



BENDIGO ANIMAL WELFARE & COMMUNITY SERVICES

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IT's that time of the year again when we start saying, goodness, where has half the year gone already!

Last year we applied for State Government funding via the **Animal Welfare Fund Grants** and were successful in receiving a large grant to assist us with expanding the Shelter with a new 'vet' building. The building will allow us to have a vet visit us on a weekly basis to attend to our animals in need rather than transporting them which will alleviate any undue stress, in particular our cats.

It will also free up our valued volunteers to spend more time at the shelter caring for our animals rather than driving back and forth to the vet.

As part of our Community Support, BAWCS will now be able to offer discounted desexing, vaccination and microchipping on site to disadvantaged pet owners as part of our pro active approach to responsible pet ownership support.

We thank the City of Greater Bendigo, Jacinta Allan MP, Lisa Chesters MP and Mclvor Road Veterinary Centre for their support for our application and of course the State Government for making the funding available.

At time of writing, we had just started our new Project with the concrete slab being prepared.



We love featuring some of our new arrivals in our newsletter including our latest porcine friend 'Slick'. Slick was found in bushland with a chain wrapped around his neck. The finders originally thought he was dead as he was motionless. On further investigation it was found that Slick was in quite a deep sleep! A very friendly boy, he has been someone's pet but perhaps that didn't realise what size he would grow to and decided to dump him in the bush. **Slick** will soon join our female pigs Truffelina and Porcini along with Smokey.



Who is Smokey? **Smokey** is another pig that we recently took into care at our Sanctuary. Smokey was purchased as a 'miniature' pig however there are no true miniature pigs in Australia. Whilst he is smaller than the average size pig, he will still grow to be at least 80kgs. Smokey has joined our girls Truffy and Porcini and is no doubt looking forward to a 'bro' friend Slick joining him to even up the numbers!



Welcome Belle and Bear

Belle and Bear came to us via Tongala Donkey Shelter. They are the youngest donks we have had being between 5 and 10 years of age.

We farewelled Endora recently, together with Zoe who were both elderly. Endora has since joined other donks at the Rainbow Bridge since but Zoe is still going strong.



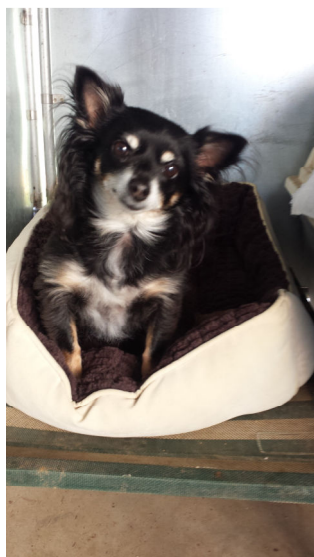
Hen save!

BAWCS was contacted to see if we could assist with providing safety for hens that were going to be slaughtered due to the chicken farm they lived at shutting down. We stepped up and took in close to 40 girls who are happily settling in at our Farm Sanctuary.



AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION

This little lady is currently looking for a new loving home. Despite her age, she is very spritely and bounces around like a youngster! If you're interested in adding a new canine family member, head over to our website www.bawcs.org.au and click on 'Animals Available' to check out Panda's full profile.



Tax Time Appeal 2016

Whilst BAWCS has been successful in securing funding via grant opportunities recently, these funds are targeted for specific projects to either expand our Shelter facilities or to help support our disadvantaged community programs.

We still need your support to help us care for the many animals that come into our Shelter. Your support goes to not only feeding and providing basic care but also to important veterinary work which can sometimes be life saving treatment.

BAWCS is still entirely volunteer run so 100% of your donation goes to the animals!

You can donate online via our website www.bawcs.org.au or complete the flyer that is included with this newsletter.

Thank you for your support as we can't do it without you!

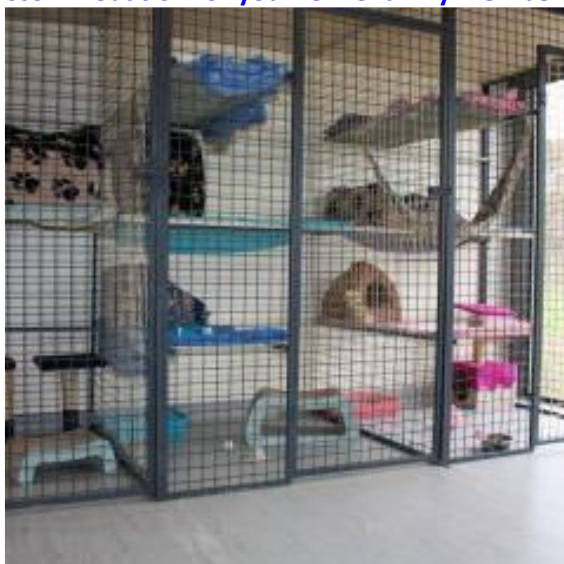
New arrival Gem

Gem is an elderly Anglo x mare. She only has one eye but that doesn't stop her getting around well. She's sharing Ricky and Barney's paddock and they love her just as we do!
Welcome Gem.



BAWCS Boarding cattery received a much needed upgrade recently thanks to the State Government Animal Welfare Fund grant (mentioned previously on our front page) and we are delighted to be able to promote our beautiful facilities to care for your felines if you're going on holidays. We also have a convenient 'online booking form' via our website www.bawcs.org.au so you can check out availability and make your own bookings. All fees charged go back into helping run our Shelter caring for animals in need.

BAWCS Boarding Cattery offering triple level condo accommodation for your feline family members.



BAWCS also has dog boarding kennels available for small to medium size dogs.

BAWCS Dog Walking Program

BAWCS runs a **Dog Walking Program** at Lake Weeroona every Thursday morning. Our dogs in care are walked and trained by volunteers under the guidance of Mark Murray, BAWCS Dog trainer. If you'd like to join in, keep an eye on our Facebook Page on Wednesday evenings for when we call out for volunteers.

Big shout out to Mark from Murray's Dog Training for providing his expertise and time.

www.murraysdog.com



Some of our latest adoptions

SUKI in her new owner's lap



JETHRO – in BAWCS care for over a year, now in his new home



Pascoe the rooster



BAWCS Bequest Program

BAWCS cannot stress enough the importance of making provision for your pet/s should you no longer be able to care for them. You can make a Will to include BAWCS to ensure the safety of your beloved pet/s. Please contact us for more information email : admin@bawcs.org.au or telephone : 0417 382 741

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