

Animal Aid Abroad Inc.



Annual High Tea—Perth, Western Australia GREAT SUCCESS!

Animal Aid Abroad Inc officially wants to send a big thankyou out to the 191 people who attended our event at the Pagoda Bar and Restaurant in Perth, Western Australia. At last count we raised close to \$18,000 for our working animal projects overseas. The High Tea fundraiser was filled with prizes and entertainment, with Nicholas Duncan from SAVE the Rhino's doing another sterling job as auctioneer throughout the afternoon . Please also view our video clip by Fern on YouTube: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GX2QQ40aomM>, which was played to all those who attended. Thanks so much to my committee and AAA team: Jessica, Dianne, Fern, Myrna, Denise, Rebecca; to our volunteer helpers: Sasha, Jenny, Linda, Michael, Eddy; and our wonderful donors: Caroline Hughes, Sue Brewer, Gaye Reeves, Colleen McKenny, Millie Lannolo, Pri Adilbert, Anne Stevens, Susana Averis, Anne Jones and Nicholas Duncan. Thanks again to everyone and stay tuned for our 2013 High Tea event. More photo's taken at our event can be viewed in the photo gallery on our website. Thanks very much to Warren Nicholas for taking our High tea photo's. Please also see below for the list of wonderful businesses and people who helped make this day so special- we are very grateful for your support!

Lawnswood- Pet Cremation and Pet Cemetery
Tree Of Life Health And Wellness- Nedlands
Noelle Steenhauer – Artist
Jan Pittman- artist
Steven and Cyndy McCann
Optimal Pharmacy Plus- Carine- Ashley Geiles
Carine Cuisine- Smallgoods Gourmet- Carine Glades
Vincenzo'a Mediterranean Restaurant, Carine
Jim Kidds Sports- Carine Glades – Stephen Moore
Elmstock Teas- Booth Plce, Balcatta [Wholesalers]
Marmalade Café- Carine Glades- Aldo
RSVP Gifts- Carine Glades
Annalice Framing Creations
Carmen and Anne Dahl from 96 FM
Nicholas Duncan from SAVE the Rhino's
Torre & Mordini-Gourmet

Esplanade- Pagoda Bar & Restaurant
Gaye Reeves
Caroline Hughes
Txt Shots coffee shop-Nth Perth
Sue Brewer
Jenny Grant
Pri Adilbert
Sweet Addition
Cygnet Cinema - Como
Colleen McKenny
Houndstooth Studio
Waggy Bakehouse
Jan Pittman- Artist
Splash's Fish & Chips
Bella Daniella [Beauty]



Nicholas Duncan- Auctioneer from
SAVE the Rhino's



Left to right -Carmen Braidwood 96FM,
Sally Braidwood & Janet Thomas
Founder & Chair of Animal Aid Abroad.



Left to right-Dianne Lawrence,
Treasurer of Animal Aid Abroad &
Jessica Skerritt—Committee Member
of Animal Aid Abroad



Myrna Klein - volunteer & member of
Animal Aid Abroad



Fern Demeo, Committee
Member of Animal Aid Abroad

Helping Working Camels in Egypt

ESAF Static Clinic Results

With Animal Aid Abroad's support, the Egyptian Society of Animal Friends (ESAF) established several clinics near the Pyramids to address serious medical conditions of mange, mites and scabies amongst working camels in the area. In the month of July, ESAF sent out 6 mobile clinics to the Pyramids and 2 clinics to the famous camel market of Birqash, in order to provide the necessary medical treatment for these animals. A total of 44 Camels & 62 horses were treated at the Pyramids; whilst a further 68 Camels were treated at the Birqash market. Thanks to your kind support, we have been able to help alleviate the suffering of 174 working camels and horses in this area. Pictures of ESAF's field work below.



Rough harness wound

Foot abscess

Mange

Multiple infected saddle sores

Helping Donkeys in Tanzania

Donkey Harness and Animal Health Report Project

In June 2012, the Tanzania Animal Welfare Society (TAWESO) implemented a brief project on Donkey Harnessing and Animal Health care in the Mpwapwa district, in Dodoma. Approximately 99% of the working donkeys in this region are pack donkeys who carry excessively heavy loads, and Animal Aid Abroad was delighted to help TAWESO in supporting this worthy initiative. The villages that benefited from the project were Chang'ombe, Bumila, Makutupa, Visele, Idilo; in which at total of 213 donkeys were helped in respect to animal health and harnessing. The project included training donkey owners to make saddle pack harnesses out of readily available rags in order to minimise their pain and discomfort, whilst simultaneously preventing future injuries. Similarly, health care and medical treatment was provided to the donkeys by local TAWESO volunteers, and a veterinarian volunteer from the UK. This included de-worming donkeys with Ivermectin paste and subcutaneous injections; dressing back wounds caused by carrying loads without harnesses; medical treatment for specific diseases; and the provision of training and information to donkey owners about humane donkey husbandry. See pictures below of this project.



Helping Bullocks in India

Participatory Learning and Action

In July, Animal Aid Abroad supported the Animal Rahat team in India to train more than 25 bullock owners in using humane harnessing halters. Known as a morkee, these humane halters are a simple and inexpensive alternative to nose ropes. Replacing nose ropes with a halter reduces the animal's pain and discomfort, whilst also allowing them to meet their own basic behavioural needs such as driving away flies and insects. Additionally, we supported Animal Rahat in their ectoparasite prevention and control programs for working animals in villages throughout India. These educational programs were conducted by a veterinarian from Animal Rahat, and resulted in nearly 80% of animal owners in those villages adopting preventive management practices to control ectoparasites. These meetings were conducted in the presence of management staff from a local sugar factory in Solapur, where the bullocks are worked. After several meetings, a landmark decision was made where factory management reduced the number of bullock carts used for transporting sugarcane from the field to the factory. The number of carts were reduced from 617 to 500, making a huge difference to the lives of the 234 bullocks who had previously pulled those carts. The factory will now be using tractors instead.



Picture above -Daphalya the Bullock

Retirement of a bullock

A 16 year old bullock 'Daphalya' was retired by his owner Mr. Raj Kumar Pujari, after the Animal Rahat team convinced him that the bullock needed rest, and that forcing him to work at this age would be cruel. Mr Raj Kumar made a commitment that he would take care of his bullock for rest of his life and won't sell him for slaughter. The Animal Rahat team in turn, promised to visit the animal on a regular basis and provide the necessary vet care.



Overloaded sugar cane cart with incorrect Yoke/ harnessing



Painful nose wire harness



Teaching drivers about correct harnessing & loading carts

Preventing Cruelty

During a routine visit to Palshi village in Pandharpur, the Animal Rahat team observed a bullock cart fitted with torturous control devices, which included sharp wire and metal rods with protruding nails that jabbed into the animals' necks. These cause severe pain and often leave puncture wounds and abscesses. The team immediately stopped the cart owner, and politely shared their concerns about the animal's pain levels and ongoing adverse effects these devices would have on their physical and mental health. After learning about these affects, the owner removed the cruel devices and promised that he would never use them in future. He also made a commitment that he will persuade other animal owners to stay away from such cruel practices. Animal Rahat will use this as a case study throughout local villages to educate locals in order to help them change their current values and practices. See photo's below of this initiative.

Helping Equines in India

Tapi and Konya

We introduced you to Tapi and Konya in our March newsletter. Tapi gave birth to Konya by emergency caesarean in the back of a truck. The Friendicoes team that rescued Tapi from the streets had rescued her while she was in acute labour. Tapi could not be moved from the truck as the chances of survival for mother and foal were not hopeful but after hours of surgery, little Konya. Picture right: Tapi & Konya after the emergency caesarean. Picture far right: Look at mum & baby now.



A Dancing Horse in India

saved by Friendicoes, SECA New Delhi, India

Sundari is a "dancing horse" whose legs were injured when she tried to jump over a barbed wire fencing, whilst grazing in a field. Sundari's front legs were badly damaged, and she is still recovering from those lacerations. She lost a lot of weight during this period. As Sundari's wounds healed, her owners realised that she was not going to be able to "dance" like before, and they decided to give her up. They approached us first and we promptly agreed to pay the re-compensation package for her, in order to avoid her working as a *tonga* horse. One of Sundari's legs has completely healed, whilst the other still has an open lesion and joint swelling. Fortunately Sundari is eating and resting well, and will soon be free to run and play in open grounds with other horses. Sundari is just 3 years old so we hope to be able to give her a long happy life, thanks to the support of Animal Aid Abroad.

A "dancing horse" in India is trained from a very early age to perform to music and commands. There is a lot of hard training involved and the animal suffers a lot of pain whilst undergoing this training. These horses are mainly used for entertainment in wedding parades, religious functions and local cultural festivals. Here are a couple of video links about the sad plight of the 'dancing horse':

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=urvYfnRY2Q8>

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S6ifJG4M_x4



Picture above right: Sundari now, 4 weeks later. Picture below left: Sundari before the rescue.

Pictures below centre & below right: The terrible life that now Sundari never has to experience again. Horses in India are forced to perform and cruelly trained to perform very unnatural acts all for entertainment. Please never support this form of entertainment if you should travel to India.



Helping Equines in India

More great work by Friendicoes-Meet Veera

Veera is approximately 22 years old and arrived at the Friendicoes Seca Sanctuary 3 weeks ago from Mathura in Uttar Pradesh. In addition to being very weak and dehydrated, Veera was suffering from many joint ailments. Immediately after his rescue Veera was put on an IV drip twice a day with additional electrolyte's in his drinking water. He is eating on his own, though not great amounts. Veera had a very tough life and his owner used to rent him out to pull *tongas* or carry heavy cargo. He has been under the of the Friendicoes Mobile Equine Clinic for the last 6 years but in spite ongoing suggestions to Veera's owner about retiring him, he was forced to continue to working for a further 2 years. The repeated recommendations have however finally paid off and Friendicoes are happy to have him and make his last days as happy and as comfortable as possible. Veera sticks to his own corner of the sanctuary and does not like to enter the stables; other horses make him nervous so he is happy to keep to his own.



The Story of Chitra, Mudra and her baby Paakhi

All three of these equines were rescued from Gurgaon city, found abandoned on the roadside. Paakhi required treatment for a wound on her leg and flanks, but otherwise all three were in healthy condition. They were brought to the sanctuary about three weeks ago, one day before Veera also joined us. The sanctuary has recently seen a lot of new additions (rescues). We are happy to say that all of them are doing well and settling down to a life free from work, abuse and starvation. Thank you to the Animal Aid Abroad team for helping us give these animals a new lease of life. (Picture of Paakhi-below left .Picture of Mudra & Paakhi-below centre)



Meet the latest rescue - Vayu the Mule

It is said that Mules are predominately stronger and superior in stamina to Donkeys and Horses, and they are therefore expected to pull and carry heavier loads. Vayu was rescued from his owner who used him as a transporter of excessively heavy items. Vayu was overloaded and mistreated, routinely being hit with a stick to move faster. On failing to move at the desired pace, Vayu was hit and poked, causing him to stumble. Members of the public saw this and seized him from the owner. The animal was handed to Friendicoes SECA in New Delhi, and then transported to their sanctuary. Vayu is above middle age, but certainly not old. He is blind in one eye, but is otherwise healthy except for a few superficial wounds inflicted upon him by his owner. We have received reports back from Friendicoes that Vayu has already settled in well with the donkeys and other mules. We are happy that he will now live out the remaining days of his life in comfort and safety. (Picture of Vayu-above right)

You can now sponsor all of these animals above by going to our website www.animalaidabroad.org

Helping Donkeys in Nepal

Battered but not Broken

Two months ago, Rani, a 14 year old donkey, was supposed to travel to West Nepal with her owner. She had just completed her seasonal work in a brick factory, hauling excessively heavy loads. During her working life, Rani was beaten, developed terrible saddle wounds, and was seriously malnourished. When Dr Sudeep Koirala, a veterinarian from Animal Nepal, examined Rani before departure, he found puss oozing from her wounds. Dr Sudeep Koirala explained to her owner that she would need intensive treatment; and advised that she should not go back to the brick factory to work. Fortunately Rani's owner agreed, and this battered donkey now lives safely in our donkey sanctuary. Her wounds are slowly improving, but Rani is still badly malnourished. Rani means queen in Nepalese, and she is one of nine equines rescued in the past two months who now receive 'royal treatment' at Animal Nepal's donkey sanctuary. This was made possible from the financial support from individual sponsors who have joined Animal Aid Abroad's 'Sponsor an Equine' programme. We wish the newcomers a happy retirement!

Amongst the sanctuary's residents are many blind and lame equines, most whom are malnourished and have skin diseases. Each season, Animal Nepal's staff are shocked by the conditions of equines working in Kathmandu's brick factories. Although conditions in the brick factories have improved considerably, we are yet to witness a widespread change in the owners' and handlers' attitudes, and treatment of their animals. There are countless factory- employed equines which only receive emergency treatment from Animal Nepal. A holistic, international campaign is therefore needed to address the range of problems which exist in the brick industry; including animal welfare, environmental pollution and child labour. In conjunction with Brick Clean Network, Animal Nepal is developing a campaign to help target these complex and multifaceted issues.

Read more about the equine residents and Animal Aid Abroad's sponsorship programme here:

<http://thesanctuarynepal.wordpress.com/our-residents/>

<http://www.animalaidabroad.org/where-we-work/nepal/adopt-an-animal.html> (Rani still needs sponsoring).



A sanctuary worker and volunteer helping Rani



Rani at the sanctuary



Helping Elephants in Thailand

Things are coming along with the construction of the new elephant enrichment enclosure at Wildlife Friends Foundation Thailand rescue centre (WFFT). The new enclosure is funded by Animal Aid Abroad and is being built for residents Somboon, a retired female; and Khan Kluey, a young male elephant. Whilst the enrichment enclosure is important for these intelligent animals quality of life, it also serves a greater purpose in ensuring the future safety of both the elephants, and the staff at WFFT. When implementing the barbaric training crush (see below for further details), Khan Kluey's former owners caused him to become more fearful and aggressive towards humans. As Khan Kluey approaches Musth (a time when male elephants can become excessively aggressive due to increased testosterone), this aggression is likely to increase, unless his behaviour can otherwise be managed through enrichment activities and routines. This enclosure will therefore become very important in ensuring the safety of everyone living at the WFFT rescue centre. Since elephants love water, the enrichment enclosure will have a shower and pool area for them to play and interact in- we cant wait to see little Khan Kluey playing in the water! A new concrete feeding platform has also been built so the ele's can enjoy eating their banana trees. The staff at WFFT have also had to refurbish the roof of the existing shelter, as the elephants became bored in their old enclosure and decided to pull it apart (oops!). Things are looking good for the next stages of this exciting project, and we will keep you updated with its progress.

The Training Crush: this cruel training method involves separating a young calf from it's mother and forcing it into a strong cage where all parts of its body are tied down so it is unable to move. The ritual involves using beatings with sticks, chains or bull hooks; stabbing nails and hooks into the young elephants ears and feet (the most sensitive part of their body); sleep deprivation; hunger and thirst in order to "break" the elephant and make them submissive to their owners. This ritual can continue for weeks and will only end when the young calf develops a 'glazed look in their eyes', indicating there are permanently broken and submissive.



Sponsor the animals & support where we work

Elephants in Thailand

See Pak, Duenphen, Khan Kluey & Samboon live at Wildlife Friends of Thailand Rescue Centre and are still awaiting sponsorship. Sponsorship for 12 months costs \$100 and can make a big difference to these beautiful elephants. They eat alot, need veterinary care & their enclosures are always needing repair. To sponsor of one of ele's, please visit www.animalaidabroad.org/where-we-work/animalaidthailand/adopt-an-elephant.html

Bullocks in India

If you love Bullocks then Abdul, Motiya, Mohan alias Hoanrya or Parshya are waiting for your support. \$50 (12 month sponsorship) will ensure your Bullock is given the care and attention he or she needs. Please visit: www.animalaidabroad.org/where-we-work/animalaidindia/sponsor-a-bullock-india.html

Equines in India

Meet our friends in India; Noori, Tapi and her Foal Koyna who live at Friendicoes SECA Gurgaon Sancuary in New Delhi, India. With your sponsorship of \$100 (12 months) you could help provide these equines with food, veterinary supplies and care they deserve. Please visit: www.animalaidabroad.org/where-we-work/animalaidindia/sponsor-an-equine-india.html

Equines in Nepal

The Godvari Donkey Sanctuary located in Kathmandu, Nepal is home to Janet, Rani, Star, Chang, Samir, Rose, Marwari, Puffin, Victory, Bhim & Rajani who need sponsoring. Sponsorship is \$100 and provides for 12 months of care. Please visit: www.animalaidabroad.org/where-we-work/nepal/adopt-an-animal.html

More information on our projects & sponsorship programs is available on our website www.animalaidabroad.org

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How you can help us

We are always needing ongoing support here at AAA so we can keep helping defenceless working animals around the world. Run solely by volunteers, any assistance you can give us is greatly appreciated! Here are some simple ways you can help raise money- remember every little bit helps!

Mmmm Chocolate..

Who doesn't like eating Chocolates? We certainly do!!!

Even if you don't like eating Chocolate you know of someone that does, right?

We are calling out to anyone who thinks they could sell a box of chocolates for Animal Aid Abroad at their school, work, home, sporting team, local club, social club, children's party etc:

Chocolates can be a part of anyone's life. If you think you could sell a box for us please contact:

Fern (WA) on 0413 334 533 or via email: fern.demeo@gmail.com or

Kelly (NSW) on 0410 401 201 or via email: kelly.wallace78@yahoo.com.au

Donation Money Boxes

Just another fundraising idea we had at Animal Aid Abroad-
Donation Money Boxes..

You could ask your local coffee shops, deli's, canteens, food kiosks, coffee vans, jiffy vans (the list is endless) if they would like to support AAA and have a donation box placed on their front counter.

If you would I like to have a donation money box please contact Jess on 0449 252 201 or via email: jessicaskerritt@gmail.com



Money, Money, Money..Annual AAA Raffle

We have raffle books up for grabs, you will have no trouble selling the tickets as the prizes are cold hard cash. That's right \$\$\$

1st Prize is \$500

2nd Prize \$200

3rd Prize \$100

Tickets are \$1 each (20 tickets per book). Lucky winners will be notified 4 November 2012.

If you would like a raffle book or two to sell, please contact Janet on 0400 107 399 or via email: info@animalaidabroad.org



Star Volunteer

Deb Kosh volunteers & lobby's as an animal activist in the hope to protect animals all over the world. We first met Deb when she was travelling to Wildlife Friends of Thailand (WFFT) Sanctuary in February 2012. Deb provided us with updates on the sanctuary and also talked to us about helping WFFT by providing funds to build a new elephant enclosure which included enrichment structures for the young male elephant, Khan Kluey. Deb is also studying Zoology at University and has experience working with wildlife and hopes one day she can travel helping animals in need. Deb also has helped at our NSW events and has helped us out with the newsletter whilst Janette is on holidays. Picture of Deb with Pai Lin (WFFT Elephant) below.



Congratulations to our new Honorary Life Members

Congratulations to our new Honorary Life Members who have been awarded this special membership for their commitment, contribution and support helping AAA help animals in need.

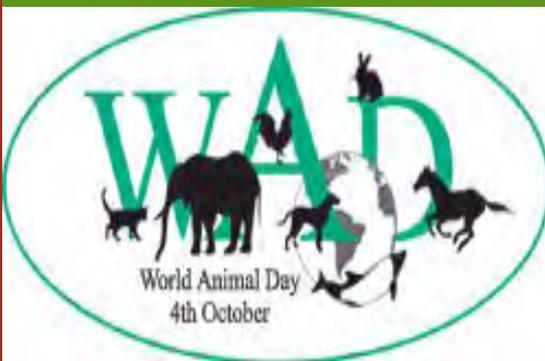
Ann Jones, Debbie Kosh, Anne Stevens & Gaye Reeves.

Welcome Abroad!

World Animal Day—4 October 2012

On 4 October we will be celebrating World Animal Day (WAD) with a face painting stall in Fremantle, Perth, WA from 10am-4.30pm. WAD has become a day for remembering and paying tribute to all animals and the people that love and respect them. Why not create an event at your work or school in celebration of World Animal Day and raise funds for us? You could hold a face painting stall, sell cupcakes &/or books or organise an animal photography or drawing competition??

For more ideas of how you can get involved please visit:
<http://www.worldanimalday.co.uk/eventcategory/australia/>



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