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POM POM

CASAS is known for having several experienced humane trappers and, with invaluable help from a long-time friend and supporter, we were able to prove our skills once again. Pom Pom, a summer tenant from New York City, was visiting in the woods of Truro where she was allowed to go outside. Her two housemates returned that night but Pom Pom did not. When CASAS was notified, we loaned out a trap to no avail. Pom Pom's birth brother, Pop Pop, was heartbroken. searching everywhere in the rental house. After a month, Pom Pom's family had to return to the city. Since Pom was unfamiliar with the neighborhood and many coyotes still roam the woods, outlook was grim. With sad hearts, Pom Pom was given up for lost.

Finally, CASAS became deeply involved. The landlord of the rental house wanted the trap removed from the property. Posters were put up around the neighborhood and in local stores which brought sightings from several areas. All proved to be false. As we were not allowed to leave the trap in the last place Pom was seen, we hid some nearby, always respecting private property. We received a call from a caring longtime supporter, Carol Nickerson, who had a cat visiting her yard. We moved one of the traps to her property which happened to be only a few blocks away through the woods as the crow flies, (about a half mile as the crow walks). With Carol on the case, we only had to check and replace the food a few times a day. We caught a huge and very angry tomcat who wanted to eat us. Obviously not Pom. Finally, after a few weeks, we got an early morning call from Carol and rushed to Truro to find Carol leaning over the trap and murmuring sweetly to a subdued cat. This was very unlike the reception we got from the previously trapped tom. It definitely was Pom!

After much more than a month, somehow she avoided the coyote we had spotted in the area on the first morning, had availed herself of the local fauna and appeared quite well. We had been warned by the owner not to let her out of the trap and we didn't. It was a large trap and held a small litter box and her food. After several days of negotiations organizing the return, Pom Pom's human friend and her son drove back to Cape Cod to take her home. Our intrepid trappers had offered to deliver her to the city, (always eager for a road trip). Pom was eventually reunited with brother Pop Pop whom she regaled with her adventures in facing down not only coyotes but the Pamet Puma, catching and roasting several chipmunks and altogether enjoying herself. He had spent the time she was missing hiding under the couch.

There is much more to this story which might have ended up differently if not for the help of Carol Nickerson, the true hero. Our only reward was the joy we felt upon knowing that we could help this very nice cat. Remember, CASAS is always ready and willing to help with lost cats and dogs.

PAIGE



Paige came to us from a shelter up Cape. She was pregnant at an advanced maternal age (AMA). Unfortunately, her litter of two were born with multiple congenital anomalies and did not survive. Shortly after she was spayed, we had a litter of five

motherless kittens come our way. They were young, but after careful observation, we noted that they took to Paige and she to them. They were in the process of being weaned, and we were grateful to Paige that she cleaned them and taught them all the good cat things that would prepare them for the World. That litter of kittens was adopted but another litter of kittens was in one of our foster homes. When they came to us, once again she took over the maternal role of loving, cleaning, and teaching. Paige eventually found her forever home with a local artist. She helps him in his studio and perhaps, one day, may become his muse.

RECENT ADOPTIONS

Jade to Lee Roscoe
Smokey to Kay Sperry
Shayna to Paul LaFrance
Peaka to Dan Miller and Laura MacNeill

Boo, now Toshi, and Joy, now Pearl to Brett Warren and John Parke Poppy to Philip MacKay

Charlie, now Marco Polo to Carole Mathieson and John Iappini

Henry and Seamus to Anne Pagliaro and James Manning

Fennel, now Lilly to Connie and David Hebert

Cumin to Megan and Al Couri

Dolce, now Dulce to Claire McGarrison and Donna McCormick

Chanelle and Angell to Anne, Ava, and
Dan Needel

Paige to Peter Hutchinson
Flint, now Pepper to Meg and Stephan
Royka

Petra to Kathy Poor and Chris Hilbig
Mica and Slate to Nan Cinnater and
Diane Johnson

Ogden Nash to Susan and Jeff Lewis



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SMOKEY AND FLUFFY

Several outside cats were left behind after the death of their longtime caregiver. CASAS was notified that the person who had been feeding the cats had also died and the house was for sale. Several prospective buyers were interested in helping and keeping the cats having been in psychic communications with the deceased caregiver. Months went by, we continued feeding these two cats that we were told by neighbors were called *Smokey*, (who was gray), and *Fluffy*, was, well you know, fluffy.

When CASAS first opened, the owner of this house had many many cats all of whom had kittens over and over. Most were polydactyls (extra toes). We took many of her kittens, spayed all her females, and neutered her boys. She was upset because we eliminated the polydactyl line but happy since the kittens had been killed by coyotes as soon as they could walk. These were not inside cats.

Smokey was one of those original cats that had been spayed. (S)he was still afraid of us despite being fed for 6 months. We continued to feed those cats on the promise that the eventual purchaser would continue to care for them.

Fluffy (AKA Ogden Nash) was obviously not feral and must have been owned at some time. He was very friendly but nobody was looking for him or reported him missing.

The new owners closed on the house and we were told that tenants and workmen were coming within the week and the cats had to be removed. They were easily trapped because they trusted us, their regular feeders. It was obvious that Smokey was not yet adoptable but Fluffy certainly was, being not only very friendly, but also quite beautiful. After some time at CASAS in our "new resident" isolation rooms, Smokey was miserable while Fluffy was basking in the attention. Smokey was adopted to be a mouser in a tack room in a barn. Fluffy (now Ibis) was snatched up and happily adapted to a new wonderful life. He even has his very own dog.



Ibis & Crispin

LEMONADE STAND

This year, once again, **Ella Reichsharpe** raised funds for CASAS with her lemonade stand in North Truro over the Summer. Thanks, Ella for thinking of us and helping the cats of CASAS.



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