



# NEWSLETTER

## FURR-EVER GRATEFUL

It's been a quarter full of milestones, gratitude, and heartwarming moments here at Ruahine Animal Rescue.

We're incredibly proud to share that our Chairperson and Dog Team Leader, Gaye Campbell, was honoured with the **ASB Good as Gold award** for her many years of service to Central Hawke's Bay. Her surprise celebration, captured by Seven Sharp, reminded us just how lucky we are to have her leading our mahi.

We also held our very first **Annual General Meeting** — a major step toward becoming a registered charity.

You'll also read in this newsletter about **Jojo**, who's healing beautifully after his cherry eye surgery (funded in just 4 hours!), and **Missy**, still patiently waiting for her forever home.

Don't forget — we're down to our final 30 bottles of **fundraising oil**, and our **Quiz Night** (June 6) and **Volunteer Celebration** (June 22) are just around the corner! Thank you for standing with us 🐾

*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

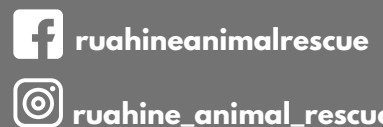


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## Gaye Campbell honoured with ASB Good as Gold Award

We are overjoyed to share that our incredible Chairperson and Dog Team Leader, Gaye Campbell, has been honoured with the ASB Good as Gold award for many years of service to the Central Hawke's Bay community.

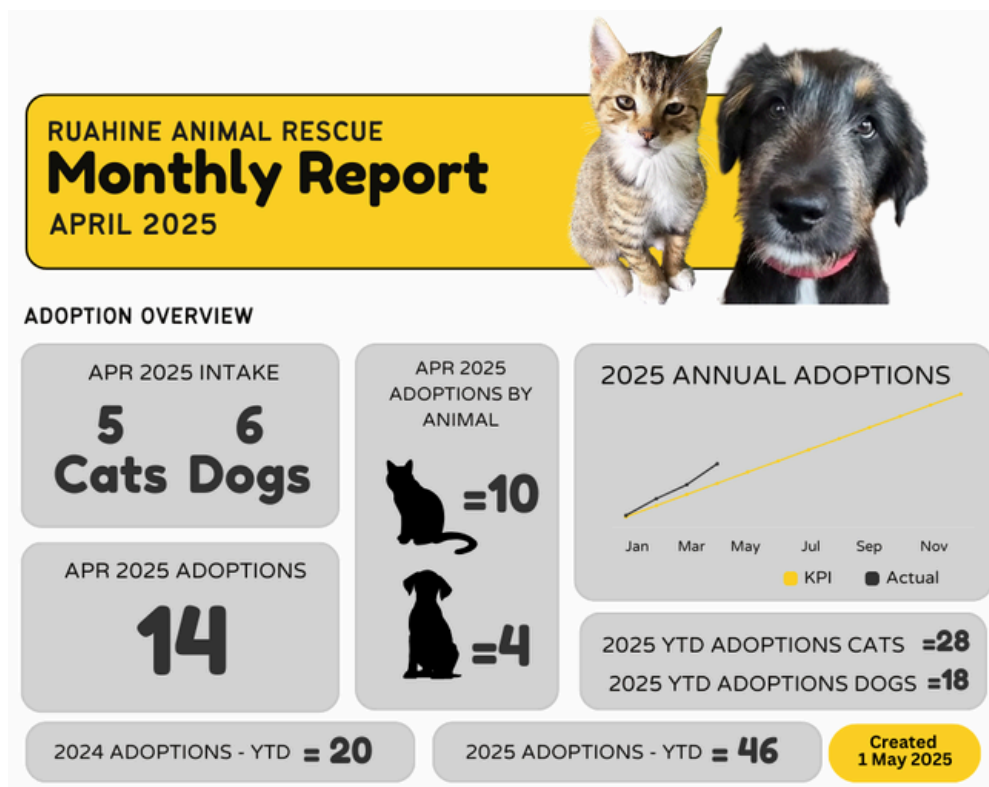
Gaye was surprised at Ruahine Animal Rescue on 28th April 2025—cleverly lured by a pup named Trev under the pretense of a vet visit. Instead, she was greeted by Mayor Alex Walker, her siblings, and a very grateful team of volunteers. The heartwarming moment was captured by Seven Sharp.

Gaye is the soul of Ruahine Animal Rescue—selfless, dedicated, and always helping those in need, whether they have two legs or four. Beyond the rescue, she's given countless hours to the Red Cross, St John, and CHB Food Basket, driven community shuttles, and even returned to driving a school bus after retirement.

Her kindness and tireless energy have touched every corner of our region, and this award is a well-deserved recognition of her service.

If you missed it, you can watch the special moment on the ASB Bank Facebook page, where the full story is featured.

**Congratulations, Gaye—you are truly Good as Gold!**

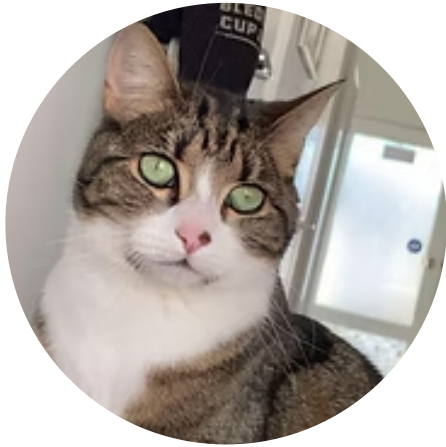


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## Spotlight on Missy ADOPT ME MEOW!



### 164 DAYS IN CARE

**Meet Missy** – your future cuddle queen!

Missy is a sweet and gentle soul who thrives in a calm, quiet home where she can be the centre of your world. She prefers to be your one and only – with no other pets or young children,

While she may take a little time to settle in, once she feels safe, she'll reward you with endless snuggles, loyalty, and love.

If you're looking for a low-maintenance, affectionate companion, Missy is ready to meet her forever family.

## OUR FIRST AGM

On May 2, Ruahine Animal Rescue held its very **first Annual General Meeting** – a major milestone in our journey! This important step means we are now in the final stages of becoming a **registered charity**.

Once complete, this status will open up more opportunities for funding, donations, and support, allowing us to help even more animals in need across our community.

It's an exciting time for our team and all our supporters who've helped us grow. We can't wait to share the official news with you soon – watch this space!

Thank you for being part of our journey.

## UPDATE ON JOJO

Just a few short weeks ago, Jojo, a gentle and resilient pup, was struggling through life with a heartbreaking past and a painful eye condition called Cherry Eye. Today, thanks to your overwhelming generosity Jojo is not only recovering beautifully after surgery but also rediscovering the joy of simply being a dog.

To everyone who donated, shared Jojo's story, or sent kind words our way: thank you. Your support made all the difference.

Jojo is now one step closer to finding the forever home he deserves - happy, healthy, and full of love.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

- JUNE 6 - Annual Quiz night
- JUNE 22 - Volunteers Celebration

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





## COMMUNITY SUPPORT

### Oil Fundraiser – Last 30 Bottles!

Thank you to everyone who has supported our olive oil fundraiser!

We're down to the **final 30 bottles!** Once these are gone, that's it, so if you haven't ordered yet, now's your chance.

This small-batch, high-quality olive oil and avocado oil makes a beautiful gift or pantry staple, and every bottle sold supports our rescue mahi directly.

Special thanks to Nate, Brent and the team at The Village Press for their incredible generosity and ongoing support.

Order now at:  
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### SPONSOR SPOTLIGHT TREEWALKERS

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On top of their financial support, Tree Walkers also supports Ruahine Animal Rescue by regularly volunteering to walk our rescue dogs. This helps keep our pups active, happy, and socialised while they wait for their forever homes.

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### RECENT ADOPTIONS



We'd like to take a moment to celebrate the recent adoptions and the wonderful families who opened their hearts and homes to our rescue animals. Each adoption is a fresh start and a reminder of why we do what we do.

To every adopter — thank you for choosing rescue, believing in second chances, and giving these animals the love and care they deserve. Your kindness changes lives, not just for the animals you welcome, but for the whole rescue community. From all of us at Ruahine Animal Rescue — thank you!

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