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Foreword from the President

It's been a very busy year for animal welfare, and on behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to both congratulate and sincerely thank our hardworking staff and volunteers for all the blood, sweat and tears this year that has truly resulted in some outstanding outcomes for the welfare of animals.

Our Inspectorate has travelled hundreds of thousands of kilometres all over the state, investigating animal cruelty cases and protecting the vulnerable. They are our front line in turning the tide of cruelty, and investigating an outstanding 14,872 reports of cruelty in the last year.

Our prosecution team had some very substantial wins and noteworthy precedents this last year, and remain at the forefront of our fight for justice.

Our volunteer Branches were again a flurry of activity this year and power so much of what we do in communities and the lives that we save.

We have a long road ahead of us to completely stamp out animal cruelty in our communities, but I urge everyone to take a moment to reflect on an extremely successful, and at times very difficult year. There is much to be proud of and celebrate, and thousands upon thousands of smiling animal faces that are the result of our unceasing resilience and hard work.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter Wright', with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Peter Wright
President, RSPCA NSW

Chief Inspector's Report

Complaints Offenders and Offences

The RSPCA NSW Inspectorate received and logged a total of 14,872 complaints in the 2016 – 2017 financial year. Of these complaints, 14,278 were investigated by RSPCA NSW inspectors.

The investigation of these complaints involved at least 14,278 initial visits to premises and properties to inspect and examine animals. A further 3,309 revisits were also completed; these revisits were generally conducted in response to the inspector's initial attendance, to assess compliance with verbal and written directions, and to monitor improvements in individual animal's condition and circumstances. A table detailing the types of complaint and the animals to which they are related is located in Table A.

Of the 14,872 complaints received, 34 were referred to other agencies including local councils. The referrals to local councils related to complaints or concerns under the Companion Animals Act or other legislation administered by local councils which falls outside the jurisdiction or authority of the RSPCA Inspectorate.

A further 235 complaints were referred to NSW Police for investigation. These complaints were generally referred based on the urgent nature of the animal welfare concern and proximity of the nearest RSPCA inspector. A proportion of the complaints initially referred to NSW Police were handed back to RSPCA inspectors for revisit or follow-up inspection.

Of the 14,872 complaints received, 325 were logged on the Animal Cruelty Database as intelligence only; these were matters where a possible animal cruelty offence was disclosed but lacked sufficient evidence to investigate.

RSPCA inspectors also completed a further 105 routine, proactive inspections on animal trades including animal boarding kennels; dog and cat breeding facilities; animal grooming businesses; pet shops; market stalls; piggeries; rodeos and saleyards.

In responding to complaints of alleged animal cruelty, the inspectors endeavour to work with owners and persons in charge of animals to improve their circumstances and welfare by providing targeted and tailored education to help them meet their animal welfare obligations. In working with people, the inspectors often issue verbal directions and — where necessary — have the authority under the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act to issue written directions. In circumstances where these written directions are not followed, monetary fines can be issued and court proceedings initiated. The RSPCA issued 133 Written Directions in accordance with the provisions of section 24N of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act in the 2016 – 2017 reporting period.

Where breaches of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act are detected and either cannot be addressed by the issuing of instructions or written directions or the incidents — based on their nature, seriousness or type, warrant the taking of punitive action in the first instance — inspectors can issue Penalty Infringement Notices or initiate Criminal Prosecution Proceedings.

In this last year, the inspectors issued 87 Penalty Infringement Notices for offences including: committing acts of cruelty; failing to provide veterinary treatment to an animal; failure to provide proper and sufficient food, drink or shelter to an animal; tethering an animal for unreasonable length of time; tethering an animal on an unreasonably short tether; setting a steel jaw trap; possessing a prescribed electrical device; authorising the conveyance of an animal in a manner that inflicted pain; failing to exercise care, control or supervision of an animal causing cruelty, and releasing an animal from confinement so it could be chased or caught by another animal. There were also a number of Penalty Infringement Notices issued to the proprietors of businesses or animal trades for not complying with enforceable standards in the corresponding Animal Welfare Codes of Practice.

In the 2016 – 2017 reporting period, the inspectors commenced 77 Criminal Prosecutions; these 77 offenders were charged with 302 offences, involving 1,840 animals. The details are tabulated in Table B.

Of the 77 prosecutions commenced, 55 prosecutions had been finalised, where 44 offenders pleaded guilty, five matters were dealt with ex parte as the defendant failed to appear at Court, five matters were finalised following a defended hearing — one of which went on to be finalised following a District Court Appeal. One matter was withdrawn.

Of the 77 prosecutions commenced, 22 matters were unfinalised — 18 of these matters were before the Local Court and four matters were District Court Appeals awaiting determination.

Significant Court Cases

Greyhound trainer convicted of animal cruelty

A Baulkham Hills Greyhound trainer pleaded guilty in Parramatta Local Court on Thursday, 18 May 2017 to Aggravated Animal Cruelty and Failure to Provide Veterinary Treatment over the death of his severely emaciated female brindle Greyhound named Milkshake.

Veterinary examination revealed Milkshake was severely emaciated, with severe dental disease and advanced kidney disease, and had died from avoidable causes after being starved and denied veterinary care. The trainer was fined \$1,000 for Aggravated Animal Cruelty and \$400 for Failure to Provide Veterinary Treatment.

The Magistrate prohibited the Greyhound trainer from owning any animals for five years, with the exception of keeping his existing Greyhound called Squiggles as it has a Dangerous Dog Order, and given that it is illegal to rehome a declared dangerous dog, the only other option for it was euthanasia.

In conjunction with this order, the Magistrate also added that RSPCA NSW were given grounds to inspect Squiggles as needed for the next 12 months, and all instruction given by RSPCA NSW relating to Squiggles are to be followed and the defendant needs to make himself available whenever RSPCA NSW contacts him to inspect the dog. He was also ordered to attend a police station to have his fingerprints recorded.

Central Coast Ragdoll cat breeder guilty of animal cruelty

A 50-year-old Point Clare resident appeared in Gosford Local Court on Monday, 28 November 2016 and pleaded not guilty to three charges of animal neglect in relation to a male Ragdoll cat named Ethan.

On 31 March 2016, the RSPCA attended a residence after receiving a complaint about a sick kitten that the breeder had sold.

The RSPCA veterinarian inspected all the cats being bred on the premises, finding that the male Ragdoll named Ethan was in particularly bad condition with a burst abscess on his face, and issued instructions detailing immediate veterinary treatment for him and additional veterinary treatment for the other cats.

Two RSPCA NSW inspectors re-attended the property to check the written instructions had been followed by the breeder, but instead found that Ethan's condition had significantly deteriorated. He was very underweight with severe dental disease, a burst bleeding abscess on his face, a "crusty" coat in poor condition, and a flea infestation with flea dirt. The RSPCA NSW inspector also noticed that Ethan had a "foul smelling odour".

Ethan was seized and taken to the Rutherford RSPCA Veterinary Hospital for a full examination, where the veterinarian found he was also suffering from

- poor body condition 3.5/5 (1/5 is healthy)
- severe (grade 4/4 when 1/4 is healthy) dental and periodontal disease
- abscess/sinus right cheek, likely secondary to tooth root infection
- rough coat with dermatitis and scald dermatitis of testicles
- pyrexia (high body temperature)
- anaemia (low blood cell count) – probably due to fleas and or chronic inflammation
- high plasma protein in house on presentation suggestive of dehydration/chronic inflammation
- upper respiratory infection causing sneezing "cat flu" identified as Mycoplasma infection
- Haematuria (blood in urine) – no specific cause identified

- thickened intestines – no specific cause identified
- Hyperglycaemia – high blood sugar – interpreted as likely due to stress
- high blood sodium, possibly due to fluid losses
- high blood urea with concentrated urine consistent with dehydration

Surgery had to be delayed due to Ethan's fragile condition that would not withstand anaesthetic, and he was administered with antibiotics and pain relief until the abscess wound healed on 1 June. Various other veterinary treatments were given, including dental surgery on 10 June. Under RSPCA care, Ethan put on 800 grams, weighing a healthy 4.9 kilograms on 28 June, and all medical issues were resolved with veterinary treatment.

After a hearing, the cat breeder was found guilty, convicted on all counts and sentenced to an 18 month Section 9 Good Behaviour Bond with conditions.

Woman found guilty of animal cruelty after starving five horses

A female horse owner appeared in Glen Innes Local Court on 14 October 2016 and pleaded guilty to animal cruelty in relation to five horses.

On 12 June 2016, an RSPCA NSW inspector attended a property in Wellingrove after receiving complaints about horses in poor condition.

On arrival at the property, the inspector spoke with the owner of the property and sighted 15 horses, three jersey cows, two Kelpie dogs and 11 Chihuahua dogs. The dogs and cows seemed to be in good condition, but the horses ranged from good to very poor condition.

There was also a deceased brown mare that had been dragged into some scrub vegetation.

The inspector gave the owner written direction to improve the welfare of the horses, including giving them hay and additional food and separating the affected horses from the healthy ones.

On Friday 22 July, the inspector revisited the property to check if the written instructions regarding the horses' welfare had been followed. The inspector found the horses to be in poor body condition and saw two deceased horses.

On Monday 25 July, RSPCA NSW inspectors, Local Land Services District Vet and Local Land Services Pasture Agronomist visited the property to assess the horses. The veterinarian found that the majority of horses were suffering malnutrition, with five of the 12 horses seized because they were in an unacceptable welfare condition. The agronomist found the pasture to be insufficient to maintain any livestock.

An RSPCA NSW Seizure Notice and Section 24N Written Direction notice were left at the property regarding the care of the remaining horses.

A bay stallion named Leo was the worst affected and his blood results showed that his red blood cell count was 4.8 (normal range 6 to 10.5), eosinophils 1.00 (a type of red blood cell where high levels can indicate an infection – normal range is 0.1 to 0.5), and albumin 1800 (protein made by the liver – normal range is 2700 to 3900). In this case, the red cell count and high eosinophil pointed directly to a severe parasite problem, while the low protein indicated malnutrition.

Around 10 a.m. on Thursday 24 August, the inspector attended the property again with the owner and saw that the remaining horses' conditions had improved. During a formal interview, the owner stated that she didn't know why the horses were in such poor condition. She said that a local vet had advised her to worm the horses, and admitted that the property was overstocked although she was feeding the horses kept there.

The horse owner was convicted and placed on a 12 month Good Behaviour Bond and was prohibited from owning any more than five horses. The seized horses were awarded to the RSPCA. She was also fined \$3,000 and ordered to pay costs of \$4,910.

Ex-breeder convicted after dead dogs found in freezer, dogs starving and deceased

A Western Sydney resident and former dog breeder appeared in Penrith Local Court on Wednesday 15 February 2017, and was convicted of 15 counts of animal cruelty after 18 dogs were found in poor condition requiring veterinary treatment for various issues ranging from minor ailments to serious, potentially life threatening conditions.

Dogs were presented with severe and painful medical conditions including burnt testicles, a dead fly imbedded in an infected ear canal, ulcers and open wounds and a variety of serious veterinary conditions. Dogs were also found emaciated, without any food, water or shelter. Several deceased dogs were found in freezers, and a partially burned dog was found in full view of the remaining dogs.

The ex-dog breeder was sentenced to a section 9 Good Behaviour Bond for a period of three years for each charge to be served concurrently, prohibited from owning any animals for ten years, directed to attend Penrith Police Station to have his fingerprints taken, and ordered to pay veterinary and boarding costs to the RSPCA of \$83,577.80.

Staffing

As at 30 June 2017, RSPCA NSW had a total of 28 inspectors who were Authorised Officers and holders of Prescribed Authorities issued by the Minister for Primary Industries. There were three inspectors who were awaiting formal appointment as Authorised Officers.

In the 12 months prior to 30 June 2017, unfortunately two employees tendered their resignation as RSPCA inspectors to pursue other careers, one in the regulatory law enforcement field and the other in emergency management.

In the same period, the RSPCA welcomed the commencement of three new inspectors. These inspectors brought with them varied experiences, one with law enforcement/regulatory experience and the other two with animal care/veterinary nursing backgrounds.

Throughout the year, inspectors participated in various training opportunities including: officer survival training; confined space training; firearms training; wildlife and marine animal emergency management training.

The inspectors also received presentations at their annual conference on beef cattle management and welfare; Greyhound racing industry reform; NSW Police Rural Crime Investigation; forensic pathology; reptile handling and management; ORRCA marine animal management; verbal judo and officer survival; horse management and welfare and an introduction to the new biosecurity legislation.

Each year the inspectors face varying challenges stemming from varying myriad of sources. Some stem from the investigations themselves which may be large scale, complex enquiries involving multiple animals and multiple alleged offences. Other challenges stem from the type and significance of the animal cruelty being investigated. Some originate from community confusion over the difference between animal welfare and animal rights and some originate from the viral distribution of information via social media that must be tracked down and properly investigated.

Despite the challenges, the RSPCA NSW Inspectorate achieves positive animal welfare results on a daily basis because of the determination, commitment and resilience of the dedicated team of inspectors. The inspectors' lives are made easier with the strong support provided by the Drives For Lives team, animal transport officers and the inspectorate administrative staff. It is also important to acknowledge the assistance and support that each and every department within the RSPCA and the RSPCA NSW Board provide the inspectors, without which we just simply couldn't operate.



David OShannessy
RSPCA NSW Chief Inspector

Table A – RSPCA NSW INSPECTORATE – Cruelty Complaints by Animal Types and Complaint Codes – 2016/2017

Total number of cruelty complaints received was 14,872. This Table analyses complaints by Code (may be multiple codes in a single complaint) and animal type (may be multiple animal types in a single complaint) - this figure yields 25,686 for animals and 22,829 for complaints																	
Animal Type ► Complaint Code ▼	Bird	Cat	Cattle	Crab & Fish	Dog	Exotic Species	Other Farm	Fowl	Goat	Horse	Native	Pig	Reptile & Amphibian	Sheep	Small Pet	Total animals per Cruelty Code	Total Complaints per Cruelty Code
Abandoned	35	351	7	9	864	0	1	60	11	32	2	6	12	13	28	1,431	1,209
Animal Park Insp	5	0	0	0	1	1	5	7	8	3	7	2	0	5	5	49	26
Bushfire	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
Cat Up Tree	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	6
Circus Inspection	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	5	5
Cock Fighting	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
Concern For Welfare	146	341	55	22	1,120	5	11	82	56	171	18	17	17	80	79	2,220	1,905
Dead	65	59	55	9	94	1	7	48	19	35	12	7	2	62	28	503	429
Dog Fighting	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	9
Exercise Inadequate	13	29	2	0	435	0	0	12	1	12	0	2	0	1	10	517	460
Exposed To Heat	24	21	19	1	261	1	4	16	24	35	3	4	1	21	28	463	406
Feedlot Insp	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	8	7
Film Notification	0	3	1	1	34	1	1	2	7	0	11	8	2	2	5	78	73
Food & Water	132	903	297	20	4,200	1	29	179	158	1,104	4	38	35	174	109	7,383	6,426
Greyhound Complaint	1	1	0	0	48	0	0	2	1	2	0	0	0	1	4	60	58
Ill treatment	47	124	11	5	767	1	0	34	9	24	24	15	11	11	10	1,093	1,015
Kennel Inspection	4	38	2	1	147	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	199	183
Killed	26	42	1	1	31	0	0	15	3	1	10	6	8	4	12	160	113
Locked In Car	0	6	1	0	144	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	152	157
Locked In House	17	137	0	5	181	0	0	5	0	1	0	0	4	1	7	358	286
Locked In Laundry	1	5	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	22	19
Locked In Shed	5	18	1	0	116	0	0	8	3	2	0	1	1	0	4	159	139
Locked In Shop	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4
Locked In Small Pen	78	85	5	5	419	0	2	65	13	25	1	8	5	10	39	760	633
Operation Champion	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Organised Cruelty	1	3	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	6
Other	131	309	50	26	1,069	8	25	74	51	156	63	14	27	93	62	2,158	1,955
Overcrowded	21	9	7	15	20	0	2	18	5	2	0	2	2	6	3	112	86
Pet Shop Inspection	59	22	1	21	61	0	0	22	1	0	0	2	4	0	33	226	164
Poisoning	14	6	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	29	34
Poultry Inspection	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	9
Premises Inspection	0	1	0	0	4	0	0	0	1	2	0	2	0	0	1	11	19
Require Rescue	120	230	15	0	84	10	10	26	9	19	130	0	1	19	4	677	715
Riding School Insp	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	13	11
Rodeo Insp	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
Sale Yard Insp	1	0	4	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	4	0	13	15
Shelter Inadequate	36	59	52	0	1,255	2	8	52	88	225	4	16	3	44	31	1,875	1,725
Stable Insp	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	7	7
Tied Continually	4	33	12	0	1,102	0	1	8	60	38	0	2	1	20	4	1,285	1,201
Transport Unsatisfactory	0	0	8	1	64	0	0	6	1	1	0	1	0	3	0	85	88
Vet Treatment	99	616	134	9	1,680	15	32	63	70	450	60	14	11	234	49	3,536	3,219
Total	1,089	3,458	749	151	14,239	49	139	816	600	2,361	350	167	147	812	559	25,686	22,829

Table B – RSPCA NSW INSPECTORATE – Prosecution Summary Report – 2016/2017 Approved Charges by Species [POCTA Act, POCTA Regulation and CRIMES Act]:

	Bull	Camel	Cat	Cow	Dog	Guinea Pig	Horse	Lobster	Pig	Pony	Multiple Species
Actual Number of Animals (Total Animals = 1,841)	1	1	68	1,501	247	1	19	1	1	1	25
Number of Prosecutions Involving Species	1	1	11	1	50	1	6	1	1	1	3

ACT REGULATION	Short Description	Bull	Camel	Cat	Cow	Dog	Guinea Pig	Horse	Lobster	Pig	Pony	Multiple Species	Total
Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979													
Section 5(1)	Commit an act of cruelty upon an animal			3	1	9			1	1		2	17
Section 5(3)(a)	Fail to provide reasonable care to prevent an act of cruelty					2							2
Section 5(3)(c)	Being in charge of animal fail to provide vet treatment	1	1	55		123	1	11			2	16	210
Section 6(1)	Commit an act of aggravated cruelty upon an animal	1		4	2	6						1	14
Section 8(1)	Fail to provide proper and sufficient food to animal	1	1	4	1	31		4			1	3	46
Section 8(1)	Fail to provide proper and sufficient water to animal							3				2	5
Section 8(1)	Fail to provide proper and sufficient shelter									1	1		2
Section 11	Abandon Animal					1							1
Section 24A (2)	Proprietor not comply with clause					4							4
Section 28	Hinder person exercising power					1							1
Total Charges by Species		3	2	66	4	177	1	18	1	2	4	24	302

2016/2017 Number of Prosecutions Approved - 77

Number of Approved Charges - 302

Member Class Summary Report

Member Type	2016	2017
Honorary Life	46	38
Life	4,927	4,931
Annual	2,869	2,524
Junior	981	972

Branch Activities Report

Summary	Southern Branches	Northern Branches	Total
Animals Adopted	246	624	870
Pets in Need	1,184	1,090	2,274
Events	\$254,732	\$126,466	\$381,198
Financial Assistance	\$82,037	\$67,393	\$149,430

Southern Branches														
	Goulburn	Central Coast	Sydney/Auxiliary	Blue Mountains	Cooma	Orange	Nowra	Eurobodalla	Sapphire Coast	Ulladulla	Albury	Illawarra	Bathurst	Total
Animals Adopted														
Branch	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	116	N/A	N/A	11	87	N/A	17	N/A	N/A	231
Petbarn	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	5	N/A	N/A	3	7	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	15
					121			14	94		17			246
Pets in Need														
Desex Assistance Vouchers	274	N/A	247	56	N/A	143	76	N/A	N/A	9	26	N/A	51	882
Microchip Days	140	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	162	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	302
Animal Welfare Day	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
	414		247	56		305	76			9	26		51	1,184
Events														
Cupcake Day	\$4,351	\$5,610	N/A	\$3,042	\$1,515	\$3,862	N/A	\$1,797	\$427	\$129	N/A	\$4,623	\$1,542	\$26,898
Million Paws Walk	\$6,023	\$3,736	N/A	\$10,612	\$2,656	\$5,781	N/A	\$2,996	\$3,395	\$1,238	\$8,258	\$49,302	\$5,891	\$99,888
Op Shop	N/A	\$71,317	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$71,317
Trivia Night	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Market & BBQ Days	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Raffles	\$1,058	\$698	\$411	\$1,634	\$2,734	N/A	N/A	\$838	\$1,544	\$760	\$291	N/A	N/A	\$9,968
High Tea/Vintage Wedding	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Other Fundraising	\$1,628	N/A	\$12,540	\$3,444	\$7,532	\$5,266	\$7,957	\$2,262	\$2,548	N/A	\$3,047	\$437	N/A	\$46,661
	\$13,060	\$81,361	\$12,951	\$18,732	\$14,437	\$14,909	\$7,957	\$7,893	\$7,914	\$2,127	\$11,596	\$54,362	\$7,433	\$254,732
Financial Assistance														
Shelter	\$0	\$12,095	\$14,800	\$13,470	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$37,472	\$0	\$77,837
Inspectorate	\$0	\$4,200	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,200
Local Assistance Program	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	\$0	\$16,295	\$14,800	\$13,470	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$37,472	\$0	\$82,037

Northern Branches																
	Tweed Heads	Kempsey	Port Macquarie	Dubbo	Cobar	Broken Hill	Hunter	Gunnedah	Tenterfield	Glen Innes	Armidale	Tamworth	Taree	Inverell	Moree	Total
		No Branch			No Branch		No Bank Account								No Branch	
Animals Adopted																
Branch	N/A		N/A	N/A		N/A		141	1	16	215	13	N/A	39		425
Petbarn	N/A		N/A	N/A		N/A		119	1	34	13	23	N/A	9		199
								260	2	50	228	36		48		624
Pets in Need																
Desex Assistance Vouchers	193		72	26		N/A		58	40	48	44	52	105	21		659
Microchip/Vaccination Days	N/A		N/A	N/A		N/A		60	N/A	N/A	167	N/A	120	N/A		347
Animal Welfare Day	56		N/A	N/A		N/A		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	28	N/A		84
	249		72	26				118	40	48	211	52	253	21		1,090
Events																
Cupcake Day	N/A		\$340	\$1,524		\$4,907		\$4,220	\$870	\$346	\$1,144	\$2,752	\$1,662	\$3,353		\$21,118
Million Paws Walk	N/A		\$3,060	\$602		\$300		\$1,178	N/A	\$837	\$3,385	N/A	\$3,964	\$1,371		\$14,697
Op Shop	N/A		\$52,844	N/A		N/A		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		\$52,844
Trivia Night	N/A		N/A	N/A		N/A		N/A	N/A	N/A	\$3,000	N/A	N/A	N/A		\$3,000
Market & BBQ Days	N/A		N/A	N/A		N/A		N/A	N/A	N/A	\$4,272	N/A	N/A	N/A		\$4,272
Raffles	N/A		\$524	N/A		N/A		N/A	N/A	\$208	4926	N/A	N/A	\$3,058.00		\$8,716
High Tea/Vintage Wedding	N/A		N/A	N/A		N/A		N/A	\$705	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$3,255		\$3,960
Other Fundraising	N/A		\$2,579	N/A		\$1,782		\$1,131	N/A	\$2,871	N/A	\$2,259	\$2,109	\$5,128		\$17,859
			\$59,347	\$2,126		\$6,989		\$6,529	\$1,575	\$4,262	\$16,727	\$5,011	\$7,735	\$16,165		\$126,466
Financial Assistance																
Shelter	\$0		\$24,000	\$0		\$13,768		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$37,768
Inspectorate	\$24,000		\$0	\$3,625		\$0		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$27,625
Local Assistance Program	\$0		\$0	\$2,000		\$0		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$2,000
	\$24,000		\$24,000	\$5,625		\$13,768		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$67,393
Additional Support																
Tweed Heads contributed \$25,000 to other less financial branches to sponsor specific needs																
Port Macquarie Branch continue to provide desexing and veterinary assistance to both Port Macquarie and Kempsey community members in need																
Dubbo Branch regularly delivers donated pet food to community members in need																
Tenterfield Branch run an annual desexing campaign every September																
Glen Innes Branch obtained a \$2,000.00 grant and used the bulk of it for our Education team to attend Glen Innes show last February																
Armidale Branch contributed \$10,000.00 to a local council desexing initiative																
Tamworth Branch attended both Pets in Need vaccination days at Coledale to promote their desexing financial assistance																
Taree Branch provide 40 local community members in need with regular drop offs of pet food and also support four large church and welfare organisations with donated pet food for their clients																
Inverell Branch dedicated \$3,500.00 for a subsidised parvo vaccination program																