



The KAT Times

Kathmandu Animal Treatment Centre's Newsletter

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Patron: Dr Charlotte Uhlenbroek

From Jan Salter

Dear KAT supporters,

When you read this Newsletter, you will see that this has been a very eventful and positive time for KAT.

It is important to emphasise that our success is



Jan Salter

directly linked to all our hard working supporters. Without your dedicated fundraising and hard work we could not have achieved so much in such a short time.

KAT is now recognised in Kathmandu as a very respected organisation - with even the Government noticing our work and the everyday difference with the health of dogs in the street. We can proudly show evidence to the public and to visitors who come to our Centre, a solid working foundation, which includes a strong education programme.

Appreciation also has to go to our committed and enthusiastic KAT team. It is due to their dedicated compassion in the course of their difficult work they have become an inspiration to the local community. People are becoming more and more aware that humans can give and receive love from our canine friends. That they are important part of our lives.

But, we still have a long way to go to accomplish our goal to stop completely the poisoning in all parts of Kathmandu. To work towards creating a healthy, animal friendly city where cruelty is eliminated.

Jan

A first for KAT ... *... a first for Nepal*

Some time ago the World Society for the Protection of Animals (WSPA) generously offered us funding to cover the purchase of a second small van for dog-catching. Whilst the existing small van is very useful in accessing the narrow roads and lanes of the old parts of the city, it really is underpowered and overworked for much of the terrain we encounter. This affects the reliability and, as a result, KAT loses a lot of use while it is out of action being repaired.



The new Animal Ambulance - generously funded by WSPA

Then we had an idea – if we could persuade the Government to waive the 130% vehicle tax then, for the same outlay, we could buy a more robust and reliable vehicle and thus improve our service to the community. Well, after 6 months of tireless effort from our Manager, Khageshwar Sharma, the Government has kindly granted a tax exemption to KAT. This has enabled us to buy a Mahindra 4x4 and have it fitted out as an Animal Ambulance to our exact specification. This is a first in Nepal – until now, tax exemptions were only granted for human ambulances. So, a huge thanks for WSPA for the funds, to the Government officials for all their help, and to Khageshwar for his dedication and persistence.

Progress and Developments at the Centre

From Khageshwaar Sharma

Please find below brief reports on the progress and developments of the Centre:

ABC program: Since the inception a total of 3482 dogs have passed through Centre's program. Of these, 2602 were sterilised, 58 castrated and the rest treated, vaccinated and released through rescue calls etc.

Dog Population Survey: The Dog Survey kept us frantically busy starting at 4 am in the morning. Kathmandu people now have a scientific estimate of the number of dogs that roam its streets. During September and October 2006, four teams consisting of three members each, surveyed and counted street dogs within the Ring Road area of Kathmandu and Lalitpur. The survey was a joint effort between The Ministry of Agriculture and Co-operatives, Department of Livestock and Services and Public Health office and Kathmandu Animal Treatment Centre (KAT) with the support of the World Health Organisation (WHO).

This data provides valuable information for the veterinary and public health authorities for conducting their rabies-vaccination campaign. Every year a significant number of people are bitten by street dogs causing serious concern to health, in addition to the medical expenses involved. The proposed vaccination campaign will reassure the community at large of a safer environment. The survey also provides a baseline population estimate from which to monitor the effectiveness of the Animal Birth Control (ABC) currently being conducted by KAT as a humane way to control street dog numbers.

The canine population on the streets is now estimated to be 20,000, statistically ranging from a minimum of 16,340 to a maximum of 24,682 dogs. There are more male than female dogs, with the male to female ratio being 1.3:1. From our data, it shows that we have, so far, sterilised and treated some 13% of the total dogs.

Dr Kashmira Kakati, the biologist hired by WHO to oversee the survey, concluded in his report:

"... It was encouraging to find that dog population densities are relatively low in the northern side of the city such as the areas Maharajgunj, Thamel, Naxal and surrounding localities where Animal Birth Control (ABC) is being implemented by the Kathmandu Animal Treatment Centre. Also, in these areas the health condition of the dogs is noticeably better than in other parts of the city..."

Educational program: In late May a PETA (People for Ethical Treatment of Animals) member of staff from Mumbai



View into the KAT compound - surgery unit on the left, kennels on the right. (Photo: C Rafferty)

came to Kathmandu to conduct an educational program in conjunction with KAT. We visited 9 schools and showed the children (mostly classes 3,4,5) a PETA film, a KAT documentary film and a presentation. We learned that the children were interested and receptive during our program. We hope in the future we can continue doing this, covering as many schools as we can for animal awareness campaigns.

New Staff members: KAT has now employed 3 more staff members -

a) Chandra Rai: Chandra joined us in January 2006. Having Chandra in the office has been of lot of help to the Centre. He is doing the book keeping, purchasing, responds to telephone calls and does other jobs that are assigned to him.

We have noticed in him hidden talents and



Chandra Rai

Jan Salter describes him as "a born teacher" - he is marvellous at talking to the children during our educational program in the schools.

b) Udhap Dhungana: Udhap is our new night watchman and takes care of the dogs at the Centre during the night. During the cold winter season he provides to the dogs with sacks and hot water bottles to keep

them warm, and feeds them with left over pizza, bread etc that other staff members collect from the Fire & Ice Restaurant.

c) Dr Pramod Dhakal: On Professor Gretchen Kaufman's recommendation, Dr.Pramod Dhakal joined KAT in November 2006, on a voluntary basis. Prof.Kaufman is from the TUFTS University USA, and has been involved at the vet faculty in Chitwan for quite sometime.

Pramod has now expressed an interest to join KAT. To pay for two vets at this moment will be stretching our resources and so we are currently investigating funding options with Prof Kaufman.

At the moment Dr. Pramod is working with Dr.Jha. Under Dr.Jha's supervision he is responsible for the treatment of dogs, monitoring of our in-house dogs, checking dogs before release, pre-anaesthetic check-ups, post-mortem reports, euthanasia and assisting in surgeries.

His employment will be very helpful for KAT; not only in replacing Dr.Jha in case of sickness leave or holiday but also to attend on site the many rescue calls we have to cope with with these days.

KAT Team rescues NGO in Biratnagar: For the first time in Nepal, The Epidemiology Disease Control Division under the Ministry of Health and Population introduced mass anti-rabies vaccination camps on street canine population in the two Municipalities of Biratnagar and Janakpur. In Biratnagar, a NGO working for "Rural Community Development Centre" (RCDC) was assigned to vaccinate 900 dogs in 20 days.

RCDC contacted the KAT Centre for help to train their staff who were involved in this campaign to catch and vaccinate street dogs. They told us that they had everything in hand; anti-rabies vaccines and technicians to inject the dogs - but they did not know how street dogs were caught! KAT staff (Bharat and Ram) went to Biratnagar for 2 days and helped them with their

program. Our staff trained them and helped to vaccinate 201 dogs in just 2 days.

Our In-house dogs:

Lallu - I rescued Lallu when we were out to buy some sacks as the winter was approaching. Lallu was 3-4 months of age and was found in the gutter clearly trying to stand on his own. He was very weak and the lower half of one front leg was missing. Perhaps he had been in a road accident or maybe people had abused him.

Bal Krishna and I fed him some bread and biscuits. We could not leave the poor creature in the gutter so we picked him up and brought him to our Centre thinking 'another in-house dog now' as we already had 10 more with us in the rotunda (where they are usually kept during the day time). Lallu is fine now, he has been castrated and is very



In-House dog Lallu

social dog who I have never seen intimidating others.

Jango (the big) - Someone rang us late in the evening (which was not unusual, considering the emergency rescue calls we get these days) to inform us that a big 'jango' dog was crying in pain. When we reached the spot we found this big, so called jango dog, was a Tibetan Mastiff; dehydrated and sitting in the corner. He obviously belonged to someone who I thought may have shamelessly left him in the street without treating him. He was a



In-house dog - Jango



Thank you all for your support- from the KAT staff

(Photo: C Rafferty)

big dog. Our staff had rescued one Tibetan Mastiff about a month ago and that was very aggressive: I recall an incident where Bharat (KAT staff) was chased. Jango, although also a Tibetan Mastiff, is different. Dr. Jha (KAT Vet) has diagnosed 'radial paralysis' which cannot be cured. Although, he cannot use one of his fore legs he is very mobile and is a very friendly dog. The staff could not resist keeping him here as a new friend. Incidentally, it is quite amazing to see him running with 3 legs.

Our special thanks to:

Miss Reshmi - for donating to us a sack of rice every month



Miss Reshmi

Simone - for volunteering at the KAT Centre

Dawari dai - making my visits possible at the Singhadurbar to pursue tax exemption documents for vehicle

Smita - a volunteer who has stayed with us for so long

Carmen Berry and Carolyn Rafferty who not only donated for us to build a cat pen but also designed our new brochure.

Kate Blaszk - for constructive advice for the development of the KAT centre

Calderdale Support Group for their continued support

Alice Morgan and Goode Trust - for supporting our Educational Program

Himalayan Amateur Theatre Group

PETA - for sending Tejal Raut

The Palmer Family

Fiona Kidd

Jane Attfield

Naila Satter for donating curtains, cushion covers and money to buy Oral Ivermectin. She has also donated a quantity of very high-quality Pashminas which are being used in the UK to raise money for KAT.

The Marchig Trust - grant for ABC program

Sanne Wilmink - for all your time and energy



Sanne Wilmink

Linda Sherpa - for her boundless enthusiasm and commitment

Simone Werner - for donating to us an Instant Ear Thermometer for pets and a professional digital weighing scale. This has been very useful for us to accurately weigh the Oral Ivermectin

Chris Laurence - for donating to KAT suture materials

All our Kennel Sponsors

On behalf of KAT Centre and the stray canine population of Kathmandu, I would like to thank you all who have made our Animal Birth Control program a success in Kathmandu - Nepal.

Khageshwaar

PERSONAL VIEW OF 'KAT'

By Juliette Cunliffe

In August of 2004 I was made KAT's UK Coordinator, since when I have tried to create awareness over here so that funds could be raised to help the Centre with its good work. Many people, especially amongst the dog fraternity, have been thoroughly supportive. To



Juliette Cunliffe

mention by name all those who have helped along the way would be impossible, suffice it to say that through clubs and individuals, raffles and tombolas have been held, seminars organised and dogs, especially Tibetan Terriers, have done sponsored stays to raise funds for their less fortunate 'relations' in Nepal.

Over the years Nepal has more or less become my 'home from home', so I am in the fortunate position of being able, I hope, to see and to evaluate the many differences in canine care between Britain and the UK. I also appreciate that it is not possible to look at things in Nepal through 'rose tinted spectacles', so maybe we can never hope to achieve the same level of care that we expect in Britain. What we can do is to aim as high as possible, in an endeavour alleviate the suffering of both dogs and people.

I didn't visit in 2004, so my first trip to see KAT was in mid-December 2005. I was utterly impressed by the enthusiasm of the team of workers and volunteers and, especially taking into consideration financial restraints and problems of the country, it was clear that KAT had come a very long way in a short space of time. KAT's manager, Khageshwaar Sharma, worked on a similar project in Jaipur, India, and KAT has very definitely benefited from his considerable experience and management skills. Linda Sherpa, resident mainly in Nepal, has put enormous energy into KAT on a voluntary basis, as have other short-term volunteers. Jan Salter, KAT's Founder, has also put her heart and soul in to the venture, and is always there to offer her opinions and advice. She has been instrumental in setting up and maintaining valuable contacts with organisations and other charities that can be of help to KAT.

Early in 2006 Chandra Rai joined KAT's team and although this type of work was a new venture for him, he has fitted in extremely well and has become a valuable part of KAT's training team.

Thousands of bitches have now been spayed, and when one takes into account that most of these would have been in season about twice a year, producing maybe four live/surviving puppies at each season, it is clear that the population has already been significantly reduced. On my own visits I have noticed a significant reduction in the street dog population in tourist areas, and this was even observed by a friend of mine, a first-time visitor to Nepal, who commented that she saw very few dogs roaming the streets in the Thamel area in August 2006, and realised this was due to KAT's good work.

Dr Jha, the vet, is employed by KAT five half days a week. On my first visit I spent a full morning in the operating theatre with him and

was impressed by his skill and efficiency in carrying out these operations. Between 10.30am and 1pm, he had spayed six bitches, two of them not straightforward cases. Whilst in KAT's care all dogs operated on also have rabies jabs and any other treatment necessary to improve their health.

The amount of operations that take place is currently largely restricted by the number of kennels available for recovery, but it is hoped that a larger piece of land may be obtained before too long. Many hopes have been raised during 2006, but obtaining suitable land in Nepal is no easy task and we can only hope that the gods will look down more kindly on this situation in 2007.

As I have already said, conditions in Nepal cannot be compared with those in the UK, but every effort is being made to work to the highest levels of efficiency and cleanliness possible. No 40 Oster blades provided from the UK are now used so that patients can be closely clipped before their operations. Hitherto, they had been obliged to use an open blade with soap and water, so you can imagine everyone's joy! Some of the money I took over from collections in the UK has been used for new operating equipment, including a better quality, stainless steel operating table and a good light suitable for the purpose.

Because KAT has no reversible anaesthetics, all members of staff are fully aware of the danger of hypothermia during the recovery period. For this reason, during the winter months, operations cannot begin until 10.30am when the sun has come up. This is because after the operations, the patients are laid outside in the sunshine on pieces of cardboard, until they come round. Flies are a problem, but before each dog leaves the operating theatre a fly repellent is pasted around the scar.



Post-operative dogs recover in the sun

One day I joined KAT's staff to take dogs back to the places from which they had been initially picked up, something I rather dreaded, but I knew there was no alternative. I was heartened therefore to find that the pick-up places had been pin-pointed exactly, and to see a dog

being greeted by other street-dog friends and the community was a great relief. KAT gives out leaflets to explain what has been done to the dogs and in many cases people in those areas keep a careful eye on their future welfare. One ear is always tattooed and the other notched to indicate which dogs have been dealt with, and temporary collars are worn for quick identification.

Of course other operations take place too, although, of necessity at this stage the ABC (Animal Birth Control) Programme has to take precedence. Some of the dogs that have survived remarkable injuries and illnesses remain on site as 'in-house' dogs. Two of these dogs are clearly Tibetan in origin. Mango is more of a Tibetan Terrier

than an Apso. Some of you will be familiar with him as he has been made KAT's mascot, so has appeared on cards and leaflets. The other is named 'Champion'; and, no, here in the West she wouldn't gain a title to go with her name, but she is clearly an Apso, with a very typical Apso temperament to boot! Champion always seems ready to tackle dogs five times her size, and they usually realise that she means



Spayed dogs have one ear notched, the other tattooed and are fitted with a collar for easy identification prior to return to the community

exactly what she says.

My last visit to Nepal was in October 2006 when I met up with Jan Salter, as well as Barbara Webb and Jim Pearson who were also in Nepal at that time. Clearly things at KAT are working well, great progress is being made and, although it took about a year to arrange, through the stalwart efforts of Khageshwaar Sharma a new vehicle has been obtained for KAT as an 'animal ambulance', which benefits from a substantial tax saving. Any money that can be saved and ploughed into other useful work at KAT is of enormous benefit, so my personal congratulations to you, Khageshwaar!

Going back to my first visit to KAT in December 2005, I was thoroughly convinced that my decision to support KAT was a wise one. As time has moved on my feelings remain as strong now as they did then; I feel I can genuinely vouch for the fact that others who have decided to do the same will not be disappointed.

Juliette

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Messages from some of our staff:

From Chandra Rai:

Namaste! I am Chandra. I joined KAT in January 2006. Within a year I have already seen a noticeable difference in the areas KAT is working. I sometimes join the staff members for dog catching early morning. It's a different experience for me compared to the job that I do at KAT, taking telephone calls, briefing people over phone on case of dog bites, handling money, book keeping, stock keeping etc. Normally, I receive 3 or 4 rescue calls from community people for rescue of accidental dogs, sick etc even from the areas where KAT is not active.

I enjoy participating on our educational program. The sad part is I live in Patan, where there are approx 5500 dogs within Lalitpur Municipality. Many have mange, I now know that they could be treated but it's a long way to come from KAT and rescue them. I would be very happy to see our Centre established in Patan.

From Dr Jha:

I am writing for the first time in our "KAT Times". I honestly confess that, during my school age, I was afraid of dogs. To avoid dogs I even used to walk long routes to school. I had never thought that I would become a vet. When I passed out my veterinary degree, I started concentrating on large animals as I already had some bitter experiences during my course of private practice. Today, at KAT I have to face with street canines whose history I do not know, whose temperament I have to test before I treat.

Today, I do not regret becoming a small animal veterinarian. I feel myself very fortunate to have joined KAT from the very beginning of our ABC program. The more I began practising on dogs the more I became attached to this species. I recall that during my first few months of veterinary practice I considered diverting my career to large animals due to fear of treating household dogs.

Now that I have treated nearly 4000 dogs in just 2 and a half-years I am still learning dog behaviour. In fact I find many street dogs friendlier than the pedigree household dogs. I love my job at KAT it is challenging and almost everyday I encounter new cases.

I even have dog of my own at home - Luci!

At last, I would like to say, every animal deserve sympathy, love and care from a human, so-called supreme animal of nature.

From Dr Pramod Dhakal

Hi, Namaste! I am Pramod Dhakal and I come from Surkhet (mid-western region of Nepal). I completed my B.V.Sc. & A.H. degree from Institute of Agriculture and Animal Science in Rampur, Chitwan (the first Veterinary College in Nepal) in 2006. I learned about KAT through Dr. Gretchen Kaufman.

I came to KAT as a volunteer and now I would like to join the staff full-time. I understand that KAT is looking for a possibility to support my employment costs.

Working with dogs, and particularly the street dogs, has stimulated me. Now I feel that I have taken a big step forward towards contributing something to the suffering dogs. While I was in my college in Chitwan, I mostly dealt with the large animals and here I have started another chapter. I like the team of staff here in the KAT Centre. It's a perfect harmony. And now I feel really glad to be another member of the KAT crew. Apart from my job, I like swimming, writing poems and listening to music. In the days to come, I am committed to make KAT larger and more efficient, so that we can contribute to the local communities through education and by reducing the suffering of the animals that enhance our society in so many differing ways.



Vets Dr Jha (L) and Dr Dhakal (R) examine a patient

UK NEWS

Jan Salter visited the UK during the summer and while here attended the WSPA symposium held in London. This was an opportunity to hear from experts in all fields of animal



Jan Salter at the WSPA Conference

welfare work and to meet with the representatives of other animal charities. Over 110 countries were represented.

The symposium urged all animal lovers to sign a petition to the UN which would require all governments to recognise animals as sentient beings.

If you would like to sign this you can do so on-line at:-

www.animalsmatter.org

A supporter, Isabel George, placed an article about KAT and its history in the September issue of "Your Dog". This was very well received and has raised our profile nationally.

Fund raising has continued throughout the year. The Calderdale Support Group, whose invaluable contributions go back to 2004, outline their activities and adventures below.

Digitworks have generously continued to support the website and will do so again in 2007.

Anne Clarke will be holding a lottery in the Spring and helps KAT through her shop *Yak Yak* in Todmorden. She also takes veterinary items donated by Chris Lawrence, a

director of Dogs Trust, on her regular trips to Kathmandu.

A recent lottery, organised by Juliette Cunliffe and assisted by Tony and Steven Green, raised over £400.

Mrs Edith Mitchell, who died this year, shared the donations received at her funeral with KAT.

Gary Collier, a trustee of DCWC, another charity working in Nepal, is helping us with fund raising and transportation.

Juliette Cunliffe, Jim Pearson and Barbara Webb visited KAT in October and were given generous amounts of veterinary medicines and equipment to take over with them.

Special donors are:

World Wide Veterinary Services

Amanda Kirk and her colleagues at the West Timperley Medical Centre who kindly donated redundant surgical instruments and a portable autoclave.

Dr David Muge of Animals Are Us

David Thurston of Green Hollow Veterinary Practice

Wetnose Ltd and Wythall & District German Shepherd Dog Training Club have both made generous cash donations and many canine breed clubs have helped to raise funds for KAT at their shows. Amongst them are The Lhasa Apso Club, Midland Lhasa Apso Association, Tibetan Terrier Association and the Lhasa Apso Club of Scotland where Ros and Bruce Watson have worked hard on KAT's behalf. On a personal level, Irene Chamberlain and husband, Stuart, have been enormously kind in their donation of raffle prizes, as indeed have many other people to whom KAT is so very grateful.

We are also indebted to the Tibetan Terrier Association and to the Tibetan Terrier Breeder and Owners Club for hosting an auction in aid of KAT, to be held at the Tibetan Ter-

rier World Congress in August 2007.

Gill White and others continue to work hard on KAT's behalf, raising funds at training classes through sponsored obedience stays, whilst Denise Barney and her sister, Stephanie, have quietly worked away at raising funds for KAT on an on-going basis.

Lyn and Gary Horton had a novel way of sending Christmas greetings for 2006, by donating the money they would have spent on cards to KAT instead. In return, Juliette had the opportunity to extend their greetings in *Our Dogs*, a weekly dog paper that has always been supportive of the cause. Perhaps this is something others might consider doing when it comes to the festive season for 2007?

We are fortunate in being able to welcome many new supporters. Gediminas Buktus-Taylor may be our youngest recruit in the UK at 14 years old. He is fund raising in North Yorkshire. Well done Gediminas.



Gediminas Buktus-Taylor

Finally, if you are at all interested in spending some time helping out at KAT, particularly if you have any veterinary experience, your assistance would be very welcome. We may be able to help with accommodation during your visit to Nepal.

Barbara Webb

UK Bank details

We have previously published our bank account details and invited direct donations to the account.

However, this has meant that we have not been able to identify and thank all of our donors. If you are such a donor, please understand that we are very grateful for your help and would track you down if we could – but the banks will not reveal your identity!

To avoid this in future we would ask that you post donations, made out to KAT (UK) and including your contact details please, to Barbara Webb at The Little Manor, Tytherington Lane, Bollington, Cheshire, SK10 2JS. And please, don't forget to Gift Aid it - see back page for more information.

It is the continued efforts of all supporters which keeps KAT going. All of the help we receive is very much appreciated.

Do, please, continue to give what you can to improve the situation of so many distressed animals.

THE CALDERDALE SUPPORT GROUP

Since our foray into the world of fund raising, we are encouraged to announce that £17000 has been raised from April 2004 to date.

Although the group is small, we are energetic and committed; bringing together a variety of ideas and individual strengths.

We have continued to sell bric-a-brac and Nepalese goods at village fetes, fairs and carnivals. The sale of second-hand books in coffee shops, pubs and veterinary surgeries, provides a regular income of around £2000 per year. A game utilising the many donated soft toys has become very popular with children as well as being extremely lucrative. We also have devised a form of tombola using donated new items.

During the summer we were given a new, large, professional display board; which, with information and photographs from the Centre, has attracted much interest and many donations.

From the many discussions that arise at these functions, our first public speaking engagement was arranged. This was quite scary as it took place over the border in Lancashire and, to an all-male audience. Our main intention was to raise awareness of the Centre and the part it plays in the life of Kathmandu city but we came away with very generous donations.

We are always looking for new ideas, unwanted gifts and bric-a-brac but, especially, animal loving people. If you live in the Calderdale area and would like to help, why not ring 01422 822301 or 01422 823591.

Chris Richardson

Sanne Says ...

Hello everybody! My name is Sanne Wilmink and I'm a 5th year veterinary student from Holland. As I had to wait a few months before I could start my final internship, I decided to come to Nepal; to travel and observe work at the KAT Centre, learn of the problems faced by the street dogs and to gain insight and experience of the methods employed. I have been in Nepal for 4½ months now, and intend to stay for another 1½ month at least. My first impression of KAT was very positive. Now, the more I get to know about KAT and become a bit of an 'insider', the more I appreciate the wonderful work they do. Even in this short period of time I can see the big difference KAT makes to the dogs in Centre's working areas.

In areas where KAT is active, the street dog population is less dense, the dogs are much healthier, and the local community are a lot friendlier towards them. I reckon this occurs because they know the dogs have been vaccinated against rabies and have seen from the dog-handling of the KAT staff that also street dogs can generally be trusted to be nice. Although sometimes it's a little bit hard to get up at 5am, as soon as I'm out on the streets with the KAT staff, I really enjoy participating in the dog-catching. Within the time-span of the last 4½ months, it is very apparent that it's becoming harder and harder to find any un-spayed females in the working areas, as nearly all of the dogs in those areas have undergone the surgery by now. Luckily, as the community people now know and appreciate KAT, seeing the improvement in the street dogs in their area, they help us to point out the last remaining dogs to be spayed. Altogether, it's really nice to see how this program truly makes a difference and is really very effective. It is truly a pity that KAT Centre is not big enough to cover the whole city of Kathmandu at the moment.

Sanne

KAT (UK) now registered with the Charity Commission

KAT (UK) achieved charitable registration on 15th August 2006. Our registration number is 115822.

Registration with the Charities Commission will improve our standing, both here and abroad, by demonstrating that we are a properly constituted organisation, which is subject to the constraints of a governing body.

The current trustees are Miss Juliette Cunliffe, Mr Steven Green, Mr Robert Greaves and Ms Barbara Webb

Registration also enables us to take advantage of the Gift Aid scheme. Using this scheme we can claim from the Inland Revenue an additional 28% of every donation of **money** made by an **individual** UK taxpayer, provided that they have completed a Gift Aid form and have paid at least this amount in income and/or capital gains tax.

If you are collecting money from others then, to qualify, they each must complete a separate Gift Aid form which must be returned to us with the donation.

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Further information is available from the HM Revenue & Customs website
www.hmrc.gov.uk/charities/gift-aid.htm



	<p>Using Gift Aid means that for every pound you give, we get an extra 28 pence from HM Revenue & Customs, helping your donation go further.</p> <p>This means that £10 can be turned into £12.80 just so long as donations are made through Gift Aid. Imagine what a difference that could make to KAT, and it doesn't cost you a thing.</p> <p>So if you want your donation to go further, Gift Aid It. Just complete this form and send it back to Barbara Webb, The Little Manor, Tytherington Lane, Bollington, SK10 2JS</p>
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Address _____ _____	
Postcode _____	
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<p><i>I want all donations I have made to KAT (UK) since 15 August 2006 and all future donations to be Gift Aid until I notify you otherwise</i></p> <p>To qualify for Gift Aid a few simple rules apply:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The amount you pay in UK income tax and/or capital gains tax must at least equal the amount we will claim back in the tax year.• You must notify us of any change of name or address• The donation must be of money (not goods or services) and from you personally. If you collect money from other people then they must each complete a Gift Aid form and this must be returned to us with the donation. Blank forms are available on request.	



All those involved with Kathmandu Animal Treatment Centre wish to thank you for your valuable support, all of which helps to bring a wag to the tails of the dogs that need our help so much, and a smile to the faces of the Nepali people.



*Together, let us create a city ...
... where cruelty is eliminated.*

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