

NEWSLETTER

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SOMETIMES MIRACLES DO HAPPEN- PEBBLES

By Denise Garrett

This is the story of a small Joey who was miraculously found alive in the sand silo of a quarry in Rosebud on the Mornington Peninsula in Victoria.

WHOMP (Wildlife Help on Mornington Peninsula) received a phone call from Help for Wildlife asking them if they could collect a little Joey from a quarry workers house - on arrival the Joey was found to be very quiet and had suspected internal injuries and also capture myopathy was a concern considering what she had been through.



The area where she came from is home to a small mob of Eastern Grey kangaroos who pass through regularly.

The loading bay at the quarry has a very large pit covered by a grill, part of which is broken with a hole just big enough to let a small joey fall through.

Trucks pull up over the grate and tip their load through the grill onto a conveyer belt

some 2- 3m below, the conveyer belt then takes the rocks up to the first crusher (makes large boulders into smaller ones) and from the crusher another belt takes the rocks one way and the resulting sand component to the silo.

The Little joey was found the next day as the silo was being emptied, meaning she spent all night in there, had obviously fallen 2-3m onto a conveyer belt, went through a working crusher onto another conveyer belt and into a silo where a worker pulled her out and sat her in a drum all day until she was taken home that night where she was collected by the WHOMP rescuer and taken to the Warneet Wildlife Shelter where she was lovingly cared for overnight.

She was taken to Healesville Sanctuary Hospital for a thorough check-up the next day where the senior Vet, Dr. Rupert Baker, very carefully and thoroughly examined her and concluded there were no broken bones, no external wounds and she had full mobility of limbs. A blood sample was taken to test for capture myopathy and after all she had been through, the vets did not believe the results, so tested again and while she was showing some signs of having Capture Myopathy, it was a very low count indeed and she would just need lots of TLC, fluids, and a loving

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MEMBERSHIP

If you haven't paid your membership fees please do so as soon as possible

Renewal Membership Fees were due 1st April 2010 .

If you have forgotten phone the membership officer for another form.

See last page for Lola's phone and email address

We need your membership fees this is a major part of Fauna Rescue Whitsunday's Income.

home which is exactly what she has.

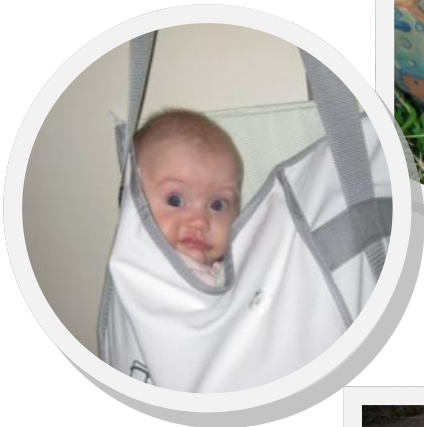
The only way she could have got onto that conveyor belt was via that grate in the unloading bay.

The little joey was called PEBBLES, is a very healthy 4.7 kgs and all being well, should make a complete recovery particularly thanks to the initial care given to her by the rescuing shelter - John and Una Merrick. Little Pebbles continues to progress very well with John and Una and is a loving, gentle little joey who is showing no signs whatsoever of the horrific time she spent on that conveyor belt.

Sometimes we are allowed a miracle.

Regards,
Denise - Help for Wildlife.

Volunteers don't get paid not because they are worthless but because they are priceless.
Cheryl Anderson.



Just hanging around



EDITORS NOTE

This will be my last edition. I have handed over the reins to Col Forster who I'm sure will do a wonderful job.

I have had fun doing the newsletter and would like to take this time to thank our many members who have contributed articles and photos

Thank you.

Thank you to

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for printing of the hard copies of this newsletter.

THE GREAT POOP MYSTERY

Strange title but that's what it was. I would go to the shower in the spare bathroom and there would be 30-40 little poop pellets about mouse size in a pile in the centre of the shower on the floor. There was no way that the mice were gathering and partying each night in my shower, but what was? There was no food supply, the shower wasn't dripping so no puddles to drink. This went on for weeks with that many poops everyday. Then they started in the spare bedroom right in the centre of the bed. Nice little piles of pellets. No fun, it was harder to clean than running the shower for a minute to flush it away. Then I found a dead mico bat that hit a ceiling fan and that got me thinking, were they congregating on the shower rose in the bathroom and the ceiling fan in the spare room? Made sense all the poo was below them. So then came the proof, I got up through the night and there they were, one hanging on the shower rose and another on the light. Mystery solved. Still now a couple of months later there is a pile of poo and occasionally a bat in my shower each day. My natural insecticides. Pictured is the unfortunate one that hit the fan.



I think it is a Large-eared Horseshoe bat. Linden Baker

ROTARY RAFFLE

A big thanks to everyone especially Brian Dawson who sold 12 books.

FRW sold a total of 376 tickets bringing \$1880.00

Di, Col, Mel, Lola, Sandy, Geoff, Rebecca and Cameron will be attending the Rotary Dinner on Monday the 21st June with the hope that a ticket FRW has sold will win 1st, 2nd or 3rd place, giving the organisation a possible extra \$1000.00.

UPDATE ON PEBBLES

Update (photos taken 18/5/10) - Pebbles is the one on the left in the photo below where they are intertwined.

She is lighter in color than her best friend. We think she may be out of the woods at this stage but as said, she is being very carefully monitored.

She looks great doesn't she! Putting her with one of her own kind was such a good move and helped her enormously.



FOOD REBATE CLAIMS

1/03/2010 - 31/05/2010

Claims for your rebate of 10% of the food you provide for your animals need to be sent with a completed claim form, invoices and receipts to the Treasurer asap. Dates as above.

GUINEA FOWLS GUARD AGAINST SNAKES

A month or so ago we had a spate of animals being bitten by snakes her is an idea for keeping snakes at bay,

This lady has four guineas left from an original six and have had them for about four years. They are great for keeping ticks down, i.e. we never have any and we are in a paralysis tick area, they go berserk at snakes and goannas and I have seen them bail up a dingo. They have no fear during the day, apart from eagles, when they dash to the nearest tree, however at night, they become brain-dead. I have had to whack them out of their tree with an extendable pole, when a scrub python was only a few feet from them.

They are comical birds and are great just to sit and watch, they know what belongs and what doesn't, they live with our chooks and dogs quite happily.

But I think the trick is to raise them from chicks, they younger the better (ours were 3 days old).

The trouble with roos is they are inquisitive they see a snake and hop over to smell it .

Aviaries attract snakes so it is a good idea if you can to have a secure cement base, But since running guinea fowl around the house I very rarely see one if I do it's well away from the house . Adapted from an article by Enid Latham

FRW APPLICATION PACKAGES

The pack contains Application forms - Carers, Species Liaison Officers, Releases sites and also a Statement of Acknowledgement. This process was introduced with a view to having consistent, balanced and relevant selection criteria applied across the board to all FRW carers as well as providing a list of interested members for positions.

Active members who have renewed their membership will have received an application pack with their membership cards.

Please take the time to complete and return these forms.

THE CHANCES OF SUCCESS INCREASE EVERY TIME WE DEAL WITH ONE OF THESE UNFORTUNATE SITUATIONS. ... HOPEFULLY WE'RE GETTING BETTER AT THIS.

Ginette Hemley, World Wildlife Fund
(Referring to oiled bird cleaning in the Gulf.)

A SPECIAL BRUSHY TALE

I wanted to share my special brushy story that will stay close to me forever. My first brushy joey that came to me 'Polly' was released on my property as her rescue details were sketchy. She adapted to the wild in only a few short days and found a home for herself outside of her soft release cage easily. I saw her every couple of nights for months and then a couple of times a week for the following year. Then one night, I had just found out I was pregnant with twins (number 3 and 4!), I woke at 2am to a screeching sound right outside my window....a familiar possum call. I ventured outside only to find Polly on the balcony screeching at me as if trying to tell me something. Well I grabbed her favourite grapes and started to feed when I thought I saw a twitch in her tum-my fur....well I looked again and again and was sure she had a little baby Polly in her pouch. She then sat up and allowed me to touch her pouch. I still get tears thinking about that night, most beautiful moment I could have hoped to have shared with her.

Her joey 'PJ' is still here and cleans out the scraps in the chook pen every night and has created a lovely home for himself in our shed.

I miss raising my possum joeys and can't wait to get back into it when my little squirts get a bit older.

Keep up the beautiful work and continue to take in those beautiful little wonders of possums.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

JUNE 2010

New Committee

Once again I would like to thank the previous committee for all their help. We have faced many challenges this year, with new faces on the committee, adjusting to new positions. They have all worked hard, with diligence and good humour to ensure FRW operations continue and our wildlife gets the best possible chance of rehabilitation and release. All previous committee members have been re-elected to the committee. I would also like to welcome Tamsyn Hogarth who has kindly offered to take on the role of Secretary. I have known Tamsyn for several months now and found her to be a diligent and thorough worker. Tamsyn has previous experience in management, pet shop, the tourism industry as well as sales and marketing. She has a keen interest and love for animals and has wanted to be involved in wildlife care for a long time, hence her joining our organization. I trust you all will support Tamsyn in this new role and ensure that any assistance she may need will be forthcoming.

Sausage Sizzle

Our sausage sizzle at the Airlie Beach Markets was a huge success. The committee is very grateful to Barb McLennan for not only the idea in the first place, but also for organising this event with the view of raising funds to assist our wildlife. Barb did an excellent job of putting the whole event together, organising the helpers for the morning, seeking and collecting donations, organising the signs and transporting some of the goods to the markets. Thank you so much Barb! Thank you to Di Jessop & Linden Baker who were there at 6.00am to set up the stall and kick off the Sausage Sizzle, serving and catering for many hungry visitors. Thank you to Kylee Gray, Lee Fleming, Sandy Cleeland, Miranda Martin, Tatum Martin & Carol who assisted with cooking, serving & selling raffle tickets. Thank you to Col Forster for transport of some goods and running Di's stall for the morning, enabling her to assist at the sausage sizzle. (Sorry you missed out on a sausage Col, we will do better next time!). Thank you to the Whitsunday Lions Club for their kind loan of the BBQ trailer and supplying the gas for the BBQ and the site on the day. Thank you also to our sponsors/donors, Faustus IGA, Coles Supermarket, Brumby's, Master Butchers, Deb Henshall from Copy Connection for printing and laminating of signs and to the donors of the raffle Prizes, Airlie Beach Hotel, \$100 voucher for Capers Restaurant & Di Jessop for the pearl necklace. We raised \$460 from the sausage sizzle and an extra \$100 from the raffle, a total of \$560, well done to you all. Our wildlife is very lucky to have such enthusiastic and dedicated helpers!

Rotary Raffle

This was also a good fundraiser for FRW. Thank you to Rebecca MacRae for organising. We raised \$1880. Thank you and well done to all who sold the tickets. Brian Dawson sold a huge number of tickets, I think the last I heard it was 12 books. Excellent work Brian!

National Wildlife Rehabilitation Conference

I would like to thank the committee for offering to sponsor 2 people to go to the National Wildlife Rehabilitation Conference. This is being held on the 22nd – 24th June. To date we have only had 1 person put their hand up to go, yes as most of you know, that person is me!! If anyone else is interested, time is running out and we need to know now. Due to a downturn in my work and consequently financial situation I would have been unable to attend the conference as had already booked the airfare to Adelaide to meet my new Grandson. So thank you again for the support. I am really looking forward to the conference and will bring back as much new information that this brain and my notebook can store. I am planning to give a presentation about the Conference on my return at an upcoming General Meeting for those who are interested.

New Members Workshop

The committee has planned a New Members Orientation for July 17th. We are hoping that all new members, especially those interested in caring for wildlife are able to attend, so please mark this date in your diary now.

Animal Records

Please ensure that your animal records are up to date. We are currently trying to find sponsors for both the hotline and animal supplies. It is very important these are kept up to date as the statistics gained from these records would give us a solid grounding when applying for sponsorship.

Till next time, Cheers, Jacqui

TURTLE QUIZ

The upper shell of a turtle is called?

The lower shell is called?

How do you measure a turtle?

Do we have tortoises in Australia?

Can a cracked shell (carapace) be repaired?

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NATIONAL WILDLIFE CONFERENCE SOUTH AUSTRALIA

The Gambling Community Benefit Fund Grant was approved on Wednesday 16th June for two people to attend the National Wildlife Rehabilitation Conference in South Australia was approved on Wednesday 16th June.

All members had been approached to show their interest in attending the conference and the lucky attendees are Jacqui Webb and Wendy Adams.

We are all looking forward to seeing photos and hearing all about the conference.

Stay warm girls

TREASURERS REPORT

16 05 10 (for newsletter)

Account Balances

Completed Figures for April have been completed. The figures provided below are as at PM 12/05/10.

FRW Acct.

Balance \$2,041.39

Activity in May:

Approx \$430 deposited. Roughly 50% membership and 50% Rotary Raffle.

At time of writing I am in possession of cheques and cash totalling \$520, \$65 Membership, balance Rotary Raffle.

Maxi acct.

No activity since end of April, Balance \$8,450.23

Expense claims

First Agency \$107.93, Notice of AG Meeting, Whitsunday Times.

Bills to pay

Rogers Goldman. Audit, \$440 - \$330 FRW, \$110 Fund

Whitsunday Printing and Publishing \$53.46, Notice of AG Meeting, Guardian.

Wallabaroo. Linden has placed an order, invoice to follow.

Funds have been received as donations to the fund that will require to be transferred. The amount to be confirmed.

Outstanding Business

Annual Audit is completed and to be accepted at AGM.

Rotary Raffle. Currently received \$955

A budget has been prepared for consideration.

Col

ANSWERS TO QUIZ

A carapace

A plastron

You measure the length of the carapace

Tortoises are land dwelling creatures.

In Australia we only have fresh & saltwater turtles.

Fractures can sometimes be repaired with dental composite or sometimes wired together



Minutes
Annual General Meeting
Fauna Rescue Whitsundays Association Inc
Old Parks & Wildlife Building
Cnr Mandalay Rd & Shute Harbour Rd (Mandalay Rd Entrance)
Jubilee Pocket

Sunday 16th May 1pm

Opened at 1.15pm

1. Welcome – Safety Talk with evacuation points.
2. Apologies: Derek Deambrogio, Sarah & Troy Illich, Steve Watson, Marie Frith and Kylie Gray.
3. Attendance: Jacqui Franklin, Lola Mudie, Brian Dawson, Di Jessop, Barb Adamson, Sue McLeod, Lee Fleming, Linden Baker, Col Forster, Jacqui Webb, Tamsyn Hogarth, Wendy Adams, Gerry O'Connor, Monika Gabor, Sandy Cleeland, Geoff Cleeland, Barbie McLennon & Rebecca MacRae
4. Minutes from Annual General Meeting held 24/5/2009 – Lola Moved that the minutes be accepted and Sue seconded.
5. Presidents Report:

Thankyou to our current committee members - Rebecca, Col, Barb, Lola and Linden. I would also like to thank Kate who was with us as secretary for part of the year, leaving us to pursue one of her passions, educating the public about Hendra Virus. Something that is much needed in Australia as this virus keeps rearing its ugly head, causing deaths to humans & horses, as well as giving our adorable flying foxes a bad name.

This year has seen these fresh faces to our current committee and many challenges have been faced. They have worked hard to ensure that FRW continues to operate. They have soldiered on with diligence and good humor while conscientiously ensuring that the day to day operations of FRW continue and our local wildlife receives the help they deserve from our carers. It has been a pleasure to serve on a committee such as this one. I would like to express my sincere thanks to these people who have not only kept this organization afloat but have made the task of working on a committee most enjoyable.

This year we have worked on:

- Carer & Release site drive - we now have 3 release sites for wallabies (Septimus, Kuttatub and Riordanvale) and several new wallaby carers, plus the possibility of extra sites once we get a chance to do site inspections.
- Three more members vaccinated for Lyssavirus, enabling them to handle bats.
- Grants: Whitsunday Shire Council application successful for aviary & rescue baskets, thanks to Lola for doing this application.
Gambling Community Benefit Fund - waiting on confirmation - 2 members to attend National Wildlife Rehabilitation Conference in Adelaide.
Wildlife Preservation Society \$5000 – unsuccessful
Ergon Energy - unsuccessful
- Central storage for all FRW documents – website committee page
- Moving of FRW goods from Cathie's shop to Barb McLennan's
- Presenting the Anne Fowler workshop
- Finalisation of construction on Raptor flight aviary (july 09)
- Carers Coffee & Chats
- BBQ at Col & Di's
- Luncheon at Barb McLennan's with press release
- School & Community Education Project – participating in several this year on behalf of Pet pep including Collinsville State School & St John Boscos school in Collinsville & visit to Youthspace.
- More possum boxes this year made by students at Proserpine State High School
- General Meetings - unfortunately attendance to these has been low.
- Continued fundraising events such as Rotary Raffle and Christmas Raffle. Thankyou to everyone who once again helped with these fundraising events. This year's Christmas Raffle takings hit a record high with over year
- Obtaining more equipment & facilities for our carers use. The list of items for loan is on our website & members can contact their co-coordinator should they need to organize loans of equipment

- Finalisation to the changes to the Procedures Manual
- Updating membership forms & letters of renewal
- New forms for animal records & call log for database entry
- New look brochure
- Installation of the Wildlife Signs
- Xmas BBQ

Hotline

Thankyou to our Hotline Co-ordinator, Sandy Cleeland and her team of hotline volunteers. As most of you know these vital people are the first point of call for the public when finding injured wildlife. These people give up their time to ensure that our wildlife is taken in to care if needed,. They provide valuable assistance to our community and steer potential new members in the right direction.

Newsletter & Membership

And while we're talking about Sandy, we would all like to congratulate you on the marvelous Newsletters you have been publishing. Many members have commented to me on the professional and informative editions that you create. Thankyou Sandy, you have done a wonderful job and we hope you will continue on in this role.

We would also like to thank you for your time as Membership Officer, ensuring that all new memberships are promptly followed up as are reminders for renewals.

Species Liaison Officers

I would also like to thank our Species Liaison Officers for their tireless work. These volunteers spend a lot of time not only working with the animals in their care but also on the phone and personally dealing with and assisting the other carers in wildlife rehabilitation. If anyone is interested in becoming a SLO please inform the new committee.

Carers & Rescuers

Thankyou to all the carers who have assisted our wildlife this year. According to our database records, which do not unfortunately reflect all the animals in care, we have had.....animals in care from 1/3/09 until 28/2/10.

Database & Website

As most of you are aware we are now using the Longgrass Record System. Thank you to Gerry O'Connor, who continues to monitor this system for us and sort out any glitches that occasionally arise,

We currently have....carers and hotline operators using this system.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you all however that this system is really only as good as it's users and would like to encourage you all to regularly submit your animal and hotline records.

Thank you also to Gerry for his ongoing work of maintaining our website.

The School & Community Education Project has been continuing successfully thankyou to those who have participated with the Project.

- PetPep. Many of the talks we do for the local school are organized through the PetPep Programme, which is run by the Australian Veterinary Association. However, we are always looking for others who can assist with the School Education. We did have to turn down one of the talks this year as I was working that day and our other volunteers were away.
- Permanent FRW display at Pets Paradise
- The ongoing Possum Building Project with the students at Proserpine High School

Qld Wildlife Rehabilitation Council (QWRC) as many of you already know, I am the Mackay/Whitsunday QWRC representative.

QWRC's mission statement is "To direct, guide and improve standards and outcomes of native wildlife rehabilitation and release throughout Queensland". Membership for QWRC is \$20/yr and includes Newsletters, Public Liability and Volunteer Workers Insurance. If you do have any queries about QWRC please see me after the meeting or give me a call.

Cyclone Ului

This year a very unwelcome visitor in the form of cyclone Ului reared its ugly head in our region, causing a lot of destruction to many of our member's properties. Loads of trees were down and many of us were without power or phone for many days. I was amazed that we did not have more wildlife affected by the cyclone, but I guess the critters know when times are bad and most of them seek adequate shelter. Some of us have lost facilities such as aviaries and sustained damage to wallaby enclosures, as well as having to discard a lot of food that was unable to be kept refrigerated. I guess we can all count our selves very lucky that Ului was only a category 3 cyclone or we would have been faced with a lot more destruction and damage. Some members have been able to claim damaged aviaries on their household insurance. I am still waiting for my insurance company to confirm if they will replace the flight aviary.

Future Directions

- Continuing to help Whitsunday's Wildlife and their environment

- Continuing to raise public awareness for our wildlife, their environment and FRW's role
- Recruiting more carers
- Finding more release sites
- Further education for members in Wildlife care and rehabilitation
- Upgrading and creating new facilities for wildlife in care
- Increasing and improving database use
- Application Packs follow ups to carers and release sites

In closing, Fauna Rescue has now been in existence for 9 years. April will be our 10th Anniversary and the committee welcome suggestions on what we can do to celebrate.

As the increase in the demand for wildlife continues to grow within the community we will continue to get more calls relating to wildlife.

I would like to say thankyou, on behalf of the wildlife, to everyone who has helped along the way, to everyone who has been and still is a member and/or carer with FRW, as well as our local community & businesses who have taken the time to take notice and offer assistance to our wildlife & to FRW.

6. Treasurers Report

- Receive & consider Financial Reports – See attached budget and annual treasurer's report. Question RE: donation made to Victoria for the Bush Fire appeal approved by previous committee.
- Auditors Report for FRW and Public Fund– Col moved that it be accepted and Barb A seconded.
- Adopt the Above - Moved
- Appoint Auditor for year ending 28th February 2011 – Col moves that Rogers Goldman and Sue seconded.

7. Public Fund Report –

Bank balance as at 13/05/10

Maxi Direct \$4158.64 Cheque Acct \$504.84

Audit Report as at 29th February 2010

Donations Received \$500 from Lions for purchasing of new brochures.

W. Adams, E Cambell, L Fleming, R Johnston, D. Miller, WS Crocodile Safari, K Lade, M. Chisholm, D Smith, T & L Petterson, H Marshall, R Barwell and M Gabor.

Funds Dispersed

\$600 for brochures and over run

\$205.68 Receipt books

\$45 stands for brochures

\$700 Anne Fowler Workshop

General Comments – No request from FRW for funds since October 2009

Request prompt processing of donations received complete with names of donors so the public fund can issue receipts.

8. Secretary's Report – Barb A has resigned as secretary and thanks Bec M for putting in when she couldn't.

- Conference: We have applied for a grant to cover the costs associated with the Wildlife Rehabilitation conference but if that does not come through, we request that the public fund pay for. Sue noted and will pass to Le-Anne. FRW think that it is important to send members regardless. Jacqui has shown an interest in attending. If anyone else is interested please forward your interest to the secretary.

9. Membership Report – 64 voting members, 39 have not returned that were members last year, some have said they are not going to renew and most have not replied at all. Membership has bought in more members than the previous year but we still need more. Signs have been tried in shops at Proserpine but are taken down after a very short time and features have been sent to the newspaper for no cost to attract more attention.

10. Hotline Report – Has been going fairly well but since Maren has gone there has been a gap plus people going on holidays. Barb Mc and Lee have picked up a few extra days to help out but there is one day that is still required to be filled – Di and Barb A volunteered – Sandy has tried a few of our new members for hotline but they are not able as yet. Sandy is looking for someone to take over the Hotline. Sandy is happy to hold one more talk on how the hotline works.

11. Election of Incoming Committee Geoff

3 written Nominations Received

Rebecca MacRae Vic President Nominated Lola M, seconded Col F

Lola Mudie Committee Member Nominated Col F, seconded Rebecca M

Col Forster Treasurer Nominated Lola M, seconded Rebecca M

Nominations from the Floor

Jacqui Webb President Nominated by Lola M, seconded Rebecca M

Tamsyn Secretary Nominated by Jacqui, seconded Rebecca M

Linden Baker Committee Member Nominated by Jacqui Seconded Gerry

Barb Adamson Committee Member Nominated By Jacqui seconded Lola

Jacqui, Tamsyn, Linden and Barb all accepted their nominations and were elected.

12. Honorary Membership

Jo Wyeth – All voted that she continue with an honorary membership

Dawn Miller – Jacqui moved that she become an honorary member and seconded by Sue.

13. General Business

Sue motions that the bylaws which include the clause “that a member must be within the organization for 12 months before taking on a position within the committee except for Secretary” be used seconded by Geoff

Discussions RE: That committee members have the option to sit for 2 consecutive years when taking a role. Motion rescinded.

Close Meeting: 2.36pm

Annual Treasurers Report – FRW 09/10

This is my first annual report as Treasurer. I would like to thank the previous and current committees for their assistance and commitment to FRW.

The Auditors Report for the year has been prepared and is to be tabled at the AGM. When reading it please be aware that the figures for FRW include those for the FRW Trust as it is a part of FRW. On the other hand there is also a Report for the Trust alone.

Also if you read the report(s) note that the *Qualification* is standard for any organization that deals in un-receipted cash.

Our overall financial result for the period was very positive, about \$4,000 up on last year. There are several reasons for this. One was the success of the Christmas Raffle (Thanks again Kylee) see below for more details. The other was that it has been a turbulent year for the committee with many new members settling in and several changes of Secretary. As a result very few new projects were undertaken.

The Rotary Raffle provided about \$1835 revenue. The current years Raffle is currently underway.

The Christmas Raffle raised just over \$3600. The support from the sponsors and the public was great, the result is way ahead of previous years.

Membership contributed close to \$2,500. It is an important revenue stream but more important is that increase in membership increases awareness of the organization and the skills base within the organization. All members need to push the benefits of membership and that not all members are, or need to be, carers. If someone cares enough to ring the hotline or bring an animal in they may care enough to become a member!

Apart from the three major income streams noted above there was minimal fundraising. It would be great to have an active Fundraising Officer and some new ideas. There are several volunteer organisations in the area that raise major funds from simple ideas (that in some cases represent major businesses).

As mentioned in the introduction there is not a lot to comment on re expenditure. Apart from the general administration of FRW (around \$4,000) one of the biggest expenses was the Dr Anne Fowler workshops. It was hoped that it would be cost neutral (attendance fees were minimal) but ended up costing around \$900. I hope all that attended agree with my appraisal that it was monies well spent.

A Budget has been prepared for the current year based on historical information.

Your Treasurer

Col

Budget 2010 - 2011

It is difficult to prepare a budget for an organisation such as this. I say this for several reasons:

- Our annual income is small and can be adversely or positively affected easily. For example the Community Raffle provided approx 15% of net income last year. This year the gross amount may be larger but were this Raffle to disappear or its terms be modified income could be drastically altered in the future.
- Whilst many expenses can be accurately predicted others can vary greatly. In an organisation like this many office bearers (and members) give not only of their time but also in kind (examples are stationary, postage, vehicle and phone usage etc.). The extent of these absorbed costs is unknown (and greatly appreciated!) but the net effect is difficult to predict.

Recommendations:

- ☐ Because of the above it is recommended that the Income and Expenditure be carefully monitored over this period, using the accompanying budget as a benchmark.
- ☐ Every effort should be made to gain new, and maintain existing members as membership fees are a major income stream (approx 20%) and members also generate income through organisation activities.
- ☐ All efforts should be made to make conferences cost neutral or positive.

As noted Budget predictions are based on the activity of previous years. The *effective income/expenditure* figures disregard items such as conferences, Wombaroo sales, and Grants – all items where the net result of income and expenditure should negate each other.

The aim of this budget is to end the year in a financial position at least equal to that at the end of the previous year. i.e. a surplus when the day to day running of the organisation is concerned notwithstanding expenditure on projects.

Figures quoted here do not include Public Fund Accounts which are included in annual Audit figures.

Budget 2010 / 2011

Notes:

1. Grants should be income neutral as they should be for specific purchases / activities.
2. Sales of Wombaroo should continue to provide zero revenue. All figures, calculations, percentages, etc have had the Wombaroo component removed.
3. Conferences. All efforts should be made to make these cost neutral or positive.
4. The bat Vaccinations are a one off cost, a project in terms of the introduction..

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Income	2008	2009 Budget	2009 Actual	Current	Note
Membership	2075	2000	2187	2000	
Donations	2761	1000	476	500	
Fundraising	4523	5000	7170	5000	
Interest received	323	175	93	100	
Grants received	2700	100	236	0	1
Conferences / Workshops			1100	0	3
Sales of Wombaroo	3512	0	2833	0	2
Sales of Books	115	0	297	200	
Misc Income	860	700	288	700	
<u>Total Income</u>	<u>16,872</u>		<u>\$14,500</u>		
<u>Effective Income</u>	<u>\$9,500</u>	<u>\$8,975</u>	<u>\$11,530</u>	<u>\$8,500</u>	

Expenses	2008	2009 Budget	2009 Actual	Current	Note
Advertising	93	100	0	100	
Audit Fees	572	330	330	400	
Aviary Costs	1528	0	0	0	
Bank Charges	24	24	5	25	
Conferences and Seminars	1808	0	1334	0	3
Donations			450	0	
Veterinary expenses	392	400	395	1000	
Sundry expenses	1664	1000	664	1000	
Fundraising Costs	1365	1000	1760	500	
Lisc, Fees and Permits	0	0	0	0	
Printing Post and Stationary	684	900	299	400	
Insurance	834	917	840	1000	
Admin Fees and Permits	926		81	100	
Petty Cash			50		
Grants / Plant and Equipt	3689	0	0	0	
R&M	880	0	0	0	
Subscriptions	85	50	45	50	
Telephone costs	1331	1200	1246	1500	
Wombaroo costs	2995	0	2655	0	2
Food rebate		1000	304	1000	
Bat Vac				1000	4
<u>Total Expenses</u>	<u>\$18,874</u>		<u>\$10,463</u>		
<u>Effective expenses</u>	<u>\$12,674</u>	<u>\$6921</u>	<u>\$7,795</u>	<u>\$8075</u>	
<u>Net Profit (Loss)</u>	<u>(2,001)</u>	<u>\$1800</u>	<u>\$2,688</u>	<u>\$425</u>	

Fauna Rescue Whitsundays Association Inc.

Financial Statements

For the year ended 28 February 2010

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INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT

To the members of the Fauna Rescue Whitsundays Association Inc.

SCOPE

I have audited the accounts of the Fauna Rescue Whitsundays Association Inc. for the period 1st March 2009 to 28th February 2010. The committee are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and the information contained therein. I have conducted an independent audit of the financial statements in order to express an opinion on it to the members.

My audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards to provide reasonable assurance as to whether the financial statements are free of material misstatements. My procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the accounts, and significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion as to whether, in all material respects, the accounts are presented fairly in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and statutory requirements so as to present a view which is consistent with our understanding of the Fauna Rescue Whitsundays Association Inc. financial position and the results of its operations.

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

QUALIFICATION

Part of the income derived by the body is from fundraising. The cash nature of these transactions leads to an inability to form an opinion on the exact quantity of cash receipts.

AUDIT OPINION

In my opinion, except for the affects on the Financial Statements of the matter referred to in the qualification paragraph, the Financial Statements present fairly in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards the financial position of Fauna Rescue Whitsundays Association Inc as at 28th February 2010 and the results of its operations for the twelve months then ended.

27th April 2010

Dave Rogers
Accountant
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Fauna Rescue Whitsundays Association Inc.
Detailed Profit and Loss Statement
For the year ended 28 February 2010

	2010	2009
	\$	\$
Income		
Membership	2,187.50	2,075.00
Donations	1,737.15	2,761.95
Fundraising	7,170.60	4,523.35
Interest Received	241.47	323.55
Grants Received	236.00	2,700.00
Conferences /Workshops/Seminars	1,100.00	
Sale of Wombaroo	2,833.10	3,512.85
Sale of Books	297.00	115.00
Miscellaneous Income	288.00	860.65
Total income	<u>16,090.82</u>	<u>16,872.35</u>
Expenses		
Advertising		93.75
Audit Fees	440.00	572.00
Aviary Costs		1,527.98
Bank Charges	5.98	24.50
Conference & Seminars	2,034.42	1,808.00
Donations	450.00	
Veterinary Expenses	393.35	392.05
Sundry Expenses	664.39	1,664.48
Fundraising Costs	1,760.00	1,365.00
Printing, Postage & Stationery	1,150.06	684.30
Insurance	840.13	834.63
Administration Fees & Permits	81.00	926.50
Petty Cash	50.00	
Plant & Equipment		3,689.05
Repairs & Maintenance		880.42
Subscriptions	45.00	85.00
Telephone Costs	1,246.35	1,331.45
Wombaroo Costs	2,655.85	2,995.00
Total expenses	<u>11,816.53</u>	<u>18,874.11</u>
Net Profit from Ordinary Activities before income tax	<u><u>4,274.29</u></u>	<u><u>(2,001.76)</u></u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Fauna Rescue Whitsundays Association Inc.
Detailed Balance Sheet As At 28 February 2010

	Note	2010 \$	2009 \$
Proprietors' Funds			
Retained Members' Funds		9,978.94	11,980.70
Net profit / (loss)		4,274.29	(2,001.76)
Less:			
Total Proprietors' Funds		<u>14,253.23</u>	<u>9,978.94</u>
Represented by:			
Current Assets			
Cash Assets			
General Cheque Account		1,194.41	531.78
Public Fund Account		504.46	4,919.45
Maxi Direct Account		8,423.43	4,527.71
Public Fund - Maxi Account		4,130.93	
		<u>14,253.23</u>	<u>9,978.94</u>
Total Current Assets		<u>14,253.23</u>	<u>9,978.94</u>
Total Assets		<u>14,253.23</u>	<u>9,978.94</u>
Net Assets		<u>14,253.23</u>	<u>9,978.94</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Fauna Rescue of Queensland Association Inc.
Bank Reconciliation Statement
for the year ended 28 February 2010

Cheque Account

Opening Balance 1 March 2009	\$ 531.78
Add: Receipts	<u>\$ 16,677.25</u>
	\$ 17,209.03
Less: Payments	<u>\$ 16,014.62</u>
Closing Balance 28 February 2010	<u>\$ 1,194.41</u>

Closing Balance as per bank statement	\$ 1,371.39
Add: Deposits Not Banked	<u>\$ -</u>
	\$ 1,371.39
Less: Outstanding Cheques	
#339	70.98
#353	40.00
#366	66.00
	<u>\$ 176.98</u>
Closing Balance 28 February 2010	<u>\$ 1,194.41</u>

Maxi Account

Opening Balance 1 March 2009	\$ 4,527.71
Add: Receipts (Transfers)	\$ 5,600.00
Add: Interest Received	<u>\$ 95.72</u>
	\$ 10,223.43
Less: Payments (Transfers)	<u>\$ 1,800.00</u>
Closing Balance 28 February 2010	<u>\$ 8,423.43</u>

Public Fund - General Account

Opening Balance 1 March 2009	\$ 4,919.45
Add: Receipts	<u>\$ 2,246.91</u>
	\$ 7,166.36
Less: Payments	<u>\$ 6,661.90</u>
Closing Balance 28 February 2010	<u>\$ 504.46</u>

Closing Balance as per bank statement	\$ 490.71
Add: Deposits Not Banked	<u>\$ 13.75</u>
	\$ 504.46
Less: Outstanding Cheques	<u>\$ -</u>
Closing Balance 28 February 2010	<u>\$ 504.46</u>

Maxi Account - Public Fund

Opening Balance 1 March 2009	\$ -
Add: Receipts (Transfers)	\$ 5,000.20
Add: Interest Received	<u>\$ 130.74</u>
	\$ 5,130.94
Less: Payments (Transfers)	<u>\$ 1,000.01</u>
Closing Balance 28 February 2010	<u>\$ 4,130.93</u>



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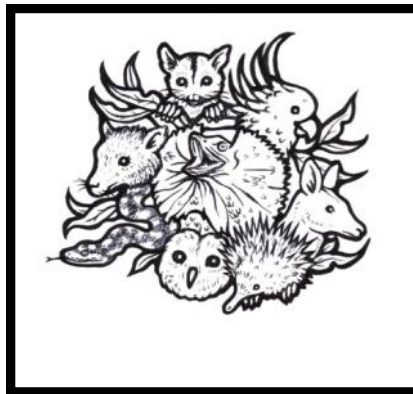
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