



# NEWSLETTER

## Welcome to our first newsletter!

What an incredible year it has been for Ruahine Animal Rescue! In the past 12 months, we've successfully rehomed 67 animals, including 38 kittens, 10 adult cats, 13 puppies, 5 dogs, and even a rabbit. This amazing achievement wouldn't have been possible without the unwavering support of our members, community, and generous sponsors.

We want to take a moment to sincerely thank each and every one of you who has contributed to our mission—whether through donations, fostering, or simply helping us spread the word. Your support has given these animals a second chance at finding a happy, loving home, and we are forever grateful for your involvement.

As we reflect on the past year, we're excited to share more about the impact your support has made and what's ahead for the future. Thank you for making all the difference in the lives of the animals we care for!

*The Ruahine Animal Rescue Committee*

**Our Mission** - To provide a compassionate and safe haven for animals in need in Central Hawke's Bay.

**Our Goal** - To work alongside the Central Hawke's Bay Community to care for and rehome cats and dogs who need our love and support

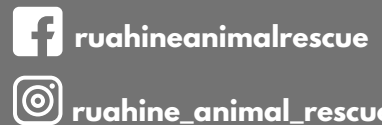


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## "Why becoming an animal foster is one of the most rewarding things you can do" - Luna's journey

When I had the opportunity to foster for the first time, nothing would prepare me for the absolute joy I would feel by taking care of little Luna.

To nurture her from a vulnerable wee kitten, needing a second chance to a lovely girl ready to be adopted to her forever home.

During the time I had her in my care her daily milestones and weekly progress were such a privilege to be a part of. Receiving unconditional love of an animal in need is not only spiritually rewarding but my physical and mental health has also benefited.

My income is low but I was provided with food, bedding, toys and the easy instructions Luna needed.

Although I was sad to see Luna go, she is living with a wonderful family and living her best life.

Fostering is an amazing experience and I'm looking forward to repeating it for as long as I can, and I recommend it to anyone wanting laughter and love in their home. If your interested in becoming a foster please reach out to one of the team. - Grace



### Pawsome Recipes Summer Edition

Use a blender to combine these ingredients, pour them into ice cube trays and put them in the freezer for 3 hours. Add water if the mixture is too lumpy to freeze well. Remember to let the treats soften before giving them to your pet.

#### Frozen Dog Treats

Chicken Delight: cooked chicken, cooked carrot, fresh parsley and plain chicken broth.

Peanut Butter Cup: Peanut butter and ripe banana. Make sure the peanut butter is raw, unsalted and doesn't contain the artificial sweetener - xylitol.

Fruit Salad: frozen green beans, cooked kumara (skin off), strawberries and blueberries



### Benefits of owning a pet...

- **Companionship**
- **Physical activity**
- **Social interaction**
- **Health benefits**
- **Unconditional love**



## Spotlight on Buddy ADOPT ME NOW!



### 321 DAYS IN CARE

Buddy is looking for a very special owner who can give him a quiet, relaxed home to spend his later years without the noise and fuss of children or other pets.

He is a 8 year old Staffy X, neutered, registered, and vaccinated. Buddy just loves LOTS of attention and CUDDLES - he needs to find a devoted, loving owner.

**Are you that very special person?**

## MEMBERSHIP REMINDER

Just a reminder that you will receive a notification when your membership is due.

**DID YOU KNOW...** that you can become a member from just \$25 a year, if you would like to find out more please visit [www.ruahineanimalrescue.co.nz/membership](http://www.ruahineanimalrescue.co.nz/membership)

## OUR FIRST LIFE MEMBER

Our heartfelt gratitude to our very first Life Member, Kerry Dunbar. Kerry is our Cat Team Leader and cares for not only the cats and kittens, but is at the shelter most days looking after the cats and dogs, as well as caring for a number of cats around town.

We're forever grateful for Kerry's incredible dedication and unwavering commitment that have played a huge role in helping us set up Ruahine Animal Rescue and carry out our mission.

Thank you Kerry for everything you have done and will do.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

- MAY 10 - CHB Farmers Market, Waipawa
- JUNE (TBC) - Annual Quiz night

Visit our website for more information  
[www.ruahineanimalrescue.co.nz/events](http://www.ruahineanimalrescue.co.nz/events)





## COMMUNITY SUPPORT



### A huge thank you to everyone who has supported Ruahine Animal Rescue in 2024!

Special thanks to Kiri Kirk for organising the calendar fundraiser, Clevea Chiropractic for the shed and regular food donations, Treewalkers for the BBQ, and Stevenson and Taylor for the ride-on mower.

We also appreciate all the prizes for our Quiz Night, BDF Earthworks for donating the firewood raffle prize, Kathy Davies and the team at Tremains for selling raffle tickets and the team up programme.

Thanks also to Masterpet, Black Hawk, New World Waipukurau, CHB Dog Training Club, Zelandia and Medallion Pet Food, Waipukurau Bridge Club, and the local businesses with donation boxes.

**Your support makes a real difference, and we are truly grateful!**

## Your Impact

When you support Ruahine Animal Rescue, you become a vital part of a community dedicated to providing compassion and care of animals in need in Central Hawke's Bay.

Your generosity allows us to offer essential services, create a nurturing and supportive environment, and provide a safe haven for animals until they find their forever homes. Together, we continue to honour the vision of those who established this rescue, ensuring it remains a sanctuary for animals in need for generations to come.

Ready to make a difference? Email [ruahineanimalrescue@gmail.com](mailto:ruahineanimalrescue@gmail.com) to learn how you can help!

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