

CHAIRPERSON's REPORT for 2014

General Report Summary of Projects/Developments

New Projects/Groups in 2014:

Street performing monkeys of Yogyakarta in Indonesia. The monkeys will be rehabilitated and put back in the wild.

TAPO in Tanzania– supporting them for saddle blankets for donkeys being used in the gold mines.

Projects in Gilli Islands, India, Nepal, Egypt, Tanzania, Sri Lanka, Thailand continuing well. Afghanistan has gone quiet. Israel improved as they have an admin person.

Fundraising Summit. Janet attended, and it has opened lots of ideas on social media, digital marketing. Person in Victoria may help as well as Franklin and Bliss. Marketing AAA will be a big thing this year.

Celebrating our Successes in 2014:

Our AAA volunteers:

- **Franklin Hynes** who was responsible for us getting DGR status and setting up the Zero program for us. DGR has opened doors. There are now so many grants available to us. **Wendy Jacobs** is doing it now as our Membership and Sponsorship program and doing a really great job with keeping this all up to date and very organised. **Di Lawrence** who continues to be our treasurer and works day and night keeping all our financials in order.
- Branch Coordinators in SA [**Bridget Finch and Erica Wilson**], NSW [**Marie Crilley**] been with us for a few years now, ACT-new this year **Lee Dean** who has been assisting Marie with the Living Green Festival in Canberra. Welcome to **Dawn Perry** and **Stanley Stork** who are going to do a few events this year for us- they have one tomorrow in Melbourne. Welcome to our group.
- Facebook and website. **Bliss Hodgson** is doing a great job with our website updating and face book. Bliss gets paid for 6 hours. Thank you to **Gemma Heggie** for the extra time she gives to AAA by doing our e-newsletter and recently offered to redo our AAA brochure. This is all a huge task. They are both work well together and a great addition to our AAA team.
- Trip January 2015 [Colleen and AAA group] Thank you to **Colleen McKenney** and the **AAA group** who went to Nepal and India in January. You were amazing ambassadors and the trip was a huge success for both our travel group and our overseas partner groups who they visited. Colleen will give an update on the trip in the General Meeting following.
- Merchandise. **Sarah Lyons** has done a great job in the presentation of our merchandise at our stalls and has looked after this area extremely well in 2014.
- Money boxes and chocolates. Thanks to **Sasha Poli** and **Myrna Klein**. Great job done on these fundraisers in 2014 and really appreciate their work in these two areas.

Thank you also to our forever loyal constant volunteers in WA and interstate who are always there at most events or contributing to them or running their own events or fundraisers for AAA: **Denise Schokman [WA]**, **Shirley Patrick [WA]**, **Janette Huston [WA]**, **Elaine Goode [WA]**, **Elsie Daxon [WA]**,

Caroline Hughes [WA], Kelly Wallace [NSW], Beth Roffe [NSW], Paul Sillato [NSW], Alanna Knight [SA], Bev Rayner [SA], Mel Fuller [SA] Anthony Finch [SA], Rachel Abela [SA] and Helen Manos [SA]. I hope I have not forgotten anybody!

Grant submission [\$5,000]. It was a grant for the Egypt Port Said Clinic given by The Australian Ethical Grants Commission. Janet will have to do a report in July.

Money raised in 2014 for our partner groups and projects. Di to go over these figures in her report... we are meeting all our payments and continuing to grow so we can take on more projects in 2015.

*POST MEETING NOTE: Janet would like to say a very **BIG THANK YOU** to our outgoing 2014 Committee Members- **Elaine Goode, Sasha Poli, Marie Crilley, Bridget Finch and Erica Wilson**. Your support, time and efforts you gave to me and AAA in 2014 was greatly appreciated.*

Increased honorarium Treasurer [Dianne Lawrence] to \$2000/yr in 2014.

The books were audited to 30th June 2014. No anomalies.

Includes balance sheet and financial statements.

Total net profit for year ending 28th Feb 2015 is \$16,008.

288 members as at 28th Feb 2015.

Actual cash on hand as at 28th Feb 2015: \$ 47,308.10

Total donated to overseas charities	\$59 803.00
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Amounts sent to overseas partner groups for 2014.

Egyptian Society of Animal Friends

31 st Jan. 2014	\$1,500.00
19 th March 2014	\$1,500.00
10 th May 2014	\$2,000.00
22 nd July 2014	\$1,500.00
8 th October 2014	\$7,500.00
TOTAL SENT TO ESAF	\$11,000.00

Harvest Partner in India for Medicines

31 st Jan. 2014	\$1,000.00
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Friendicoes

31 st Jan. 2014	\$2,000.00
27 th July 2014	\$1,500.00
23 rd July 2014	\$1,800.00
6 th October 2014	\$5,450.00
TOTAL SENT TO FRIENDICOES	\$10,750.00

Help in Suffering

31 st Jan. 2014	\$1,000.00
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23 rd July 2014	\$1,500.00
5 th October 2014	<u>\$1,500.00</u>
TOTAL SENT TO HELP IN SUFFERING	<u>\$4,000.00</u>

Asswin Project

31 st Jan. 2014	\$1,000.00
22 nd July 2014	<u>\$ 500.00</u>
TOTAL SENT TO ASWIN PROJECT	<u>\$1,500.00</u>

Animal Nepal, Nepal

9 th March 2014	\$1,000.00
16 th April 2014	\$4,550.00
3 rd June 2014	\$3,000.00
22 nd July 2014	\$900.00
6 th October 2014	<u>\$3,600.00</u>
TOTAL SENT TO Animal Nepal	<u>\$8,500.00</u>

Animal & Hope, India

16 th April 2014	\$600.00
5 th October 2014	<u>\$800.00</u>
TOTAL SENT TO HOPE & ANIMAL	<u>\$1,400.00</u>

Pegasus Israel

16 th April 2014	\$1,000.00
22 nd July 2014	\$2,000.00
5 th October 2014	<u>\$2,000.00</u>
TOTAL SENT TO PEGASUS	<u>\$5,000.00</u>

NOWZAD - Afghan Equines

22 nd July 2014	<u>\$1,000.00</u>
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Wildlife Friends Foundation in Thailand

22 nd July 2014	\$1,700.00
5 th October 2014	<u>\$1,400.00</u>
TOTAL SENT TO WFFT	<u>\$3,100.00</u>

Animal Rahat for Bullock Sponsorship

16 th April 2014	\$1,000.00
22 nd July 2014	\$500.00
5 th October 2014	<u>\$500.00</u>
TOTAL SENT TO ANIMAL RAHAT	<u>\$1,000.00</u>

Diaspora Lanka for donkey clinic on Mannar, Sri Lanka

23 rd July 2014	<u>\$1,500.00</u>
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"Animal Friends, Jogja", Indonesia

5 th October 2014	<u>\$1,530.00</u>
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Gili Islands, Indonesia for Equine Clinics

5th October 2014 \$1,500.00

Tanzania Animal Welfare Society

22nd Jan. 2014 \$500.00

5th November 2014 \$1,000.00

TOTAL SENT OVERSEAS to PARTNER GROUPS FOR 2014 \$59,830.00

Fundraising Income 2014

Fundraising events NSW	\$2583.50 [all figures are net profit]
Fundraising events ACT	\$620
Fundraising events SA	\$2305
Fundraising events WA	\$27 700.39
Total donations	\$24 828.04
Total memberships	\$3135
Total sponsorships	\$35 150
Total interest from On-line saver	\$938.24
Chocolates- WA and NSW	\$4,813.48
Merchandise sales	\$2159.99 [Loss] we spent \$8,206.39 on merchandise purchases and production and we sold 6046.40 in merchandise. We should see a turnaround in this figure in 2015 as we are in surplus stock]
Money boxes	\$3738.25

Passed; Janet, seconded Janette, accepted

MEMBERSHIP FEES UPDATE

Members: \$50/3 yrs, \$30/yr

Life: \$275

Corporate: \$100