

Vanishing CAT-astrophe!



Ace Pet Detective Robert Kenny with his faithful hound Pepsi.

Ireland's answer to Ace Ventura, Robert Kenny, the country's first pet detective is on the prowl in Swords to

unfurl the mystery of a spiralling number of cat disappearances in the area. The case was brought to

Robert's attention last week when a local woman reported that her cat 'Sooty', went missing from the Highfields area of Swords and hasn't been seen since May 27th.

By Lisa Mitchell

Sooty is a nine year old black male cat and considering his age the owner found it extremely unusual that he has strayed from his home for such a long period of time. Investigating the case Robert stumbled upon a number of such incidents in the same area whereby cats have unusually disappeared from their homes. Each day seems to bring a new victim to the case, rendering the possibility of animal cruelty all the more likely. Approximately five cats, all in the River Valley area, have been reported to Robert as missing, and all

within a number of days of each other. All the evidence is leading Robert to assume that a serial cat abductor could well and truly be at large. Robert and the worried owners have been regularly checking the council's book of records of animals that have been found knocked down on the local roads, but have discovered no trace of the animals' whereabouts. Speaking to the **County Leader** Robert highlighted "nine times out of ten we find the animal, whether it's dead or alive. But this scenario stinks of something...somebody is taking these cats". Robert's worst fears are that somebody is taking the cats in order to get rid of them or to harm them, but the pet detective is hot on the pursuit of the twisted perpetrators and won't give up until the spine-chilling case is solved. Happy Tails specialises in

providing tailor-made packages for owners who have lost their pets and provide a 24 hour countrywide call-out service. Robert's passion began as a hobby and developed from there once his talent was realised. Happy Tails have a wide knowledge of animal psychology, liaise with pounds, the DSPCA and animal organisations, they use the latest canine tracking devices and have participated in FEMA, US Federal Emergency Management Agency credited animal courses. Robert, on behalf of the distraught owners, is hard at work in the area, displaying posters and using sniffer dogs to ensure no stone is left unturned. If members of the public have any information regarding the whereabouts of the cats or have seen any strange cats please call 08791302277. www.happytailsdetective.com.