



Sri Digambara Naga Baba

Nanda Kisor and Kurma Rupa of CFC

Concerned Go Sevaks

Care for Cows was honored by the visit of three *go sevaks* this month all expressing concern for the sorry plight of the Vrindavan cows.

The visitors were Sant Sri Digambara Naga Baba who has been rescuing abused and abandoned cows in the Vraja area for the past fifty years; Sudevi dasi who has been tending to injured cows in Radha Kund for the past

ten years; and Wenda Shehata from UK who is presently touring India discussing the importance of cow protection in several forums and communities.

Sri Digambara Naga Baba is concerned as many local farmers are abandoning the culture of cow protection and openly selling their cows and bulls for slaughter. We received a report during Kartika that even the head of a

large goshalla, wearing tilak and neck beads, openly admits that he sells all his bull calves to butchers while collecting substantial donations for cow protection.

Owing to greed and the rapid deterioration of Vedic culture the local Vrajavasis no longer face social repercussion for abandoning their cows or selling them for slaughter. In his determined effort



Baba's secretary Ramesh, and Sudevi dasi



Wenda Shehata encouraging new residents at CFC

Visit Care for Cows

to combat this trend Naga Baba has established seven *goshallas* to host cows and bulls rescued from the hands of butchers. At present he is hosting more than 2,000 and is hailed as the most dedicated cow protector in Vraja Mandala.

Sudevi dasi is determined to get the cows off the street before they die of neglect or are abducted for slaughter. Though without adequate

veterinary assistance, she confidently moves from patient to patient each morning cleaning wounds and mending broken limbs. Her place more resembles a battlefield hospital than a *goshalla*.

Wenda Shehata spent four days in Vrindavan grooming and encouraging our residents and sharing with us her vast experience in cow protection further infusing in us the conviction

that peace and harmony in society is not possible without properly protecting cows. She also offered advice on alternative medicines.

Wenda and her partner live on a farm in England where they have a herd of 35 cows and a large organic garden. They daily offer Agnihotra *yajna* and with the *gober* and ash replenish and nourish their pastures and gardens.