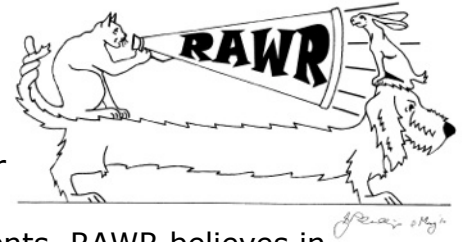


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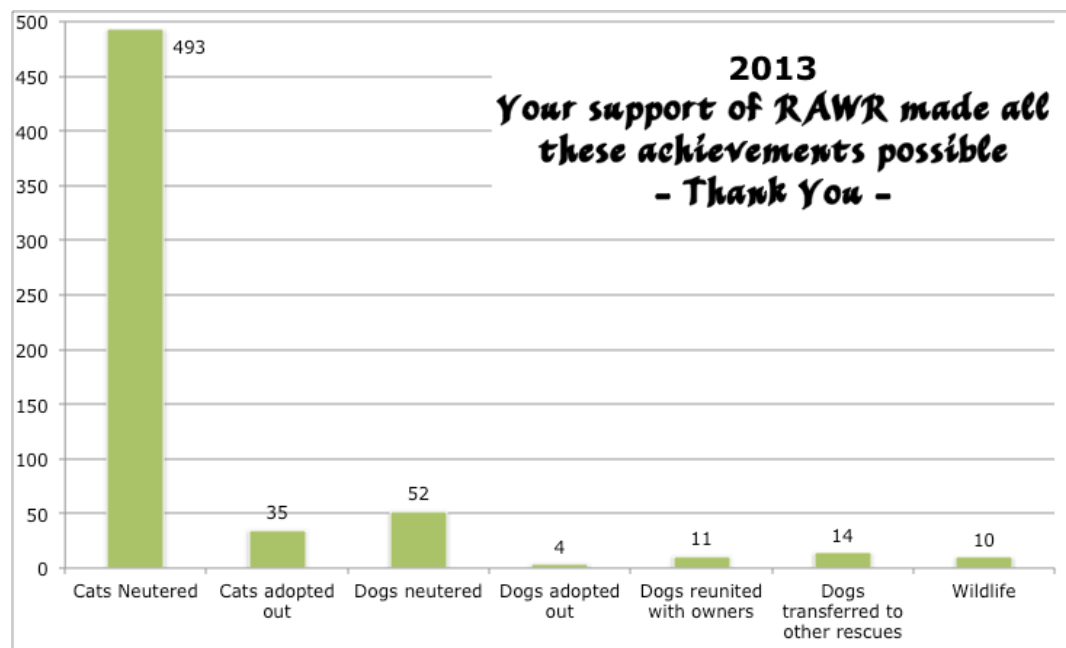
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Transparency & Accountability

Unfortunately not all charities work the same way. On a regular basis we see and hear of charities using money donated for one purpose for another goal, like salaries or other staff payments. RAWR believes in complete transparency and accountability. We have no paid staff. Our activities are and have been run 100% on volunteer input, including the directors, treasurer, secretary and our shop staff. The only person we pay on a regular basis is our accountant as we don't have a volunteer capable of auditing our accounts which is compulsory for a registered Irish charity.

Because we don't pay people, we can invest in animals. The graph shows what RAWR has been able to achieve with your support and donations. If truth be told, we are quite proud of our increase in neutered cats! Of course it niggles us that we haven't been able to breach the 500 neutered cats, so guess what our aims for 2014 are??



To make this happen, we must grow our trapping team this year. As we have said before, RAWR can't keep asking the same group of volunteers to do more and more. If you over 18 and interested in helping us, please email: info@rawr.ie. Becoming a member of the trapping team does not mean you can't say no to a trapping project, as with all other roles at RAWR, this is a 100% voluntary commitment.

Have a look into RAWR:

AGM @ The Maritime Hotel 29th March '14

Invitation to our members will go out shortly

RAWR is increasing its TNR numbers and has been investing in improving local awareness of what we do and why. However, this means we also deal with increasing numbers of non-socialised cats that cannot be returned due to health issues or to unsafe conditions at their originating location(s), because RAWR works with a no-kill policy. As a result we now have a number of barn cats in our care that are looking for a home.

Do you have a barn, shed, or other large outbuilding? Are you tired of toxic poisons and traps to catch unscrupulous rats/mice? Get a barn cat; the benefits far outweigh the cost. Barn cats are the best non-toxic method of getting rid of rodents

How do you get a barn cat? Email or call RAWR: info@rawr.ie



The Know-It-All

Lately we have had a serious discussion at RAWR about the term and different versions of a "Pussy Wagon". Apparently there is a bit of a generation gap going on... Some say it is a bright yellow Chevrolet Silverado SS seen in the film *Kill Bill: Vol. 1*.

That truck is owned by writer and director Quentin Tarantino, but has been lend to the likes of Lady Gaga for her video "Telephone". Others though remember a car referred to as "pussy wagon" in *Grease* (much better film!).

Anyhow, both groups being correct, a little research online shows more interpretations of the term the Know-it-All didn't want you to miss....

*If you have a strong preference for one, please let us know on our **Facebook** page!*



CALENDAR OF ANIMAL DAYS

February

- = Responsible Pet Owners Month (USA)
- 18 World Whale Day
- 22 World Walk the Dog Day
- 23 Int. Dog Biscuit Appreciation Day
- 27 Polar Bear Day

March

- 7-9 International Festival of Owls
- 17 St. Gertrude of Nivelles
= Patron Saint of Cats
- 20 World Frog Day
- 22 International Day of the Seal
- 23 National Puppy Day (USA)

Return on investment: the Barn Cat rates A+++

In general, the one and only requirement to adopt a Barn Cat is a life-long commitment to regularly provide food, water, shelter and medical attention for the barn cats. Though it may seem like a huge commitment, the benefits are worth it, and likely less expensive in the long run than poison and traps. All barn cats need to be spayed or neutered, but RAWR has taken care of that for potential owners. To increase your Barn Cat's health you will need to keep up with preventative treatments, such as worming. Rats and mice are usually carriers of worms.

The life expectancy of a barn cat is generally half that of a indoor cat simply because outdoor cats are exposed to many more dangers and diseases than indoor cats. But, again, you are increasing your barn cat's life by adopting him or her into your farm family whereas before they were completely feral and without a home. If you get a barn cat, you will be satisfied in knowing that you helped rescue a cat; and it, in turn, helps you to keep your farm pest free.

fit & feisty ferals looking for board & lodgings



Healthy, neutered
BARN CATS for
outdoor homes!

- These feral (wild) cats need a home where they can go to work, and live out their natural lives.

All these cats need in exchange for their handywork is a home at a farm, in a horse stable or any type of shed. Your responsibilities as an owner include providing daily food and water, protection from the elements, and consistent veterinary care.

Upon arrival your ratter should be kept in a secure space. Regular contact ensures the cats accept their new home quickly. In no time will they chase mice and rats on your property!

If you want to adopt

