



SPCA  
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September-October 2012

### Third Undercover Survey of Pet Shops and Farms

The SPCA recently completed a third undercover survey, in a follow-up to the "Stop the Cruelty in Puppy Mills" campaign launched in October 2010. Conducted between August to October 2012, the two month undercover operation saw the SPCA visiting a total of 49 pet shops and farms, including 20 pet shops and 18 pet farms selling dogs. In November last year, a similar operation saw a total of 22 premises surveyed in total. The survey results from the recent operation revealed that general hygiene and conditions of the animals have improved, but other prevalent issues such as mandatory licensing and providing correct and proper pet care advice are seriously lacking. For more information visit [sgpuppies.com](http://sgpuppies.com).

### Animal Rescue Highlight

Early on the morning of 13 October, while out walking their dog, two passers-by were alerted to something in a drain by their pooch. It turned out to be a scared brown and black female cross-breed dog. They tried to get her out but needed help so they called the SPCA. Our two staff managed to get the dog up and out to safety. She was later reunited with her owner much to everyone's relief and joy.



### Adoption Spotlight



**Sweets** is quite independent and more for experienced cat owners who understand the feline personality. At 7 months, she's still full of kitten curiosity and playfulness. When she came to the SPCA, she was not in the best condition, but we nursed her back to her pouncing self! Come and see her in our cattery today!

### Inspectorate - Case Highlight



In September, we received a report of a Macaw and a kitten being kept together in the same cage at a pet shop in Farmart. The concern was the safety of both animals and the space restriction. The case was referred to the AVA on the same day and one week later, we were told that action had been taken against the pet shop for breach of licensing conditions and that the kitten had since been rehomed. The case was also published on citizen-journalism website, STOMP, the same day it was reported to us.

Keep the Love, End the Neglect - World Animal Day 2012

SPCA celebrated World Animal Day at the East Coast Park on 30 September to raise public awareness on animal welfare issues. The day also marked our 65th year of service and dedication to the animal welfare cause! Viking (an SPCA dog) was our Guest of Honour for a cake-cutting ceremony. We continued to spread the message of "Keep the Love, End the Neglect" through a photo exhibition showing cases of animal abuse to alert pet owners that "Neglect is indeed abuse", "Love will prevail; neglect must end, right now!" Enquiries on pet care were answered by our Information Officers. And ACRES, Action for Singapore Dogs, Cat Welfare Society, House Rabbit Society of Singapore, Animal Lovers' League, Noah's Ark Cares, AVA and Singapore Kennel Club contributed with booths and talks on pet care and responsible pet ownership. SPCA thanks all for making World Animal Day 2012 a success!



## Shelter



### Happy Ending

In July last year, I came to the shelter and adopted Snoopy, a three-month-old kitten with fierce teeth. He still loves to bite, but he is very playful and loves to be cuddled. All my friends love him. He is not a fearful cat and enjoys being around when we have some happy celebration. As I am on the ground-floor, he usually sits by the window and all my neighbours come to cuddle him. A big friendly hello from Snoopy to the team of the shelter.

— Viviane

## Events

### External Sales Venues

Get your hands on our gorgeous 2013 SPCA Calendar, "Paws & Purrs", at the following venues, along with lots of other great stocking stuffers, just in time for the festive season!

- The Centrepunkt: 23 November, 1-2, 5-9 & 12-16 December (12pm-8pm) @ basement 1, in front of Cold Storage supermarket



## SPCA Designer Range



The new "SPCA Designer Range by Ana Liew" made up of funky t-shirts, bags and caps in stylish designs, vibrant colours, flattering cuts and quality comfortable materials are a must have for any wardrobe and make excellent gifts! Available at the SPCA. Modelled by Celebrity TV Presenters, Ms Angelique Teo (left) and Mr Oli Pettigrew, photographed by Mr Warren Wee, with make-up by Mr Marcus Ac. Project concept by Ms Ella Sherman and design by Mr Ryan Tan and Ms Lydia Lim. SPCA thanks all for volunteering their talents.



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