SIAMESE WELFARE CHRISTMAS MEWS 2025

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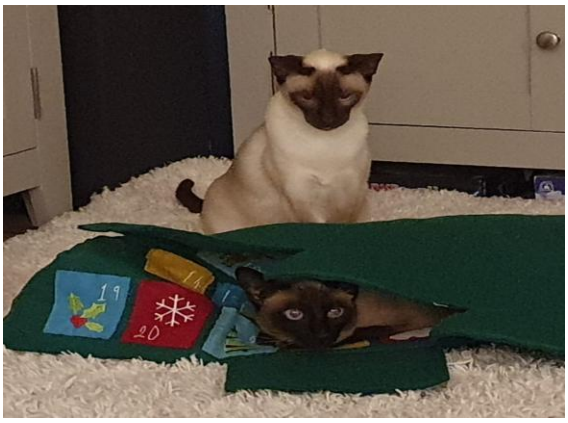


NO! NEITHER DID I

Christmas season is upon us again when we amuse our furry family by covering the house with wrapping paper, boxes, and decorations. 2025 has been another busy year for the rescue with over 100 cats helped. Many being rehomed, but sometimes others have had behavioural issues or vet invoices sorted out to allow them to happily remain in their current homes. Luckily, we have a waiting list of experienced owners dedicated to Siamese offering and giving wonderful homes. We especially thank those who have taken on cats with existing health or behavioural issues which need ongoing understanding and care. As usual the Trust continues to provide support to all cats we rehome throughout their life.

Christmas Photo Competition

Please email Niki an up-date on your wonderful cats and a Christmas themed picture of them, all photos received by 20-01-2026 will be published on our website, and a prize will be sent to the winner of the Trustees favourite.



Coconut and Daisy 'an Advent Surprise'

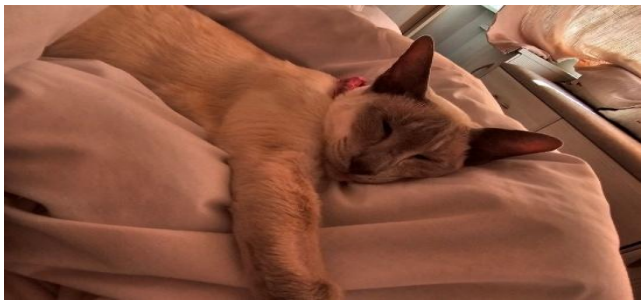
Sponsoring a Siamese as a Christmas or Birthday Gift is worth a thought, please visit our web site for details of the long-term cats needing financial support

SPONSOR A SIAMESE (siameserescue.org.uk)

Homing Forms – If you are looking for a new or additional Siamese, please email Niki and/or complete a Homing Form available on our website. Priority is given to past/current owners and those completing forms. Adverts only go out if the cats' needs are not met by current homes offered.

Wednesday - found on the streets

Wednesday was found wandering the streets wearing an Elizabethan collar but with no microchip, Lost adverts in the area got no response so the vets where she was handed in contacted the SCWT. We agreed to fund her treatment and take her once she was well enough to travel. She had an obvious skin irritation, a stomach mass and was in poor condition. She tested negative for FIV FIP but the mass in her tummy needed investigation. After parasite treatment, vaccinations and good food she was able to be operated on. This revealed she had been over used as a breeding queen leaving her with a stretched uterus, and the mass was found to be a mummified kitten from a previous pregnancy. Her skin irritation took some time to solve, and she was biting her tail badly, a habit we think came from a method of dealing with the pain she was experiencing. As her tail failed to heal, we had to amputate the end, and she also needed 14 teeth removed. Hayley who worked at the vets fell in love with her and we agreed she could give her a home with the SCWT continuing support due to the ongoing medical bills. She is now, as you can see very happy, healthy, and loved by Haley and her family.



Amazon Wish List - Did you know you can gift items to our rescues via the Amazon? - click the link from our web page to access list

Thank you to everyone who have used this service which works well but unless you put your name and contact email on the gift receipt your package arrives anonymously. Sadly, when this happens, we cannot thank the sender. But we and the cats are very grateful for your generosity



Storm's Adventures with a Tracker

In 2024 we took in a young kitten after he was a bought as a totally unsuitable present for a frail elderly parent living in London. We were told he was 'an expensive Siamese' but we think he is a tri-colour Oriental cross, handsome and very mischievous.

After health checks he settled into the permanent household at Old Bell House. He got on well but at about 6 months, after neutering, when we were considering finding him a home he decided to try escaping from any open door and refused to stay within the cat paddock, trying to tear the netting apart at every opportunity. This could not continue so despite misgivings Niki introduced him to going out freely into the unrestricted garden. This was risky because of the road but Rufus taught him not go outside the front fence and he had acres of fields behind the house to explore, and we got him a Tractive Tracker so we could monitor him.

Being naughty, he stayed out late refusing to come in when it got dark. Using the Tracker, I could find him and order him to come home much to his dismay, or if I could catch him carry him home under protest. He soon worked out that if he returned when called he got a treat so usually came back at nightfall and after the obligatory game of rushing repeatedly past me once in the garden he eventually gets bored and decides to come indoors but at least I know he is safe. The tracker also allowed me to monitor his sometimes-slow progress on his way home after he is called in.

The Tracker history shows his movements throughout the day with a marker showing his exact position. Occasionally it indicated him in the house when he was outside. I was confused until I looked up and spied him on the main house roof. One day he climbed to the top peak of the back roof and hung over like a gargoyle, very proud of himself. In the Summer he likes sleeping in lead lined gulley between roofs and has scaled the front steep Georgian roof demonstrating running up and down the slope much to my horror.

He plays for hours in the pond area chasing dragonflies, not bothering if he gets wet and one of his favourite things is to climb the outside of the paddock fence and run round the overhang teasing the resident rescues.

He regularly goes 2 to 3 miles daily back and forth across his territory. When the dogs are in the garden, they play at top speed with Storm racing up the tall trees then dropping down beside them. He is also a prolific hunter (of rodents not birds). I have considered finding him a safer home, but he knows this territory, and with his fondness for climbing high with no regard for danger I think the risk of settling him into another territory would be too high plus he is having a great life so will stay with us helping to test the Tracker system.

Tips for using the Tracker – Further advice available on the web site

- Trackers will not stop cats getting into trouble but at least you can locate them when you need to.
- Train yourself not to watch their progress in Live Time unless you need to locate them as it drains the battery. Monitor them by glancing at the satellite view which updates regularly with the location indicator.
- Remember to shut the cat indoors while you are charging the tracker or have removed the collar.
- Order a spare plastic cradle and rubber holder to avoid delays in letting your cat out when they get damaged by use.
- Set the quick release collar to the appropriate weight size of your cat.

- **Polite request** – Annually we send the Christmas Mews, and Summer Event invites out to every email we have on record for supporters and owners of our adopted cats. Sometimes they ping back as the details have changed. To avoid this please drop us an email to let us update your record in our system and if required on your cats' microchip contact details.

Ethel –Recently found starving

A few weeks ago, a little Lilac Point Siamese Female was found wandering eating rubbish and leaves under a hedge she was not chipped and very poorly. Alison our Trustee from Cheshire took her in, named her Ethel, and is nursing her. She tested negative for all tests but had a low red blood count which can happen when their systems begin to shut down. After a couple of weeks of TLC and specialist gentle diet she is looking much better, she has gained weight, and her blood results are within normal ranges. She had a very bad ear infection and growths in her ear canal which have been investigated, and she is having some steroid treatment for. She also has an eye issue which could be connected to the ear infection or be the result of a head injury. Whatever happens we will get her as well as possible so she can have a quality of life with a warm bed and food for her life span. If she gets well enough, we will rehome her, but if not, she will stay in a Trustees home as a loved pet alongside the other rescues who for reasons of ill health or behaviour are not suitable to go to a new home





Ethel as she was found & 1st day in



Ethel as she is after a few weeks of TLC

NEW BANK DETAILS - Update

As Lloyds Bank suddenly decided to charge charities for every incoming and outgoing transaction, we have changed our bank to Co-op who do not charge. If you do donate, please ensure that you use the new details.

Siamese Cat Club Welfare Trust
THE COOPERATIVE BANK ACCOUNT: 67443244.
SORT CODE 08 92 99 Quote your name as reference

Summer Event

Thank you to everyone who supported our Summer event which was very successful despite the poor weather. In 2026 we will be moving the date slightly to try and catch the sunshine. You will be emailed an invitation as usual if you are on our email supporters and adopters database.

plus the date will be advertised on the Website, Facebook.

We hope to see you in the Summer so you can enjoy the stalls, amazing food, and visiting the cats in care.

Can you foster an elderly cat?

Sometimes we have elderly cats come in who probably have a limited time left needing a loving end of life home. We understand that this is not a request that everyone can cope with, often daily medication is required, and you inevitably become very fond of them. The Trust will fund all vet costs and suitable advice. If you feel you would be able to occasionally find a place in your home for such special cats, please email us.

AND FINALLY, SOME THOUGHTS

Having Cats in your home is like living with art that sometimes throws up on the carpet.

How we treat animals is a reflection on ourselves, it reveals the kind of person we really are.

Cats' whiskers are so sensitive they can find their way through the narrowest crack in a broken heart

Rescuing cats is like the Mafia - once you are in there is no getting out

It can take months for a Siamese Owner to train their cat, but it only takes days for the Siamese to train their Slave.

MERRY CHRISTMAS & A HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM EVERYONE AT SIAMESE CAT WELFARE TRUST