# RSPCA NSW Annual Report 2014-2015

### Letter from the President

For several years, a recurring theme has been present in this report: it's the need to focus on preventing cruelty, thereby reducing the need to respond to it. This is still the case, but our ability to work with the community – to help keep their pets happy and safe in their homes – has been hampered by inadequate resources in our own home, the Sydney Shelter. We have been rebuilding this facility bit by bit over the last five years. And through the generosity of the state government and the continued financial support of you, our wonderful supporters, we're nearly there.

This year, we secured two million dollars from the state government to assist in the build of RSPCA NSW's Education Centre. Once complete, this facility will house our registered training organisation, the RSPCA Academy, which offers vocational training in Animal Studies. The centre will also serve as a hub for school excursions and kids' holiday programs, and for community classes which will educate the public on all aspects of pet wellbeing.

The Education Centre, along with our new, state-of-the-art veterinary hospital, is part of our promise to you, our loyal supporters, and the community of NSW that we will always provide resources designed to educate, inform and assist people with their pets.

Our commitment as a Board is to complete the entire facility by 2017 so that we can focus on our real goal – to prevent cruelty and protect animals in need.

Thank you for your support this year. I am grateful that there are people out there who understand the importance of treating all living creatures with kindness.



Peter Wright

### Letter from the Chief Executive Officer

Let me start by thanking you for your support of the cause this year. Without our loyal donors, customers and volunteers, RSPCA NSW would not exist. I never take for granted the trust that you have placed in this organisation to be the voice for animals. And this year, more than any other that I can remember, RSPCA NSW has risen to the challenge to help those who cannot help themselves.

This was the year when the Greyhound Industry was brought to task. RSPCA NSW was instrumental in gathering evidence and saving the lives of innocent animals as part of the investigation into live baiting. I was asked to be part of the Special Commission of Inquiry into the Greyhound Racing Industry in NSW. The findings of this inquiry are not yet known, but I am grateful that the RSPCA was included as part of the original panel of experts.

Puppy farming was also in the spotlight this year. I was asked to sit on the Companion Animal Breeding Practices Parliamentary Inquiry. I am hoping that the outcome of this inquiry will be transparent, legally binding regulations that assist in stopping the cruel practice of breeding animals in inhumane conditions.

This year, RSPCA NSW represented the welfare of animals on numerous government taskforces, inquiries and reference groups. Our aim in all cases was, and always will be, to represent the voice of animals and their owners in our community.

I truly believe it is important for RSPCA NSW to be in the same room alongside both governments and industries so that we can represent the needs of animals to decision makers. In this way, we can influence change and help steer a path to a kinder, more humane outcome for all.

Chief Executive Officer, RSPCA NSW

# RSPCA NSW Board

Dr P Wright BVSc, Grad Dip Ag Ec - Dr Wright is a Veterinarian who runs his own practice at Goulburn, NSW, and treats domestic pets, livestock, wildlife and other exotic species. He has a long involvement with animal care groups, including WIRES, and in assisting the region's local RSPCA inspector. Board meetings attended: 6/6

Mr G Hall - Mr Hall is a Life Member of RSPCA NSW and has been an RSPCA Board Member since 1983. He is the primary producer and owner of a family property near Young. He breeds Shorthorn cattle. Board meetings attended: 6/6

Australia and internationally.

Mr P O'Donnell LLB (Hons) - Mr O'Donnell was elected to the Board in October 1998. He is a Barrister of the Supreme Court of NSW and is particularly interested in the Society's efforts to respond to animal cruelty. Board meetings attended: 5/6

Doug Dean AM, B Comm, FCPA, FAIM, FAICD - Doug is MD/CEO Veolia Aust/NZ, Councillor University of Newcastle, Board of Advice ITLS Sydney University, Director MCA, plus various other Board positions in

### Board meetings attended: 6/6 Ms W Barrett Exec MBA, B Bus Dip Corporate

Director, Grad Dip IR – Ms Barrett is Chairwoman of RSPCA NSW's Animal Welfare Policy Committee and is a Member of the Animal Care and Ethics Committee at the University of Western Sydney. She previously held the role of President of RSPCA Auxiliary and has a special interest in progressing animal welfare, animal care and ethics. She is also the Business Manager for Transport for NSW. Board meetings attended: 6/6

Mr A Givney – Mr Givney was elected to the Board in 2010. He has worked as a Barrister-at-Law since 1987, following his retirement as a partner in a

solicitors' practice. Board meetings attended: 6/6

Ms S Cruickshank – Ms Cruickshank is a Senior Executive of the NSW Department of Premier and Cabinet and has amassed two decades of experience in policy development, advocacy and strategic communications. Prior to this, she spent 10 years in a national public affairs company, the last five years of which she was Managing Director. Throughout her life, she has been the proud owner of several shelter cats and dogs, and is passionate about protecting the interests of vulnerable animals in our society. Board meetings attended: 4/6

Mrs C Youdan OAM – Mrs Youdan was elected to the Board in 1996. She first joined the RSPCA through the Taree Volunteer Branch in 1979, where she held all of the branch positions at some point during her time there. This included five years as a Voluntary Branch Inspector at a time when the nearest inspector was over three hours away. She was awarded the Order of Australia Medal for service to the community through the RSPCA in 2001, and was granted RSPCA Honorary Life Membership in 2007

**COMPANY SECRETARY** 

Mr Don Robinson – Mr Robinson joined the Board in November 2014. Born in Young in NSW, he had a varied career before joining the NSW Police in 1971. He served in small rural communities across the state for 23 years, but resigned to take up the position of Chief Inspector for RSPCA NSW. He served for eight years, before becoming RSPCA NSW Manager of Branches and Properties. He is keenly interested in all facets of the RSPCA, but particularly in the branches and their operations. As an RSPCA Australia Farm Assessor, he carried out inspections of piggeries accredited under the Approved Farming Scheme. In 2012, Mr Robinson retired to a 60-acre farm in Grenfell in the Mid-West NSW, where he now runs a few cattle and an alpaca.

Mrs D Goldstien – Mrs Goldstein retired from the Board in September 2014. Her father was a farrier and blacksmith in South Africa, and during her youth, she shared her life with many farm and domestic animals which were cared for by her family. Today, her life continues to be dominated by animals. As a Director of Annangrove Dog Training, her greatest joy is to work with and rehabilitate dogs. She has also had the opportunity to teach children the correct ways to treat animals, which has always given her immense enjoyment. She was granted Honorary Life Membership of RSPCA NSW in 1979 and has always been proud to support the organisation.

Board meetings attended: 3/4

Board meetings attended: 1/1

### Board meetings attended: 6/6

Mr S Coleman GDip of Inv Mgt, MBA – Mr Coleman is the Chief Executive Officer of RSPCA NSW and the Society Secretary. He joined RSPCA NSW as an Inspector in 1991, and contributes to animal welfare in many ways. This includes sitting on numerous government and industry committees and advisory councils, such as the Animal Welfare Advisory Council, including the Animal Welfare Advisory Council that reports directly to the Minister for Primary Industries. Board meetings attended: 6/6



### Report of the independent auditor on the summary financial statements to the members of The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales

The accompanying summary financial statements, which comprises the summary statement of financial position as at 30 June 2015, the summary statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, summary statement of changes in equity and summary statement of cash flows for the year then ended, are derived from the audited financial report of The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales for the year ended 30 June 2015. We expressed an unmodified auditor's opinion on that financial report in our report dated 15 October 2015.

The summary financial statements do not contain all the disclosures required by Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements and the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012. Reading the summary financial statements, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the audited financial report of The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales.

### Directors' responsibility for the summary financial statements

The directors are responsible for the preparation of a summary of the audited financial report in accordance with the requirements of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012.

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the summary financial statements derived from the audited financial report of The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales based on our procedures, which were conducted in accordance with Auditing Standard ASA 810 Engagements to Report on Summary Financial Statements.

In our opinion, the summary financial statements derived from the audited financial report of The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales for the year ended 30 June 2015 are consistent, in all material respects, with that audited financial report, in accordance with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012.



Sydney 15 October 2015

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### **Testamentary trusts**

Betty Wade Trust Jean, Juliette & Gilberte Leman Trust William Moore Trust Bill & Joy Barrie Foundation Clive Arnott Trust Oscar William Eschenhagen Edwards Trust Eleanor Smith Trust Eric Norman Sweet Trust Winnie Gertrude Elliott Trust

Marianne Mathy-Frisdane Trust

# Summary financial statements

### Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income For the year ended 30 June 2015

In AUD	2015	2014
Revenue	35,661,373	31,966,076
Operating expenses	(47,366,011)	(48,102,893)
Deficit before legacies and grants	(11,704,638)	(16,136,817)
Legacies	15,395,482	16,607,998
Government grants	502,645	806,062
Surplus before income tax	4,193,489	1,277,243
Income tax expense	-	-
Surplus for the year	4,193,489	1,277,243
Other comprehensive income		
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss Net fair value gain on available-for-sale financial assets	1,721,417	4,152,217
Total comprehensive income for the year	5,914,906	5,429,460

### Statement of financial position As at 30 June 2015

In AUD	2015	2014
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	10,462,136	9,668,455
Trade and other receivables	3,826,527	2,489,535
Inventories	696,161	836,221
Other assets	251,185	203,000
Financial assets	6,000,000	
Assets classified as held for sale	-	3,499,031
Total current assets	21,236,009	16,696,242
Financial assets	38,091,537	41,437,406
Property, plant and equipment	47,408,033	43,702,852
Investment properties	2,098,304	2,166,304
Total non-current assets	87,597,874	87,306,562
Total assets	108,833,883	104,002,804
Liabilities		
Trade and other payables	4,556,348	5,279,547
Provisions	3,683,120	4,024,312
Total current liabilities	8,239,468	9,303,859
Provisions	263,041	282,477
Total non-current liabilities	263,041	282,477
Total liabilities	8,502,509	9,586,336
Net assets	100,331,374	94,416,468
Members' equity and specific funds		
Specific funds	347,748	347,748
Accumulated funds	87,976,221	83,782,732
Reserves	12,007,405	10,285,988
Total equity and funds	100,331,374	94,416,468

### Statement of changes in equity For the year ended 30 June 2015

In AUD	Specific funds	Revaluation reserve	Accumulated funds	Total
Balance at 1 July 2013	346,748	6,133,771	82,506,489	88,987,008
Surplus for the year	-	-	1,277,243	1,277,243
Change in fair value of available for sale assets		4,152,217	-	4,152,217
Total comprehensive income for the year		4,152,217	1,277,243	5,429,460
Movement in specific funds	1,000	-	(1,000)	-
Balance at 30 June 2014	347,748	10,285,988	83,782,732	94,416,468
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Surplus for the year	-	-	4,193,489	4,193,489
Change in fair value of available for sale assets	-	1,721,417	-	1,721,417
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	1,721,417	4,193,489	5,914,906
Movement in specific funds	-	-	-	-
Balance at 30 June 2015	347,748	12,007,405	87,976,221	100,331,374

### Statement of cash flows For the year ended 30 June 2015

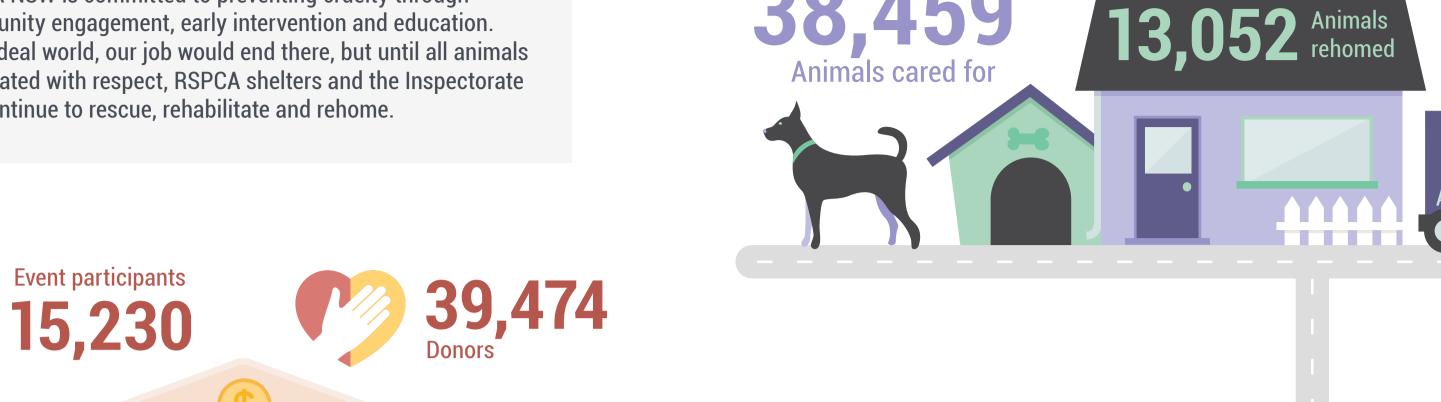
In AUD	2015	2014
Cash flows from operating activities		
Receipts from members and customers	23,820,811	22,900,790
Payments to suppliers and employees	(46,336,636)	(43,775,585)
Donations received	4,175,900	3,929,401
Legacies received	13,626,240	15,713,895
Government subsidy	502,645	806,062
Net cash from operating activities	(4,211,040)	(425,437)
Cash flows from investing activities		
Rent received	353,688	667,108
Interest received	546,219	482,002
Dividends received	669,138	2,112,726
Proceeds from the sale of held for sale assets	9,261,260	-
Proceeds from the sale of property, plant and equipment	4,623,517	10,734,490
Payment for investment securities	-	(1,878,039)
Payment for property, plant and equipment	(10,449,101)	(8,190,790)
Net cash used in investing activities	5,004,721	3,927,497
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	793,681	3,502,060
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	9,668,455	6,166,395
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	10,462,136	9,668,455



The full version of RSPCA NSW's financial statements are available to view on our website: rspcansw.org.au/financials

### Turning the tide on cruelty and neglect

RSPCA NSW is committed to preventing cruelty through community engagement, early intervention and education. In an ideal world, our job would end there, but until all animals are treated with respect, RSPCA shelters and the Inspectorate will continue to rescue, rehabilitate and rehome.



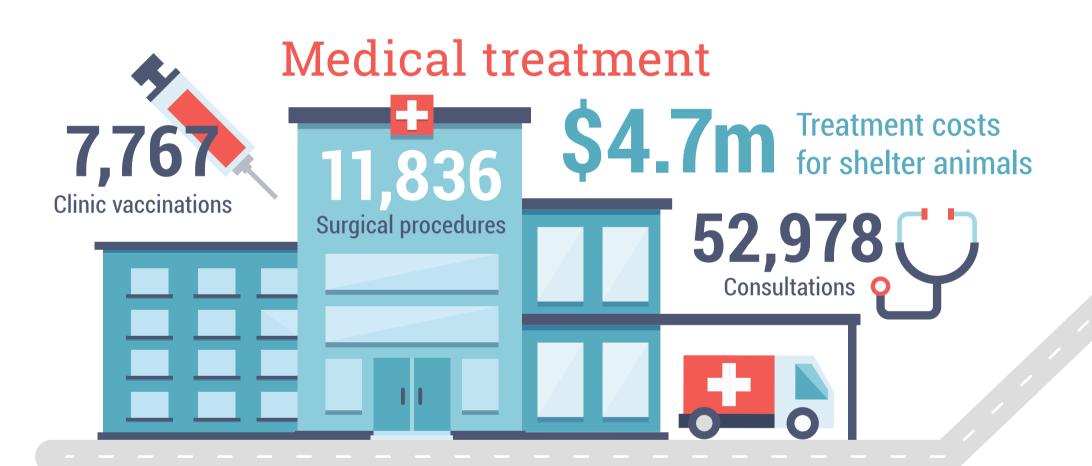
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Shelter and rehoming

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### Rescues and investigations

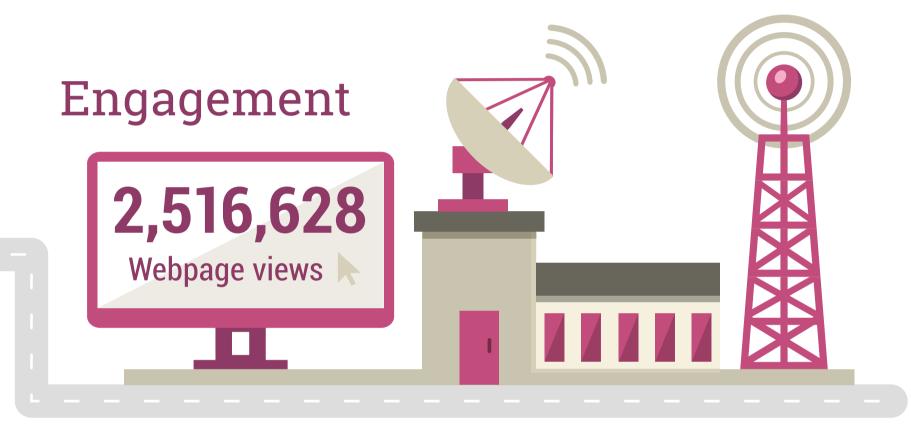
# Fundraising



# RSPCA NSW

You give them hope, heal their pain and help save more lives. Thank you for believing that animals matter.

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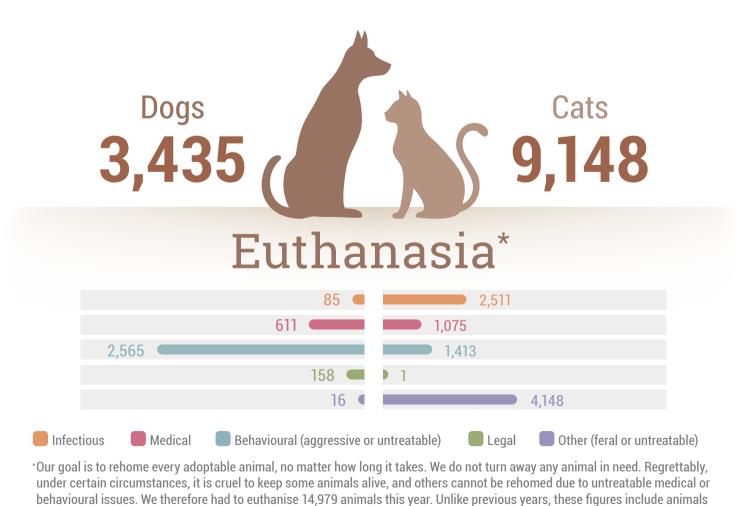








Community, education and training







from RSPCA-operated council facilities.