

# The Yowler

Summer 2021 www.hsar.org

# **Introducing Our New Logo!**

We are so happy to present the new logo for Hull Seaside Animal Rescue! Kittendales designer and friend of the shelter, Steve Parrish, offered his talents to create a new logo.

Since HSAR had the same one for 20 years, it seemed like the right time to refresh our look. Steve did a great job of reflecting the spirit of HSAR in this new design. Thanks, Stevel

Our previous logo emphasized HSAR's Hull location and even included crashing waves in the lettering. The new logo wonderfully captures our organization and its mission.

The center of the image is, appropriately, the silhouette of an orange cat, which focuses on our mission of feline rescue. The logo echoes the old in that it still includes the image of a wave. And the colors of ocean blue and sea foam green represent our seaside community beautifully.

We say farewell to the old logo which served us so well for so many years. And we look forward to this new image representing an HSAR that is cat-loving and community-focused for many years to come.



New Logo 2021



Logo 2000-2020

## The Fab Four Meets the Peanuts Gang



**The Fab Four**John, Paul, George & Ringo

Last year we got more kittens than usual and this year appears to be following in the same

footsteps. As early as March, HSAR became the temporary home for two broods of kittens.

The Peanuts Gang came to the shelter timid, wanting to hide in their little cubbies. HSAR volunteers did their usual fabulous work,"loving up" the new arrivals until, within a couple of weeks they were running around having fun.

The Fab Four started to rock the place as soon as they arrived. This fluffy foursome of brothers offered an irresistible amount of cuteness throughout their stay.

After being checked out by a vet and getting spayed or neutered, each kitten left with a brother or sister to their new forever homes. Kittens are usually adopted in pairs so that they have a playmate and feline friend to spend their lives with.





The Peanuts Gang Peppermint Patty, Marcie, Snoopy & Sally



# President's Letter: Moving Forward

Dear HSAR Family,

Life is starting to return to some sense of normalcy, and yet we are finding that adopters continue to seek feline companionship even as lives have begun to go back to a prepandemic mode. Most of our cat residents find a forever home after spending only a short amount of time at the shelter.

In our last newsletter, though, we featured cats who had rather lengthy stays and just a little catittude. Two of these special kitties have found wonderful homes. Hal, after waiting for almost 3 months, has a new human best buddy and is living in Walpole; Sheba, who was about 10 years old and the survivor of some tough times, has nice new digs down the Cape after waiting patiently at the shelter for 151 days.

This summer newsletter is full of cute kitten faces because, yet again, it looks like it will be a busy season for kittens! HSAR prefers to keep kittens and new moms in foster homes, and, as you'll see in the articles about Penuche and Hope, we are always in need of foster parents. Let us know if you have a little space in your home and a lot of space in your heart.

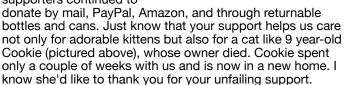


## Facts about Cats...

Did you know?
Cats can jump up to 6 times their length!

We've made a little change at the shelter, thanks to a kind donor. We've added some soothing sounds to the shelter ambiance. Each room now has a speaker so that cats not only have comfy beds and sunny windows, but also can enjoy some smooth jazz or classical music while they wait for a forever home.

Lastly, while 2020 was a tough year for all, HSAR supporters continued to



Peace, Maura



The Massachusetts legislature is considering S.222, which is a bill that, if passed into law, would prohibit the inhumane declawing of cats. Scratching is a normal and healthy behavior for cats. Declawing is a painful amputation which denies cats the ability to scratch, which is how they mark their territory, deposit their scent, and feel secure in their ability to defend themselves. We encourage you to contact your legislators to support a ban on the declawing of cats by Massachusetts veterinarians.

# Buy a Shirt and Eat a Taco to Support HSAR

This summer HSAR has a couple of fun ways you can support our feline residents. Celebrate our new logo with some new threads! You can buy a new t-shirt or sweatshirt with a choice of 5 different colors.

And did you know that on some days of the month, you can come to the shelter parking lot and get lunch or dinner? And you'll not only get a delicious meal, but you'll also support the cats and kittens of HSAR at the same time!

We have apparel that will meet your summer needs. Sporting our fresh new logo, short-sleeved t-shirts are just \$20 and long-sleeved are \$25. For those chilly nights on the beach, buy a hooded sweatshirt for only \$45.





You can also support the kitties by dropping by most Sundays, weather permitting, 11am -2pm and some evenings during the week. The South Shore Taco Guy

serves up delicious tacos and burritos and donates back 10% of all sales to HSAR. Check out the South Shore Taco Guy on Facebook for more info on days and times.

Be a cool cat and pick up a taco and some new gear. All food and apparel is feline-approved.







Shop at hsar.org

Score your new apparel at our website. Open your camera, scan the QR code, and follow the link. Easy!



## **New Best Friends**



Licorice arrived at HSAR in March, a six month old, all-black kitten, hoping for a new home.

At the shelter, she would meow to grab the attention of any volunteer nearby. Once she was in someone's arms, she would purr away!

Then, the Goobic family came along. Zachary, Owen, Wilkes and their mom and dad came in for a visit.

It was love at first sight for all. Now

that Licorice is in her new home, the boys are just over the moon in love with their new furry family member!

The boys reported back that Licorice has been super sweet and cuddly right from the start, that she took to her scratching post right away, and that she is in the family prayers each night.

It looks like the start of a wonderful friendship!



Zachary, Owen and Wilkes

# Fosters Open Their Hearts & Homes

Penuche is a long-term foster that HSAR supports and who has lived a beautiful life thanks to her foster mom

Susan Davis. "Nuchee," as she is affectionately called, is now 13 and was born with a condition called cerebellar hypoplasia. This is a developmental issue in the brain that is passed on by a pregnant cat to her unborn kittens in the womb. For Penuche, it manifests as severe unsteadiness and the inability to walk more than a few steps without falling over. Penuche has been this way since birth. It's important to note that her disorder is not painful, so she is able to play and live a mostly normal life.

Penuche has a beautiful spirit and is an inspiration to those who see her overcome obstacles and refuse limitations. Thank you,
Susan, for your love and commitment to providing her with
the best life she could have ever had!

Fostering is an important part of the our rescue mission. Some cats simply need special attention. There are those who have medical issues, there are pregnant moms who need a quiet place to give birth, and there are cats who need a little extra socialization.

If you can open your heart and your home to foster special cats in need, contact Ellen at HSAR <u>info@hsar.org</u> or 781-925-3121.





Regina Flynn, foster mom extraordinaire, has been bottle feeding Hope since only hours after she was born. This little nugget was one week premature according to weight and sizing charts. Regina has been lovingly hand-feeding her since Hope's mom was unable to care for her. Today, Hope is thriving. She's now walking, playing, and becoming quite a beauty. Regina, you're a hero!







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Shelter Manager Ellen Whitney

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Hull Seaside Animal Rescue is a 501(c)(3) non-profit, tax exempt organization which rescues and places homeless cats and assists in the care and control of the local feral cat population of Hull and surrounding towns. We are a no-kill cat shelter, founded in 1999 by a handful of concerned citizens that understood the need to establish an animal rescue and shelter program. We have grown

over the years and now boast over 75 volunteers with a part-time paid shelter manager. The shelter exists predominantly on donations, fundraising events, grants, and bottle/can collection and redemption.

Adoption Hours by Appointment Only
487 Nantasket Ave. Hull
Monday appointments from 6:30-7:30 pm
Saturday appointments from 2:00-3:00 pm
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Send donations to: HSAR P.O. Box 787 Hull, MA 02045

## Ways to Donate

- Donate with PayPal or credit card at hsar.org
- Send a check with the enclosed envelope.
- Purchase HSAR merchandise at the shelter or online.
- Drop off redeemable cans/bottles.

Thank you to all of our donors!