

## ANIMAL WELFARE LEAGUE NSW INSPECTORS OFFICE

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Re: AWL NSW Inspectorate Activity Report 30 June 2023

Dear Kim,

As per the requirement of Animal Welfare League New South Wales (AWL NSW) as an approved charitable organisation under Section 34B(3) of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979, I am writing to report to the Minister, The Honorable Tara Moriarty, of the exercise of powers by AWL NSW Inspectors under the Act for the twelve month period ending 30 June 2023.

As at 30 June 2023 the AWL NSW Inspectorate employs five Authorised Officers.

our inspectors are Greater Sydney Metropolitan Area based and one Regional Inspector is based in the Central Tablelands.

As per Section 34 of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Regulation 2012, listed below is information obtained from statistics held by AWL NSW Inspectorate for the period 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023:

Cruelty Complaints	Attendances
1133	1678

During the nominated period AWL NSW Inspectorate lodged 1133 complaints. As a result
of these complaints attendances (including re-checks) were conducted to investigate the
complaints. The complaints were, in general, omissions (neglect) rather than commissions
(abuse).

Description	Total	
Abandon	93	

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Confined	93	
General	114	
Inadequate Vet Treatment	152	
Insufficient Food and Drink	230	
Insufficient Shelter	70	
Tethered	64	

 The nature of the complaints received were alleged offences involving predominantly dogs, cats and horses. The remainder of the total is made up of general welfare concerns.

31A	24N	Caution	
13	29	90	

 AWL NSW Inspectors issued 90 official cautions, issued 29 written directions under Section 24N of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979.

Codes of Practice Inspections	Total
Animal Holding Facility	4
Boarding Kennel	6
Cat Breeder	2
Dog Breeder	1
Grooming	2
Pet Shop	17
Security Dog	1

- AWL NSW Inspectors conducted 33 trade inspections in accordance with applicable Codes of Practice.
- AWL NSW Inspectorate received 221 Film Notifications.

Seized	Surrendered	
136	187	

 Animals seized by the AWL NSW Inspectorate total 136. Animals surrendered to the AWL NSW Inspectorate total 187.

Prosecutions	Fines
0	9

- Nil proceedings commenced for offences instituted by AWL NSW Inspectorate for the nominated period.
- o AWL NSW Kemps Creek Shelter

Adoptions	Euthanased
1713	167

o AWL NSW Branches

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 AWL NSW Inspectorate training for the nominated period consisted of Kinetic Fighting Group AWL NSW Defensive Tactics (KEF-IC Self Protection Essentials and Weapon Survival Essentials).

Certificate IV Government Investigation	PSP40416	
Use Firearms to Humanely Destroy Animals	AHCPMG304	
Apply First Aid	HLTAID09,010,011	
Provide First Aid Remote or Isolated Site	HLTAID013	
Defensive Tactics	KEF-IC ALPHA KEF-IC CHARLIE	
AWL NSW Basic Firearms Course	N/A	
Revenue NSW SEINS	N/A	
Operate and Recover Four Wheel Drive Vehicle	FWPCOP3325 FWPCOP3326	
CPR	HLTAID009	
NSW Emergency Management Program	N/A	
RFS Bushfire Awareness	N/A	

o Training Conducted During Reporting Period

Defensive		September 2022
Tactics		
NSW		January 2023
Emergency		1
Management		
Program		
RFS Bushfire		March 2023
Awareness		
AWL Basic		March 2023
Firearms	X	
Course		
Operate and		February 2023
Recover Four		
Wheel Drive		
Vehicle		
AWL NSW		September 2022,
Firearms		December 2022, March
Qualification		2023, June 2023
Shoot (Q)		

 AWL NSW Inspectors sit on Elanco Animal Health and Garvin Medical Institute Animal Ethics Committees.

Regards,

Chief Inspector AWL NSW