

Annual Report

2014 - 2015



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Our mission:

To work with the community in promoting the welfare of dogs and cats by reducing the number of lost cats and dogs, alleviating their pain and suffering and enhancing the responsible ownership and enjoyment of pets.

Our values:

- Make a difference for lost and suffering dogs and cats
- Commitment to the cause
- Personal and professional service
- Ethics and integrity
- Serve the community
- Expert care
- A safe place

For over a century, The Lost Dogs' Home has stood firm on its commitment to never close its doors on any lost, abandoned or stray animal. We believe every cat or dog who comes into our care, comes with its own unique story and is as deserving to be loved and cared for as the next.

Chair's Report



Each year is different at The Lost Dogs' Home, but perhaps the past twelve months has been a defining period; one we may look back on as a transitional time in our history.

Our commitment to compassionately care for lost and unwanted dogs and cats and to enhance their lives in our community has not changed and as we reflect on the achievements of the past, the core values continue to guide us towards the milestones of the future.

We said goodbye to Dr Graeme Smith OAM and I know that the Board, the staff, our volunteers, donors and supporters all deeply respect and appreciate Dr Smith's significant contribution to the Home over 29 years. He has left an enduring legacy in the history and development of the organisation and has been a tireless advocate for animal welfare and responsible pet ownership in the community.

We recently welcomed our new CEO, Ms Kerry Thompson. With extensive experience in senior management in local government, Kerry comes to us from the position of CEO of the City of Wyndham. She is committed to best practice in animal welfare and to clarify the strategic issues which keep faith with our vision and values.

On behalf of the Board, I would also like to extend my sincere thanks to our two interim CEOs, Mr Vince Haining and Mr Paul Kirkpatrick. Experienced and accomplished in senior management, their presence supported the staff during

a transitional period, as well as providing perceptive and capable assistance to the Board.

While there has been change in leadership at the Home, the work of our staff has remained an admirable constant. Every day, sick, injured, lost and abandoned animals require attention given by our staff whose responsibility it is to reunite, rehabilitate and re-home the dogs and cats in their care. It is challenging work, but they are first and foremost animal lovers who strive to accomplish the best possible outcomes with compassion and commitment and we thank them all.

During the course of the year, a number of new initiatives have been put into place which further enhances the welfare of lost and abandoned animals and these have included:

- Establishing a shelter medicine team that focuses on the special needs of animals presenting to a shelter. These needs are different to those encountered in a local veterinary practice where the medical history is known.
- Appointing a veterinary behaviourist to provide expert knowledge and practice for individual animals, to oversee the overall approach to the care of all animals in the Shelter and develop behaviour strategies for the Home to assist poorly socialised animals to become loved and valued companions in the future.

- Offering regular reduced cost or fee-waived adoption campaigns for cats and kittens. Statistics show that considerably fewer cats are reclaimed by their owners than dogs, so it is important we are proactive in obtaining new homes for felines young and old who find their way into our care.
- Offering a reduced adoption fee for dogs of mature age.
- Launching a low-cost mobile desexing service. Like all shelters around Australia, the Home is challenged by the number of cat admissions. We therefore believe it is important that the Home is proactive in reducing the large numbers of homeless cats in the community. This low-cost program will be underway later this year.
- Appointing a rescue co-ordinator to expand existing partnerships and establish new relationships with rescue groups in the wider community.
- Instituting a customer service role at the executive level to enrich the experience of people visiting and interacting with the Home.

In February, the state government conducted an audit into the Home's compliance with the Code of Practice for Shelters and Pounds. The subsequent report indicated there were very few areas identified as not meeting the regulatory standards and guidelines. Generally these related to the shelter facility wear and tear and planning has now begun to make improvements to existing buildings. The most important aspects of the Department of Environment and Primary Industries audit were very positive reviews about the welfare of animals in our care.

It is gratifying to report that at our North Melbourne and Cranbourne shelters, euthanasia rates for both cats and dogs continue to decline. Consistent campaigns throughout the year have resulted in increased cat adoption rates, especially at our Campaspe Shelter and we have also experienced an improvement in reclaims. This appears to indicate that the positive messages about cats being very companionable pets are resonating with the general public. Certainly our adoption and claim rates for dogs have also increased. Our current live outcome rate for dogs is 87.4% and 37% for cats.

We also recognise the valuable assistance many within the animal welfare community have made to our efforts throughout the year.

Our endeavours to provide improved and effective communication with our key Council partners has been well received. We have also appreciated the efforts made by local laws officers to ensure our mutual animal welfare objectives are realised.

As this is also my first report as Chair, I would particularly like to acknowledge the outstanding service of Dr Andrew Tribe, who retired as Chair and from the Board in June this year. Andrew has been a director since 1993 and has seen and been part of the Home's many achievements including The Lost Cats' Home, The Thelma Hoults Training and Education Centre, The Stan and Helen Moore Sick and Injured Facility and the Frank Samways Veterinary Clinic. He has spoken of his support of the Home in public forums many times and we farewell him with affection and admiration.

I also acknowledge the dedicated service of Mrs Margaret Crossley (33 years), Ms Jenny Scovell (23 years), Mr John Allen (13 years), Mrs Dorothy McGuinness (9 years) and Mr Dominic Alafaci (1 year) who resigned or retired from the Board during the course of this year. Their collective service has been impressive and we reflect on their contribution to the Home with gratitude and thanks.

The Board has also embraced change, appointing an independent advisor to undertake a detailed review of the governance of The Lost Dogs' Home and to offer guidance in the selection of Board members to ensure the skill mix to reflect new priorities.

We welcomed Mr Matt Coleborne, Ms Louise Doyle, Ms Sue Driscoll, Ms Linda Glucina and Ms Alison Lyon, all of whom are committed to the Home's objectives and have demonstrated their willingness to offer their skills and expertise. I thank all members of the Board for their creativity, wisdom and willingness to give their time so generously to the interests of the Home.

It is always inspiring to reflect on the wonderful supporters of the Home. Our donors and volunteers are passionate about the dogs and cats in our care. And while we know the Home transforms the lives of thousands of animals, so the selfless commitment and generosity of our donors and volunteers is a source of inspiration for us all. These contributions make a world of difference to the dogs and cats who need our attention and care and such service to the work of the Home will never be taken for granted.

My sincere thanks to you all.

Mrs Prue Gillies AM
Chair of the Board

Year in Highlights

Campaigns – Human Walking Program



1 Patients, their families and staff from Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre enjoying some time-out with our adoption dogs.

2 Adopted and Adored Ambassador Minnie showcasing the wonderful pets adoption dogs make at the Human Walking Program.

The Human Walking Program became a leading campaign for the Home and for the animal welfare industry, with shelters all across the globe saving sad and lonely office workers through the companionship of an adoption dog.

The campaign achieved local and international accolades for its innovation on a not-for-profit budget.

In November, The Human Walking Program returned, encouraging more office workers to trade in their stuffy cubicle and glowing computer screens for a walk in the Treasury Gardens with one of our adoption dogs.

We opened an hour earlier exclusively for the patients, families and staff at Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre. That extraordinary connection between dogs and humans; some of whom were missing their own pets at home, moved us all.



Human Walking Program campaign Awards

2014 ADMA ACE Awards / Best Not For Profit / Best Experiential / Best Integrated / Australia's Best Out of Home Campaign

2014 D&AD Wood Pencil / Outdoor Advertising

2014 D&AD Silver / Events

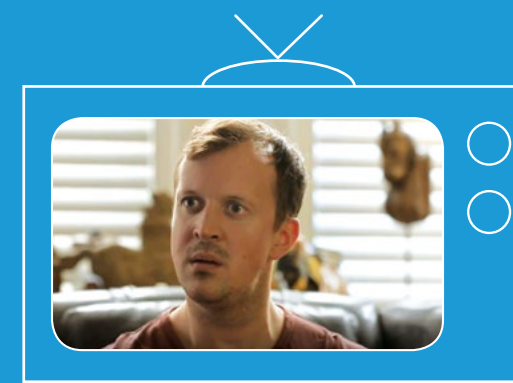
2014 D&AD Bronze/ Integrated / Direct / Outdoor

2014 Locus Awards / Experiential Campaign of the Year

2014 Spikes Asia Finalist / Outdoor

2014 Cannes Lion Finalist / Promo

2015 Effie Award Bronze / Short Term Effects / Small Budget



If you love them, desex them

The Home launched its new national campaign appealing to pet owners to consider the consequences of choosing to not desex their beloved cat or dog. This important educational message was brought to screens which creatively only included humans.

The campaign aired hundreds of times nationally in Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide and Perth on Channel 7 and Ten.

In homes across the country, our unique desexing campaign kick-started important conversations about the benefits of desexing pets.

Desex in the City

A cat that is never born can never end up unwanted and homeless in a shelter. That's why Frank Samways Veterinary Clinic opened up its doors and offered a marathon of \$45 desexing surgeries to cat owners.

Vets worked till the early hours of the morning giving felines the snip; saving them from a lifetime of breeding and potential health problems.

*The Clinic desexed **170** cats and kittens during Desex in the City and National Desexing Month and performed **459** discounted desexings for rescue groups.*



Veterinary staff worked well into the night desexing cats; saving them from a lifetime of breeding and accidental litters.



Caring and attentive owners came from all over Melbourne to take up the Clinic's low-cost desexing offer.



Facebook milestone

55,000 Facebook page likes by 26 June 2015



GPY&R Melbourne were one of many generous organisations that collected, bundled and donated towels.

Top 3 Facebook posts by reach



Blanket and towel appeal:
414,800 people (8 April 2015)



March cat and kitten Adopt-A-Thon:
195,300 people (5 March 2015)



Desex in the City:
143,500 people (28 August 2014)



Jetstar crew and CEO David Hall volunteered their time unpacking blankets from old comfort packs to donate to our cats and dogs.

SNAPSHOT

311 cats were adopted by the end of the month.

77 cats and kittens were adopted per week on average.

4614 Facebook posts in total were shared, reaching over 500,000 Facebook users.



Fee-waived adoptions

Spikes in the number of cats entering our shelter are becoming a much more frequent occurrence. And on March 5, we put out an urgent plea to animals lovers to help us with the unprecedented number of felines in our care needing homes. Throughout Adopt-A-Thon, we offered half-price adoption fees on all cats, kittens, dogs and puppies on completion of Pet Licence.

*The adoption drive was one of our biggest successes to date. Throughout the year, the Home adopted an additional **1,058** desexed, vaccinated, microchipped and health checked cats and kittens at half-price or no cost.*



1 The Home's Adopt-A-Thon saw 311 cats and kittens find new homes.

Animal Welfare



Rescue Program

Partnering with rescue

Finding loving homes for the animals in our care is central to the work performed at The Lost Dogs' Home. By working with a growing number of rescue groups, the Home gives lost and abandoned cats and dogs the opportunity to access extra treatment and rehabilitation options, as well as giving them a second chance to find a new family.


This year, the Home began the process of expanding its existing Rescue Partnership Program to develop new initiatives. A dedicated rescue coordinator role was established to oversee the expansion of the program and manage its day-to-day performance.

During the year the Home also began the formalisation of its rescue application process to open its program to more rescue groups throughout Victoria.

Since the initial review of the program in January, the Home has seen the program grow with 115 animals placed with rescue groups.

Shelter Medicine



 The shelter medicine vet team prepare a stray dog for surgery.

Specialised veterinary care

The medical needs of cats and dogs who present in shelters are vastly distinctive to those treated in private veterinary clinics.

These lost and abandoned animals reach the Home with a broad range of illness and injury and our veterinarians must determine and administer the best course of treatment without history or a caring owner to rely on.

Shelter hospitals work hour to hour never knowing who will come through the doors on any given day.

It was with these unique challenges in mind that we established the Shelter Medicine Department, comprised of a specialised team of vets and vet nurses that delivered optimum treatment and care to stray cats and dogs.

Five vets and eight nurses were specially selected for their complementary skills and experience they brought to the team. We also included positions for new graduate veterinarians who provided the department with the most contemporary knowledge that advanced the methods and approaches of our work for the animals we treated.

Since the department was formed the capacity to share knowledge, document treatment outcomes and the development of consistent processes has been enhanced. The department will continue to develop shelter health protocols and strategic veterinary support for the variety of animals that come into our care.

Our primary focus is to optimise health outcomes and alleviate pain and the stress of dogs and cats coming into the shelter.

Behavioural Program



 Dr Trepheena Hunter helped mastiff cross, Spot through training in the Behavioural Program.

Diagnosis – Treatment – Transition into a new home

In 2015, with the appointment of a veterinary behaviourist to the team, the Home further developed the Behavioural Program, working with dogs who were timid, poorly socialised and showed signs of anxiety. Dogs requiring ongoing behavioural assistance and those with a genetic predisposition to anxiety spent weeks building up their confidence and socialisation in preparation for adoption into the community.

The Home uses assessment methods that take into account the variety of mental health and behavioural needs of dogs and cats, as well as the effect of the shelter environment. The aim of the assessment is to determine what support we can provide – behavioural, veterinary, foster or rescue – to give as many animals as possible the opportunity of a new home.

Dogs who have gone through the Behavioural Program are just as readily adopted into the community.

After assessment, dogs with anxiety or behavioural concerns have a specific training program created by the behavioural team. Dedicated trainers and volunteers then provide consistent, daily training for as long as they need, as well as important environmental enrichment.

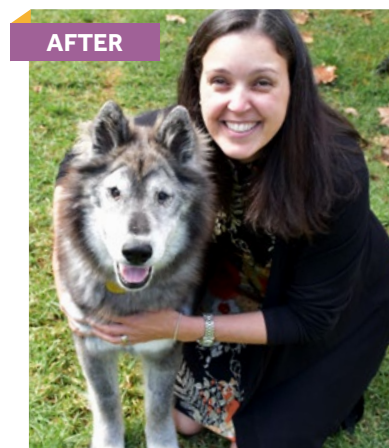
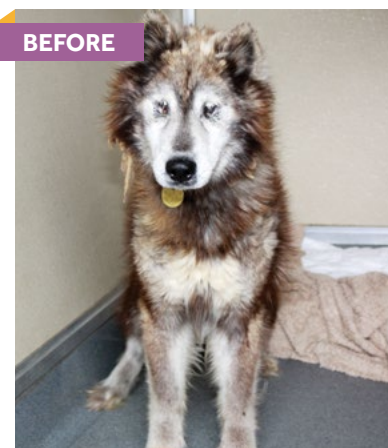
Dr Trepheena Hunter, Veterinary Behaviourist, together with the Home's Veterinarian and Education and Training Coordinator, Dr Caroline Cook's next focus will be on expanding behaviour training and support to all shelter and veterinary staff and developing an overall enrichment program for the Home.

Each staff member now wears a treat bag and when they enter a pen, depending on the dog's ability, they will ask and reward it for sitting, not to jump up (all paws on the ground) or to just do something achievable that can be rewarded. They will then record their responses on a special 'Canine Observation Chart' attached to the front of the pen.

The program has seen over hundreds of dogs enter the program with all of them going onto find homes through the Home's adoption program or rescue partners.

CASE STUDY

Working with rescue groups



After undergoing surgery at the Frank Samways Veterinary Clinic and spending some time in foster care to recover, Marty was introduced to Alaskan Malamute Rehoming Aid Australia (AMRAA). The introduction marked the beginning of Marty's journey towards his new future.



In January, 10 year-old Alaskan Malamute Marty came into the Home severely malnourished and suffering entropion – an eye condition where the eyelids are deformed and roll inwards, causing a great deal of pain.

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For AMRAA volunteer, Mirella it was clear from her first meeting with Marty, that this enthusiastic senior would be a perfect fit for the Malamute specific rescue group.

"His foster carer at the Home had said he was full of beans and the moment we met him, we knew, she was right; we were excited to help him find his perfect home.

"Marty's time in foster care helped us develop a profile on him which helped us find the right home," said Mirella.

After spending time with an AMRAA foster carer, Marty is now living with Nick, Emma and their other Alaskan Malamute Ari and has quickly settled into his new home explains AMRAA Victoria Rescue Coordinator Mel.

"Marty gets on like a house on fire with the whole family, especially Ari; you can't tell from looking at them that there is an age difference between them.

"This social and affectionate boy is finally where he belongs and is thriving in his new home," said Mel.

CASE STUDY

Volunteer Program



"I'm one of those people who cannot pass a dog on the street without saying hello, so I just love the chance of being able to play with them here at the Home."

Studies have shown that volunteering is good for our mental wellbeing. This is something our volunteer from the Sacred Heart Mission, Raf, knows intimately. He is one of the many kind people who donate their time to help enrich the lives of the animals in our care.

Each week, Raf walks the dogs at our North Melbourne shelter. "I'm one of those people who cannot pass a dog on the street without saying hello, so I just love the chance of being able to play with them here at the Home," he said.

Through his dedication and love of animals, Raf has helped many of our shelter animals take confident strides into their new lives. A regular tutor in our Finishing School Program, he has seen many under-socialised and timid dogs come through the other end.

"It was just really nice to see the transformation in the dogs we worked with. Seeing them come in really distressed and then after a couple of these classes feeling safe around people," Raf said.

Beneath his infectious enthusiasm, though, Raf has been dealing with severe and sometimes debilitating anxiety. Over the last year, however, a few new factors in his life have helped him start to manage his anxiety.

"I'm lucky I've got a fantastic counsellor that I talk with who encourages me to keep going out and continue mixing with people. Volunteering has also helped me," he said.

Keen to share the benefits of volunteering, Raf said the experience was one of the best ways to engage in the community: "I think the biggest thing about volunteering is that it gives you something to do."

"When you volunteer you feel like you're doing something valuable with your life. And the more you do, the more doors open. It's a great way to get the ball rolling."

CASE STUDY

Foster Care Program



“The support of The Lost Dogs' Home has been fantastic. On our first visit we were provided with everything we needed to foster these kittens.”

Opening their hearts and homes to those in need.

Foster carers are compassionate people who provide a special service to those cats, kittens, dogs and puppies who need some time away from the busy shelter environment. Our foster carers are valued members of The Lost Dogs' Home community and by opening their homes and their hearts to animals in need, they are providing a second chance to those animals looking for their new home.

Each animal enters foster care for their own unique reason. Reasons can range from taking some time out to recover from surgery through to kittens and puppies needing some much needed socialisation in preparation for adoption.

Two people who understand the impact that fostering has on cats and kittens are carers Ian and Janis. For them, becoming foster carers with the Home was a great way to give back to the community.

“We started foster caring for the Home in December 2014 with six three week-old kittens; since then we have fostered 14 kittens. We can name all of them too, since we chose their names based on their personalities, looks or a significant event,” said Janis.

For Ian and Janis, their most memorable foster experience so far was with their first group of kittens,

especially around playtime.

“It was great to see each kitten grow into a more confident individual, each with their own unique personality. We have had many laughs watching these little guys play and socialise with each other,” Ian explains.

Ian and Janis believe that there are many advantages of being a foster carer, including being able to care for the animals in the comfort of their own home.

“Having the kittens in our home means we have visitors coming around more often and the wonderful welcome home we get every time we go out is truly very special.

“The support of The Lost Dogs' Home has been fantastic. On our first visit we were provided with everything we needed to foster these kittens; which is great as you do need a fair bit of time to play with them, sit with them and clean up after them.

“Overall the experience is very rewarding. It is hard to say goodbye to the kittens when they are ready for adoption, but over time it does become easier,” said Janis.

Being a foster carer allows you to become part of the wider community of staff, volunteers and foster carers at the Home, another positive for Ian and Janis.

“We feel good about ourselves and the role that we are able to offer to the kittens and the Home. It's nice to know we are needed and we feel like we belong to a terrific team”

Our foster carers

 **1680 hours** **PER** week

Estimated hours of foster care in an average week:

1,680 hours – foster caring is a 24 hour a day commitment.

Most common types of foster care:

- 1** Kitten and puppy weight gain and socialisation
- 2** Post-surgery care for cats and dogs
- 3** Behaviour rehabilitation, dog training and socialisation.

Average frequency:

One foster animal or litter every two months.



CASE STUDY

Adopted and adored

Finding loving new homes for the dogs and cats in our care is the core focus of our work. Some of these animals spend just days in our care, while others are with us for many months. There is nothing more rewarding than seeing the beginning of that special bond between owner and pet as they head off to their new home and a lifetime of love and care.



Red Phoenix

Every now and then a cat or dog comes into our care who takes a little longer to find the right home. This was certainly the case for gentle giant, Red Phoenix, who spent 240 days waiting to find his perfect match.

Red's luck changed in June when Jeremy and Shelley visited the Home to find a new addition for their family. They had recently moved house and were missing spending time with their neighbour's cat, so they decided it was time to adopt a feline of their very own.

"He settled in very quickly and is now a very spoilt cat. Red loves playtime and it is always funny seeing the big guy slide along the floor when he is chasing his toys," said Shelley.

"Red has such a great nature; he is a little explorer who loves to play with his toys. We love coming home from work and getting a lot of affection from Red and in the mornings he loves to come in and give us smooches.

"He has brought so much joy to our lives; we are the luckiest people in the world to have Red."



Boncuk

When Boncuk first came into the Home's care, he was grossly underweight and suffering from an overgrown and matted coat. Despite this, he had a plucky outlook on life.

After receiving a groom and some dental work, Boncuk was placed into foster care so he could gain weight in a nurturing home environment. During his time there, he became a much healthier and settled dog, and it was soon time for him to find his forever home.

Retired couple, Fred and Jan, were looking to adopt a small dog following the passing of their adored elderly dogs. When they came across Boncuk, they immediately knew he was the one.

"He is a loving little dog and has settled in very well with us, and we couldn't be happier with our little Boncuk," said Fred.

"He gets daily hour-long walks and we often take him out along a flood basin near our house.

"Boncuk loves to jump up on the couch when we sit down and snuggle up on one of our laps."



Lucy

Lucy was one of 311 animals who found a new home during our March Adopt-A-Thon. When she first arrived at the Home, it was apparent that she had a nasty injury to her tail. An x-ray confirmed that she had a dislocated tail, which was suspected to have occurred after it became caught and she tried to break free.

In order to preserve Lucy's health and wellbeing into the future, our vet team decided that her tail needed to be amputated. She bounced back terrifically following her surgery.

When Kate and Matthew walked by Lucy's condo at our cat adoption area, they were instantly drawn to her. "When I picked her up and held her in my arms, I knew I couldn't put her back in her condo," said Kate.

"She bowled us over with her instant affection and confidence. We have other pets at home and knew we needed a kitten who could stand her ground," said Matthew.

Now happily settled into her new home, Lucy has befriended the family dog and has taken a unique approach to sleeping. "She sleeps on her back! It is so cute!"



Daisy

When he was growing up, Alan always had a canine companion in his life. He therefore wanted his daughter to experience the same love and joy of sharing her childhood with a dog, so they visited the Home and adopted Daisy, a Staffy-Labrador mix.

Alan's daughter had never owned a pet, other than fish, so adopting a dog was a big step for the family. Before taking that step, Alan first made sure the entire family was prepared to take on the responsibility of providing a dog with the lifelong love and care it needed.

Alan's daughter wanted a dog that she "could hold or cuddle," and they certainly found that in Daisy with her sweet nature. The family chose to adopt from an animal shelter because they wanted to make a difference and give an unwanted dog or puppy a loving forever home.

Shelter Services

Queensland

After three rewarding years, the Home sadly said goodbye to Brisbane in September 2014.

Dedicated staff worked tirelessly to make a positive difference, and were committed to helping all lost and abandoned animals that came through the doors of both shelters.

The Home would also like to say thank you to the Brisbane community for wholeheartedly embracing and supporting us. They have been an integral part of our work, helping us reunite thousands of pets with their owners or find them loving new homes.

We believe the Home still has an important role to play helping Queensland's pets and providing a better future for them. We have committed to continue to provide reduced-cost microchipping and free tag services via National Pet Register and look forward to launching more awareness raising campaigns for responsible pet ownership Australia-wide.

7% increase in live outcomes for cats

4,611 cats were reclaimed, adopted or sent to a rescue group signalling a marked improvement in the outcomes for felines. But there is more work to be done. The challenges facing shelters with cats are complex and we are in the process of implementing a multi-faceted approach that will see reduced numbers entering shelters, while providing reduced and fee-waived adoptions so more can find new homes.

Approximately half of all cats cared for at the Home are assessed as wild or aggressive and are unaccustomed to handling and domestic life. Our first responsibility lies with the humane treatment of cats in our care, ensuring they do not suffer.

Over the last year, the Home has offered fee-waived and half-priced adoptions for desexed, vet-checked and vaccinated felines to alleviate the numbers cared for at the shelter. An additional 1,058 cat adoptions occurred through targeted initiatives set by the Home.

Low-cost cat desexing

A cat should never be born homeless. The Home sees wide-spread, low-cost desexing as part of the solution to the high numbers of cats entering shelters. Our low-cost desexing campaigns for those on concession and for pensioners saw over 100 take up the offer. This program will only expand with our mobile desexing clinic which will visit targeted regions. There, owners will be able to have their cat or small dog desexed conveniently, affordably and safely.

12,000 dogs reclaimed, adopted or sent to rescue

71% of all dogs at North Melbourne and Cranbourne shelters were reunited with their owners, 15.3% were adopted into new homes while 11.7% were humanely euthanised due to insufferable medical conditions or serious behavioural issues considered unsound for participation in the behavioural program.

This year, the Home formalised its rescue program to help more dogs continue training and their road to recovery through rescue groups. We have found that rescue groups have intimate expertise, the time and the space to assist dogs who need that extra bit of care and attention away from the shelter environment over several weeks or months before they're ready for adoption. On average, a dog was transferred into the care of a rescue group every day.

Stray surgeries

3,950 surgeries and procedures were performed on stray cats and dogs both in our shelter hospital and at Frank Samways Veterinary Clinic. Almost 3,000 animals were desexed, with 400 major and minor dentals and 50 double and single patella surgeries. Our vets conducted 29 amputations which is typical on dogs or cats that have experienced road trauma or dog attacks.

Five Year Snapshot

Continuously advance and improve

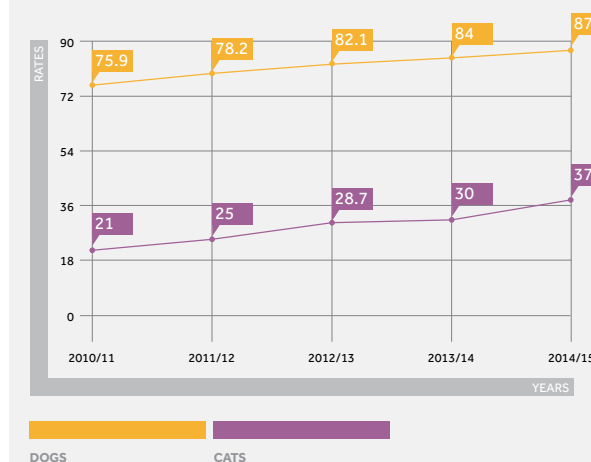
Throughout a telling five year snapshot; the Home's reclaim, adoption and euthanasia rates are consistently improving each and every year for both cats and dogs. While we always treat the animal in front of us as an individual with their own unique needs, we are encouraged that the Home's live outcome rates have advanced by 11.5% for dogs, now at 87.4% and by 16% for cats, now at 37%.

Reclaim rates for dogs have increased by 15% since 2010 to over 70%. Considerably higher than the average, it reveals the determination of staff who try hard so that every dog has the greatest chance of being reunited with their owner. While dog adoption rates remain steady, euthanasia rates have solidly decreased each year by over 12% through proactive sheltering methods to 11.7% currently.

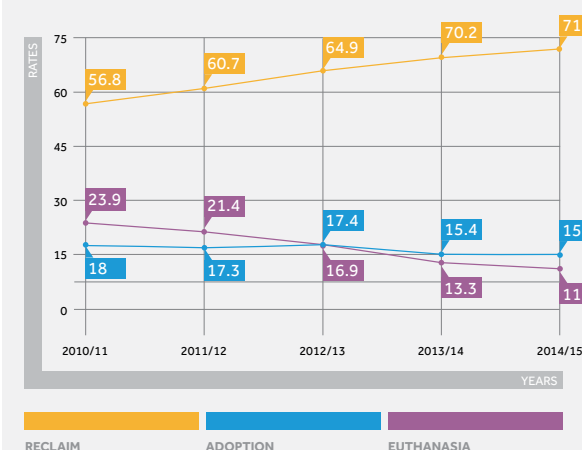
Over the last five years compelling adoption campaigns and shelter initiatives have progressively and effectively changed public perception of shelter pets that has seen an increase for cat adoptions by 11%. And while feline reclaim rates are still significantly low in comparison to canines, the euthanasia rate has firmly fallen by 17.3% within that time.

Our doors have never shut for those lost and abandoned cats and dogs. And as our work endures, so has our shared purpose to continuously advance and improve.

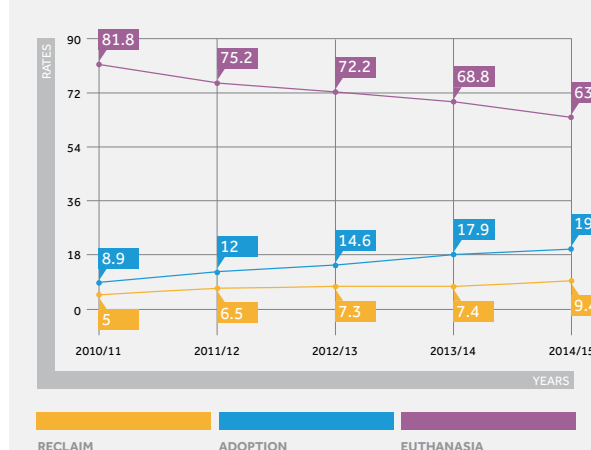
LIVE OUTCOMES FOR ANIMALS AT THE HOME



NORTH MELBOURNE AND CRANBOURNE 5 YEAR PROGRESS FOR DOGS



NORTH MELBOURNE AND CRANBOURNE 5 YEAR PROGRESS FOR CATS



26,158 animals in our care



**13,706
DOGS**

87.4% of all dogs were reunited with their owners, adopted into new homes or transferred to a rescue organisation (**11,985**). A **3.4%** increase on the previous year.



**12,452
CATS**

37% of all cats were reunited with their owners, adopted into new homes, transferred to Best Friends or to a rescue organisation (**4,611**). A **7%** increase on the previous year. *

ADMISSIONS TO THE LOST DOGS' HOME SHELTERS 2013/14 TO 2014/15

| | Campaspe 13/14 | | Campaspe 14/15 | | North Melbourne + Cranbourne 13/14 | | North Melbourne + Cranbourne 14/15 | | Warra + Willawong 13/14 | | Warra + Willawong 14/15 | |
|---------------|----------------|------|----------------|-------|------------------------------------|-------|------------------------------------|-------|-------------------------|-------|-------------------------|------|
| Dogs Admitted | 797 | % | 780 | % | 12422 | % | 11865 | % | 3405 | % | 1061 | % |
| Reclaimed | 416 | 54.3 | 378 | 53.09 | 8721 | 70.26 | 8543 | 71.81 | 2324 | 68.35 | 751 | 66.4 |
| Adopted | 188 | 24.5 | 197 | 27.67 | 1916 | 15.44 | 1826 | 15.35 | 412 | 12.12 | 113 | 10 |
| Euthanised | 158 | 20.6 | 136 | 19.10 | 1662 | 13.39 | 1400 | 11.77 | 590 | 17.35 | 217 | 19.2 |
| Other | 4 | 0.5 | 1 | 0.14 | 114 | 0.92 | 127 | 1.07 | 74 | 2.18 | 49 | 4.3 |

| Cats Admitted | 747 | % | 716 | % | 11378 | % | 11420 | % | 1553 | % | 316 | % |
|---------------|-----|-------|-----|-------|-------|------|-------|-------|------|-------|-----|------|
| Reclaimed | 52 | 6.76 | 38 | 5.79 | 825 | 7.4 | 1067 | 9.42 | 133 | 8.55 | 37 | 10.1 |
| Adopted | 207 | 26.92 | 264 | 40.24 | 1996 | 17.9 | 2246 | 19.83 | 306 | 19.68 | 86 | 23.5 |
| Best Friends | | | | | 441 | 3.6 | 199 | 1.76 | 131 | 8.4 | | |
| Euthanised | 506 | 65.8 | 343 | 52.29 | 7671 | 68.8 | 7238 | 63.89 | 975 | 62.7 | 157 | 43 |
| Other | 4 | 0.52 | 11 | 1.68 | 656 | 5.9 | 578 | 5.1 | 141 | 9.07 | 85 | 23.2 |

Statistical table footnotes:

Incoming animal totals may appear less or greater than outgoing totals due to animals already in our care at the cusps of the financial year.

*Part of this increase can be attributed to the Home's proactive discounted and fee-waived cat adoption initiatives with 1058 cats adopted.

**A significant proportion of felines were considered wild and un-handleable and therefore unadoptable on arrival and were euthanised under the Code of Practice for Pounds and Shelters on humane grounds.

CASE STUDY

A new beginning for puppy factory survivors



Late in 2014, the Home was alerted to a shocking case of neglect at a cruel puppy factory. The puppy factory had been operating for over 20 years until the owner passed away, leaving an inexperienced person to oversee the facility.

What our team discovered at the property was far worse than they had ever imagined. Milly was one of 10 severely matted spoodles found in a run-down shed, living among piles of faeces, urine and vomit.

It was summer and the temperature inside the shed was stifling. With few water bowls containing only dirty water, it was miraculous that the dogs had not succumbed to the heat.

The spoodles were terrified of people and would run and cower in fear whenever someone came too close. It was clear that they had probably never experienced the comfort of human affection.

The spoodles needed urgent treatment, so they were rushed to our veterinary clinic. All of them showed worrying signs of neglect, suffering from ear infections, dental disease and skin disease. They were each placed on a treatment plan to help heal their neglected bodies.

The spoodles had spent their lives confined to the shed, used merely as breeding machines. As a result, they were afraid of people and simply did not know how to be companion animals. Sadly, this behaviour is all too common in dogs that are forced to spend their lives in puppy factories.

The dogs were placed into our Behaviour Program, where volunteers and trainer Nicole Beasley, from Planet K9, slowly introduced them to the world and started to teach them how to interact with people and other dogs.

During their time in the Behaviour Program, the spoodles learned that people could be kind, and even began approaching staff for cuddles and affection. They were soon ready to take the next step in their journeys – finding loving new families.

The dogs were carefully matched with new families that understood their history and were prepared to continue their rehabilitation. Five of them found new homes through our Adoption Program, while the other five were placed with rescue groups to help them make a smooth transition into their new homes.

We are pleased to report that each dog is growing happier, healthier and more confident by the day. They finally know what it is like to be loved and receive the care they deserve.

With thanks

Friend of PAWs

Our Friend of PAWs donors are a special group of supporters who help the Home by making a regular monthly donation. This reliable income is vital to the Home's ability to confidently provide many of our proactive services such as the Adoption Program, Behavioural Program, foster care and a broad range of veterinary care.

Appeals

The Home is also very grateful to our donors who support our work through their gifts to our direct mail appeal. Through our appeals we provide information on special needs at particular times of the year, especially when we are most in need at Christmas and during winter. It is also an opportunity to provide tangible feedback on how our donors are making a difference and how their support positively affect the lives of individual animals.

Bequest

It is with heartfelt gratitude, we thank our special supporters who provided a gift in their Will this year. Leaving a legacy is a meaningful way to honour those special pets we have shared our lives with. These gifts have a long-term and positive effect on the lives of thousands of lost and unwanted dogs and cats that come into the Home. They help us to upgrade and build new facilities ensuring we can continue to provide quality and comfortable accommodation and also proactive, life saving services.

Grants

The Home received a grant from the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning toward a mobile low-cost desexing service. The grant of \$50,000 will go towards converting our Winnebago – used previously for mobile microchipping and events to a mobile desexing surgery.

The service will focus on offering low-cost desexing to cat owners, with the long-term aim of reducing the population of unowned cats. We are also appreciative of the third instalment from the Ken and Asle Chilton trust towards our adoption centre.

Gift In Kind

On a daily basis, we are touched by the generosity of people, students, community groups and various organisations who donate tangible items such as food, blankets, towels, dog coats and toys to the dogs and cats in our care. We depend on these contributions to care for dogs and cats and they enable us to direct more resources toward our many services and programs.

Corporate Support

For 28 years our annual Christmas Pet Food Appeal with Woolworths has helped feed thousands of lost and abandoned dogs and cats. We cannot thank Woolworths enough for their immensely valuable contribution. Not only do they help their customers donate thousands of dollars worth of pet food, through the appeal they also help raise awareness for the value of adoption.

We would also like to thank our good friends at Best Friends who through their 'Think Adoption First' program, help us rehome hundreds of unowned kittens every year. Their in-store satellite adoption centres also help promote the Home and their annual Christmas 'Share the Care' fundraiser provides much needed donations of toys, food, bedding and gift vouchers.

The Home is also grateful for the support of Edward Thomas Real Estate who raise awareness for the Home on their advertising boards along with their regular donations.

We would like to thank corporate friends of our Campaspe Shelter in Echuca, PetStock, Woolworths and Coles for their generous support.

Patrons

We are grateful for the very kind support of our wonderful patrons, who give their time and voice to help the Home's lost and abandoned dogs and cats. We would like to thank patrons Daryl Somers OAM, Julie Somers OAM, and Marty Fields along with ambassador Mike Larkan.

Mike Larkan's weekly feature on Give A Dog A Home on Channel 10 has seen each dog showcased go on to be adopted.



We consider our donors and supporters as partners in our work, together sharing a vision to provide lost and abandoned animals with quality care, veterinary treatment and the right to a loving, responsible home. It is through their generous and dedicated support that we are able to provide our many essential services.

Media

Coverage highlights

NATIONAL

The Home's 2015 national educational campaign on desexing started an essential conversation that is often overlooked when acquiring a new cat or dog. We believe it is every pet owner's responsibility to desex their pet, not only for their pet's own health and well-being; but to curb accidental litters that add to the thousands of lost and abandoned animals that enter shelters each year.

In its initial four days the community service announcement aired 50 times on commercial television with supporting press ads running in the Herald Sun, digitally as well as radio spots.

SNAPSHOT

 Herald Sun

 Joy 94.9, 3AW


 Channel 7 and Ten, Eleven, One in Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide and Perth

 9msn, Herald Sun online

IF YOU LOVE THEM DESEX THEM

Herald Sun (May – June 2015)



 Our desexing television commercial gained national attention as a community service announcement.

DESEXING YOUR PET IS SIMPLE.

Male and female desexed pets have fewer medical issues and generally live longer, healthier and happier lives.

If you love them, desex them.
Find out more: dogshome.com



If you love them, desex them



it's that simple



Desexed pets are happier & healthier



To find out more [click here](#)



 Digital, press and radio campaigns supported the commercial which ran on Herald Sun online and 9msn.

PETS-A-LOUD ON JOY 94.9

With approximately 329,000 listeners on-air and online, JOY 94.9 is an independent voice for the diverse LGBTIQ community. The Home's weekly one hour radio program, Pets-A-Loud, continues to be a popular fixture on the station's grid. Covering topics from animal photography to dental care, the show remains a key platform for the Home to promote key messages about health and wellbeing, responsible pet ownership and adoption to the broader community.

Since going to air in October 2012, the Pets-A-Loud team has produced more than 8,500 minutes of radio and performed over 400 interviews. This year the team also celebrated two major milestones – two years on air and 100 shows.

GOOD NEWS STORY

LUCKY KITTEN SAVED BY FIREFIGHTER

Berwick Leader – online edition (08/01/2015)

Smokey broke her leg after falling two meters into a drain. There she lay trapped until a local firefighter rescued her. And who doesn't love a firefighter-saves-kitten story?

Smokey was treated at the Frank Samways Veterinary Clinic and spent weeks in specialised foster care before being available for adoption.




 Smokey post-surgery and in recovery for several weeks after her fall into a drain.

ANIMAL SAFETY

NEW YEAR'S EVE FIREWORKS WARNINGS


The Home has become the national voice in the broadcast of cautionary pet safety warnings to owners for spooked dogs who escape and are lost during NYE fireworks.

SNAPSHOT

 The Age, Herald Sun, Brisbane Times, Sydney Morning Herald, West Australian, Bendigo Advertiser, The Border Mail

 3AW, ABC774 Melbourne

 news.com.au, yahoo, prime7

 Channel 10 Brisbane, Channel 10 Sydney, Channel 7 Melbourne, Channel 9 Melbourne, Sky News Australia, SBS World News Australia



CODE OF PRACTICE FOR POUNDS AND SHELTERS AUDIT

In January the Home received heightened attention while an audit into our compliance under the Code of Practice for Pounds and Shelters was conducted by the state government. The story and its conclusion were closely followed by Herald Sun, The Age, Leader and Weekly Times publications and 3AW.

The Home was compliant in all instances of animal welfare with facility maintenance and updates underway.

ADOPTION & RESPONSIBLE PET OWNERSHIP MESSAGES

HOOROO MOO,
HELLO BERNARD*Herald Sun (15/12/2014)*

A very special border collie was chosen to be one of the Herald Sun's 12 Strays of Christmas, helping him in turn to catch the eye of Caz. He was just the sort of dog she had been looking for and the rest as they say is history. Media features often lead to an adoption and are a valuable opportunity to highlight the reward and value of adopting a shelter cat or dog.

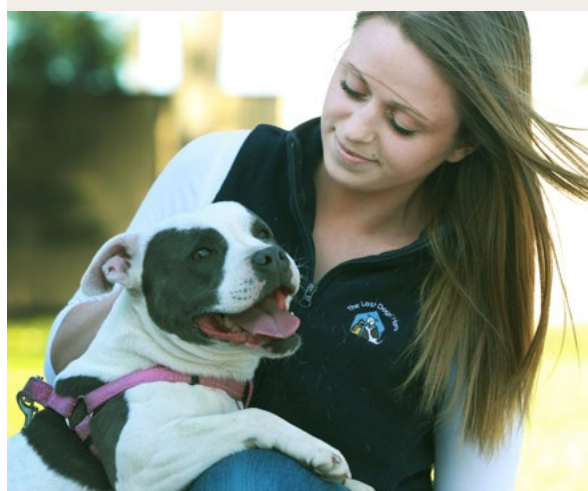
SNAPSHOT

 Herald Sun

 news.com.au

 Bernard was highlighted in the Herald Sun's 12 Strays of Christmas feature promoting shelter adoption.
PET OWNERS TOLD
TO UPDATE CHIPS*Cranbourne Leader (01/10/2014)*

Often overlooked because of busy lives, keeping microchip contact information up to date is one of our most important messages to pet owners. Most dogs entering shelters are now microchipped, however too often contact details are out of date, leaving staff with no means of calling the owner. National Pet ID Month is a valuable campaign reminding pet owners to check their pet's microchip information, so they will always have a return ticket home.


 National Pet Register implores pet owners to update details on microchips during National Pet ID Month.
CATS BEING
OVERLOOKED*Moonee Valley Leader (25/03/2015)*

Cats were in focus this year with extended half-price and fee-waived adoption drives. We continue to receive a high number of stray, abandoned and lost cats through the shelter; an issue that received media attention earlier this year. We seized the opportunity to highlight the varied and wonderful temperaments cats have and the ideal pets they make, especially in smaller, urban homes.


 Cattery Manager Karina Bailey promotes the wonderful temperament of shelter cats.

PUBLIC APPEALS

SHARING WARMTH
AROUND*Herald Sun (14/07/2014)*
 Molly and Tess visited our generous volunteer who knits jackets for the dogs.

The Home's blanket appeal has become a Melbourne winter fixture. People dug deep into the backs of their closets for old blankets and towels when publicity reached over 500,000 people. This translated to a full storage shed of woolly warmth, ready to keep thousands of cats and dogs warm at the Home during the colder months.

The message reached Jetstar operations, with crew volunteering their time to sort through their comfort packs to donate thousands of their blankets. We also shared these with rescue groups in need.

SNAPSHOT

 Herald Sun

 ABC Victoria online

 774 ABC Melbourne, 3AW

INITIATIVES

DESEX IN THE CITY

Melbourne Weekly Times (03/09/2014)

The goal of our initiative to offer low-cost cat desexing events, was to break through the barriers of price for low-income pet owners and help them desex their cats.

Desex in the City achieved national coverage reaching an audience of over 885,000 people online, in print, on radio and on TV. Our first event sold out within 24 hours of being posted to Facebook and Mike Larkan's Give A Dog A Home segment that week was all purrs.

SNAPSHOT

 Herald Sun, Moonee Valley Leader, Moreland Leader, Melbourne Weekly Times, Perth Now, The Senior

 3AW

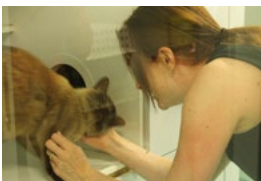
 Channel Ten

 news.com.au

 Low-cost desexing together with our awareness campaign saw more cats snipped for a good cause.

CASE STUDY

Reunion through microchipping



After so many months apart, Starkey met his owner with a casual head-rub and smooch to her hand. But he was soon bundled up into her arms, happily receiving big hugs.

Charisse was devastated when her nine-year-old Burmese, Starkey, went missing. Starkey was microchipped and Charisse had always made sure her contact details were up to date, so she felt there was not a lot she could do, other than wait and hope that he would find his way home.

There had been a few false alarms from people who thought they had seen Starkey on the streets, but it always ended up being someone else's cat.

Despite trying her hardest to find him, Charisse was faced with the sad prospect of never seeing her beloved Starkey again.

Several months after Starkey's disappearance, Charisse and her husband decided to adopt another cat, Milo. They found a wonderful friend in Milo, who helped in some way to fill the hole left by Starkey. However, as Charisse explained, "you never really stop looking".

As it happened, Starkey had in fact made himself quite at home at a small goods factory. He had become such a familiar face that the staff had even given him a name – Biscuit.

Everyone was very fond of the friendly Burmese, but after some time, they realised the food inspectors may not have shared their affection! With a note from a staff member willing to give him a home if Starkey was not claimed, he was collected and taken to the Home.

It was 10 months after Starkey's disappearance when Charisse received a call from The Lost Dogs' Home letting her know that he had ended up at the shelter. She was shocked, to say the least!

Elusive no more, Starkey and Charisse were soon reunited at the Home. Needless to say, Charisse was very excited to see her beloved cat again. After so many months apart, Starkey met his owner with a casual head-rub and smooch to her hand. He was soon bundled up into her arms, happily receiving big hugs.

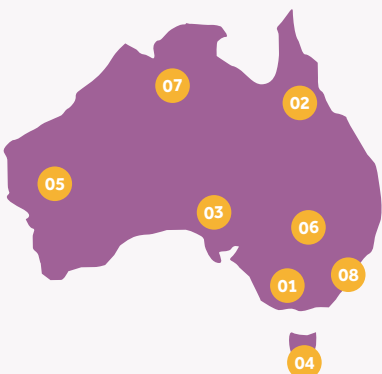
Charisse commented that Starkey was looking a little rounder than she last remembered and joked that since he was found near a small goods business, he must have been eating too much ham and salami!

Though Starkey had received the best care during his leave of absence, if he had only been delivered to the Home a little earlier, it would have saved a lot of heartache for Charisse.

Cuddling and patting the laid-back feline, Charisse was incredibly grateful to have him back, and more importantly, that he was microchipped.

While she had not quite expected to find herself with two cats, Charisse was looking forward to introducing Starkey to Milo. She realised it may take some time for the two to get to know each other, but was willing to do whatever it took to convince Starkey that home; with a balanced diet, was the best place to be.

Reuniting pets Australia-wide



| | |
|---|---------------|
| 01 Victoria | 32,244 |
| 02 Queensland | 19,961 |
| 03 South Australia | 5,548 |
| 04 Tasmania | 4,208 |
| 05 Western Australia | 2,058 |
| 06 New South Wales | 1,305 |
| 07 Northern Territory | 806 |
| 08 Australian Capital Territory | 420 |
| Unknown | 76 |
| Total number of microchips registered on NPR | 66,626 |

National Pet Register provides comprehensive pet identification services Australia-wide, including a 24/7 pet recovery call centre, reduced cost microchipping events and ChipChecker services.

| 2014/15 | |
|---|--------|
| Total number of microchips added to NPR | 66,626 |
| Total number of pet recoveries | 17,829 |

CASE STUDY

Frank Samways Veterinary Clinic

Frank Samways Veterinary Clinic provides a range of services from routine check-ups and grooming to preparing pets for overseas travel.

With a dedicated team who are passionate about animal care and welfare, the clinic continues to provide quality veterinary treatment for both public patients and shelter animals. In the past year, the Clinic's staff completed 3,074 public and stray procedures ranging from lump removals to dental work.

The Clinic continues to be a vital commercial arm for the Home with all proceeds providing vital services to the animals who find themselves lost and abandoned and in need of the Home's care.

Public patients

This year the Clinic performed 4,354 public consultations. While this number was down on the previous year, the number of follow-up consultations provided to new pet owners adopting from the Home grew to 851. These follow-up consultations are an important way for the Clinic to provide support to new pet owners transitioning their adopted pets into their new home and educating them in responsible pet ownership.

The Clinic performed 2,219 public surgeries in the past year with desexing surgeries continuing to be the most common surgical procedure. National Desexing Month and Desex in the City promotions saw public patients take advantage of generous discounts, with 653 desexing surgeries completed during these campaigns alone.

Top three public patient surgeries at FSVC

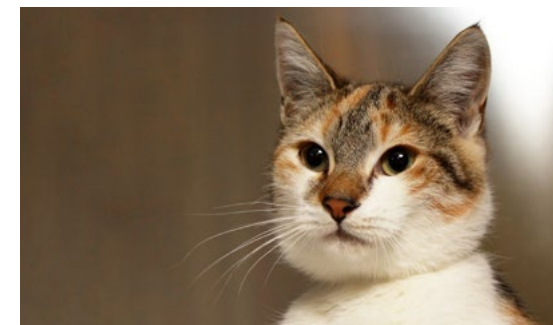
| Surgery | Total |
|---------------------------|-------|
| 1. Desexing | 1,578 |
| 2. Minor and major dental | 383 |
| 3. Lump removal | 82 |

Stray patients

In addition to public patients, the Clinic provides support to the Home's Shelter Medicine Department. The Clinic provides essential medical services for lost and abandoned dogs and cats in need, including undertaking complex surgical cases. This year clinic staff performed 855 stray surgeries; with the majority of these procedures being desexing surgeries.

Top three stray surgeries at FSVC

| Surgery | Total |
|--|-------|
| 1. Desexing | 517 |
| 2. Minor and major dental | 95 |
| 3. Double and single patella surgeries | 49 |



Marmalade makes history

Illness: Cat flu

Treatment: Esophagostomy tube

Domestic short-haired cat Marmalade's story involved a little extra care than the Clinic's usual patients.

When Marmalade came into the Home, she was already suffering from a fractured femur which required surgery. Recovering quickly from the intensive orthopaedic procedure, Marmalade was placed into adoptions so she could go on to find her new home.

Shortly after being placed in adoptions, Marmalade began to develop cat flu. Her condition was so severe that this sweet, affectionate feline stopped eating and began to lose a considerable amount of weight. Despite her condition, Marmalade maintained her loving and affectionate nature, explains Frank Samways Practice Manager, Catherine Edwards.

"Despite developing ulcers, which stopped her from eating, Marmalade still showed a great deal of affection towards the staff at the Clinic. As her condition was quite severe we had to feed her by hand, but even then she was having difficulty keeping food down.

"As her condition worsened it was decided that her best chance for recovery was to place a feeding tube; a procedure which hadn't been done at Frank Samways before on a cat suffering from cat flu.

"After the surgery, Marmalade was placed in foster care with me, which gave her some time to recover from her surgery and ensure that she was keeping food down.

"It didn't take long for Marmalade to recover from the procedure and she began to put weight on again. About two weeks after the procedure Marmalade was put up for adoption again and now she is enjoying time in her new home," said Catherine.



Financial Report

2014 - 2015

Directors' Report

Your directors present their report together with the financial report of The Lost Dogs' Home ("the Home") for the financial year ended 30 June 2015.

Directors

The following persons were directors of the Home during the whole of the financial year and up to the date of this report, being 30 October 2015, unless otherwise noted. The number of meetings attended reflect those in the financial year ending 30 June 2015.

| Name | Position | Meetings held while Director | Meetings attended |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------------------|-------------------|
| Mrs P. Gillies AM | Director* | 9 | 8 |
| Mr T. Makings AM | Director | 9 | 8 |

* Appointed Chair 25-JUN-15

The following persons were directors of the Home from the time of their appointment and up to the date of this report:

| Name | Position | Meetings held while Director | Meetings attended | Date of appointment |
|-----------------|----------|------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Mr M. Coleborne | Director | 4 | 4 | 17 March 15 |
| Ms L. Doyle | Director | 4 | 3 | 17 March 15 |
| Ms S. Driscoll | Director | 4 | 4 | 17 March 15 |
| Ms L. Glucina | Director | 4 | 3 | 17 March 15 |
| Ms A. Lyon | Director | 5 | 4 | 26 February 15 |

The following persons were directors of the Home from the beginning of the financial year and up until the date of their resignation or departure from the Board:

| Name | Position | Meetings held while Director | Meetings attended | Date of resignation |
|-------------------|----------|------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Mr D. Alafaci | Director | 4 | 1 | 12 March 15 |
| Mr J. Allen | Director | 9 | 4 | 25 June 15 |
| Mrs. M. Crossley | Director | 1 | 1 | 11 December 15 |
| Mrs D. McGuinness | Director | 3 | 3 | 26 February 15 |
| Ms J. Scovell | Director | 1 | 0 | 11 December 15 |
| Dr G. Smith OAM | Director | 3 | 1 | 05 February 15 |
| Dr A. Tribe | Chair** | 9 | 9 | 29 September 15 |

** Resigned as Chair 25-JUN-15

No director has an interest in shares or contracts with the Home. The directors all have the necessary experience and knowledge to carry out their duties.

Short and long term objectives

The short and long term objectives of the Home are:

- To work with the community to promote the welfare of dogs and cats by reducing the number of lost cats and dogs, alleviating their pain and suffering and enhancing the responsible ownership and enjoyment of pets
- To continue with growth and innovation that reflects our core business and aligns with our values, vision and mission
- To continue developing and raising the profile of the Home's brand and align it closely to the core business, values, vision and mission
- To establish and grow strong relationships with our donors and supporters to boost all fundraising activities for the Home
- To promote existing programs and initiatives and develop wider strategic partnerships with educational institutes and other organisations with complementary causes
- To develop strategic relationships with relevant government bodies both at a local and state government level

Principal activities

The principal activities of the Home in the course of the financial year were devoted to the service of stray, sick, injured and abandoned dogs and cats.

Results of operations

The surplus / (deficit) of the Home for the financial year ended 30 June 2015 was (\$1,349,232) 2014: \$716,457.

Review of operations

Figures on the operations of the Home are as follows:

| | 2015 \$ | 2014 \$ |
|---|--------------|--------------|
| Revenue from continuing operations | 13,465,553 | 14,050,338 |
| Operating activities expenses | (18,107,140) | (17,545,651) |
| Surplus/(Deficit) from operating activities | (4,641,587) | (3,495,313) |
| Revenue from non-operating activities | 3,292,355 | 4,211,770 |
| Expenses from non-operating activities | - | - |
| Surplus/(Deficit) for the year | (1,349,232) | 716,457 |

During the year the Home had a reduction in income due to the completion of a significant contract in October 2014. This resulted in an impairment charge of \$251,142. A further impairment charge of \$124,131 was recognised as the result of a fixed asset review. Legacies and fundraising income was also less than the previous year.

Significant changes in the state of affairs

There have been no significant changes in the state of the Home's affairs during the financial year.

Matters subsequent to the end of the financial year

No matter or circumstance has arisen since 30 June 2015 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect:

- the Home's operations in future financial years,
- the results of those operations in future financial years,
- the Home's state of affairs in future financial years.

Members' guarantee

In accordance with the Home's constitution, each member is liable to contribute up to \$20 in the event that the Home is wound up. The amount to be contributed will not exceed \$8,780.

Environmental regulation and performance

The Home is not subject to any particular or significant environmental regulation.

Indemnification and insurance of directors

During or since the financial year, the Home has paid premiums in respect of a contract insuring all of the

directors of the Home against costs incurred in defending proceedings for conduct involving wrongful acts by the directors of the Home.

Indemnity of auditors

During or since the financial year, the Home has paid no premiums in respect of a contract insuring the auditors.

Non-audit services

During the year the following fees were paid or payable for non-audit services provided by the auditor of the Home, its related practices and non-related firms:

| | 2015 \$ | 2014 \$ |
|---|---------|---------|
| Taxation Services | | |
| PricewaterhouseCoopers Australian Firm: | | |
| Tax compliance services | 3,366 | 3,366 |
| | 3,366 | 3,366 |



Mrs Prue Gilles AM
Chair



Mr Terry Makings AM
Director

Melbourne 30/10/2015

Directors' Report continued



Auditor's Independence Declaration

As auditor for the audit of The Lost Dogs' Home for year ended 30 June 2015, I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

This declaration is in respect of The Lost Dogs' Home during the period.

Amanda Campbell
Partner
PricewaterhouseCoopers
Melbourne 30/10/2015

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The financial statements are presented in the Australian currency.

The Lost Dogs' Home is a company limited by guarantee that is incorporated and domiciled in Australia.

The registered office and principal place of business is:

The Lost Dogs' Home
2 Gracie Street
North Melbourne VIC 3051

The Lost Dogs' Home is incorporated under the Corporations Law as a company limited by guarantee not having a share capital. The liability of each member is generally limited to \$20.

The financial statements were authorised for issue by the directors on 30/10/2015. The directors have the power to amend and reissue the financial statements.

Statement of Comprehensive Income

For the year ended 30 June 2015

| | Notes | 2015 \$ | 2014 \$ |
|--|-------|---------------------|--------------|
| Revenue from continuing operations | 3 | 13,465,553 | 15,050,338 |
| Other Income | 4 | 3,292,355 | 4,211,770 |
| Veterinary clinic expenses | | (2,238,122) | (1,824,968) |
| Fundraising expenses | | (1,823,650) | (1,738,858) |
| Shelter and Council contract expenses | | (10,371,968) | (10,945,217) |
| Administration expenses | | (3,673,400) | (3,036,608) |
| (Deficit)/ Surplus for the year | 5 | (1,349,232) | 716,457 |
| Other comprehensive income | | | |
| Changes in Fair Value of available-for-sale financial assets | 14(a) | (29,622) | 356,401 |
| Total comprehensive(Deficit) / Surplus for the year | | (1,378,854) | 1,072,858 |

The above statement of comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Balance Sheet

As at 30 June 2015

| | Notes | 2015 \$ | 2014 \$ |
|--------------------------------------|--------|-------------------|------------|
| ASSETS | | | |
| Current assets | | | |
| Cash & cash equivalents | 6 | 3,096,367 | 2,184,666 |
| Trade & other receivables | 7 | 743,866 | 1,107,560 |
| Inventories | 8 | 180,947 | 245,928 |
| Total current assets | | 4,021,180 | 3,538,154 |
| Non-current assets | | | |
| Financial assets | 9 | 4,360,258 | 5,469,675 |
| Property, plant and equipment | 10 | 15,025,566 | 15,901,933 |
| Total non-current assets | | 19,385,824 | 21,371,608 |
| Total assets | | 23,407,004 | 24,909,762 |
| LIABILITIES | | | |
| Current liabilities | | | |
| Trade and other payables | 11 | 761,004 | 813,366 |
| Provisions | 12 | 981,338 | 935,068 |
| Total current liabilities | | 1,742,342 | 1,748,434 |
| Non-current liabilities | | | |
| Provisions | 13 | 194,118 | 137,824 |
| Total non-current liabilities | | 194,118 | 137,824 |
| Total liabilities | | 1,936,460 | 1,886,258 |
| Net Assets | | 21,470,544 | 23,023,504 |
| EQUITY | | | |
| Reserves | 14 (a) | 227,019 | 256,641 |
| Retained earnings | 14 (b) | 21,243,525 | 22,766,863 |
| Total equity | | 21,470,544 | 23,023,504 |

The above balance sheet should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Statement of changes in equity

For the year ended 30 June 2015

| | Contributed equity \$ | Reserves \$ | Retained earnings \$ | Total equity \$ |
|---|--------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Balance as at 30 June 2013 | - | (99,760) | 22,050,406 | 21,950,646 |
| Total comprehensive income for the year | - | 356,401 | 716,457 | 1,072,858 |
| Balance as at 30 June 2014 | - | 256,641 | 22,766,863 | 23,023,504 |
| Total comprehensive income for the year | - | (203,728) | (1,349,232) | (1,552,960) |
| Adjustment in respect of financial assets | - | 174,106 | (174,106) | - |
| Balance as at 30 June 2015 | - | 227,019 | 21,243,525 | 21,470,544 |

The above statements of changes in equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Statement of cash flows

For the year ended 30 June 2015

| | Notes | 2015 \$ | 2014 \$ |
|--|-------|------------------|------------------|
| Cash flows from operating activities | | | |
| Receipts from customers (inclusive of GST) | | 9,365,924 | 8,806,745 |
| Payments to suppliers and employees (inclusive of GST) | | (17,903,981) | (17,609,291) |
| Fundraising proceeds | | 4,733,303 | 5,575,368 |
| Cash legacies received | | 3,329,486 | 3,689,844 |
| Interest received | | 68,538 | 20,713 |
| Net cash inflows (outflows) from operating activities | | (406,730) | 483,379 |
| Cash flows from investing activities | | | |
| Payments for property, plant and equipment | | (95,810) | (61,289) |
| Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment | | 26,557 | 32,582 |
| Payments for available-for-sale financial assets | | (465,815) | (1,465,520) |
| Proceeds from sale of available-for-sale financial assets | | 1,373,632 | 1,523,462 |
| Dividends received | | 479,867 | 419,655 |
| Net cash inflows from investing activities | | 1,318,431 | 448,890 |
| Cash flows from financing activities | | | |
| | | - | - |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | | 911,701 | 932,269 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year | | 2,184,666 | 1,252,397 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year | 6 | 3,096,367 | 2,184,666 |

The above statement of cash flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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Notes to financial statement

For the year ended 30 June 2015

1. Summary of significant accounting policies

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated. The financial statements are for the Home which is a not-for-profit organisation.

(a) Basis of preparation

These general purpose financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board, Urgent Issues Group Interpretations and the *Australian Charities and Not for profit Commission Act 2012*.

Compliance with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements

The consolidated financial statements of the Home comply with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements as issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB).

New and amended standards adopted by the Home

None of the new standards and amendments to standards that are mandatory for the first time for the financial year beginning 1 July 2014 affected any of the amounts recognised in the current period and is likely to affect future periods.

Early adoption of standards

The Home has not elected to apply any pronouncements before their operative date in the annual reporting period beginning 1 July 2014.

Historical cost convention

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of available-for-sale financial assets, financial assets and liabilities (including derivative instruments) at fair value through profit or loss, certain classes of property, plant and equipment and investment property.

Critical accounting estimates

The preparation of financial statements requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgment in the process of applying the Home's accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements are disclosed in note 2.

Financial statement presentation

The Home applies AASB 101 *Presentation of Financial Statements*. The standard requires the separate presentation of a statement of comprehensive income and a statement of changes in equity. All non-owner changes in equity are presented in the statement of comprehensive income.

(b) Revenue recognition

Revenue is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the entity and the revenue can be reliably measured. Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable. The following specific recognition criteria must also be met before revenue is recognised:

- Charitable income, including donations and bequests are brought to account on a cash basis.
- Shares in the form of bequest are brought to account when transferred to the portfolio.
- Vet, council fees and National Pet Register income is brought to account when the service is rendered, usually by credit card or cash.
- Shelter income is brought to account at point of sale, usually by credit card or cash.
- Interest income is recognised on a time proportion basis using the effective interest method.
- Dividends are recognised as revenue when the right to receive payment is established.

(c) Operating leases

Operating lease payments are recognised as an expense in the statement of comprehensive income on a straight-line-basis over the lease term. Operating lease incentives are recognised as a liability when received and subsequently reduced by allocating lease payments between rental expense and reduction of the liability.

(d) Cash and cash equivalents

For the purpose of presentation in the statements of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with financial institutions, other short term, highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities in the balance sheet.

(e) Trade and other receivables

Trade receivables are recognised and carried at original invoice amount less a provision for any uncollectible debts. An estimate for doubtful debts is made when collection of the full amount is no longer probable. Bad debts are written-off as incurred. Trade receivables are generally due for settlement within 30 days.

(f) Inventories

Inventories comprise on hand and veterinary supplies and are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

(g) Investments and other financial assets

Classification

The Home classifies its financial assets in the following categories: financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, loans and receivables, held-to-maturity investments and available-for-sale financial assets. The classification depends on the purpose for which the investments were acquired. Management determines the classification of its investments at initial recognition and, in the case of assets classified as held-to-maturity, re-evaluates this designation at each reporting date.

(i) Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are financial assets held for trading. A financial asset is classified in this category if acquired principally for the purpose of selling in the short term. Derivatives are classified as held for trading unless they are designated as hedges. Assets in this category are classified as current assets. The Home does not have any financial assets held at fair value through the statement of comprehensive income for 30 June 2015.

(ii) Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. They are included in current assets, except for those with maturities greater than 12 months after the reporting date which are classified as non-current assets. Loans and receivables are included in trade and other receivables (note 7) in the balance sheet.

(iii) Held-to-maturity investments

Held-to-maturity investments are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments and fixed maturities that the Home's management has the positive intention and ability to hold to maturity. The Home does not have any held-to-maturity investments as at 30 June 2015.

(iv) Available-for-sale financial assets

Available-for-sale financial assets, comprising principally marketable equity securities, are non-derivatives that are either designated in this category or not classified in any of the other categories. They are included in non-current assets unless management intends to dispose of the investment within 12 months of the reporting date. Investments are designated as available-for-sale if they do not have fixed maturities and fixed or determinable payments and management intends to hold them for the medium to long term.

Financial assets – reclassification

The Home may choose to reclassify a non-derivative trading financial asset out of the held-for-trading category if the financial asset is no longer held for the purpose of selling it in the near term. Financial assets other than loans and receivables are permitted to be reclassified out of the held-for-trading category only in rare circumstances arising from a single event that is unusual and highly unlikely to recur in the near term. In addition, the Home may choose to reclassify financial assets that would meet the definition of loans and receivables out of the held-for-trading or available-for-sale categories if the Home has the intention and ability to hold these financial assets for the foreseeable future or until maturity at the date of reclassification.

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Reclassifications are made at fair value as of the reclassification date. Fair value becomes the new cost or amortised cost as applicable, and no reversals of fair value gains or losses recorded before reclassification date are subsequently made. Effective interest rates for financial assets reclassified to loans and receivables and held-to-maturity categories are determined at the reclassification date. Further increases in estimates of cash flows adjust effective interest rates prospectively.

Recognition and derecognition

Regular purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on trade-date — the date on which the Home commits to purchase or sell the asset. Investments are initially recognised at fair value plus transaction costs for all financial assets not carried at fair value through profit or loss. Financial assets carried at fair value through profit or loss are initially recognised at fair value and transaction costs are expensed in the statement of comprehensive income. Financial assets are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the financial assets have expired or have been transferred and the Home has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership.

When securities classified as available-for-sale are sold, the accumulated fair value adjustments recognised in equity are included in the statement of comprehensive income as gains and losses from investment securities.

Subsequent measurement

Loans and receivables and held-to-maturity investments are carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Available-for-sale financial assets and financial assets at fair value through profit and loss are subsequently carried at fair value. Gains or losses arising from changes in the fair value of the 'financial assets at fair value through profit or loss' category are presented in the statement of comprehensive income within other income or other expenses in the period in which they arise. Dividend income from financial assets at fair value through profit and loss is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income as part of revenue from continuing operations when the Home's right to receive payments is established. Changes in the fair value of investments classified as available-for-sale are recognised in equity.

Impairment

The Home assesses at each balance date whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset or group of financial assets is impaired. In the case of equity securities classified as available-for-sale, a significant or prolonged decline in the fair value of a security below its cost is considered as an indicator that the securities are impaired. If any such evidence exists for available-for-sale financial assets, the cumulative loss — measured as the difference between the acquisition cost and the current fair value, less any impairment loss on that financial asset previously recognised in profit or loss — is removed from equity and recognised in the statement of comprehensive income. Impairment losses recognised in the statement of comprehensive income on equity instruments classified as available-for-sale are not reversed through the statement of comprehensive income.

(h) Property, plant and equipment

Cost and Valuation

All classes of property, plant and equipment (freehold land, buildings and plant and equipment) are measured at cost.

Depreciation

All property, plant and equipment, other than freehold land is depreciated over its estimated useful life commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use. Depreciation is provided on a straight-line or diminishing value basis.

Major depreciation rates are:

| | 2015 % | 2014 % |
|---|-----------|-----------|
| Buildings (straight line): | 2.5 | 3 - 20 |
| Furniture, fixtures and fittings and equipment (straight line): | 20 | 6 - 20 |
| Motor vehicles (straight line): | 20 | 20 |
| ITC equipment: (straight line): | 33.33 | 5 - 40 |
| Speciality vet equipment | 33.33 | - |

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each reporting date.

An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount. Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with carrying amount. These are included in the statement of comprehensive income.

(i) Trade and other payables

Liabilities for trade creditors and other amounts are carried at cost which is the fair value of the consideration to be paid in the future for goods and services received, whether or not billed to the Home. The amounts are unsecured and are usually paid within 30 days of recognition.

(j) Employee benefits

Provision is made for employee benefits accumulated as a result of employees rendering services up to the reporting date. These benefits include wages and salaries, annual leave, sick leave and long service leave.

Employee benefit expenses and revenues arising in respect of the following categories:

- wages and salaries, non-monetary benefits, annual leave, long service leave, sick leave and other leave benefits; and
- other types of employee benefits are recognised against profits on a net basis in their respective categories.

(i) Wages and salaries, annual leave & sick leave

Liabilities for wages and salaries, including non-monetary benefits, annual leave and accumulating sick leave expected to be settled within 12 months of the reporting date are recognised in other payables in respect of employees' services up to the reporting date and are measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liabilities are settled.

(iii) Long service leave

The liability for long service leave is recognised in the provision for employee benefits and measured as the present value of expected future payments to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the reporting date using the projected unit credit method. Consideration is given to expected future wage and salary levels, experience of employee departures and periods of service. Expected future payments are discounted using market yields at the reporting date on national government bonds with terms to maturity and currency that match, as closely as possible, the estimated future cash outflows.

(k) Legacies and donations

As a not-for-profit organisation the Home receives donations and legacies. These amounts are brought to account as income only when received. In all other respects, the financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting.

(l) Food donations

Food donated to the Home is not brought to account.

(m) Taxes

Income Taxes

No provision for income tax has been raised as the Home is exempt from income tax under Division 50 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

(n) Goods and Services Tax

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of associated GST, unless the GST incurred is not recoverable from the taxation authority. In this case it is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense.

Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is included with other receivables or payables in the balance sheet.

Cash flows are presented on a gross basis. The GST components of cash flows arising from investing or financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to the taxation authority, are presented as operating cash flows.

2. Critical accounting estimates and judgements

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that may have a financial impact on the entity and that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

(a) Critical judgements in applying the entity's accounting policies

i) Impairment of available for sale financial assets

The Home makes significant judgements about the impairment of a number of its available for sale financial assets

The Home follows the guidance of AASB 139 *Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement* to determine when an available for sale financial asset is impaired. This determination requires significant judgement. In making this judgement, the Home evaluates, among other factors, the duration and extent to which the fair value of an investment is less than its cost and the financial health of and short term business outlook for the investee, including factors such as industry and sector performance, changes in technology and operational and financing cash flows.

Notes to financial statement continued

3. Revenue

| | 2015 \$ | 2014 \$ |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| From continuing operations | | |
| <i>Sales revenue</i> | | |
| Sale of goods | 1,326,803 | 1,443,048 |
| Services | 6,857,042 | 6,517,414 |
| | 8,183,845 | 7,960,462 |
| <i>Other revenue</i> | | |
| Dividends | 479,867 | 418,952 |
| Bank interest | 68,538 | 21,665 |
| Grants | 73,547 | 73,891 |
| Donations | 4,659,756 | 5,575,368 |
| | 5,281,708 | 6,089,876 |
| Total Revenue | 13,465,553 | 14,050,338 |

4. Other income

| | 2015 \$ | 2014 \$ |
|--|------------|------------|
| Realised (losses)/gains on sale of available-for-sale financial assets | (59,316) | 122,723 |
| Profit on sale of fixed assets | 22,185 | (97) |
| Legacies | 3,329,486 | 4,089,144 |
| | 3,292,355 | 4,211,770 |

5. Expenses

Profit includes the following specific expenses

| | Note | 2015 \$ | 2014 \$ |
|--|------|------------|------------|
| Depreciation of non-current assets | 10 | 592,522 | 1,050,068 |
| Impairment of non-current assets | 10 | 375,283 | - |
| Rental expense relating to operating leases | | 32,501 | 32,665 |
| Employee benefits expenses including superannuation | | 11,230,272 | 11,042,444 |
| <i>The Home employed 261 employees at 30-Jun-2015 (2014: 268 employees).</i> | | | |

6. Current assets – Cash and cash equivalents

| | 2015 \$ | 2014 \$ |
|--------------------------|------------|------------|
| Cash at bank and in hand | 1,496,367 | 2,049,252 |
| Deposits at call | 1,600,000 | 135,414 |
| | 3,096,367 | 2,184,666 |

(a) Reconciliation to cash at the end of the year

The above figures are reconciled to cash at the end of the financial year as shown in the statement of cash flows as follows:

| | 2015 \$ | 2014 \$ |
|--------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Balances as above | 3,096,367 | 2,184,666 |
| Bank overdrafts | - | - |
| Balances per statement of cash flows | 3,096,367 | 2,184,666 |

7. Current assets – Trade and other receivables

| | 2015 \$ | 2014 \$ |
|-----------------------------|------------|------------|
| Trade and other receivables | 743,866 | 1,107,560 |
| Interest accrued | - | - |
| | 743,866 | 1,107,560 |

8. Current assets – Inventories

| | 2015 \$ | 2014 \$ |
|--|------------|------------|
| Stock on Hand – microchips at cost | - | 13,896 |
| Stock on Hand – veterinary stock at cost | 180,947 | 232,032 |
| | 180,947 | 245,928 |

9. Non-current assets – Available-for-sale financial assets

Available-for-sale financial assets include the following classes of financial assets:

| | 2015 \$ | 2014 \$ |
|----------------------------|------------|------------|
| Listed securities * | | |
| Shares in public companies | 3,198,196 | 4,429,045 |
| Units in investment trusts | 1,162,062 | 1,040,630 |
| | 4,360,258 | 5,469,675 |

* The above listed securities are financial instruments that are traded in an active market (such as publicly traded derivatives, and trading and available for sale securities) and are held at their fair value. This value is based on quoted market prices at the end of the financial year. The quoted market price used for financial assets held by the Home is the current bid price. During the year financial assets were sold for consideration of \$1,373,632 which are now held as deposits at call as reflected in note 6.

10. Non-current assets – Property, plant and equipment

| | Freehold Buildings \$ | Furniture and Fittings \$ | Plant and Equipment \$ | Vehicles \$ | Office and Computer \$ | Specialty Vet Equipment \$ | WIP \$ | Total \$ |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| At 30 June 2014 | | | | | | | | |
| Cost for fair value | 18,097,825 | 317,517 | 978,815 | 1,473,346 | 542,936 | 0 | | 21,410,439 |
| Accumulated depreciation | (3,103,591) | (125,421) | (627,889) | (1,184,731) | (466,874) | 0 | | (5,508,506) |
| Net book amount | 14,994,234 | 192,096 | 350,926 | 288,615 | 76,062 | 0 | | 15,901,933 |

Year ended 30 June 2015

| | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|----------------|-----------|----------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Opening net book amount | 14,994,234 | 183,670 | 350,926 | 288,615 | 76,062 | 0 | 8,427 | 15,901,933 |
| Additions | - | - | - | - | - | - | 95,810 | 95,810 |
| Transfers | 102,207 | 92,077 | (336,505) | 16,618 | 46 | 196,234 | (70,677) | 0 |
| Impairment | (349,923) | (2,307) | (7,418) | (13,252) | | (2,383) | - | (375,283) |
| Work In Progress | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 |
| Net disposals | | 0 | | (4,373) | | 0 | - | (4,373) |
| Depreciation charge | (209,700) | (82,753) | (7,003) | (163,476) | (42,942) | (86,648) | - | (592,522) |
| Closing net book amount | 14,536,818 | 190,687 | 0 | 124,132 | 33,166 | 107,203 | 33,560 | 15,025,566 |

At 30 June 2015

| | | | | | | | | |
|---|-------------------|----------------|-----------|----------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Cost or fair value | 18,200,032 | 401,168 | 642,310 | 1,485,591 | 542,982 | 196,234 | 33,560 | 21,501,876 |
| Accumulated depreciation and impairment | (3,663,214) | (210,481) | (642,310) | (1,361,459) | (509,816) | (89,031) | | (6,476,311) |
| Net book amount | 14,536,818 | 190,687 | 0 | 124,132 | 33,166 | 107,203 | 33,560 | 15,025,566 |

11. Current liabilities – Trade and other payables

| | 2015 \$ | 2014 \$ |
|-----------------|------------|------------|
| Trade creditors | 151,712 | 151,885 |
| Accruals | 609,292 | 661,481 |
| | 761,004 | 813,366 |

12. Current liabilities – Provisions

| | 2015 \$ | 2014 \$ |
|----------------------------------|------------|------------|
| <i>Employee entitlements</i> | | |
| Provision for annual leave | 601,726 | 585,027 |
| Provision for long service leave | 379,612 | 350,041 |
| | 981,338 | 935,068 |

The current provision for employee benefits includes accrued annual leave and long service leave. For long service leave it covers all unconditional entitlements where employees have completed the required period of service and also those where employees are entitled to pro rata payments in certain circumstances.

Notes to financial statement continued

13. Non-current liabilities – Provisions

| | 2015 \$ | 2014 \$ |
|----------------------------------|------------|------------|
| <i>Employee entitlements</i> | | |
| Provision for long service leave | 194,118 | 137,824 |

14. Reserves and retained earnings

| | 2015 \$ | 2014 \$ |
|--|------------|------------|
|--|------------|------------|

(a) Reserves

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Available-for-sale financial assets | 227,019 | 256,641 |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|

Movements:

Available-for-sale financial assets

| | | |
|---|-----------|----------|
| Balance 1 July | 256,641 | (99,760) |
| Revaluation - gross | (203,728) | 356,401 |
| Adjustment in respect of financial assets | 174,106 | - |
| Balance 30 June | 227,019 | 256,641 |

(b) Retained earnings

Movement in retained earnings were as follows:

| | 2015 \$ | 2014 \$ |
|---|-------------|------------|
| Balance 1 July 2014 | 22,766,863 | 22,050,406 |
| Adjustment in respect of financial assets | (174,106) | - |
| Net (deficit)/ profit for the year | (1,349,232) | 716,457 |
| Balance 30 June 2015 | 21,243,525 | 22,766,863 |

(c) Nature and purpose of reserves

(i) Available-for-sale financial assets

Changes in the fair value and exchange differences arising on translation of investments, such as equities classified as available for sale financial assets, are recognised in other comprehensive income, as described in note 1(h) and accumulated in a separate reserve within equity. Amounts are reclassified to profit or loss when the associated assets are sold or impaired.

15. Related party transactions

Key management personnel

| | 2015 \$ | 2014 \$ |
|--|------------|------------|
|--|------------|------------|

Key management personnel compensation:

| | | |
|------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Short-term employee benefits | 781,476 | 442,444 |
| Post-employment benefits | 49,057 | 75,026 |
| | 830,533 | 517,470 |

During the financial year there were no additional related party transactions (2014 - \$Nil) paid in the ordinary course of business.

16. Commitments

Lease commitments

(i) Operating lease

| | 2015 \$ | 2014 \$ |
|--|------------|------------|
|--|------------|------------|

Commitments for minimum lease payments in relation to operating leases are payable as follows:

| | | |
|---|--------|---|
| Within one year | 24,804 | - |
| Later than one year but not later than five years | 49,608 | - |
| Later than five years | - | - |
| | 74,412 | - |

17. Events occurring after the reporting period

There are no significant events occurring after the reporting period.

Directors' Opinion

In the directors' opinion:

- the financial statements and notes set out on pages 36–48 are in accordance with the Australian Charities and Not-For-Profits Commission Act 2012, including:
 - complying with Accounting Standards, the Australian Charities and Not-For-Profits Commission Act 2012 and other mandatory professional reporting requirements, and
 - giving a true and fair view of the company's and consolidated entity's financial position as at 30 June 2015 and of their performance for the financial year ended on that date; and
- there are reasonable grounds to believe that the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the directors.



Mrs Prue Gilles AM
Chair



Mr Terry Makings AM
Director

Melbourne 30/10/2015

Independent auditor's report to the members of The Lost Dogs' Home



Independent auditor's report to the members of The Lost Dogs' Home

Report on the financial report

We have audited the accompanying financial report of The Lost Dogs' Home (the Company), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2015, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year ended on that date, a summary of significant accounting policies, other explanatory notes and the directors' declaration.

Directors' responsibility for the financial report

The directors of the company are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements and have determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1 to the financial report is appropriate to meet the requirements of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 (ACNC Act) and is appropriate to meet the needs of the members.

Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the directors, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial report of The Lost Dogs' Home is in accordance with the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission* (ACNC) Act 2012, including:

- giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 30 June 2015 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
- complying with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements to the extent described in Note 1.

PricewaterhouseCoopers

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Partner

Melbourne 30/10/2015

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