

ANIMAL WELFARE SEMINAR 2021

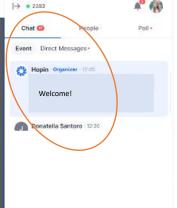
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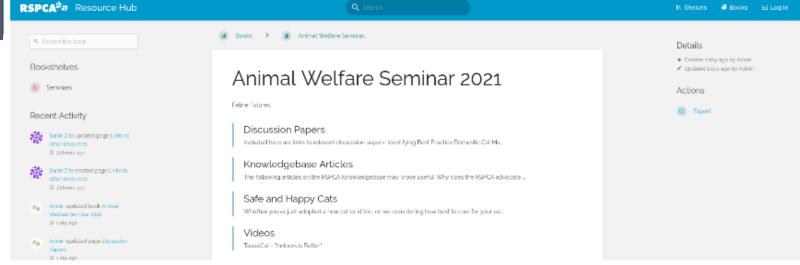


Exploring humane domestic cat management in Australia.











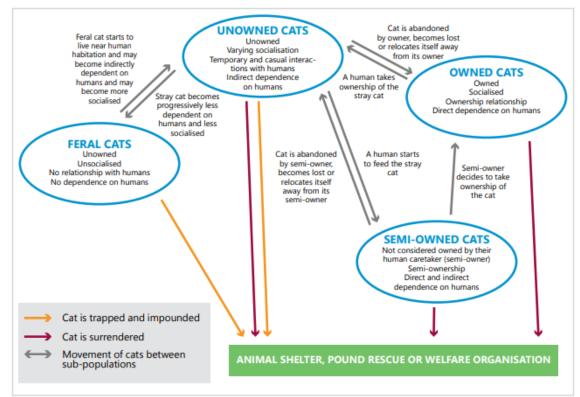
## Cat populations & sub-categories

- Feral
- Domestic
  - Owned
  - Semi-owned
  - Unowned



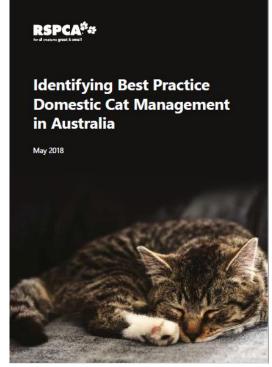


FIGURE 1: POPULATIONS OF CATS AND THEIR INTERACTIONS WITH HUMANS (adapted from Zito 2015 with additional input from Andrew Byrne)







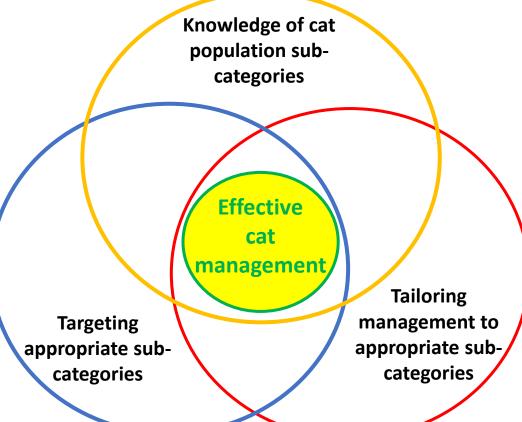


https://kb.rspca.org.au/bfd\_download/identifying-bestpractice-domestic-cat-management-in-australia-may-2018/







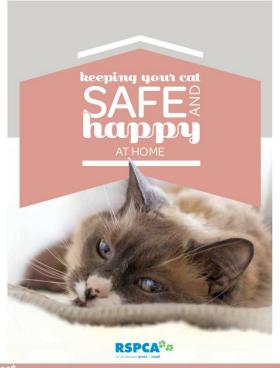












# https://safeandhappycats.com.au/

### Management strategies:

- Can be very focused on one group of cats; e.g. cat containment
- May be applied to more than one sub-population; e.g. prepubertal desexing
- May be appropriate to one area but not another; e.g. areas with significant and vulnerable native wildlife vs areas without.











# Future cat management must be:

- Humane
- Targeted and tailored appropriately
- Outcome focused
- Effective
- Adaptive





### Future cat management requires:

- Clear vision and planning
- Understanding of drivers and barriers
- Holistic approach
- Government and community support
- Collaboration between all stakeholders
- Effective communication and coordination
- More research
- Evidence-based policy, laws and operational programs



















