

Welcome to
**THE OLD MCNAUGHTON
ZOO AND ANIMAL FARM**



Poppy



Panda Bear



Fleecy (Photo N Nelson)



Gail and Casey

Poppy Cat

Blue Persian
Adopted November 13, 2010



Little Angels

Panda Bear

Himalayan Torti Point
Adopted November 15, 2010

Sisters, born July 31, 2010
Adopted from Jennifer Weaver



Fleecy is Born

Fleecy

black, female, Golden Doodle dog,
Adopted November 27, 2010

born October 1, 2010
Adopted from Highview Golden Doodles

Already at the Farm:

Casey

black, male domestic cat,
Adopted November 23, 2005

born in 2002
Adopted from Animal Aide, St. Thomas



*Mommy Millie Bear
and Family*



Gail and Casey
at Hallowe'en



Gail and the kittens



Kittens eating on
kitchen table



Gail, Fleecy, Wendy
(the dog breeder)

Our family has grown to include pets from both the canine and feline worlds. The three musketeers have arrived and our resident cat, Casey, watched the parade as each animal arrived in its own time.

First came Poppy. She was selected because I once owned a black Persian and she seemed so interested in me and investigated the wicker carrying case willingly. She is blue in colour which is rare except in my doodle world of colour. While at church the next day Rev. Lori said something that inspired me to inquire about the other sister Himalayan kitten that is as cute as a button and wears a mink stole with brown accessories. It was meant for her to be part of our family so Jennifer dropped her off and you should have seen the reunion between the two sisters. I could see love and joy in their faces. They have nestled into our hearts and the family atmosphere with Casey wondering what was happening and taking another look when he saw the second kitten appear. They wanted him to mother them but he wasn't going to have any part of that. From time to time, he lets them play with his tail and drink at the bowl with him.

Then the much-awaited day came for us to bring Fleecy home and we discovered our parenting role dramatically increased. Winter is upon us and Fleecy is taken outside to her snowy driveway run where we had a beautiful white wrought iron fence erected. I make the trek in the middle of the night to give her a pee break and then crawl back into bed to warm up again. It has been great if I can time the hot flashes with my walk in the yard. Underfoot in the kitchen, we installed a ceramic black and white tile floor. We must be either crazy or inspired to get our home in order for our pets, including three kiddie gates for our "gated community" animal control and a cranberry red 2007 Jeep Wrangler for our joy rides.

We are delightfully watching the antics of all our children, and learning about us as a family and each of the kids individually. Feeding time is a popular tourist attraction as each has their place to eat with the kittens on the kitchen table, Fleecy in her cage or beside it and Casey in the dining room. Martha Stewart red designer bowls were a smart buy as they have tops that you can store uneaten food easily in the new black fridge (found out the old one was leaking when the floor was installed). They are colour coordinated with our theme of red accessories! It is the designer in me even with the pets! Kitty litter boxes adorn our place and the "Inn Keepers" keep it groomed like a golf course.

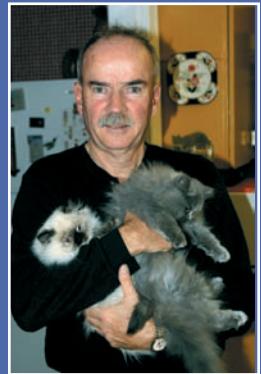
Christmas came early for our pets as friends and family gave us oodles of toys so we are well stocked up, although I notice that the cat and dog stockings are hung on the fireplace screen so don't know what Santa might have in store for them. We are a happy family going through the growing pains of puppy and kitten-hood and are enjoying this stage of our lives with our family of four. Next come walks in the park, going to the cottage and continuing on with puppy classes. As of today, the pets know their names and Fleecy has learned to sit and come on command. More to report from The McNaughton Zoo and Animal Farm in the future.



Poppy and Jennifer
(the cat breeder)



Casey at the cottage



Bob with his arms
full of kittens



Bob, Gail, and Fleecy