



February Newsletter

, Welcome to 2023 with Animal Aid Abroad

Thank you to all of our supporters for your help and support in 2022! Our work has continued behind the scenes, over the summer break, and we are pleased to now be able to share some of what's been happening. Read below to learn about the many ways in which you can help working animals in 2023!

And also...

AAA founder awarded OAM



Animal Aid Abroad is very pleased to announce that our amazing **founder**, **Janet Thomas, has been awarded a 2023 Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM)** for service worthy of recognition in animal welfare. This honour was announced on Australia Day; and a brief interview with

Australia Day. <u>Click here to view</u>.

We all know that no-one is more deserving than Janet for her tireless work in the field of animal welfare, and it is very exciting to have this recognised by the wider community. How many animals across the globe would still be suffering and working in inhumane conditions if not for Janet's perseverance? She is up there with the international fighters for animal safety and welfare, and her dream that started over 16 years ago has never wavered.

As for her team, she keeps us all pushing for a better world. Congratulations Janet from your Committee, AAA members and all those around the world who have followed your courageous journey.

Meet Passion

Help support our new rescued working equines

Introducing a new animal AAA are sponsoring through our Working Animal Rescue Fund. We are taking on four more rescued working equines with Friendicoes to join our growing list of rescued working animals that we support with our global partner families. One of these four is called Passion.

Passion, a pony, was rescued when he was found being beaten and kept isolated by his owner. He is blind in one eye and was malnourished, but his owner would still force him to work, poking and prodding his genitals or



hitting him till the poor boy had no choice but to drag his legs and do his owner's bidding.

We are glad to report that Passion now lives at the Friendicoes Lifetime Care Sanctuary where he is making new friends.

You can help us support Passion's new life of safety and comfort. To donate to our Working Animal Rescue Fund, visit <u>https://www.animalaidabroad.or...</u>

Get involved...

How you can help AAA in 2023

Attend an AAA event

In recent years with COVID in the community, AAA events had to be unfortunately cancelled. The **good news** is, we're back in action! Hopefully we will see our WA supporters at one, or all of our events we have coming up this year.

- Quiz Night (South Perth, WA) Saturday 3rd June 6.30 pm. Come for a fun evening of quiz questions, grab a bargain at our silent auction, lots of raffle prizes, a great door prize, various stalls etc. If you have any questions, would like to volunteer on the night or donate an auction or raffle item please email our quiz coordinator, Charlotte: eventscoordinator@animalaidabroad.org. It's been over three years since our last quiz and we are looking forward to a big night out! Tickets now on sale at https://www.trybooking.com/CFUMQ
- **AGM** in Perth (South Perth) Saturday 1st April 10.30 am 12.30 pm. All members welcome. To register email Janet: inf o@animalaidabroad.org
- World Donkey Day & Walk (Perth Hills, WA) Saturday 6th May. All welcome. To learn more, and register your attendance, visit <u>https://www.animalaidabroad.or...</u>
- **Trees for Animals** (Beckenham, Perth, WA) Sunday 2nd July (in case of poor weather, alternate date Sunday 9th July). All welcome. To learn more go to https://www.animalaidabroad.or...

Some other things you can do to help support AAA:

- If you don't already, please follow our <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Instagram</u> and <u>Twitter</u> pages. Be sure to **like and comment** on the news and updates posted there to help us reach as many people as possible. Facebook has also introduced <u>Stars</u> which allows you to support organisations by sending stars on specific content. Look out for AAA content with the stars icon in the near future!
- **Goodwill Wines** donates 50% of profits from sales to nominated Charities. All wines are vegan. Order on their <u>website</u> and please select **Animal Aid Abroad** as your Charity.
- **Containers for Change:** For those of us who would like to recycle and fundraise for AAA at the same time, the WA <u>Containers for Change</u> scheme will enable a 10 cent refund for each returning eligible container. This can be directed straight to AAA by entering the **scheme ID: C10283802** when returning your containers.
- **Benevity** provides an <u>online platform</u> for companies to manage their corporate giving, employee volunteer programs, and workplace giving campaigns. It also provides a marketplace of pre-vetted and curated non-profits for employees to donate to, and allows employees to make contributions through payroll deduction or personal contributions. AAA is a registered non-profit with Benevity so if you would like to get involved with this, <u>ask us how</u>.
- **Purchasing AAA merchandise or becoming a member** is a fantastic way to support our mission and help raise funds for our programs. When you do this, the profits from the sale go directly to AAA and our global partner groups, who use the funds to continue their work towards improving animal welfare and community education in their communities. Visit our <u>online shop</u> to view the options.
- **Become a recurring donor**. If you are in a position to do so, we would like to ask that you consider becoming one of our monthly donors. Regular donations allow us

to plan ahead and develop AAA's global projects, including veterinary treatment, humane harnessing, education programs, providing feed for starving animals, funding rescues and supporting sanctuaries for abused or abandoned animals. Make your <u>monthly pledge</u> today!

• **Donating via Give Now**. Give now allows you to make a one-off donation, regular donations, or to organise a fundraising event for our cause. Visit <u>GiveNow</u> for more details.





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