



Animal Care Australia  
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# Correspondence Register

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## December

### Correspondence In:

- 2nd December 2022 - Report tabled – **Select Committee on the Greyhound Welfare and Integrity Commission.**
- 12<sup>th</sup> December 2022 - **Felicia Nevins, Senior Policy Officer, Animal and Biosecurity Services, City of Gold Coast Council** – request for a meeting to discuss Amendments to Local Law No. 12 (Animal Management) 2013 - Aviary birds
- 21<sup>st</sup> December 2022 – from **Morgan Oss, Advisor to Robbie Katter MP State Member for Traeger (QLD)** – thanking ACA for our sensible approach to QLD Amendments to the Animal Care Protection Act, in particular the banning of prong collars

### Correspondence Out:

- 19th December 2022 – Standards & Guidelines for the Health and Welfare of Horses in Western Australia, Consultation Paper, 2022 submission to **Dept of Primary Industries & Regional Development Western Australia**

## November

### Correspondence In:

- 1st November 2022 - from **Deb Kalashnikoff | Executive Assistant - Office of the Hon Clare Scriven MLC - Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development, South Australia** - advising our request to meet for discussion about SA's Puppy Farm Legislation has been raised to the Deputy Premier's (Susan Elizabeth Close MP) Office instead.
- 2nd November 2022 - acknowledgement from **Morgan Oss, Advisor to ROBBIE KATTER MP QLD**, advising receipt of ACA's suggested amendments to the Animal Care & Protection Act - and noting they will be taking up our suggestions to draft formal amendments.
- 8th November 2022 - advice received that the **South Australian Dog & Cat Management Board** had already commenced introducing breeding restrictions with no public consultation.

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- 9th November 2022 - response from **South Australian Dog & Cat Management Board** that no public consultation is intended to implement further breeding restrictions (ie Puppy Farm Legislation).
  - 10th November 2022 - Minutes from **NSW NPWS, Licensing Reforms Team** received for previous Species Advisory Committee Meeting. Minutes are farce- incomplete and not reflective of conversations that took place during the meeting. Note: ACA to respond declaring our disdain with the minutes and the process unfolding.
  - 14th November 2022 - **Cara Ryan A/Correspondence Officer and A/EA to Lisien Loan Director, Conservation and Wildlife, National Parks and Wildlife Service, OED Department for Environment and Water, South Australia**, to schedule meeting with ACA. Meeting scheduled for Monday 12th December 2022.
  - 18th November 2022 - **Hon Dugald Saunders, NSW Minister for Agriculture** - acknowledge ACA's correspondence related to the POCTA (Sentience Bill) .
  - 19th November 2022, email from **Lyn Brand - President of DOGS NSW** (sent to both ACA & MDBA) stating the Puppy Farm Bill to be debated before the NSW Election - attaching copy of a Draft Business Schedule for 22nd February 2023. SECOND EMAIL RECEIVED a couple of hours later - confirming ACA's reply that it is NOT to be debated until after the Election and the Business paper is pure formality to register items as business left over, to be debated under the new Parliament.
  - 21st November 2022 - from **Agnes Beugnon - Publisher, Australian Dog Lover | Australian Cat Lover** confirming receipt of media release and article published relating to our Victorian Election Political checklist.
  - 21st November 2022 - From **Hon Nicola Centofanti MLC (Shadow Agriculture Minister, South Australia** - thanking ACA for our meeting and seeking to work together on animal welfare issues and the Puppy Farm changes in SA.
  - 24th November 2022 - **Andrea Kubin, Manager Wildlife Programs & Regulation, Conservation Programs Branch, NSW National Parks & Wildlife Service** to reschedule Reptile Rehoming meeting . Now to be held Monday 12th December 2022.
  - 25th November 2022 - **Alysha Hardy - Policy & Parliamentary Advisor, Office of Abigail Boyd, Greens Member of the NSW Legislative Council** - to accept request for a meeting. Meeting to be scheduled for January 2023. TBC.
  - 29th November 2022 - **Government response to Inquiry into Puppy Farming in NSW**.

## Correspondence Out:

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- 2nd November 2022 - letter to **Penny Sharpe, NSW Shadow Minister for Environment** providing requested documentation and ACA's position on some matters relating to the rehoming of reptiles and native wildlife licensing in NSW.
  - 8th November 2022 - to **Dog & Cat Management South Australia** requesting information regarding public consultation to occur on their breeding restrictions.
  - 14th November 2022 - **Morgan Oss, Advisor to ROBBIE KATTER MP STATE MEMBER FOR TRAEGER** - confirming receipt and ACA's support of drafted amendments to the QLD Animal Care & Protection Act (Amendment) Bill 2022.
  - 14th November 2022 - **Cara Ryan, A/Correspondence Officer and A/EA to Lisien Loan Director, Conservation and Wildlife, National Parks and Wildlife Service, OED Department for Environment and Water, South Australia** to confirm proposed meeting.
  - 17th November 2022 - **Trish Harrup, Executive Director, Conservation and Aboriginal Partnerships, NPWS**

**Janelle Brooks, Director, Conservation Programs, NPWS**

**Andrea Kubin, Manager Wildlife Programs & Regulation Conservation Programs Branch**

**Elle Kohler Senior Project Officer Conservation Programs Branch**

RE: Minutes for SLAC Meeting 17th October 2022 - condemning the structure of the Minutes including missing record of conversations and issues of concerns raised within the meeting.

- 19th November 2022 - email response to **Lyn Brand - President of DOGS NSW** (cc to MDBA) stating the Puppy Farm Bill will not be debated before the NSW Election - and the Draft Business Schedule is just a formality
- 21st November 2022 - **Agnes Beugnon - Publisher, Australian Dog Lover | Australian Cat Lover** - confirming receipt of email and thanking for publishing the Victorian Election article.
- 21st November 2022 - submission to **Australian Government, Department of Agriculture, Fisheries & Forestry** RE: Review of rabies virus risk in imported dogs, cats, and canine semen from approved countries Draft report
- 30th November 2022 - **NSW Real Estate and Housing Policy Team Better Regulation Division Department of Customer Service** RE: Keeping Pets in Residential Tenancies – Consultation 2022

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## October

### Correspondence In:

- 5th October 2022: response from **Hon Mark Banasiak NSW Shooters, Fishers & Farmers** acknowledging receipt of ACA Report on the Prohibition of Convicted Persons Amendment Bill - congratulating on "another comprehensive analysis from ACA"
- 5th October 2022: Receipt of **NSW Rehoming Practices Report from CIE Consultancy Group**
- 6th October 2022: Receipt of phone chat request from **Robert Britton - Companion Pets Party** - requesting ACA to partner with CAP. Michael advised Mr Britton that ACA already had discussion with the CAP CEO, John Hutchison. Michael also stated ACA supports the intent of CAP - to take votes from AJP - and also cautioned to ensure their Ho To Vote Cards included SFFP and excluded both AJP and The Greens, and the other minor parties with AJP-based animal welfare policies.
- 7th October 2022: Receipt from **Kellyville Pets** of their response to the NSW Puppy Farm Inquiry Report.
- 11th October 2022 - **Sheenagh Langdon - Office Manager for Senator Malcolm Roberts**, acknowledging and scheduling a meeting with the Senator for 20th October 2022.
- 11th October 2022 - from **Ben Cronly - Office of Cate Faehrmann, NSW Greens** - referring our meeting request with Cate to Abigail Boyd as the carrier of The Greens animal welfare portfolio.
- 11th October 2022 - Meeting date for NSW NPWS SLAC Meeting - to be held on the 17th October 2022.
- 12th October 2022 - **Xavier Healy, Policy Advisor for Peter Walsh, Shadow Minister Agriculture Victoria** - acknowledging meeting request. Phone conversation followed to determine Peter wishing to delay until after the Victorian Election in order to more clearly debate his position on the animal welfare concerns raised by ACA.
- 13th October 2022 - Meeting confirmed with The **Hon Nicola Centofanti - Shadow Minister Primary Industries, South Australia**
- 17th October 2022 - **Deb Jackson, Associate Publisher - C&I Media** – Pet Industry News. Acknowledging receipt of Pet Industry Leaders article to be published December 2022.
- 17th October 2022 - to **Peter Walsh Shadow Minister for Agriculture, Victoria** - providing ACA's submission to the Victorian Animal Welfare Action Plan review and outlining our concerns.
- 17th October 2022 - submission to **Animal Welfare Victoria's Animal Welfare Action Plan 2022**.

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- 19th October 2022 - to **Sarah Bird, Office of Dugald Saunders, NSW Agriculture**, sending copies to previous correspondences and submissions relating to the Companion Animals Act Amendment (Puppy Farms) Bill and Puppy Farm Inquiry, following phone request for assistance.
  - 21st October 2022 - office of **Robbie Katter MP QLD** - meeting confirmation.
  - 21st October 2022 - Advice received for Review into the risk of rabies during the import of dogs and cats
  - 21st October 2022 - **Portfolio Committee No. 2 – Health**, entitled 'Use of primates and other animals in medical research in New South Wales'. The report tabled.
  - 25th October 2022 - from **Andrea Kubin - Manager Wildlife Programs & Regulation, NPWS, NSW** - acknowledging request to meet to discuss the failing policy for rehoming reptiles in NSW.
  - 25th October 2022 - official advice from **NSW Fair Trading of review into Pets in Rental Homes**.
  - 25th October 2022 - **Kim Filmer, Chief Animal Welfare Officer, NSW DPI** - thanking ACA on our attendance at the Puppy Education & Awareness workshop.
  - 26th October 2022 - **Phoebe Fuller, Office of Penny Sharpe MLC, Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council** - acknowledging meeting with Penny.
  - 26th October 2022 - **Queensland Department of Agriculture and Fisheries** acknowledging receipt of the **National Land Transport of Horses Review submission**.

### Correspondence Out:

- 4th October 2022: to **Hon Mick Veitch MLC**, sending ACA Report on NSW POCTAA, Prohibition for Convicted Persons Amendment Bill 2022
- 4th October 2022: to **Hon Mark Banasiak MLC, Shooters Fishers and Farmers Party** and to **Hon Rod Roberts MLC One Nation NSW**, sending ACA Report on NSW POCTAA, Prohibition for Convicted Persons Amendment Bill 2022
- 17th October 2022 - **Deb Jackson, Associate Publisher - C&I Media – Pet Industry News**, sending Pet Industry Leaders article to be published December 2022.
- 25th October 2022 - response to **Andrea Kubin, Manager Wildlife Programs & Regulation, NSW NPWS** - confirming the need to meet and discuss the failing policy for rehoming reptiles.
- 26th October 2022 - submission to **Department of Agriculture and Fisheries QLD**, for **Improvement of welfare for transporting horses review**.

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- 27th October 2022 - response to the NSW Labor Party Amendments to the Companion Animals Act (Puppy Farm) Bill - sent to: **Minister Saunders, Primary Industries, Mark Banasiak ,Shooters Fishers & Farmers Party, and Mark Latham One Nation.**
  - 27th October 2022 - to **Chris Minns, Leader of the Opposition in NSW** requesting meeting to discuss the sidelining of Mick Veitch and how that will affect Labor's animal welfare policies moving into the election and beyond.
  - 27th October 2022 - to **Abigail Boyd, NSW Greens** - requesting meeting to discuss animal welfare policy and the Independent Office of Animal Welfare
  - 27th October 2022 - to **Mick Veitch, Shadow Minister for Primary Industries NSW**,with ACA's response to his proposed amendments to the Companion Animals Act Amendments (Puppy Farm) Bill
  - 31st October 2022 - to **Robbie Katter MP QLD** suggested recommendations for possible amendments to the “Animal Care and Protection Amendment Bill 2022”. Amendments included provisions for Codes of Practice to be developed with stakeholders; corrections to definition of a prong collar and exemptions for their use under certain circumstances; any changes to Regulations must be consulted with stakeholders; pecuniary interests of inspectors to include declaration of beliefs, ideologies and philosophies that conflict with the Act; redefining of the word 'place' within powers of entry to exclude any dwelling used for residential purposes; and other minor clarifications.

## September

### Correspondence In:

- 2nd September 2022 - email from Tim Williams (ACA Supporter) requesting information about the Companion Pets Party
- 2nd September 2022 - announcement of OFFICIAL: Release of the Plan for Victoria's new animal care and protection laws
- 5th September 2022 - Received draft of the **NSW Strata Legislation Amendment Bill 2022** (the Bill). Request to consult on the draft.
- 5th September 2022 - receipt of OFFICIAL: Q&A session invitation: Plan for Victoria's new animal care and protection laws
- 13th September 2022: acknowledgement from **Whittlesea City Council** of ACA of letter regarding their Epping Animal Welfare Facility.
- 13th September 2022: First test run of Risk-based Tool for NSW Native Wildlife Licensing Review. Test samples were for Crimson Rosella and Pictorella Finch.

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- 13th September 2022: **NSW Legislative Council's Standing Committee on State Development** entitled 'Animal welfare policy in New South Wales – First report'.
  - 13th September 2022: **NSW Legislative Council's Portfolio Committee No. 4 - Customer Service and Natural Resources** entitled '2021 Inquiry into the approved charitable organisations under the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979'.
  - 14th September 2022: **Mayor Cr Mark Riley, Councillor South Ward, Moreland City Council** - response to ACA letter regarding the Epping animal Welfare Facility advising the Councils have appointed an ethics committee to oversee the running of the facility.
  - 20th September 2022: **Megan Connor - PA for Hon Mick Veitch MLC - NSW Shadow Agriculture Minister** and Chairman of the NSW Puppy Farm Inquiry, acknowledging request to meet and arranging a suitable date.
  - 27th September 2022: **Cassie Jacobs, A/Senior Policy Officer | Policy & Strategy | Real Estate and Housing NSW** - acknowledging ACA's inclusion in consultation on residential tenancy laws to allow renters to have pets
  - 29th September 2022: **South Australia, Office of the Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development**, acknowledging request to meet with Minister Scriven to discuss Puppy Farm legislation and animal welfare reviews etc
  - 29th September 2022: **VIC Minister for Agriculture, Gayle Tierney**, to discuss animal welfare review and concerns in Victoria during lead-in to state election.
  - 29th September 2022: Receipt from **Federal Senator Malcolm Roberts**, to discuss the outcome of Federal request for information regarding the RSPCA and measures for moving forward.
  - 29th September 2022: Receipt from **Robbie Katter Office**, acknowledging request to meet to discuss QLD Animal Care & Protection Act amendment to allow prong collars to be used by trainers, and to discuss the issues with RSPCA QLD.
  - 30th September 2022: access granted by SEEK Volunteer to allow ACA to advertise our volunteer positions.

### Correspondence Out:

- 11th September 2022 - **Kris Duthie, Director | Legislative Reform, Agriculture Victoria | Department of Jobs, Precincts and Regions** confirming attendance of Michael, Michelle & Kylie to the Q&A session invitation: Plan for Victoria's new animal care and protection laws
- 13th September 2022: letter to **Mayors of Whittlesea, Moreland and Darebin City Councils** seeking Councils not adopt the RSPCA Victoria's 3 day holding period for shelter dogs and cats at their Epping Animal Welfare Facility.



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- 14th September 2022: response to Mayor Riley's reply advising of an Ethics Committee in place at Epping Animal Welfare Facility, seeking ACA consultation on that Ethics Committee.
  - 17th September 2022: email to **Hon Jeff Bourman VIC Shooters, Fishers & Farmers Party**, seeking a meeting to discuss upcoming Vic State Election and providing the SFFP with ACA's suggested Animal Welfare Policy document for political parties.
  - 19th September 2022: follow up email to **Megan Connor, PA for NSW Shadow Minister, Hon Mick Veitch**, requesting a meeting.
  - 20th September 2022: ACA acceptance to attend **NSW Office of Local Government Workshop on Rehoming and Euthanasia of Shelter Dogs and Cats**
  - 21st September 2022: email to **Stephen Albin CEO Animal Welfare League NSW**, acknowledging meeting to combine with meeting of the Shelter Manager in the near future.
  - 21st September 2022: Email to Animal Welfare League requesting contact details for the AWL Board of Directors.
  - 22nd September 2022: **Hon Penny Sharpe MLC, NSW Shadow Minister Environment** requesting a meeting to discuss Labor's policy on native wildlife licensing.
  - 22nd September 2022: **Hon Cate Faehemann MLC, NSW Greens Party** to discuss matters relating to the keeping and breeding of pets and animals in NSW, particularly improving the animal welfare standards.
  - 22nd September 2022: **Hon Mark Latham MLC and Hon Rod Roberts, One Nation NSW**, to discuss matters relating to the keeping and breeding of pets and animals in NSW, particularly improving the animal welfare standards.
  - 22nd September 2022: **Mr Justin Field NSW Independent**, to discuss matters relating to the keeping and breeding of pets and animals in NSW, particularly improving the animal welfare standards.
  - 27th September 2022: **Cassie Jacobs, A/Senior Policy Officer | Policy & Strategy | Real Estate and Housing NSW** - requesting inclusion to the recently announced consultation on residential tenancy laws to allow renters to have pets
  - 29th September 2022: **Nicola Centofanti MLC South Australia, Shadow Minister for Primary Industries & Regional Development**, requesting meeting to discuss SA's impending puppy farm legislation and to continue stakeholder relationship developed with previous SA Premier
  - 29th September 2022: **Hon Clare Scriven MLC South Australian Minister for Primary Industries & Regional Development** requesting meeting to discuss SA's impending puppy farm legislation and to develop a stakeholder relationship
  - 29th September 2022: **Hon Gayle Tierney MLC, Victorian Minister for Agriculture** to discuss animal welfare review and concerns in Victoria during lead-in to state election.
  - 29th September 2022: **Hon Peter Walsh MP, Victorian Shadow Minister for Agriculture**, to discuss animal welfare review and concerns in Victoria during lead-in to state election.
  - 29th September 2022: to **Federal Senator Malcolm Roberts, One Nation Party**, to discuss the outcome of Federal request for information regarding the RSPCA and measures for moving forward.

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- 29th September 2022: to **Robbie Katter, Katters Australia Party (QLD)** request to meet to discuss QLD Animal Care & Protection Act amendment to allow prong collars to be used by trainers, and to discuss the issues with RSPCA QLD.

## August

### Correspondence In:

- 5th August 2022 - response from **Bronwyn Chapman - Acting Coordinator Environmental Programs Murrindindi Shire Council** - on their measures to implement the Fox Control Program
- 10th August 2022 - **Office of the Hon Elise Archer MP, Consumer Affairs Minister, Tasmania**- responding to our Pets in Strata communication.
- 23rd August 2022 - **Office of the Hon Dugald Saunders MP, NSW Agriculture Minister**- acknowledging receipt of correspondence opposing the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Sentience) Bill
- 25th August 2022 - puppyfarms@parliament.nsw.gov.au - acknowledging request to make correction to the Puppy Farm Inquiry Report where ACA was misquoted as the source of information.
- 26th August 2022 - reply from **Matt Vincent, Executive Director, Planning Reform, Dept of Environment, Land, Planning & Water, Victoria** - advising they have no intention of amending the Planning Laws to remove animal number restrictions.
- 29th August 2022 - **City of Gold Coast Council** - acknowledging receipt of submission to change of Local Laws (Animal Management Plan)
- 29th August 2022 - Office of **Chris Steel MLA, Minister for Transport and City Services, Aust Capital Territory** - acknowledging ACA request to join the ACT Animal Welfare Advisory Council
- 31st August 2022 - Office of the **Hon Dugald Saunders MP, Minister for Agriculture NSW** - acknowledging receipt of letter supporting puppy farm education initiative and suggesting corrections to DPI website information.

### Correspondence Out:

- 3rd Aug 2022 - email to **Kim Filmer (Chief Animal Welfare Officer NSW DPI)** to acknowledge her phone call and her request to have Kylie represent ACA in their consultation of Education Response to Puppy Farms and Puppy Buying/selling in NSW

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- 6th August 2022 - Pets In Strata document sent to Channel 7 News (Adelaide), ABC News (online) and to Minister Elise Archer Tasmanian Minister for Consumer Affairs in response to Pets In Strata stories and the Tas Govt expressing interest in reviewing legislation
  - 21st August 2022 - correspondence to The **Hon Dugald Saunders (NSW Agriculture Minister), Hon Mick Veitch (Shadow Minister) and Hon Mark Banasiak (SFFP)** opposing the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Amendment (Animal Sentience) Bill 2022.
  - 22nd August 2022 - responded to the **NSW Native Wildlife Licensing Review** - SLAC Member link to Risk Based Tool feedback questionnaire - supporting the tool and advising some concerns.
  - 25th August 2022 – **Hon Mick Veitch, NSW Shadow Minister for Agriculture**, requesting a meeting to discuss all things 'Puppy Farms'
  - 25th August 2022 - email to puppyfarms@parliament.nsw.gov.au requesting corrections made to NSW Puppy Farm Inquiry Report - correcting ACA being attributed to making a particular quote - incorrect attribution - should have been Animal Defenders Office, not ACA
  - 28th August 2022 - reply to request from **OurDogs (UK)** to comment on the NSW Puppy Farm Report
  - 29th August 2022 - **Office of Chris Steel MLA, Minister for Transport and City Services, Aust Capital Territory** - requesting further dates available to join the ACT Animal Welfare Advisory Council
  - 30th August 2022 - to The **Hon Dugald Saunders (NSW Agriculture Minister), and Dr Kim Filmer, NSW Chief Animal Welfare Officer**, supporting the Puppy Farm Education Initiative and advising suggested changes to the DPI website information

## July

### Correspondence In:

- 10th July 2022 - acknowledgement from **Jeff Bourman SFFP Vic** to not pursuing the Peart euthanised dog issue.
- 14th July 2022 - Notification of Council Adoption of Revised Chapter to **Upper Lachlan Development Control Plan** – Animal boarding or training establishment, including boarding and/or breeding kennels for dogs and cats in rural areas.
- 26th July 2022 - acknowledgement from **Chris Steel MP ACT - Minister for Cities & Transport** to ACA's request to be added to their Animal Welfare Advisory Council
- 29th July 2022 - **Jason Eggerton - CEO DOGSVic** - response to request to meet to discuss upcoming Vic Elections and our two organisations working together to achieve a change in the Vic Planning Laws & Council Animal Management. - He is going on annual leave and "will think about it"

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## Correspondence Out:

- 24th July 2022 - submission to **Department of Natural Resources and Environment Tasmania - RE: Draft Animal Welfare Act Amendment Bill 2022**. Note also sent to **Tasmanian Shadow Minister for Agriculture and Shadow Minister for Environment** as their portfolios overlap the Minister for Natural Resources and Environment.
- 26th July 2022 - request to **Chris Steel MP ACT - Minister for Cities & Transport** for ACA to be added to their Animal Welfare Advisory Council.
- 26th July 2022 - **Murrindindi Shire Council** - highlight welfare concerns on their measures to implement the Fox Control Program
- 29th July 2022 - **Jason Eggerton - CEO DOGSVic** - request sent by Kylie (Dog Rep) to meet to discuss upcoming Vic Elections and our two organisations working together.

## June

### Correspondence In:

- 2nd June 2022 - **Sheree Brittain - Office Management and Marketing** - invitation to attend a Consultation meeting for the NSW Office of Local Government (OLG) review of rehoming practices in NSW.
- 9th June 2022 - Invitation to appear at public hearing – **Inquiry into the Animal Care and Protection Amendment Bill 2022 QLD**
- 9th June 2022 - receipt of submission to the draft **Upper Lachlan Development Control Plan - Dog and Cat Boarding and Breeding Chapter**.
- 15th June 2022 - release of the report of the **Standing Committee on State Development, entitled 'Animal welfare policy in New South Wales – First report'**.
- 15th June 2022 - **Animal Welfare Victoria - Mandatory reporting of animal fate data by shelters and pounds** Report released.
- 23rd June 2022 - **Department of Jobs, Precincts and Regions** - acknowledgement of request for information regarding Victorian Local Council Management Plans. ACA received follow-up call on June 27th - no actual schedule of Management Plans exists and no further follow-up to ACA of additional information.
- 24th June 2022 - **Select Committee on Puppy Farming in New South Wales** acknowledge receipt of Supplementary Submission.
- 27th June 2022 - **Janelle Brooks - Director, Conservation Programs National Parks and Wildlife Service**. Written confirmation that ACA is to partake on the National Parks and Wildlife (NPWS) Species List Advisory Committee.
- 28th June 2022 - Monica Burnell, Producer, Sky News Weather - request for ACA to be interviewed for segments on Keeping dogs and cats warm in winter.
- 30th June 2022 - Warren Peart, Welshpool, Victoria. ACA cc:d on an email to Jeff Bourman (SFFP) - Request for assistance on commencing an Inquiry into Local Council & RSPCA Victoria

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powers following a euthanised pet dog. Michael Donnelly, contacted the Council, Mr Peart (not the registered dog owner) and followed up with Jeff Bourman

### Correspondence Out:

- 7th June 2022 - media release - ACA President in Top 30 Most Influential people in Pet Industry
- 9th June 2022 - email to **Jeff Bourman, Shooters, Fishers & Farmers, Victoria** to discuss Andy Meddick Rabbit Meat Ban. Jeff responded by phone to advise of outcomes.
- 18th June 2022 - Transcript Proof - 14 June 2022 - **Animal Care and Protection Amendment Bill 2022** - and Supplementary Submission sent to QLD Standing Committee
- 28th June 2022 - response to **Sky New Weather** for request to provide interviews. Michelle & Kylie to provide interviews.

## May

### Correspondence In:

- 10th May 2022 - **Hon Mick Veitch MLC** - Chair Puppy Farm Inquiry - request for ACA Code of Ethics and procedure for when a member is found to be in violation of the COE.
- 11th May 2022 - **Elle Kohler, Senior Project Officer, Conservation Programs Branch**. Receipt of minutes from introductory meeting for the NPWS Species List Advisory Committee - attended by Michael and Rachel
- 26th May 2022 - receipt of Supplementary Submission received by the NSW State Development Select Committee - Animal Welfare Act.
- 26th May 2022 - **Sarah Bird- PolicyAdvisor / Parliamentary Liaison Officer for Office of the Minister for Agriculture and Minister for Western NSW** - Acknowledgement and confirmation of request for a meeting.
- 31st May 2022 - receipt of submission to **QLD Animal Care & Protection Act Inquiry**
- 31st May 2022 - **Animal Welfare Victoria- Report on Taskforce for Rehoming Pets**

### Correspondence Out:

- 1st May 2022 - Presidents Statement reformatted as a Media Release and sent to all media - RE: 'Puppy Farming is out of control' by Sunday Telegraph

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- 5th May 2022 - response to Animal welfare policy in New South Wales - Post-hearing responses - 21 March 2022. Submitted responses to Questions on notice, transcript correction and a Supplementary Submission
  - 29th May 2022 - acknowledgement of application from Teale Shapcott to apply for STAT member and advice that application would be assessed at next Committee meeting.
  - 31st May 2022 - reach out to **Nathan Olivieri - RightPaw** to discuss collaboration on all things dog breeding/puppy farming.

## April

### Correspondence In:

- 14th April 2022 - from **State Development Committee NSW - Animal welfare policy in New South Wales** - Post-hearing responses - 21 March 2022. Questions on notice and transcript corrections.
- 20th April 2022 - **Portfolio Committee 4 - 2021 inquiry into the approved charitable organisations under POCTAA** - Post-hearing responses - 28 March 2022 - No questions on notice or transcript corrections
- 21st April 2022 - from **Deb Jackson Associate Publisher C&I Media** – Pet Industry News Convenience & Impulse Retailing Australia & New Zealand - acknowledging our introductory letter and request to be contact as a point of information for animal welfare based articles.
- 21st April 2022 - **Kristin Leigh Coalition for the Protection of Race Horses** - The National Horse Traceability Register has lost its way, request to join their campaign to have the NHTR continue to be introduced.
- 28th April 2022 - **Puppy Farm Select Committee - Inquiry into Puppy Farming in New South Wales** – Post-hearing responses – Thursday 7 April 2022 - Transcript corrections & questions on notice
- 29th April 2022 - **Animal Welfare Victoria** - Release of consultation report on the introduction of mandatory reporting requirements under the Code of Practice for the Management of Dogs and Cats in Shelters and Pounds.

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- 21st April 2022 - to **Deb Jackson Associate Publisher C&I Media** – Pet Industry News | Convenience & Impulse Retailing Australia & New Zealand - introductory letter and request to be contacted as a point of information for animal welfare based articles.
- 25th April 2022 - letter to **Editor Sunday Telegraph** - RE: 'Puppy Farming is out of control' by Emily Burley

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- 26th April 2022 - to **Kristin Leigh Coalition for the Protection of Race Horses** - The National Horse Traceability Register has lost its way, request to join their campaign to have the NHTR continue to be introduced. ACA denied request without first being privy to their campaign and actual intentions.

## March

### Correspondence In:

- 2nd March 2022 - confirmation of receipt of Charitable Organisations Inquiry submission.
- 3rd March 2022 - confirmation of receipt of Animal Welfare Act Inquiry submission
- 9th March 2022 - confirmation of receipt of Puppy Farm Inquiry submission
- 11th March 2022 - invitation to attend as witness to the Animal Welfare Act Inquiry.
- 15th March 2022 - received invitation from the **NSW Office of Local Government (OLG)** to attend an online consultation workshop to implement the new Public Spaces (Unattended Property) Act 2021 (PSUP Act)
- 15th March 2022 - confirmation of meeting with **Australian and New Zealand Laboratory Animal Association** to discuss submission and NSW Inquiry into Animals used in medical research.
- 22nd March 2022 - story and photographs received relating to Emmett the Emu being objected to physical harm by RSPCA Inspector & wildlife expert.
- 23rd March 2022 - confirmation of ACA attendance as witnesses to the **Inquiry into the Charitable Organisations in NSW**
- 24th March 2022 - response received from **NSW Ombudsman's Office** to questions from ACA relating to their past investigations into complaints against RSPCA/AWL. No complaints individually recorded - but 'may' have been included in the category of 'other' - but extremely unlikely.
- 25th March 2022 - confirmation of ACA attendance as witnesses to the **Inquiry into Puppy Farms in NSW.**
- 31st March 2022 - invitation and confirmation for ACA to participate on the NSW NPWS Species List Advisory Committee.
- 31st March 2022 - confirmation for Reptile Rep and President to attend meeting with **NSW NPWS** to discuss concerns expressed late 2021 with reptile rehoming and license inspections.

### Correspondence Out:

- 6th March 2022 - submission for Puppy Farms Inquiry submitted
- 16th March 2022 - accepted invitation from **NSW Office of Local Government** to attend the workshop to implement the new **Public Spaces (Unattended Property) Act 2021 (PSUP Act)**

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## February

### Correspondence In:

- 5th February 2022 - **Kiri Collins Head of Built Environment & Infrastructure, President – Australia & New Zealand Laboratory Animals Association** - responded confirming ANZLAA will be responding to the NSW Inquiry & offering an opportunity to discuss more. Chat/meeting TBC 8th February 2022: NSW Department of Primary Industries - Stakeholders Satisfaction Survey.
- 8th February 2022: **Portfolio Committee 2** - official invitation to submit to the Use of primates and other animals in medical research in New South Wales.
- 18th February 2022 - follow-up from meeting with AWL - confirming all dogs received at shelter are listed as cross-breeds unless pedigree papers are provided when dogs are seized or surrendered. From Jan 2020 to Jan 2022 there were 883 dogs rescued/sheltered of most breed types.
- 18th February 2022 - **Dr Melanie Latter BVSc(Hons1) National Manager, Policy and Veterinary Science - Australian Veterinary Association** replied to request for Aust data on brachy breeds. Data response was not from an AVA study but a report conducted on a survey of PetSure Insurance customers/claims. Opted not use this documentation for any ACA material as it does not cover a specific enough cross section of dog breeders/owners.
- 25th February 2022 - response received in writing to phone call with **Danielle Cleal - Department of Primary Industries NSW** - regarding whether a private keeper of reptiles who supplies those reptiles to a researcher to conduct a study in relation to animal behaviour be required to obtain an animal research supply licence under s42(1) of the Draft Animal Welfare Bill 2022? Her response included in our submission to Animal Welfare Act Inquiry.

### Correspondence Out:

- 1st February 2022 - confirm meeting date & time with **Mark Slater CEO AWL**
- 21st February 2022 - Kylie contacted **Australian and New Zealand Laboratory Animal Association** to organise a meeting/chat.
- 28th February 2022 - submission for Animal Welfare Act Inquiry submitted
- 28th February 2022 - submission for Charitable Organisations Inquiry submitted

## January

### Correspondence In:



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- 3rd January 2022: Acknowledgement of receipt of ACA's response to **Macedon Ranges Shire Council** – Domestic Animal Management Plan 2021-2025
  - 4th January 2022: **Dr Sarah Zito Senior Scientific Officer RSPCA Australia** responding to request for information relating to a Forum on Puppy Farming held in 2010. Results were not as expected. According to participants at the time, these minutes are not a true reflection of what was agreed to
  - 11th January 2022: **Clem Harris | Director | Strategy and Policy NSW Department of Primary Industries** - advising of the release of the draft Animal Welfare Bill 2022.
  - 13th January 2022 - received, cancellation of scheduled meeting with **QLD RSPCA CEO Darren Maier**.
  - 17th January 2022 – follow up response requesting the lodgment of previous Financial Statements for years 2019 and 2020.
  - 17th January 2022 - acknowledgement of receipt of Constitution Update and Financial Statements. Customer Service Officer, Registry and Accreditation Better Regulation Division| **Department of Customer Service**
  - 23rd January 2022 - acknowledgement of request to meet the new **Minister for Agriculture** and Minister for Western NSW
  - 23rd January 2022 - acknowledgement of request to meet the new Minister for Local Government
  - 28th January 2022: **Select committee of the NSW Legislative Council** - Official invitation to submit to the Inquiry into puppy farming in New South Wales.
  - 31st January 2022: Response from **Mark Slater, CEO AWL (NSW)** to organise a meeting.

### **Correspondence Out:**

- 17th January 2022 – follow-up response lodging previous Financial Statements for years 2019 and 2020.