SADS to continue to save our precious non human companions, that they may survive to live out their natural lifespan.

Yours Sincerely,
Pamela Weaver OAM
Founder and President.



Penny & her Pups

Penny was in desperate need when rescued by SADS. Very thin and about to give birth to 9 puppies, frightened and insecure, her life was a misery.

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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 "Man's 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.



Percy

*Terrier X
Male
~12 years old*

Percy loves to be with people and is happiest when he has you all to himself. He can be a grumpy senior citizen so needs a quiet home without children. He likes to go on walks but doesn't enjoy the company of other canines. In short Percy yearns for the quiet life where he can become someone's best friend and pass his time relaxing.



Ben

*Great Dane X
Male
~2 years old*

Ben has a happy nature. He loves the company of people and other dogs, and to cater to his needs he will need a home with either human or canine company during the day. Ben is looking for an adult home and if you are a lover of larger dogs, Ben would be very happy to meet you!



Wallace

*Bull Arab X
Male
~18 months old*

Wallace is a very affectionate dog who can be a little insecure. He is searching for an adult home. He gets along well with other dogs but may prefer to be the only dog in the family. He has had some company during the day in the past and would like to continue that arrangement.



Jess

*Shepherd X
Female
~10 months old*

Jess and her 7 siblings arrived at SADS around mid June. They had lived in a forest before arriving at the shelter. At this stage Jess is more timid than her siblings and will need a quiet home where someone is mostly around and has the time and experience to help settle her. She will also need to live with another EXISTING kind settled dog to teach her the life skills she needs. Once Jess feels confident with you she is full of fun and energy. She will be a large dog.



Fozz

*German Shepherd X
Male
~4 years old*

Fozz has recently arrived at the shelter and is still under assessment, but we do know he is very timid and will need to live with another friendly canine to give him confidence. We are currently taking expressions of interest.



Phantom

*Mastiff X
Male
~7 years old*

Phantom is a very strong dog who needs quite a bit of training - particularly on a lead! He gets on well with all other dogs and is happy to greet everyone in the park. He will happily spend his whole day fitting in with whatever you are doing. Phantom does not like cats.



Tony

*Domestic Short Hair
Male
~12 months old*

Tony is a fun loving, active cat who loves to interact with people. He will need a more adult family as he is not shy about letting you know when he is not happy! He would live with a dog but not another cat



Squeaky

*Domestic Short Hair
Female
~9 years old*

Squeaky is a quiet, affectionate lap cat who loves just lying around as she did in her foster home. She is searching for a quiet adult family and she will need to be an indoor cat as she has had skin cancer in the past



Albert

*Domestic Short Hair
Male
~4 years old*

Albert is a confident cat and like things on his terms! He does not like to be picked up but will be affectionate and playful in other ways. He would like to have access to indoors and outdoors



Gary

*Domestic Short Hair
Male
~8 years old*

Gary loves the company of other cats both male and female, As he enjoys interacting with his feline friends he will need to move into a home that has an existing cat. He like to be around people but doesn't really appreciate being picked up!



Wallace

*Domestic Short Hair
Male
~18 months old*

Wallace has come a long way since arriving at Save a Dog as a frightened young cat. He is now looking for an experienced owner who understands it will take time for him to settle into a new environment. Due to his background he takes time to trust people and will need a patient owner. Once comfortable Wallace greatly enjoys pats and purrs. Wallace may be happy living with a friendly female cat.



Freeman

*Domestic Medium Hair
Male
~7 years old*

Freeman is a quiet cat looking for an indoor home. He will take time to settle into a new environment and will need a patient owner. Whilst shy at first once settled Freeman is a friendly and social cat. He is affectionate and will happily settle on your lap for pats. He would like to be an only cat

Blessing of the Animals

Save-A-Dog Scheme was invited to attend the annual Blessing of the Animals at St. John's Anglican Church Toorak.

SADS President Pam Weaver and staunch SADS supporter and volunteer Warwick Bennett went along with their adopted SADS dogs Melba, Scooter and Indie.

In the photo we see Indie the deaf heeler x adopted by Warwick and The Revd Dr Peter French minister of St Johns and curate The Revd Matthew Connolly officiating.

Peter spoke of the strong love and ties between people and their companion animals and of the deep grief when a beloved pet dies. Peter and Matthew blessed and spoke to each animal individually. Peter proclaimed his belief that all are remembered and precious in the sight of God.



Location and Hours of Shelter

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

Open 7 days: 9am to 5 pm

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

But Penny, like all other dogs saved by SADS, gradually responded to the care and kindness of SADS staff and volunteers.

As her puppies grew and thrived so she too put on condition and started to enjoy her daily walks away from her active brood.

As this newsletter goes to press Penny and all her puppies have been happily adopted ...another compassionate achievement for SADS.

Photographs by Jenny Overton



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

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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"