

# Cat Tales 2013



*a Calendar by Andy Scordellis*



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## Noelle -

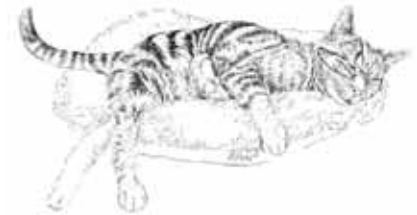
'Noelle came home with us on Christmas Eve.

When we were out she guarded the house from her bed in the front hall, and would be waiting at the door on our return.

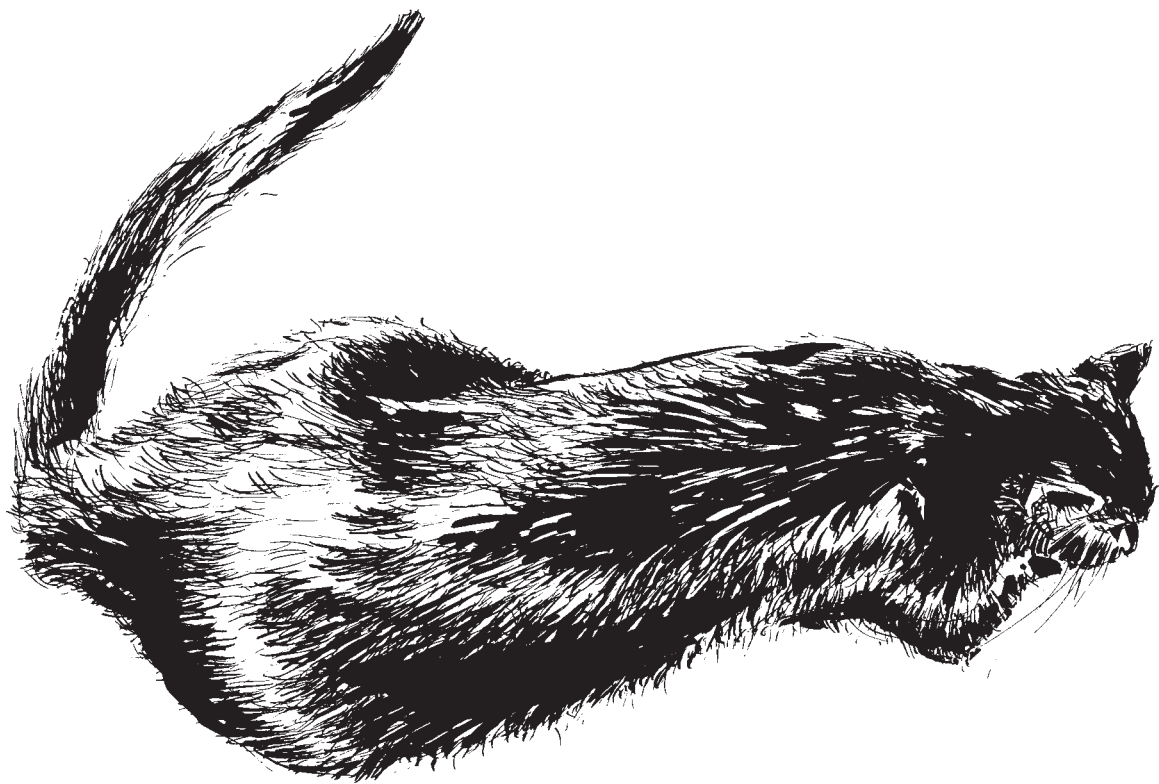
Even for the postman, with whom she played "patty paws" through the letter box.

For over 19 years she was a true and loving companion, and even enjoyed a narrowboat holiday on the Grand Union Canal with us.'

- Trevor & Leslie Dowling



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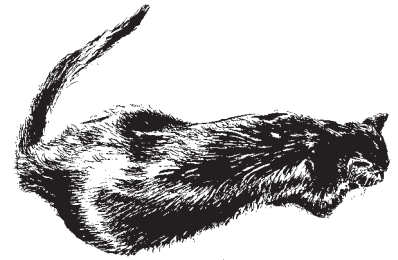
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## Ollie -

'A jet black cat,  
blind in one eye  
but handsome at that.  
He's a bit of a dandy  
with a swanky walk,  
the speed of a cheetah  
and an eye like a hawk.  
That's Ollie!'

## - Marie White - 'Grammy'



'Ollie'

## March

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## Lily -

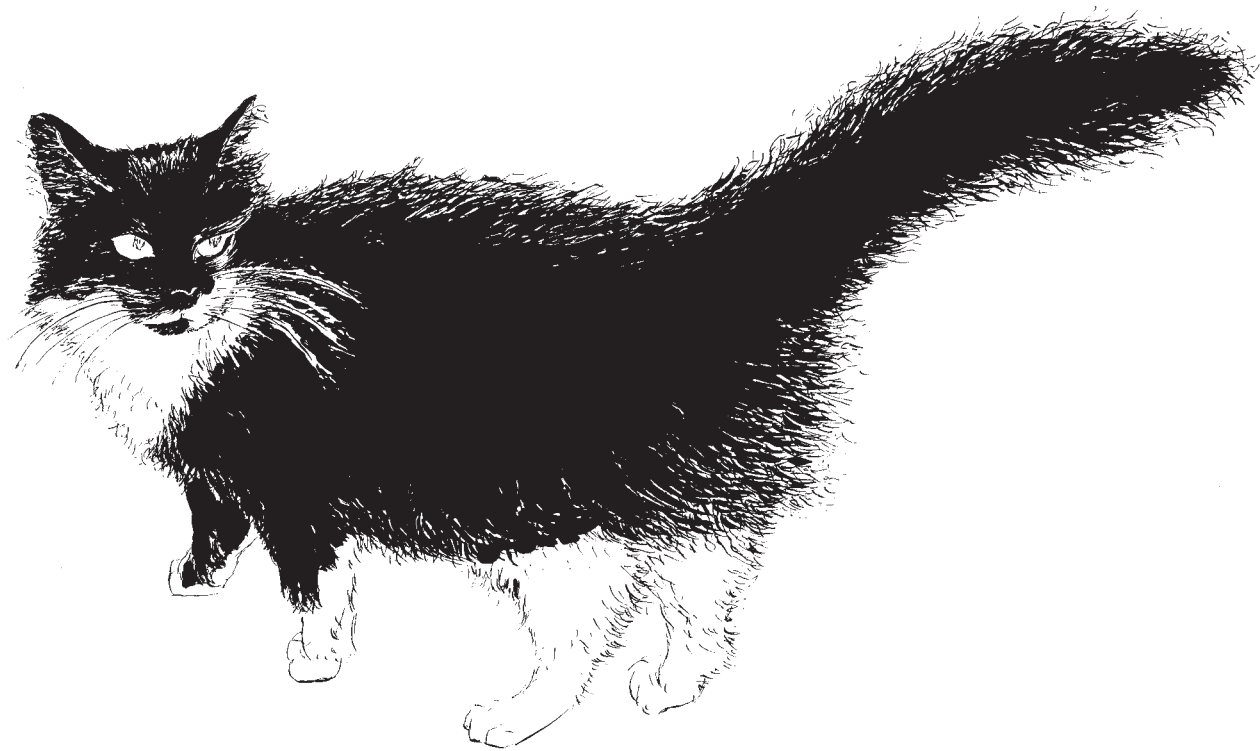
Mrs Osler adopted Lily from the cats sanctuary, but because we didn't have any animals Lily would visit us very often.

Then when Mrs. Osler went into a home we asked if we could keep her and we have had Lily for 3 years now, and we think she's about 10-11 years old. She gets brushed every-day and has the run of the house.

We adopted Lily from next door  
I taught her to give her paw  
She always eats her fill  
She likes sitting on the windowsill  
She's not a fast mover  
But flees from a Hoover  
She attacks neighbours dogs  
She also chases Moggs

-Georgia Smith







# April 2013

## Bonnie -

'My sister-in-law Marjorie, asked me to help her choose a cat from Cats Protection in Stowbridge. My husband Fred and I noticed a black and white kitten banging her head against the cage.

Fred was quite distressed and pleaded with me to take 'Bonnie' home with us asap.

With the kind help of the ladies in charge, it was organised so that she could go home with us that very afternoon.

From that moment on Fred and Bonnie were inseparable. She had the sweetest, most gentle disposition, and took to snuggling against Fred's feet at any given opportunity.'

- Lillian Lewendon.



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## Evie -

Considered by her previous owners to be ugly, odd and unintelligent, Evie came up to Norfolk and moved in with Nikki and Emilie, joining Possum on the sofa.

With a lot of love and affection Evie's personality blossomed, and she became a lovely, and lively inquisitive cat.

With a lot more care and attention her coat lost its knots and became a billowing silver cloud floating from cat door to cat door in search of extra cat biscuits.

## - Nikki & Emilie



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## Tilda -

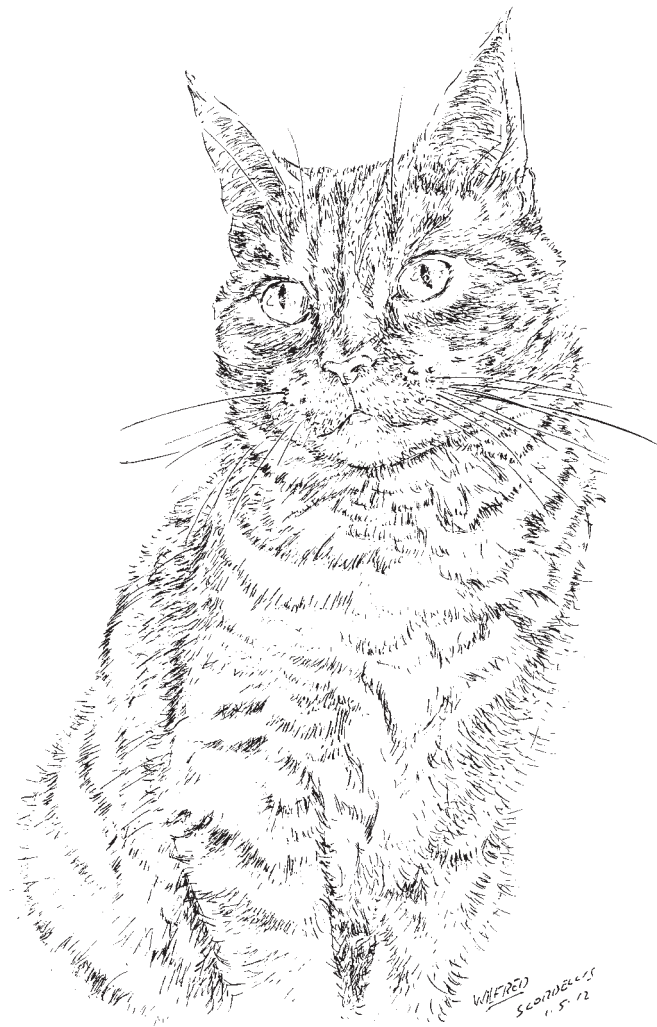
'A black and white cat  
with a very big voice  
She just moved in  
We had no choice  
She definitely said -  
I'm here to stay  
I love my food  
and love to play  
I am your loving Tilda  
and will never go away.'

- Marie White - 'Grammy'



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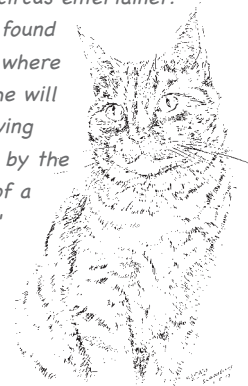
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## Wilfred -

'Mr. Wilfred Ginge came to us via my friend's mum who owns an animal sanctuary, close to where we live. Her words on the phone were - 'I have a lovely little ginger boy with a curly tail and he's just perfect for you...'  
I still remember Wilfred's huge green marble-like eyes staring at me through the door of the pen; totally out of proportion with his tiny body. He'd been found in Downham Market, eating out of bins...food has come to be a bit of an obsession of his, unsurprisingly! His curly, squirrel like tail makes it difficult for him to climb because balancing is a bit of an issue...He tends to sway on fences like an amateur circus entertainer!  
He can often be found on car rooftops, where he is convinced he will catch an over flying bird, or standing by the fridge, hopeful of a wee snackette...'



- Gayle  
Curtis





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## Big -

- originally called Arfur or Stumpy (since half his tail was missing) - was passed from home to home, and often found himself homeless.

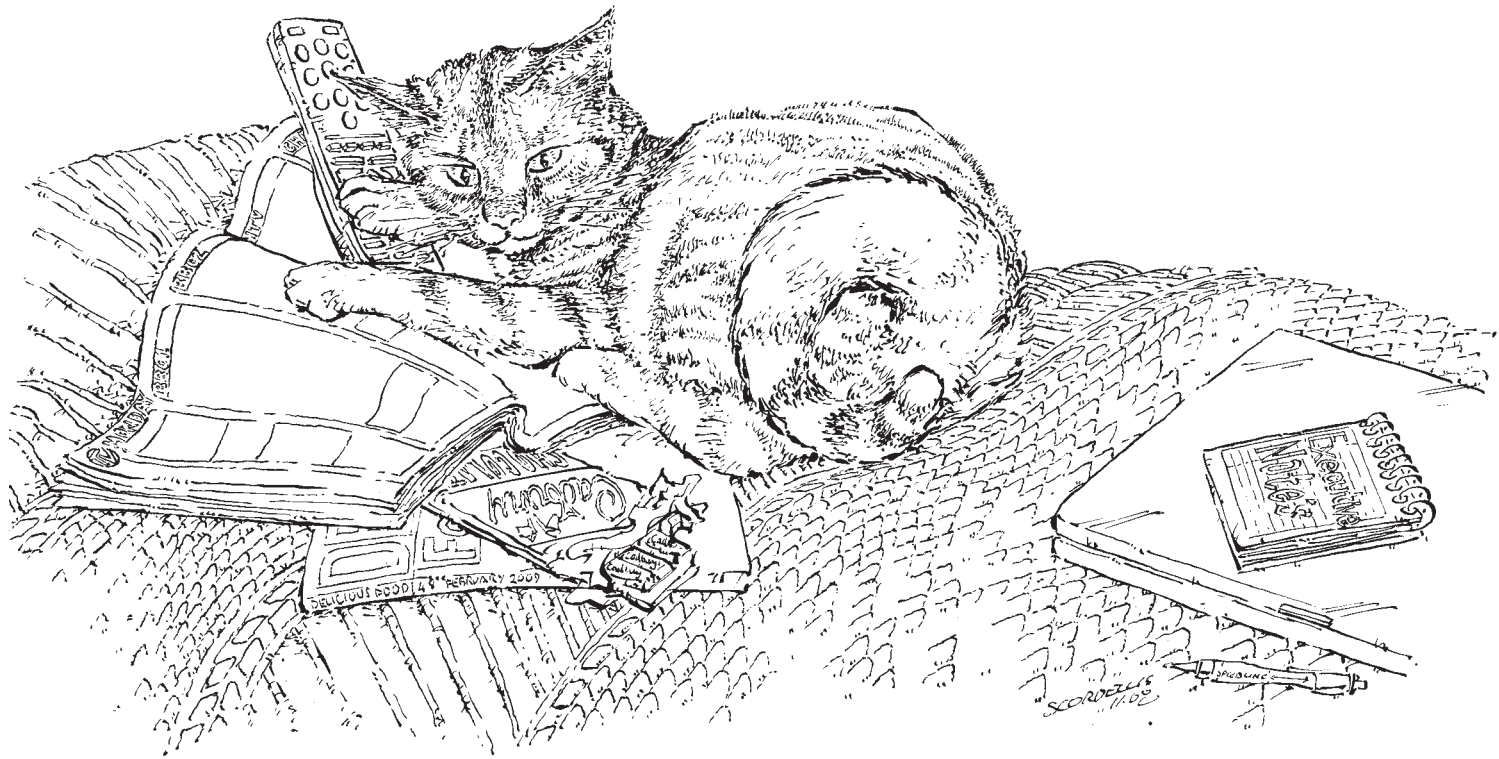
He first met Estelle on our allotment. We learned that 'Big' although a stray, was being fed eight doors down. Reluctant to take on another cat we gave Big a bed only.

When he disappeared in the snow of Winter '09 we found him at the local Cats Protection and gave him a home. Contrary to his doctor's orders, Big ignored his quarantine - kicked down the cat flap and went off to check out his old territory!

It was hours later, and twilight by the time Big returned for supper, and to snuggle up in his new home.

## - Estelle and Andy





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## Mr Ginge -

"Anyway, my cat week was filled with preparations for Chocolate Day, one of my favourite events of the year. I had buried and hidden confectionaire all over my garden ready for the Chocolate Day hunt the next day. Now, I'm very particular about the rules of this game and it states that the party organiser and host is allowed a ten cat minute start ahead of everyone else. I wasn't cheating, dear readers and just because I had more chocolate eggs than anyone else had nothing to do with my head start because once I've buried said confectionaire, I can never remember where I buried it."

- Gayle Curtis

Follow Wilfred's culinary memoirs at [www.wilfredginge.co.uk](http://www.wilfredginge.co.uk) or buy the ebook - 'Wilfred, Fanny and Floyd: Autobiographical Sketches of a Culinary Genius' at Amazon.co.uk - Bon Appetit!



October

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Murphy & Mimi

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## Murphy & Millie

Every time you put down an empty carrier bag - moments later there's a cat in it. And boxes are worse - two cats - one may not be yours!

So when **Chris & Barbara Garner** provided me with reference photos for an ink and watercolour painting of friends' cats - Murphy and Millie - there was only ever one choice, the photo of Murphy on top of Millie in a box big enough for only one cat.

Chris & Barbara's friends were very pleased with the gift, but squashed Millie must have been thinking - **'...not again...?'**



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## Possum -

- was found wandering the bleak streets of Brighton as an undernourished and scabby stray with bald patches owing to a nasty flea allergy.

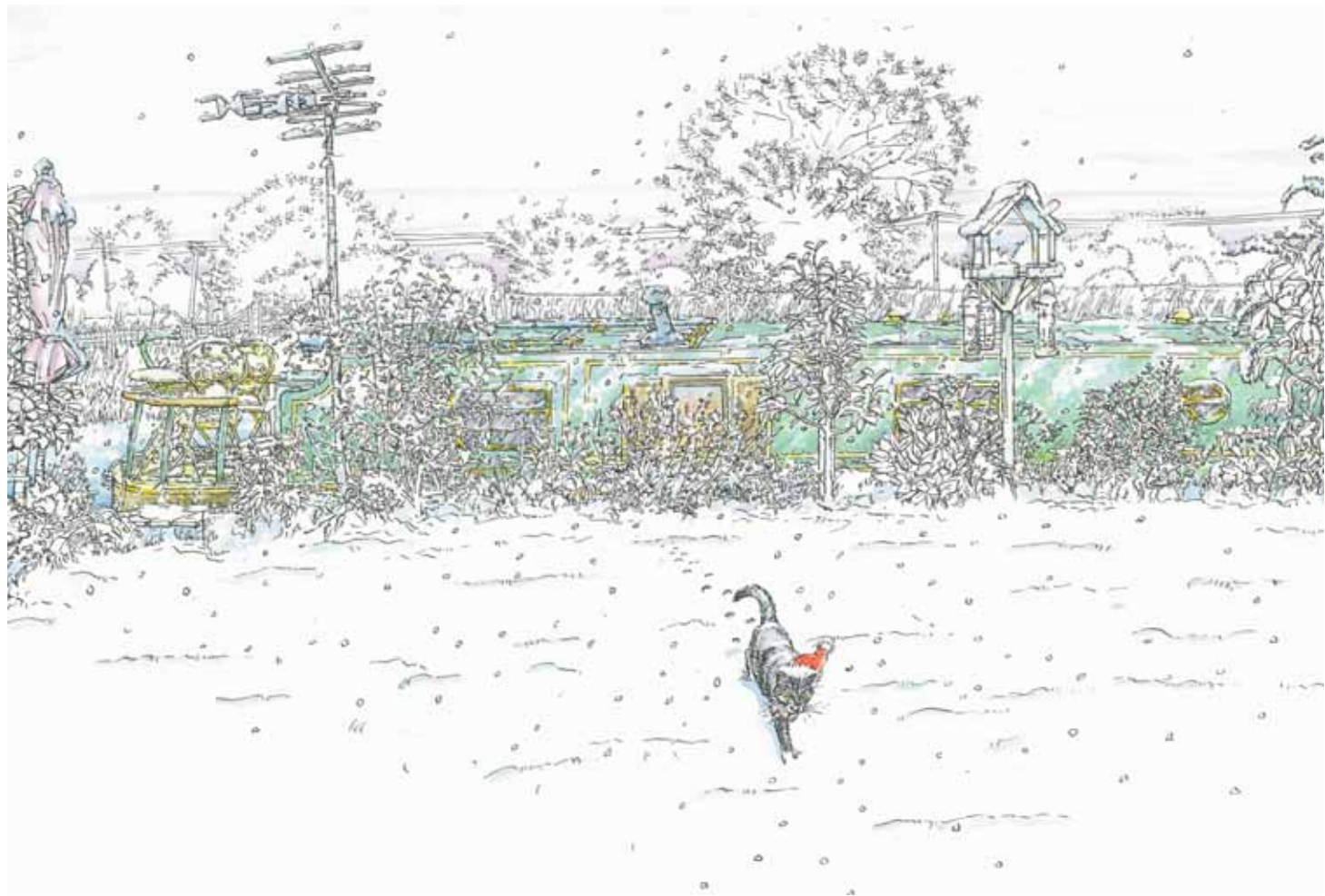
Possum aka 'Brighton Bob' spent 12 months at West Sussex Cats Protection before being moved to Stowbridge near King's Lynn, where he had better luck!

Nikki and Emilie gave Possum a new home of his own which he soon found he was sharing with long haired, raggydoll tabby white Evie.

Having spent much of his life 'on the streets' Possum now enjoys staying in a lot...

- Nikki White







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## Popit -

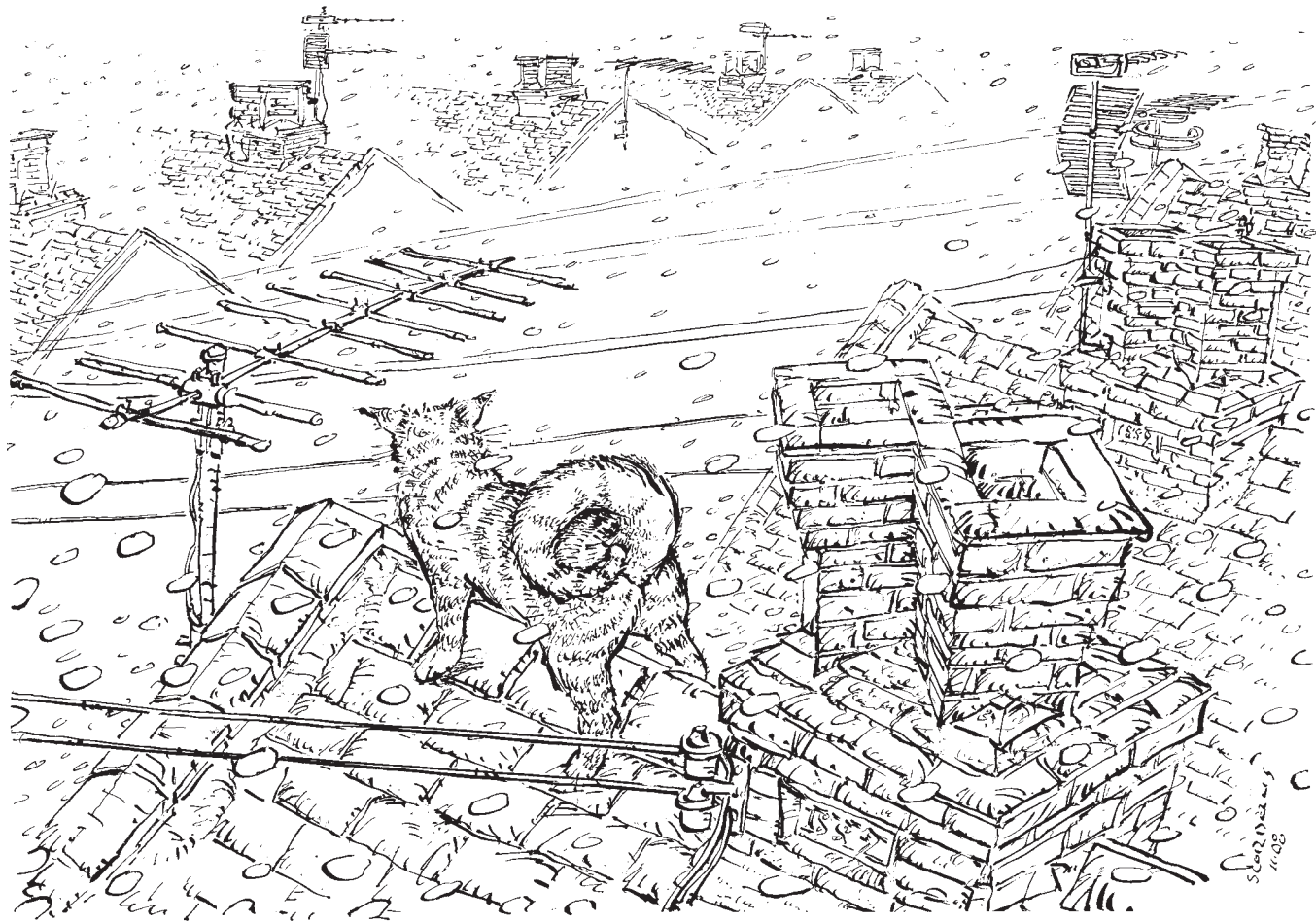
Popit and Biskit live at the Stoke Ferry water's edge on the River Wissey in a rather wide & beautiful narrowboat called 'The Fluffy Biskit'.

A life by the river can have its ups and downs, particularly when - unlike Biskit - you can't swim. After falling into the Wissey many times - Popit has finally learned to swim!

It's Christmas Day and Popit has the sprouts on, and the chipolatas are rolled, now he's gone out to bring home the turkey! It's a cat's life on the river...**Merry Christmas!**

- Annette & Nigel Saxby





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*If you have a cat (and of course a cat tale), and fancy a drawing or just want to share your story - we're all cat ears and eyes - email [info@andyscordellis.co.uk](mailto:info@andyscordellis.co.uk)*

## Andy Scordellis -

My first cat drawings were for local author Gayle Curtis' book - 'The Papers and Journals of Mr Ginge' based on her cat Wilfred.

I went on to draw our cat 'Big', relatives cats, and then other people's cats. Along with all the cat drawings came the cat stories - heartwarming tales, some tinged with rescue and salvation.

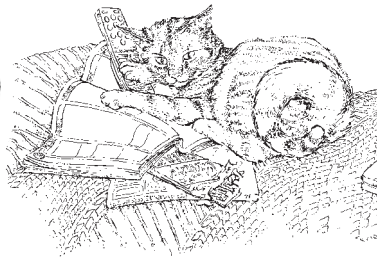
At craft fairs people buying cat cards and prints told me their own personal cat stories.

I think there are enough cat tales out there to fill a couple of calendars and a book or two...



Happy New Year!

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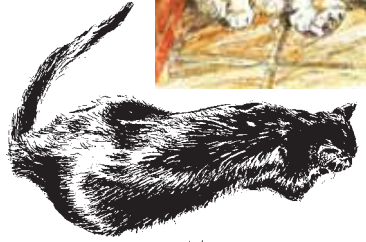
*'RESTAURATEUR turns ARTIST...now serving...  
 - PEN & INK, WATERCOLOUR and COMIC ART!'*

*'Enjoy!'*

*- for commissions, workshops & art group...*



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