

2019 Annual Report



Partner Groups Summary 2019

1. Afghanistan- Nowzad

Sponsorship program. Total donkeys and horses sponsored: 5 animals –Shazada, Jalala, Azad, Lola, Rosie & Kushi. Total amount sent in 2019 \$2800. Sadly, DJ died in 2019 due to colic. This program will keep as is for the duration of 2020.

MOU now set up as guideline for reporting and obligations of both AAA and Nowzad.

2. India – Help in Suffering

Camel Rescue Centre, Equine Clinic Program and Sponsorship and funds to purchase camel reflectors and plastic nose pegs and Equine Clinic Program and sponsorship of camels, one dog and 2 monkeys.

Total Camels Sponsored in 2019: 4 \$2300 + mobile clinics \$1500 x 4 = \$6,000 Total: \$ 8300. Sponsor animals are - Basanti, Blackie, Martin and Talitha [Tally]. In late 2019 Tally [Talitha] was rehomed to a poor desert family who lost their camel through death and could not afford another one. The family are good people known to HIS and they will look after Tally and not put him to work until he is fully mature. HIS will stay in contact with the family and monitors his welfare.

In 2019, we started funding an **equine clinic program** for injured and sick equines that are treated on-site at the HIS City Shelter. During Oct-Dec [3 month period] 34 equines were treated for complaints ranging from colic/digestive pain or worm burden [10], Impaction [8], masses/cancerous lesions [5], traumatic wounds [5], dental disease [2], Stomatitis [1], lameness [1], nasal discharge [1] and diarrhoea [1].

Funds sent to HIS this year to their City Shelter [\$930] included sponsoring a ‘therapy’ dog called Nanny and 2 monkeys rescued from street performer and a person who maimed his animal deliberately to get sympathy from passers-by to donate to him. Total: 2019 \$ 14725 sent to HIS.

3. India – Friendicoes SECA

-Equine Sponsorship Program \$5460 [12 sponsored animals] plus one other animal \$250
Includes 12 equines - Chaya & Titli, Ila, Meethi, Mudra, Noori, Radha, Sundari, Tapi and
Koyna, Truffles and Vayu and bullock called Kanha.

Mobile Medical Clinics that services Delhi and outer city area 6 days a week. \$7200

Total \$17,340.69 sent in 2019.

During 2019 we funded repair and maintenance work on the equine clinic vehicle that cost \$1080. In December we sent funds to pay for the rescue and compensation to owner of a wedding horse who was very weak and had many injuries but still made to work. His name was Badshah and was taken to the Gurgaon Sanctuary where he is doing well. We also sent farrier gear during 2019 cost: \$172.69

In January 2019, 11 AAA trip group visited the Gurgaon Sanctuary to visit sponsored animals, and other animals. Dr Akhilesh and his team took us around to meet the rescued animals which included donkeys, mules, horses, cows, cats, dogs and monkeys. It is a first-class facility and all animals very well cared for.

4. India – People for Animals Trust – Water Lifeline Project

A total of \$4050 was sent in 2019 for-

Water Program for street and working animals in Faridabad. In 2018 we paid for extra troughs and water to be supplied year-round to street and working animals that do not have access to clean water. \$4050 was paid for this.

In January 2019 a AAA group visited PFA in Faridabad where we saw 1st hand the water program and some of the water points around the city. We also saw the rescue truck AAA funded. We did note that has since been moved the location of one water point which was too close to a major road where animals can be hit trying to cross the road to get water.

5. Indonesia – Gili Islands Equine Vet Program

AAA employed Dr Ignasia Putri Misha Hapsari in June 2019 at the Gili Islands Veterinary Clinic as their veterinarian. **AAA** covered her salary at \$500 per/month, living expenses, relocation expenses and medical insurance until such time the clinic would be able to cover these costs. The program and this arrangement were agreed to be reviewed after 3 months. In November, a review of the program came to the conclusion that the current set up and working conditions did not suit Dr Misha Hapsari, Horses of Gili and AAA. AAA ceased supporting the program in November and Misha was paid out to the end of December. It was definitely worth giving this program a try, a lot was learned and many animals were treated and given help that they otherwise would not have received. We thank Dr Misha and Tori Taylor for giving this initiative a go.

In total, \$ 3865 was paid in salary, relocation expenses, medical insurance, holiday pay and living expenses for Dr Misha Hapsari during her employment.

During 2019 AAA also continued to support the Farrier program by funding farrier tools costing \$ 1017.69. Chris Beggs travelled to the island a number of times to take these tools and conduct farrier work.

The last payment of \$1000 for feed for the Rubbish collecting horses was paid in January 2019.

During the year two clinics were conducted that AAA assisted with, covering the ferry transfer costs [fuel] and some medicines and gear.

6. Israel – Pegasus – Sponsorship Program

Sponsorship Program and assistance with feed and rescue costs. Total equines sponsored in 2019: 6 animals – Einat, Eldad, Jordan, Ness, Rahat, Shmaya. \$600 x 6 = \$3600. Extra \$500 towards Ness medication and vet fees. Sadly, Einat passed away in November 2019. There are now 5 sponsored animals with our Sponsorship Program. Total sent in 2019 \$4100. Zvika who runs Pegasus, continues to do an amazing job rescuing and giving sanctuary to many animals in need especially equines. They had to move premises in latter 2019 because their lease had run out and the owner would not renew it. It was touch and go situation for a while but in the end, they found a suitable place to move all the animals to. Rhonda continues to be our main communication link with Zvika and what is going on with the animals. Reporting has improved in 2019. The pictures below are a donkey named Ness that was deliberately set on fire but as you can see, she is now much better and continues to thrive at the Pegasus Sanctuary.

7. Kurdistan – Kurdistan Organisation for Animal Rights and Protection

Support for Dr Sulaiman in 2019 included funding outreach clinics and funding a clinic vehicle which he has bought, and that we will assist to pay off over 4 years. Total funds sent in 2019 was \$15,500.

Dr Sulaiman assists animals belonging to refugees, very poor Kurdish families and villagers. There are no vets and animal treatment being provided apart from Dr Sulaiman. Generally, the animals he works on are shepherd dogs, donkeys and livestock. The issues for animal welfare in this area is not so much cruelty, but shortage of money and vets.

For the time being KOARP relies solely on us for assistance to conduct monthly outreach clinics in the area of Duhok province in Kurdistan-Iraq.

8. Liberia/Guinea- The Liberia Animal Welfare & Conservation Society (LAWCS)

The Liberia Animal Welfare & Conservation Society (LAWCS) is a national animal protection organization established and registered in Liberia. They educate children and adults about animal welfare and provide direct care and treatment for animals in need. This group, with our support are working in neighbouring Guinea to end the unnecessary suffering, pain and

starving of working animals through direct veterinary care and treatment for 3000 working animals and education program for 5000 animal owners and children. These animals serve as a key source of income for the people in the region but are treated with extreme cruelty. The animals work for 4 to 6 hours without resting and sleep in open areas without shelter to protect them from sun and rain. The education program is focused on helping the people to understand the importance of providing the five basic welfare needs of the animals. The people are so happy for the program because according to them, this is the first time in their history to learn about the welfare of their own animals. The people, with the LAWCS team have agreed and decided to improve the conditions for their working animals by reducing the number of working hours, building shelters for the animals, providing them a better diet and fresh water, etc. The program started on June 20, 2019 and in 2019 a total of \$3800 was sent for these free clinics and education program. SPANA came on board after we committed to the program to assist with funding this vital program. This program will continue in 2020.

9. Nepal – Animal Nepal

In 2019, we continued with the Sponsorship Program and Gifts that Give Program for Animal Nepal.

We sent \$13008.00 for the care and upkeep of the donkeys and other equines at this shelter on the outskirts of Kathmandu in an area called Dukuchhap.

We have 16 equines sponsored at the Godavari Donkey Sanctuary - BB, Bruna, Fudge, Krishna, Kusha, Lava, Maneka, Markhu, Mox, Noby, Puffin, Samir, Sangit, Stella and Shakti and Paulie.

There are a few cases of sickness and old age, but the donkey carers and vets are keeping a close eye on them and tending to their needs.

In December 2019, we reported on the rescue of Paulie, a mule who joined our sponsorship program and was named after one of our special supporters.

Animal Aid Abroad thanks all our sponsors - their help has provided a safe and peaceful haven for these special equines who worked many years in the brick kilns around Kathmandu.

Also, in 2019 our AAA group visited the equines at this Sanctuary and handed over quite a bit of medical gear and equipment. Pramada, Hari and the rest of the AN team showed us around the new Sanctuary plus we visited a brick kiln where equines are used to carry bricks. Also, as a result of our trip to the brick kiln a new equine was sponsored called Jackie, named after one of our dear members and trip participants.

10. Nicaragua- Orprovet

In 2019 we continued to assist Dr Lester Tapia from Orprovet , a NGO that provides free veterinary services in Nicaragua for both large and small animals. This organisation also provides **veterinary care to the working equines, as well as train local vets in equine medicine**. The equine project is focused on the welfare, dental care, hood care, surgery and general consult for the horses who suffer due to the civil unrest in Nicaragua. Many horse

owners lost their jobs because of a downturn in tourism, which was their livelihood. Their horses are put to work pulling heavy carts, overloaded with construction materials and others are used as taxis, to replace that lost income.

1st Equine clinic: March 15th-17th. Orprovet ran a 3-day mass clinic the cities Rivas, Jinotepe and Diriamba. They provided free veterinary services for 456 Equine horses: performed 92 dental work, 100 hoof trimming, 25 surgeries mostly castrations, enucleation, mass removal, reconstruction of one damaged vulva in a mare, one euthanasia for a very bad vesicular stomatitis the horse was suffering for more than 5 years with a lot of pain and lameness.

2nd Equine Clinic: October 3th, 4th and 5th. They treated 355 working horses in the city of Granada, Rivas and rural communities of La Laguna 1 and 2. During these 3 days: 15 castrations, 355 Tetanus vaccines, 355 Rabies vaccines, 75 Teeth floated, 3 teeth extractions, 150 hooves trimmed, 50 wounds/Lacerations treated, 1 eye enucleation and 15 treatments for lameness.

In 2019 total \$4500 was sent to to pay for pharmaceuticals for the 2 x 3-day intensive clinic.

11. Sri Lanka – Bridging Lanka

In 2019 \$ 16,630.00 was donated to partner, Bridging Lanka in Mannar to support the Donkey Rescue and Education Centre.

Land for New Animal Shelter to be called HARC – Hendro Animal Rescue Centre was purchased thanks to the very kind donor and AAA member, Sylvia Bettis- Heijne. This cost AUD \$20,000. Foundation works started during 2019 [fencing and internal road] but now waiting on funds to start the building of kennels and clinic. Hopefully this will begin in the middle of 2020 once funds are raised to start it.

3 extra donkeys were sponsored as a result of our AAA trip visit in January 2019 - Joy, Egan and Mellita. Total number of donkeys now sponsored by AAA is 6.

Medical equipment and medical supplies were donated to Bridging Lanka during 2019 but we had enormous problems getting it cleared by customs. We paid \$200 for the items to be cleared. We will not send anymore supplies to Sri Lanka until their clinic is officially registered and recognised by the Sri Lanka govt. Hoping this resolve this issue.

A AAA group visited Bridging Lanka in Mannar in January 2019 and saw the operations of the Sanctuary and some of their other work in Mannar. Jeremy, Shyama and all their BL team warmly welcomed us and spent a lot of time with us and the donkeys and what they do in Mannar to try to improve the status and treatment of donkeys in this unique area of Sri Lanka.

12. Somaliland – Social Animal Welfare Society

Outreach Medical Clinics for donkeys. \$8,000 was donated to outreach clinics in 2019 The SAWS donkey mobile clinic, supported solely by Animal Aid Abroad, treats hundreds of working donkeys. Working donkeys were treated for equine lung worm which is a major parasite of donkeys living in urban areas. Many donkeys are infected early in life from feeding on garbage because they don't have access to proper feed and nutrition. Other treatments include- trimming of hooves, treating body wounds especially on backs

due to inadequate harness materials and vitamin injections for weak donkeys. In 2019, Dr Ali and his small team play a very important role helping many hundreds of working donkeys who really do it tough in this region of Africa.

During 2019 the SAWS team started to move to outlying regions to assist rural and nomadic groups with their donkeys, camels and livestock. It is great to see this group grow and assist more animals in this very challenging region of the world. Each quarter our funds cover

- a) Vehicle rent for the clinic= [AUD\$ 550]
- b) Salary/Incentives of vet doctors + vet assistance = [AUD \$1000]
- c) Vet drugs that are not available in the clinic = [AUD \$350]
- d) Emergency cases or contingency = [AUD \$ 100]

13. Tanzania – Meru Animal Welfare Organisation

Outreach Medical Clinics for donkeys, Water Carts, Harnessing + Education \$9600 sent to fund these in 2019.

The issue here is donkeys carrying water and goods to market, not so much use of carts, but mostly loads on the donkeys' backs with large loads that are poorly tied with thin rope. In terms of animal welfare, this area is going "ok", and relatively not so much help required as other AAA groups. AAA raised funds to assist locals to do harnessing padding (local women to learn), and buy water troughs and send village kids to school. There are huge amounts of donkeys in use here (at least 200 donkeys per village).

In 2019, due to funding cutbacks AAA mainly assisted with funds to support the vet clinics, water troughs and harness padding.

14. Tanzania – Tanzania Humane Charity

In 2019 AAA continued to fund a number of areas of the TAHUCHA operations in Bukombe, Tanzania. TAHUCHA is one of our biggest commitments funding wise and we are directly partnered with them for the Bukombe Donkey Sanctuary.

Our funding commitment included the salaries for 2 para-vets [Alex and Emmanuel] and employing a new vet on the 1st July- Dr Robert Buluba. We also funded a rescue truck bought from Japan [2nd hand] thanks to the kind donation from Sylvia Heijne-Bettis. AAA also funded the on-going mobile clinics [200] for donkeys in the Bukombe area and 300 town clinics. Total 500 vet clinics run in 2019. During 2019, we continued to rescue and hospitalise badly injured or sick donkeys including a number of orphaned donkey foals from the nearby Donkey Abattoir run by the Chinese [and which we are trying to shutdown]. As of the 31st December 2019, 72 donkeys permanently reside at the AAA and TAHUCHA Donkey Sanctuary. Of this 72, 12 are orphaned foals who were born at the donkey abattoir before their mothers were killed. Over the year, 50 donkeys were hospitalised at the sanctuary who were later released because they were well enough to go back to their owners/work. Last year we made 25 new humane carts – 3 double harness and 22 single harness. 21 children went to school thanks to AAA [an incentive for families to take up the new cart system and improve their treatment of their donkeys]. We also fund the maintenance and fuel to keep the truck and motor bike operational for mobile clinics and rescues.

TAHUCHA report their successes in 2019- A. Social inclusion and most important recognition in the community, this corresponds with the response of donkey users and handlers on humane ways of handling donkeys. Example we note behavior change and drop of number of wounds associated with beating. B. Quality veterinary services delivered to larger number of working donkeys C. We have contributed to household's income for the families to get earnings for their children to access education, food security and health.

Going forwards need for an autoclave [approx. \$1500] and ultra sound machine [approx. \$6,000]. Goals for 2020 to remain focused on providing quality services reaching many animals and people in need of help and advice far and wide. Manufacture more double breast collar harness carts [dependent on funding]. To make sure the value of donkeys in the community is recognized and the community take a lead role in the treatment and correct handling of donkeys in their care.

15. Tanzania – Tanzania Animal Welfare Society

Outreach Medical Clinics for donkeys. \$12,500 donated to TAWESO in 2019. This also covered the manufacture and implementation of 15 humane carts to donkeys working in the Mtera Dam area.

The donkeys are heavily worked to transport goods and water. The focus in 2019 was the donkeys working in the Mtera Dam area where they are over-worked, use the yoke cart system and basically are treated very badly. Like in Bukombe donkeys suffer badly with neck wounds from the yokes and beating wounds on their bodies. We decided to replace the worst of the carts with lighter better made carts and trial these in hope we get extra support from SPANA and WVS to make more of these carts. It is agreed by all groups that the yoke carts cause the most pain and suffering to these working donkeys. At a cost of \$300 per cart it is not a cheap undertaking.

16. Uganda- Animal Welfare Protection Organisation

This project with AWPO started at the beginning of 2019 and came about because in the North Eastern Region of Uganda where Amudat and Sironko are located is among the poorest regions in the country. These areas also hold and use over 99% of all working donkeys in Uganda. Aims and objectives of this program is to

To make poor owners and communities aware and educated on how to improve the care, handling and health of their working donkeys,

To provide emergency outreach clinics for working donkeys for the treatment of: injuries; wounds; common infectious and non-infectious diseases, worms, emaciation and reproductive health problems.

Funds sent in 2019 totaled \$5500. To give an example on number of donkeys treated from Nov 13th to December 15th 2019 153 donkeys of various ages; sexes and physiological status underwent harnessing, examined for health status and treatment given and 41 owners and or communities were advised on how to care for, handle well and provide health services to working donkeys thus reducing their unnecessary pain and suffering especially during restraining, loading time and working.

17. Zambia- Mwamfumba Multi-Purpose Cooperative Animal Welfare Society

In January 2019, we took on another new partner group, Mwamfumba Multi-Purpose Cooperative Animal Welfare Society [MMPCAWS] run by Sam Nyendwa. They are a registered NGO and are based in central Zambia in the Chibombo district. With our support they will provide free medical treatment to working donkeys and oxen that suffer terribly from mistreatment and lack of medical treatment. MMPCAWS will provide treatment to animals and education to local community health volunteers who will be able to assist animals between clinic visits. MMPCAWS are in a remote area of Zambia and do not have a website or Facebook page. Even their reporting is half hand written. In 2019 we sent \$9,500 to fund these clinics. Training is provided by MMPCAWS. We hope to continue helping and supporting this group in 2019.

18. Zimbabwe – Tikobane Trust

Tikobane Trust is a rural community organisation based in the heart of the largest park in Zimbabwe, Hwange National Park. As an organization we seek to identify opportunities and challenges faced by communities living in and around Hwange National Park. Rural communities around the park depend on agriculture and donkeys and cows play a big role in the survival of the communities, we exist to educate communities on how to care and keep their animals, we also treat wounded animals attacked by wild animals like lions and hyenas and vaccinate working animals as they are always in contact with wildlife .Animal Aid Abroad funding will prevent working animals from being attacked by lions and other predators, funding will also go a long way in operating an animal clinic treating wounded and sick animals ,educating donkey owners on proper care of these animals and creating friendly working harnesses.

The year 2019 was a great year for working animals in the region of Matabeleland North in the District of Hwange. The first ever animal clinic for donkeys and dogs in the area, Donkeys and dogs are the most animals used by farmers in rural communities living in and around Hwange national Park the largest national Park in Zimbabwe. However little to no attention was given to these animal's dogs and donkeys, Thanks to Animal Aid Abroad who are supporting working animals in Hwange District. Through this support we managed to reach and treat an estimate of 700 donkeys and educate 250 farmers and donkey owners in the region. 2 water tanks, Donkey Clinics, Sanctuary materials for building, Rocket stoves \$11,782 donated in 2019.

Events and Campaigns 2019

PERTH, WA

Quiz Night- \$18, 780.83

HBF Run for a Reason \$3,088.21
Global Working Animal Day including City to Surf \$57,588.50
Royal Show \$ 2373.34
Mother's Day Stall \$ 1,112.60
Father's Day Stall \$ 535.35
Mundaring Market Stall \$515.90
Perth Vegan Expo - \$ 230.80
Pawsome Day Out \$ 193.50
Gay Pride Festival \$142.51
MELBOURNE, VIC
Pets in the Park \$400.50
Market Stalls \$ 217 [Dog accessories]
CANBERRA, ACT
Market Stalls [Old Bus Dept and Living Green] \$3519.95
SYDNEY, NSW
Million Paws Walk \$809.00
Book & Cake Stall \$ 115.00

Special Days Recognised in 2019

World Animal Day- Oct 4th – Perth Royal Show
World Vet Day- April 29th [Facebook]
World Donkey Day – May 8th [Facebook]
Horses Birthday- August 1st [Facebook]
Global Working Animal Day- August 21st and Walk a Mile in My Shoes [Global Campaign supported by partner groups and main branch participating in the City 2 Surf [Perth]
Anzac Day and Remembrance Day – animals that served in past and present conflicts [Facebook]

AAA Trip to Sri Lanka, India and Nepal January 2019

On January 5th in 2019, 10 Animal Aid Abroad members, from across Australia, travelled to 3 countries Sri Lanka, India and Nepal by plane, train and automobile in 17 days to visit the partner groups of Animal Aid Abroad and see first-hand how AAA funds are making a difference to countless number of working animals. It was an action packed 17 days visiting Bridging Lanka in Mannar, Sri Lanka to view the Donkey Rescue and Education Centre that AAA supports, HIS in Jaipur, India where AAA supports the Camel Rescue Centre, PFA in Faridabad, India where AAA funds the Water lifeline Program, Friendicoes SECA in Delhi India where AAA funds the Equine Mobile Clinic and sponsor many equines at their Gurgaon Sanctuary and final stop Nepal where our group visited the Animal Nepal Donkey Sanctuary where AAA sponsors all their donkeys. During this trip and thanks to Jenny Grant, AAA was able to give 40 kg of medical disposables that were kindly donated by a variety of sources back in Perth. This included bandages, dressing, needles, syringes, antibacterial cream / spray, temporary splints and even some dog toys, and was greatly appreciated by each and every vet and their team. It

was very rewarding to contribute, even if just a little, to the care and treatment of these very special patients.

Admin/Governance

- Honorariums 2019 - Dianne Lawrence [AAA Treasurer] – \$ 3,000
- Agatha Bong - [Membership/Sponsorships and Admin Support] \$1,200
- Candice McLennan [Social Media] \$ 4,800
- Renate Homburg [Newsletter] \$500
- Administrative Services Agatha Bong \$400
- Total Honorariums: \$9900
- Admin + Operational Costs in 2019: \$38,440.13 \$ 26,925.06 [2018]
- Association Rules update of our Constitution is complete and tabled at the 2020 AGM.
- Memorandum of Understanding [MOU] have been completed and signed with all partner groups and valid for the 2020 calendar year. MOU will be reviewed again in December 2020. These were started and completed December 2019/January 2020.
- Receipts have now been received from all payments in 2019 and filed in google drive.

Main 2019 achievements/Highlights

- Continued to fund our 19 Partner groups with no missed payments or reduction in payments except MAWO and TAHUCHA for education of children that was reduced in 2019.
- Purchase of land [thanks to Sylvia Heijne-Bettis] in Mannar, Sri Lanka for an animal shelter called Hendro Animal Rescue Centre [HARC].
- Global Working Animal Day/Walk a Mile in my Shoes Campaign continues to gather more support and funds, raising a record amount of \$ 57,588.50. [In 2018 we raised \$22,330.90 and 2017 our launch year and 10-year anniversary \$ 52,140.77]
- Monthly Giving Program – Increase in number of monthly donors from 43 in 2018 to 55 in 2019.
- 2019 AAA trip to Sri Lanka, India and Nepal in January was very successful, indicated by all feedback very positive from trip participants, partner group relationships cemented, 4 more animals added to our sponsorship program, 80 kgs of medical supplies [donated] to partner groups.
- Significant increase in merchandise sales from on-line shop and stalls, almost doubling from \$5,463.50 in 2018 to \$10, 035 in 2019.
- New credit card reader has been a big bonus to our stalls and functions and certainly contributed to a boost in the sales figures of merchandise.
- We reached our 1 million milestones in 2019, meaning from since we started in 2007, we have now sent over 1 million in funds to our partner projects overseas to assist working animals in need.
- Our overall donations in 2019 continue to increase with \$192,869.83. In 2018 the figure was \$ 169,409.53 and in 2017 \$ 108,152.19.
- Our on-line campaigns and reach is growing as shown in stats provided from our Facebook and Mailchimp accounts with most of our following coming from within Australia, followed by the US and then UK.

-The great AAA team including Committee, Admin team, Branch Coordinators and Volunteers who assist me and AAA to keep going.

A BIG thank you and acknowledgement of AAA donors, volunteers and supporters.

I would like to acknowledge and thank the 2019 AAA Committee for their time, work and passion for our cause and support of our projects and events- Janette Huston, Barbara Hacker, Dianne Lawrence, Kirsten Jackson, Jenny Grant, Colleen McKenney, Sylvia Heijne-Bettis and Chris Beggs.

I would like to give special thanks to our Branch Coordinators- Marie Crilley [Sydney], Lee Dean [Canberra], Dawn Perry [Melbourne] and Bridget Finch [Adelaide]

Thank you also to the core admin team- Dianne Lawrence [Treasurer], Agatha Bong [Memberships and Sponsorships/Admin Support], Jane Hogben [Admin Support] and our Social Media team- Candice McLennan and Renate Homburg. You really do make AAA tick! Also special thanks to Jaime Klein our IT guru, David at Coders for Causes who 'irons out' the really technical stuff on our website, Elaine Goode and Elsie Daxon for their amazing sewing skills and adorning 100's of our soft toys. Special mention to Irene Openshaw in Melbourne who makes dog bandanas and doggie bows to sell at stall on the weekend for AAA. Renee Stevens who very kindly gives her time and skills to do some of our flyers and other graphics.

Thank you to all our fabulous volunteers in each state

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Some final facts and figures for 2019

AAA Members: 368

Monthly Donors: 55

Animal Sponsors: 143

Animals Sponsored: 547 + Sponsorships: \$29, 713.50

Facebook: 103, 351 K

E-newsletter Subscribers: 1,314

AAA Branches: 5 in Australia

Partner Groups: 18

Countries in Operation: 14

Total sent to Partner group projects in 2019 \$ 237,581.59 [\$ 198,813.39]

Total raised in 2019: \$262,389.79 [\$ 294,668.91]

Total Donations 2019: \$192,869.83 [\$ 169,409.53]

Total sent overseas to our partner groups since Aug 2007 to Dec 2019: \$ 1,081,188.27

Donations since Aug 2007- Dec 2019 \$777,853.58 [\$ 585,558.75]

NB: Figures in brackets are 2018 totals