



Tom recovers from feline leprosy

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LEPROSY in cats is a relatively rare disease caused by bacteria that are similar to those that cause tuberculosis. The problem usually appears as raised skin lumps in one or more places.

Feline leprosy may be spread by rats. Cats of any age may get it.

Tom is a gorgeous cat, very affectionate and a real character. One day his owner Sue noticed a lump on his toe about half a centimetre in size that was raised and a bit red but didn't seem to be bothering him.

We put him on a course of antibiotics in case of a common infection as well as high doses of Vitamin C which is helpful to support the immune system and assist with the resolution of many skin issues.

A couple of weeks later there was no change in the lump and a second lump had come up

Sue's daughter
Caitlin with her
devoted friend Tom.