



Annual Report
2016-2017

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THE WORK WE DO

Animal Aid cares for around 6,000 animals each year with dedication and determination to give each the opportunity of finding a loving home.

We achieve a lot with limited financial resources.



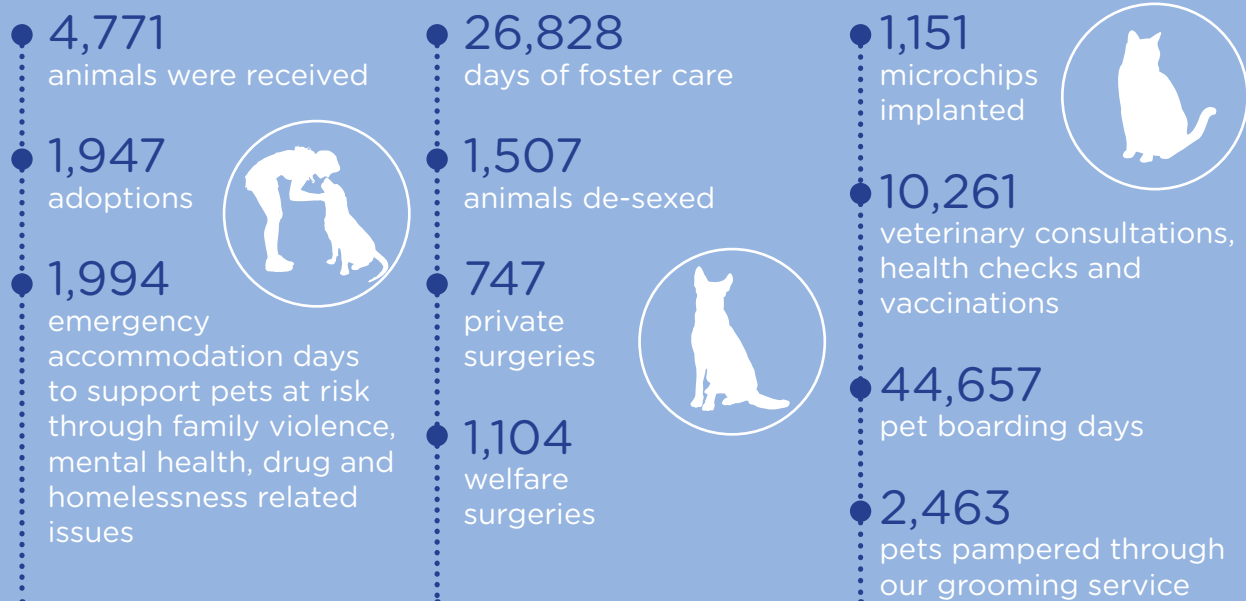
The last financial year:

we employed the equivalent of 38 Full Time Employees (FTE)

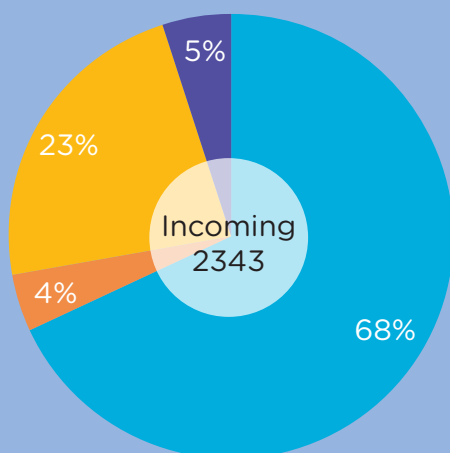
our work was supported by 688 volunteers who gifted their time and worked over 85,800 hours equating to \$1.5million donated time



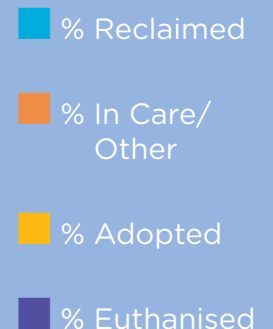
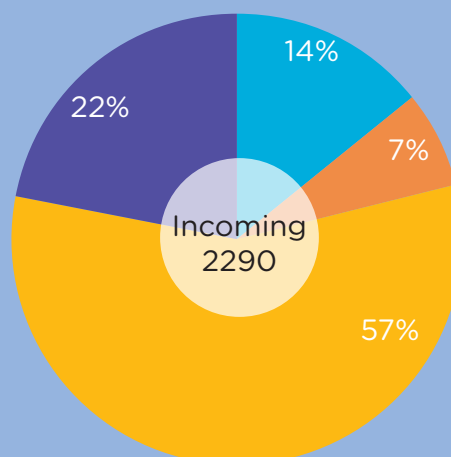
Our animal welfare statistics at a glance:



Save Rates Dogs 95%



Save Rates Cats 78%



The income generated through Animal Aid's vet clinic, pet boarding and grooming services goes back into supporting our work in caring for animals in need.

MISSION

Animal Aid exists to unite people and pets for life.

We are committed to acting in the best interests of each and every animal that comes through our doors. Through the promotion of enjoyable pet ownership and the provision of the highest standard of care, Animal Aid is dedicated to improving the welfare of companion pets in our society. We are passionate about advocating the adoption of companion pets, working to address the issues associated with animal overpopulation and abolishing sub-standard animal breeding practices. We don't want to be big, we want to be great at everything we do.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

Animal Aid believes that all pets deserve the safety and comfort of a loving home.

Animal Aid is an open-door shelter that never refuses an animal or person in need.

Our staff and volunteers treat all animals in our care with respect and dignity.

Animal Aid works diligently to reunite lost pets with their owners.

We are committed to finding loving homes for ALL temperamentally sound and healthy animals. Animal Aid does not euthanase healthy, adoptable animals based on space, time or financial pressures.



VALUES

The Pawfect Principle aims to create an environment whereby the people and animals we care for achieve the best possible outcomes. We will do this by:

Choosing Our Attitude

At Animal Aid we believe that attitude is a choice and we choose to be professional, responsible, accountable and proud.

Supporting Each Other

Our people are our most important asset. We listen to each other and engage positively.

Celebrating Success

We share our achievements; big and small.

Having Fun

We take the time to enjoy the company of our animals and people.



Celebrating
Success

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Choosing Our
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Achieving
Excellence
in Animal
Welfare

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT



This past year has been one of the busiest and most rewarding as we continue to grow our organisation and modernise our facilities.

Our commitment to maintaining an open door policy and providing a safe and caring haven for all domestic animals in need of our specialised care always motivates us to deliver the highest standards.

The decision to construct the boarding and grooming centre has been rewarded with a world class facility that generates income to support our welfare work. The many innovative facilities incorporated into the building enables our staff and volunteers to spend time on enrichment activities for those animals in our care. While the building site provided many challenges, especially during the cold wet winter months, we are indebted to our builders, SJ Higgins Co and architect, Brian Spears for their professional co-operation.

The new boarding kennels & grooming centre are just the first stage of our redevelopment plan. We have commenced the improvements to our adoption kennels, exercise runs and the first stage of the cattery redevelopment.

However, one of the most important investments we have made and will continue to make is in our most valuable assets, our staff and volunteers. We have implemented training programs across the

organisation in recognition of the invaluable role our staff and volunteers play in every area of our organisation. They are the reason our organisation is so well regarded. We will continue to find the means to express our appreciation and thanks.

As we continue to renew and grow our organisation, it has been pleasing to see that we are well regarded in the wider community. Our new contracts with the City of Knox and Whitehorse Council are testimony to that.

My thanks to our tireless CEO Mark Menze, who continues to lead by example with a strong focus on our future needs and the day to day organisational challenges.

My thanks to my fellow Board Directors who volunteer their time, expertise and passion. Without their strong commitment and willingness to “think outside the square”, we would not have been able to review this year of extraordinary achievement.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Fran Bailey', with a long, sweeping tail that extends downwards and to the right.

The Hon Fran Bailey
Animal Aid Chairman

1,947
adoptions



CEO'S REPORT

What an amazing year of achievement and positive change at Animal Aid.

In May 2016 our leadership group made a commitment to better our already high save rates for the 16/17 year. We set ourselves ambitious targets and have delivered on our promise. Live release rates for dogs improved from 90% (FY16) to 95% (FY17) and for cats increased from 73% (FY 16) to 78% (FY17). Our staff and volunteers can be immensely proud of this significant accomplishment.

After some 3 years of planning and saving, stage 1 of our redevelopment was completed in April this year with the realisation of our new boarding and grooming facilities.

This modern building allows us to provide another level of care for those choosing to entrust their animals to us. We have an additional 52 indoor boarding kennels that are climate controlled; providing the highest standard of dog accommodation. Our grooming salon has been designed to work with efficiency and to help our animals feel comfortable when visiting us for a pampering. The services hub has some great workspace and has a warm and inviting feel with unique design and lots of artwork. I extend my thanks to SJ Higgins and Brian Spears for their partnership in delivering a quality building.

I also thank our staff, volunteers and customers for their patience during the interruptive building process.

At Animal Aid East Gippsland we created a new holding area for cats. With financial assistance from East Gippsland Shire Council the space has been fitted with 22 purpose built pens, making a stay with us far more comfortable for the cats and kittens in our care.

Animal Aid Gippsland continues to benefit from the upgrades provided by Wellington Shire Council which included new cat pens, outdoor cat and dog runs, new kitchen/laundry area and general grounds improvements.

This year we look forward to further redevelopment with relocation of our veterinary clinic to the Elizabeth Walker Administration Centre. This move will centralise our animal services, free up future space for redevelopment of our Shelter Kennels and create a modern and professional building for our veterinary team to deliver vital care services. Estimated completion by March 2018.

We also look forward to commencing the expansion of our Shelter Cattery. We have funds to extend the rear of the building immediately; with further extensions and renovations to come as funds are raised.





Animal Aid is excited to extend our animal services into the Knox and Whitehorse municipalities.

Over the past three years the amount of incoming dogs from Yarra Ranges and Maroondah City Councils has fallen by around 25%. This is due to a number of factors but primarily the use of social media for reuniting animals and councils directly returning an animal to the owner if it is identifiable. The Knox and Whitehorse contracts commenced in July 2017 and will bring our incoming dog numbers back to where they were in 2014, Animal Aid is confident we have appropriate capacity to service these additional arrangements. Cat and kitten numbers have remained consistent over the past four years and Animal Aid has implemented strategies to accommodate increases in cat/kitten numbers with the purchase of 16 “cat condos” to provide immediate capacity until building works are undertaken.

The additional work with Knox and Whitehorse will allow us to extend our animal welfare services into new communities. We have also formalised agreements with Murrindindi Shire Council taking our total municipalities served to seven.

We are also blessed to be supported by a loyal donor community. I am indebted to the people of Animal Aid and thank you for your ongoing hard work, skill, generosity and kindness.

Finally, my thanks to the Board of Trustees for their ongoing support and assistance in driving positive change at Animal Aid, led by our Chairman Hon Fran Bailey.

Mark Menze
Chief Executive
Officer

Behind all of these exciting developments is a dedicated team of staff and volunteers willing and able to take on the challenges of an expanding organisation.



THE YEAR IN REVIEW

21.03.17

SPECIAL EVENTS

Pet Picnic 2017

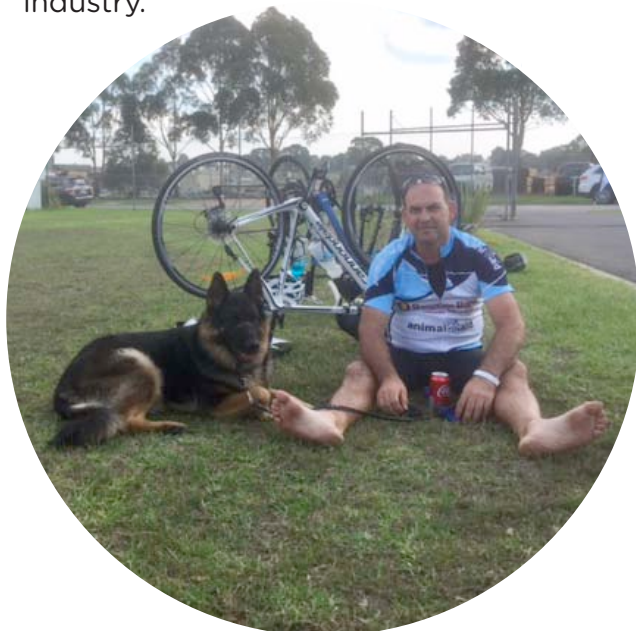
The 2017 Pet Picnic was a fantastic family day out where Animal Aid was able to engage with our local community, promote enjoyable pet ownership and provide information about our services. We were able to reach individuals and groups who were previously unfamiliar with Animal Aid, building valuable new relationships and networks; the event was featured in the Herald Sun! As well as raising our profile in the area, we raised \$4000 on the day through the sale of merchandise, donations received and from onsite activities like the Animal Aid Lure Course.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Ride for the Animals 2017

23.04.17

The Ride for the Animals was such an exciting adventure for all participants and volunteers involved! Travelling 100kms between our regional Animal Aid shelters Sale and Bairnsdale, our cyclists challenged themselves and wore their Animal Aid jerseys with pride! Our riders and sponsors brought a combined total of \$15,000 to Animal Aid, helping us support animals in need. This event raised considerable funds and helped build Animal Aid's reputation in the Gippsland region as an effective and influential organisation in the animal welfare industry.



We have such an exciting calendar of events in place for the 2017/2018 financial year. Keep up to date by following Animal Aid on Facebook and Instagram or check in regularly via our website.



Animal Aid Trivia Night 2017

17.06.17

The Animal Aid Trivia night was an enormously successful evening featuring trivia, silent auctions, live auctions, raffles and other fundraising games. We had over 400 guests in attendance who helped us raise \$27,000! It was also a brilliant opportunity for us to recognise and engage with our partners and supporters.



THE YEAR IN REVIEW

ANIMAL AID EAST GIPPSLAND

Animal Aid East Gippsland is an ever changing facility nestled in the township of Bairnsdale, providing animal services for the Shire of East Gippsland.

Over the 16/17 financial year, our small shelter received 531 cats and kittens and 472 dogs & puppies.

We pride ourselves on our excellent standard of care that each and every animal receives. Our work here would not be possible without the hard work and commitment from our skilled team of staff and volunteers; they are the heart and soul of our facility!

Animal Aid East Gippsland and East Gippsland shire have been working together to reduce the number of stray and unwanted cats and dogs in East Gippsland but unfortunately our incoming cat numbers have increased.

FY 15/16- 429 Cats and kittens were admitted into our care and our numbers have grown by nearly 100 cats this year. This has a lot to do with responsible pet ownership and the large population of entire, breeding cats.

Fortunately in late 2016, Animal Aid East Gippsland with the help from East Gippsland Shire Council, were able to upgrade our cat holding facilities. This included fit out of 22 custom built cat pens.

These pens are designed to house new incoming cats to ensure they're provided with top quality care.

We often have people ask "how long do you keep them for?" Our response is, as long as it takes!

A good example of this is an adult cat who was recently adopted from our shelter, Cristal.

Cristal came into the shelter as a stray on the 13th of July 2016, there was nothing "wrong" with Cristal, but unfortunately when we have a large number of kittens available for adoption, the adults often sadly get overlooked. Cristal was adopted (unbeknown to her new family) on the anniversary of her arrival one year prior, and we couldn't be happier for her!

No matter what challenges we are faced with, cases like Cristal remind us, THIS is why we're here!

Our events team at Bairnsdale are developing some exciting fundraising events for East Gippsland in the very near future. Together with the support provided by our local community and expert staff from Animal Aid in other locations, we're anticipating a very eventful, successful coming year.

Watch this space!

Megan Abraham
Operations Manager
Animal Aid East Gippsland.



GROOMING SALON

Staff and volunteers are enjoying working in a sparkling new Grooming Salon, the smiles cannot be wiped from our faces!

We cannot thank enough all those involved in bringing this massive project to life. We're now well equipped to further increase the Grooming business into the future.

It was a privilege to be given the opportunity to have so much input into the design. The layout allows for a free work flow, with modern grooming equipment fitted. The drying and clipping area is located in a separate room which reduces noise and mess. All future appointments are skilfully handled by reception, which has freed up our time to concentrate all our efforts to provide the best service to our clients and their pets.

So the business of grooming for Animal Aid continues to grow from strength to strength; we welcome new clients, catch up with our longstanding and sadly we do say goodbye to a few of our older pooches, some who we've been grooming since 2004!

We look forward to another year of growth and seeing the next stage of the redevelopment and the benefits that this will bring to Animal Aid and the animals in our care.

Linda Shambrook
Grooming Manager



SHELTER KENNELS

What a rewarding year! To say I am proud of what we have all achieved as a team in the past twelve months is an understatement.

I have watched our Behaviour Team grow, not only in the numbers of volunteers, but in the way they work together, providing the very best care and compassion as well as the leadership and training that is so important to our dogs.

I have watched our staff create the most wonderful respect for each other, provide quality service to our customers, achieve brilliant outcomes for our animals and together celebrate success.

Our volunteer numbers have grown and we see many friendships develop along the way; it is very much about our people as much as it is the care they provide to our animals.

We have taken many animals in over the past year that came to us with their particular challenges and in some cases it can take quite a while to help them progress but together we each make a difference and can achieve so many wonderful outcomes.

Sally Miles
Shelter Kennels
Operations Manager

THE YEAR IN REVIEW

ANIMAL AID GIPPSLAND

What a great year it's been, with loving homes found for more animals than the prior year. One of our most memorable adoptions this year was for a dog we named Pooch, this is his story!

Pooch came to Animal Aid Gippsland in December 2016 after being found in a local pine plantation. The family who found him rushed him to the nearest vet where he was diagnosed with severe malnutrition, skin allergies, entropion (an eye condition where the eye lashes stick to the eye ball) and very sore paws from miles of walking. Pooch is a very large Sherpei, Mastiff X that should have been around 30+ kg but was only 17 kg.

The family who found Pooch cared for him for a couple of days while he rested before bringing him to the Sale shelter. Unfortunately Pooch didn't have a microchip so we weren't able to locate his family, and so the road to a new home began.

Our first job was to treat his health issues. He needed medicated baths for his skin conditions, surgery to repair his eye lid and a soft bed to rest his raw paws. After a few weeks with us receiving some TLC and regular meals of Royal Canin dry dog food, Pooch gained enough weight to be sent to Coldstream to have the important surgery to correct his eye condition. After receiving the all clear from his surgery Pooch returned back to Sale to start the journey to finding his new home.

Finding Pooch his forever home proved to be a little harder than we first imagined. Pooch had a long list of issues, he hated being left alone, he worried about other dogs,



he became very excited by just about everything and was not used to walking on a lead, dragging his walkers all over the place. However all of these issues became insignificant whenever Pooch flashed his big goofy smile and we got to know his loving nature. We all fell for this fellow and gave him all the time he needed to overcome his many problems. We knew we were looking for a special home for this guy, his new family would need to have time and patience to help him overcome his worries.

Luckily for Pooch his new family had just moved to the Gippsland area and were now ready to give a home to a dog that needed a little more help than your regular dog. Mark came to meet Pooch in May and the two got on like a house on fire. With some help from a local dog trainer and lots of love Pooch is now a different dog. He is healthy and happy and enjoying life with Mark and his extended family. He is one lucky dog.

This is just one of many examples of how we take the time needed to make sure we find the right home for all of the animals that come into our care.

Debby Goddard
Shelter Manager Gippsland

UNITING FAMILIES WITH PETS - THAT'S WHAT WE DO!



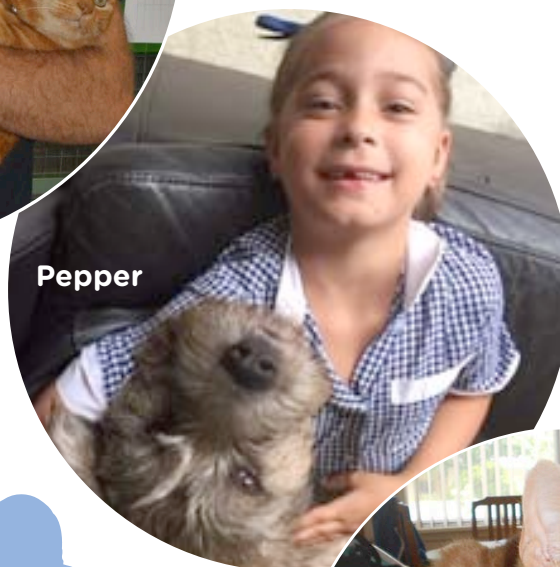
Monty is 17 years of age and escaped from home in the Dandenong Ranges a few weeks before his family was due to move.

Monty was nowhere to be found and his owners thought that Monty may have wandered into the Sherbrook forest and passed away.

Some four months later Monty was handed in to Animal Aid. A family had been caring for Monty until his owners could be found.

Monty was microchipped and whilst the details were out of date, we managed to track down the details of the mother who had given Monty to her son.

It was a happy day when we were able to reunite Monty with his owner.



We adopted **Pepper** on the 19th of November 2016 and I just wanted to let you know that she is the most loveable pooch. We adore her and we think she is very happy with us too. Thank you all for the great work you do....the world is a better place for it!!

Cindy Geerling



As promised a photo of the beautiful **Bandit** who was adopted from Sale Animal Aid in June this year. Deb helped with the adoption and he is a beautiful, funny, naughty boy.

Linda Gordijn

THE YEAR IN REVIEW

CATTERY

What a GREAT year, filled with happy reunions, loving new homes and many smiling faces! We had just under 1000 adoptions during the last financial year, but sadly 7 cats returned to us after many years in loving homes due to their elderly owners being unable to care for them.

This is a timely reminder for us all to ensure we register our special furry friends with Animal Aid, and to make allowance for your pets in your Will. All of these cats, in their senior years themselves, will be cared for by Animal Aid staff and volunteers until perfect homes have been found.

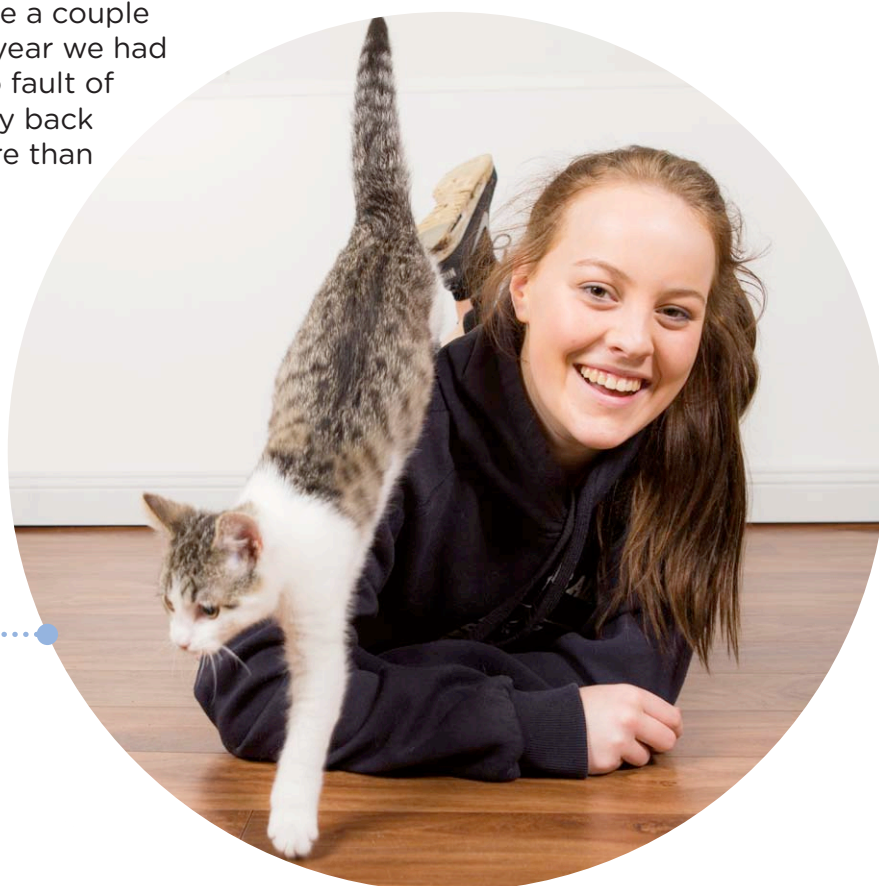
Sometimes that perfect home is elusive and can take a little longer, for some it may even take a couple of attempts! During the year we had three cats that due to no fault of their own found their way back to Animal Aid, some more than once.

Milly is 8 years old and between April 2012 and July 2017 found herself back at Animal Aid on four occasions. Then there's Smudge he's four years old and had a new home for every year of his short life.

Between June 2015 and August 2017 Buffy the 12 year old cat had three homes, the final reason for finding her way back to Animal Aid was that a new baby was being welcomed into the home. Buffy is once again happy in a loving home, her new family adopted Buffy knowing that she has a grade one heart murmur and age related arthritis. Smudge and Milly are also doing very well and loved by their new families too!

One thing for sure, we don't give up, we know there is a forever home out there for all animals in our care.

Lynn Bell
Cattery Manager



BOARDING KENNELS

The new Boarding Kennels are proving to be very popular with clients and we have experienced positive growth since opening in April. In addition to boarding for those families heading on vacation Animal Aid continues to provide emergency accommodation to an ever increasing number of clients seeking help.

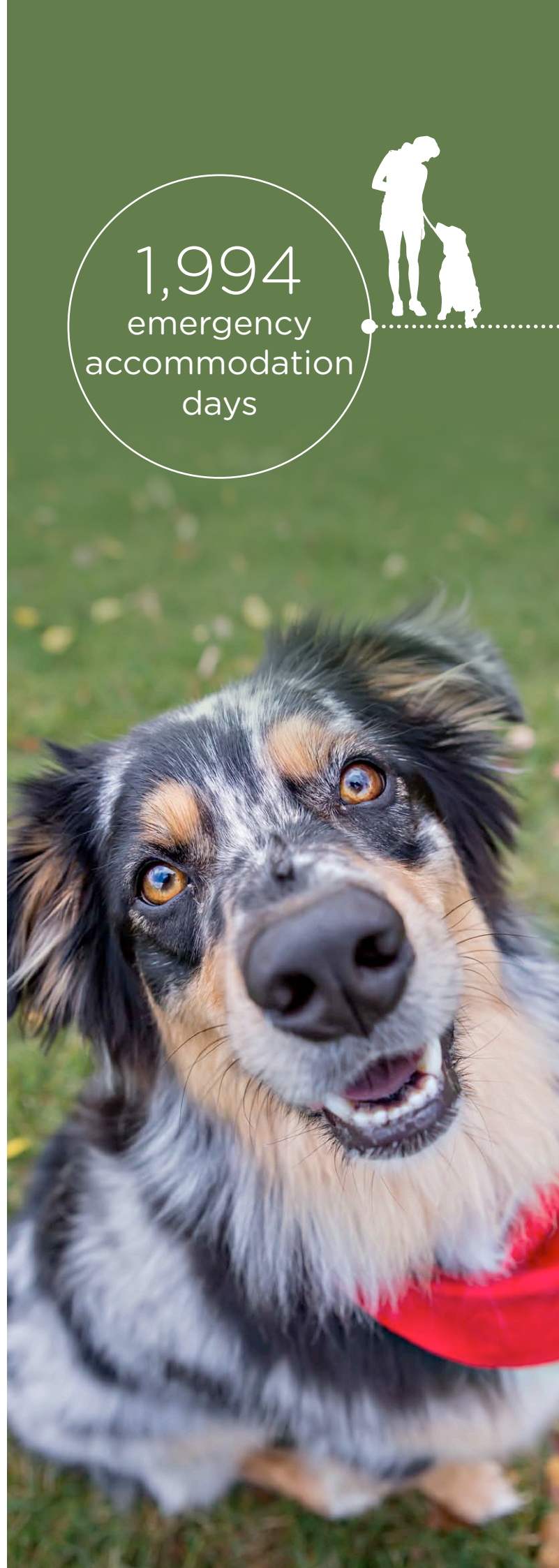
This programme, whilst vitally important to the community, is a service that is not as well-known as other services Animal Aid offers. Animal Aid has provided around 1994 days of temporary emergency accommodation for people's animals who may be experiencing one or more types of crisis situations.

The majority of cases who sought help for their pets through a social service provider were experiencing homelessness, which in some cases resulted from domestic violence. We were also able to provide emergency accommodation for pets of the elderly, people suffering from mental health issues and homeless youth.

Animal Aid will continue to work closely with many community services to help people and animals in need, knowing that the service provided reduces the stress for those already traumatised. For many people in crisis, their pets are their only remaining bastion of normality and comfort.

Deb Biederman
Boarding Kennels Manager

1,994
emergency
accommodation
days



THE YEAR IN REVIEW

VET CLINIC

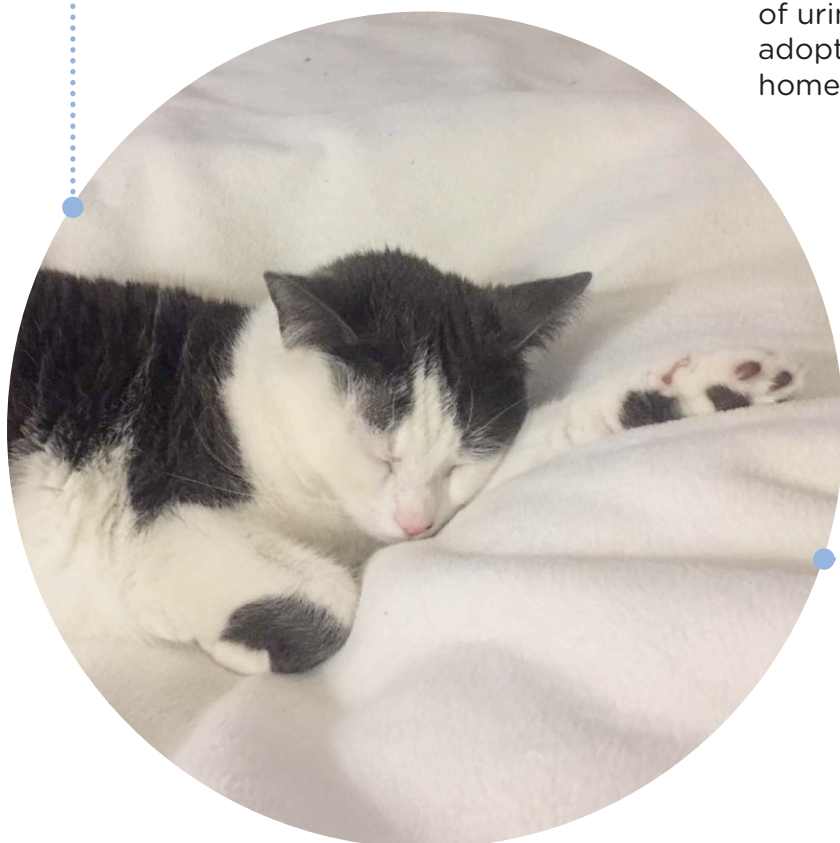
What a great year it's been, with our clinic providing veterinary services to all welfare animals that come into our care. In addition to this we provide veterinary services to the local community. Income generated from the Veterinary Clinic is used to support caring for our welfare animals. Throughout the year the Veterinary team conducted many health checks and operations, here are just a couple of interesting patients we saw during the year.

Cindy, the three year old cat found her way into the clinic as a stray with a very damaged hind limb. After stabilising her with pain relief and fluids, it was found she couldn't use one hind limb and it was exceptionally painful. Unfortunately, the leg was damaged beyond repair and the decision was made to amputate. Cindy recovered extremely quickly and is very agile even on three legs. She manages to balance and climb on the top of doors! Cindy was adopted and is now living in a very loving home.

Jill, the five year old bull arab cross had been in welfare kennels for some time as she was having recurrent urinary tract infections and crystals in her urine. On physical exam she was found to have excessive vulval folds. This anatomical issue can cause urine retention and lead to urinary infections. As such, the decision was made to perform a vulvoplasty (to remove the excess tissue around the vulva). The surgery went extremely well and prevented the recurrence of urinary tract infections. Jill is now adopted and very happy in her new home.

Read Jill's story on pages 19 and 20

Carolyn Warburton
Clinic Manager



1,104
welfare
surgeries

FOSTER CARING THE GIFT OF TIME

I have been working at Animal Aid for nine months now and so far I have had eight foster dogs. Each were special in their own way, but I will never forget Jill.

When Jill was first surrendered she had done it hard. She was extremely skinny and had terrible teeth, yet it was easy to see there was something very special about her. Jill always had a smile on her face.

We noticed Jill had some blood in her urine and incontinence issues. She was soon diagnosed with a painful bladder infection, the vets agreed that she needed a special diet and time to heal. It was an easy decision to take Jill home as a foster dog; as soon as she arrived everyone was instantly in love with her. She was amazing with my girls (aged seven and eleven) and she even liked my cats.

The first few nights I was woken up repeatedly by her happy tail hitting the wall in my bedroom. She had crept from her bed in the lounge to find me. When I'd open my eyes, she would be there staring at me with her soft expression begging me to not leave her by herself. After a few sleepless nights I gave in, from then on Jill slept next to my bed and sometimes in it!



The first month with Jill was the hardest. The infection in her bladder needed to clear before we could address her incontinence. This meant that poor Jill had to wear baby nappies with a hole cut for her tail. I could see the look of shame in her face every time I got a nappy out. It was a 14 week roller coaster ride, countless times I cried. It took a while but the vet team were able to help with all her health issues. Finally she was nappy free and quite pleased about it.

When Jill became available for adoption I was so excited, but I knew there were sad times ahead for my family and I.

After a while a couple, Ash and Angus came to meet Jill, but they needed some time to think it through. I had told them all about Jill and her special circumstances, they liked her but understood the responsibility that was involved.

FOSTER CARING THE GIFT OF TIME cont...

I didn't have high hopes as a few enquiries had already fallen through due to her special needs.

The next weekend that same couple came with their current dog, a beautiful Bull Arab boy called Tank. He had been rescued and had his own troubles, I knew these people must be special to accept a dog like Tank into their lives. Jill and Tank were lovely around each other, Jill seemed to know that she needed to be gentle. To be sure that this was going to be the right home for Jill, we decided to make a home visit.

It was when Ash said, "I could never be a foster carer, no family would ever be good enough for them in my eyes", that I knew she was the right person for Jill. It was exactly how I felt.

They decided they would sleep on it before they gave us a final answer; I knew what their answer would be. I cried all the way home that night because my time with Jill was coming to an end. Even writing about her now I well up, she was just so special to me.

The next day they decided to go ahead with the adoption. It was such a bitter sweet moment, I was over the moon but after having her for four months she had become a big part of my family's life. Before Jill was set to go, Sally (Shelter Kennels Manager) bought a bottle of Champagne to celebrate after work. Everyone was waiting for me, but I couldn't join in, I was crying too much. My heart was too heavy.

I think Jill knew something was happening. The following day

as we put Jill in the car to go to her new home, she looked at me as if to say "what's going on" it killed me, the lump in my throat was hard to swallow.

I missed her for days, but when I started receiving photos of Jill at her new home I felt so much better. I knew that she had finally found her forever home, she was so happy. They became a beautiful new family; I couldn't have been happier that they have all found each other.

Two months down the track I took my girls to visit. We were so excited on the drive there, but we were a little worried that Jill may have forgotten us. Boy were we wrong, she gave us the warmest welcome, lots of kisses and cuddles. I don't think Jill will ever forget us, we built a very strong connection and I believe I got so much more joy and love from Jill than I gave.

Without the support of Sally, my work mates and all the wonderful vets and nurses that helped Jill, maybe she wouldn't be here today. I am so very lucky to be able to help these dogs when they need it the most and be supported by such a wonderful team.

Fostering isn't easy but it is such a beautiful experience and I will continue to do it for as long as I possibly can.

Nicole Jans
Coldstream Kennels





Thank you to the
65 foster families
who gave

26,828
days of foster
care



Cats
2,522
days



Dogs
869
days



Kittens
20,682
days



Rabbits
1,192
days



Guinea Pigs
1,233
days



Puppies
330
days

OUR VOLUNTEERS

GRIERSON AWARD RECIPIENTS 2017

Margaret Boehl - Sale

Stacey Doudney - Bairnsdale

Cathy Latham - Coldstream

Derek Thurgood - Coldstream

Thank
You

10 YEARS OF SERVICE

Diana Agius

Pat Alexander

Lisa Brown

Carol Commerford

Yvonne Cooper

Sharron Lane

Jane Whelan

Brenda Winter

Jack Wyllie

5 YEARS OF SERVICE

Sarah Arthur

Margaret Boehl

Chelsea Brown

Barbara Buchanan

Brigid Buckley

Yvonne Dawson

Nikki Fraser

Fiona Hocking

Stuart Kawanishi

Kaye Kittelty

Linda Lloyd

Katrina Murphy

Tanya Patrick

Robert Reardon

Jo Rouse

Kerryn Sell

Santo Spanos

Phillipa Spits

Tina Summers

Derek Thurgood



OUR BOARD MEMBERS

Fran Bailey - Chairman of the Board

Glenda Walker - Treasurer & Vice Chairman

Kirsty Watts - Trustee

Paul Dargie - Trustee

Catherine Sim - Trustee

Kellie Kluckow - Trustee



4,771
animals
received

BEQUESTS & DONORS

Thank you to everyone who has supported Animal Aid during 2016/17. You have made a real difference to the lives of so many animals who needed a helping hand. In addition your donations have helped realise stage one of the redevelopment at Animal Aid. We will continue the investment into important infrastructure improvements, with the Cattery and Veterinary Clinic development due to commence during the next financial year. From all of us at Animal Aid, **thank you!**

Making
it all
possible

OUR SUPPORTERS

We were helped by a number of strategic partners in 2016/17.
We thank them all.

Royal Canin

Bendigo Bank Wandin Seville Branch

**Methvens Real Estate
- The Professionals**

Claws N Paws

Yarra Ranges Council

Maroondah City Council

Murrindindi Council

Wellington Shire Council

East Gippsland Shire Council

1,151
microchips
implanted

LIKE TO LEND A HAND?

As an animal welfare charity that receives no Government funding to operate, Animal Aid depends on the generosity and support of the broader community so we can continue our work with the thousands of lost and surrendered animals that come through our doors each year. Any donation regardless of size will make a difference.

Please consider supporting us by:



Make a cash donation



Corporate sponsorship



Donating goods or services



Volunteering



Community Fundraising



Participating in Animal Aid Events



Regular Giving



Adopting a pet



Workplace Giving



Using our services



Leaving a gift in your Will



Help spreading the word, follow us on social media and share our posts



Sponsoring a welfare pen

The income generated from Animal Aid Services goes back into supporting animals and people in need.

Veterinary Clinic visit the highly skilled team for your pet health needs

Dog and Cat Boarding available all year round with great packages to suit your budget

Grooming a great way to pamper the special pet in your life

Dog Training assisting pets with socialisation and behaviour skills

Animal Aid Opportunity Shops located in Lakes Entrance, Bairnsdale, Croydon and Blackburn, please donate quality unwanted items or purchase goods

FINANCIALS

BALANCE SHEET	2017 (\$)	2016 (\$)
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	759,559	2,372,971
Trade and other receivables	132,138	125,158
Inventories	57,371	53,232
Property, plant and equipment	5,265,588	2,358,628
Total Assets	6,214,656	4,909,989
Liabilities		
Trade and other payables	357,742	272,726
Short and long term borrowings	0	4,103
Current and non-current provisions	289,310	290,213
Total Liabilities	687,188	567,042
Net Assets	5,567,604	4,342,947
Equity		
Reserves	656,575	407,922
Retained Earnings	4,870,893	3,935,025
Total Equity	5,527,468	4,342,947
PROFIT AND LOSS	2017	2016
Operational Revenue	3,419,160	3,198,432
Bequests, Donations & Other Income	1,468,728	844,012
Operational Costs	(3,952,021)	(3,887,152)
Comprehensive Profit/(Loss) for the year	935,867	155,292

The above financials were taken from the 2016-2017 audited financial accounts of the Victorian Animal Aid Trust.

The financials were independently audited by Saward Dawson Chartered Accountants (ABN: 15 698 364 348) in accordance with section 60.40 of the Australian Charities and Not-For-Profits Commission Act 2012, for the year ended 30 June 2017.



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