



**ANIMAL WELFARE SOCIETY
OF SOUTH AFRICA**



ANNUAL REPORT 2017/2018

The Animal Welfare Society of South Africa – About us (BBBEE Level 4)

From its base in Philippi, the Society handles about 4,000 animals per month. The Clinic is open 7 days a week to accommodate those that are unable to bring their pets during the week. We have fully equipped and very busy theatres where we do sterilisations, orthopaedic and other procedures.

At any one time we can house in excess of one hundred sick or injured animals. We are committed to sterilising every animal that comes through our hospital as our contribution to reducing the number of strays and unwanted animals in Cape Town.

The society has an Adoption Centre, where we take in unwanted, abused and abandoned animals and find them their forever home. They are medically assessed, vaccinated, treated for internal and external parasites, microchipped and sterilised.

The Animal Welfare Society also offers pound facilities to Law Enforcement. Our Inspectorate Department responds to daily calls with regard to cases relating to abuse and general neglect of animals as well as on going reported cases of animal fighting amongst our Communities. Very often we

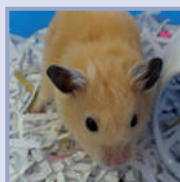
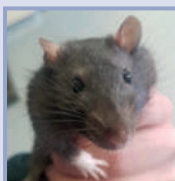


The Animal Welfare Society of South Africa offers a full range of veterinary services to the underprivileged and disadvantaged communities of Cape Town.

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respond to reports of injured stray animals, large and small on our public road ways by our City's Traffic Department, SAPS and Metro Police.

Big and small – we treat them all!



Patron's Welcome

My love of the Cape and animals (especially man's best friend!) are united as I proudly become patron of The Animal Welfare Society.

I look forward to being a productive part of the wonderful team of dedicated people of AWS and promoting the superb work done by them in protecting so many vulnerable animals.

Pamela Isdell
AWS Patron



ISDELL FAMILY FOUNDATION

Notice of AGM 2018

When: Monday, 17 September 2018
at 18:00

Where: Boardroom of RSM, 15
Greenwich Grove, Station
Road, Rondebosch, Cape Town

Agenda:

1. Welcome
2. Apologies
3. Confirmation of AGM minutes held on 11 September 2017)
4. Matters arising
5. Chairman's report
6. Management and Hospital report
7. Financial report
8. Election of auditors
9. Election of council members

Thereafter a council meeting will be held in order to elect members of the Executive Committee. All AWS members are cordially invited to attend the AGM proceedings.

Dr J McNamara
AWS President



Welcome to the AWS Family!

"I am at present a State Veterinarian working for the Department of Agriculture Forestry and Fisheries. My work involves providing clinical and advisory services regarding animals in the aquaculture industry. I qualified in 2016. My experience at varsity has challenged many facets of my life (personally, physically and spiritually). I have come to appreciate the privileged position in which I now find myself. The Animal Welfare Society of South Africa has provided me with the opportunity where I can have a direct impact on the Cape Town communities. I am privileged to be part of the dedicated group of people at AWS adding empowerment to the lives of animals and their owners."



Dr Ngwako David Chelopo

Chairman's report

It is pleasing that despite yet another challenging year, the Animal Welfare Society has managed to keep up its excellent and desperately needed service to the animals of the Cape Flats.

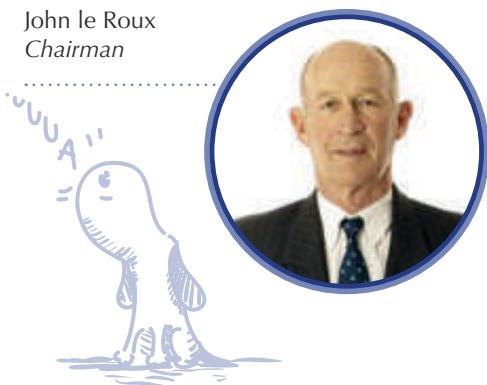
The Society's finances have weathered the economic downturn relatively well. For this, we need to thank the following:

- Our generous individuals and trusts who either donate or bequeath to us much needed finance so that we can "balance our books";
- The Executive Committee comprising John McMullen, Jim McNamara, Sandy Severn, Marianne Pontier, Marian Jacobs and Ann Sanders for their time, commitment and concern. Sadly Sandy Severn passed away recently. She was an AWS stalwart and we extend our condolences to her family and friends.
- Our Vice Chairman, John McMullen, for his endless passion and energy in ensuring that we operate efficiently;
- Our President, Jim McNamara, for always being readily available to "roll up his sleeves";
- And all our staff for the hard work and care, working under difficult circumstances.

We are very pleased to welcome Allan Perrins, previously with SPCA, to the AWS team. His immediate contribution has been a massive breath of fresh air.

The beneficiaries of the efforts of the above-mentioned are pets and animals who are not able to verbalise their thanks to you. So on their behalf, I would like to say to you all A BIG THANK YOU!

John le Roux
Chairman



The power of social media

Mumsy went missing for approximately 4 months after being terrorized by youngsters throwing stones at her. Her distraught owner tried everything to find her, without success.

Mumsy was found wandering the streets in Strandfontein by a good samaritan who stopped to pick her up and brought her to us. She was in a very fragile state. Mumsy required and underwent extensive surgery and rehabilitation. Posts on our Facebook page led to an article in the



newspaper and Mumsy was safely returned to her incredibly grateful owner.

Without your continued support, we would be unable to perform miracles like this and we are proud of the fact that for us the animals are the number One Priority. Thank you for helping us to help pets like Mumsy.



President's report

89 years young and still going strong! There are not many animal welfare organisations around with that sort of staying power, and your Society does indeed have a long and very impressive community service record.

But those of us whom you have elected to the Executive Committee know very well that, for the Society's sterling reputation to be maintained, a tremendous amount of work needs to continue to be done day in, day out, by the remarkable Society staff, led for decades now by the "dean of animal welfare", our CEO Dr. John McMullen. For that, "Dr Mac" and his staff have our deep gratitude and admiration.

Throughout its history, the services rendered by the AWS have been subsidised by our generous donors, who have been the foundation of your Society's stability since its founding in 1929. It has been especially pleasing to see the bequests coming in now from people who, decades ago, pledged their future support to the Society. We would be immensely grateful if you would please consider doing this as well.

Alas, the families whom we serve have not been immune to the difficulties in our current economy, and many have struggled to make even small contributions towards the costs of their pet's medicines and care. Simply put, we need to strive ever harder to secure donations to enable us to continue to serve the many animals that we see each month. We remain tremendously grateful for any such donations. We again look forward to working with Brigitte Reeve-Taylor and her fantastic

dance troupe for this year's Dancers Love Dogs fundraiser for mass sterilisation efforts; we hope you will join us at the 2018 show at Artscape.

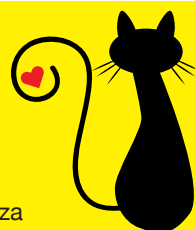
We very much enjoyed seeing many of you at our Mandela Day celebrations in July, and we hope that more of you will get a chance to visit us in Philippi and meet some of these extraordinary staff members. Along with Dr Mac and his staff, the Society's decades of success is due in no small measure to the quality of volunteer leadership that it has enjoyed through the years. Please let us know if you might wish to get involved with supporting the work of the Society. You can watch our (brand new) website and Facebook page for news about the animals who have been rescued and helped to find "forever homes", and about the caring and compassionate AWS staff who keep things running so efficiently.

Dr Jim McNamara
President



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Management and Hospital report

Since the founding of the Animal Welfare Society in 1929, committing itself to the alleviation of cruelty, pain and suffering to all animals in the Cape Metropole, we have continued to provide veterinary services to the poor and under-privileged in the community.

As Cape Town has grown, so has the need for the services that we provide and we are fortunate to have been able to sustain and expand our expertise in the handling of our clients' animals.

During the past year we have been involved in and carried out several spay and neuter campaigns with the help of private funding which has seen an increase from 3210 to 4077 sterilisations at our hospital in Philippi.

With the launch of our newly upgraded and user-friendly website, our adoptions have significantly increased, but there are still many animals to be re-homed. Apart from the many donations mentioned in Allan's report, we have had the donation of a charity shop vehicle from Mike Fumston. This enables the shop staff to fetch donations and supplies without interfering with the running of the hospital and inspectorate vehicles.

As well as all the heart-warming success stories in our report, the most significant has to do with our cover photo of Peter, Gerry and the dog 'Meisie'. These two young boys carried her for four hours to reach our facility from their small community on one of the farms in Philippi. Peter offered the R7 he had been saving to buy shoes for his brother. Meisie was suffering from a tick-borne disease name Ehrlichia which required an immediate blood tranfusion and further treatment for up to 28 days.

The public response to their moral values has been overwhelming in these days of crime and socio-economic ills that we read of daily in the media. As a result, we have engaged with other members of their community by sharing the many donations that we have recieved as they are not the only impoverished people in the area. The

boys are proudly wearing their 'Junior Animal Ambassador' jackets sponsored by Marise from Pet Prints.

What must be remembered from this successful stroy is that without the support of our benefactors we would not have been able to undertake this expensive and lengthy treatment.

The hospital team work extremely efficiently and long hours to provide assistance to our over one hundred in-patients on a daily basis.

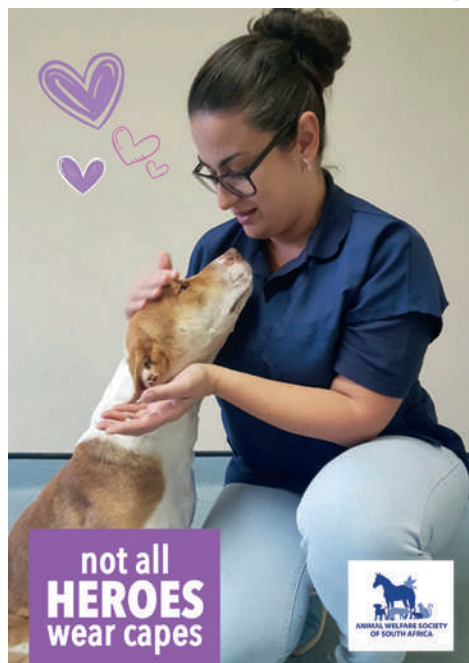
My appreciation of our dedicated staff, Executive Committee, auditors at RSM and our Chairman at Personal Trust who manage our funds with such efficiency cannot be over emphasised.

We send our condolences to the family and friends of our committee and executive member, Sandy Severn, who sadly left us on the 15th July 2018. She worked with dedication for over 30 years with the society. She will be missed by all who knew her.

Dr John McMullen
AWS Vice Chairman



	2017/18
Consultations	16 644
Vaccinations	8 962
Sterilisations	4 077
Medical procedures	5 621
Special operations	552
Euthanasia	4 982
Adoptions – DOGS	257
Adoptions – CATS	87
Inspector cases	1 298



Canine hero shot while protecting family member



RUFY, a beautiful almost 2 year old tan and white Pitbull accompanied a family member on a walk in Nyganga. Midway through the walk they were approached by two unknown assailants who demanded that he hand over his cellphone.

Rufy being a much loved and very well cared for companion unhesitatingly jumped to his defence but whilst trying to protect the family member, ended up being shot in the face by the one assailant who pulled out his gun and shot Rufy in the face at point blank range. The bullet went through Rufy's face shattering several teeth and painfully fracturing the bottom jaw.

Rufy was rushed to our hospital and immediately admitted to surgery for a life-saving operation. The damage caused was severe and it took our Senior Veterinarian several hours to carefully extract the bullet and pin the dogs bottom jaw. After the delicate operation Rufy was placed into Intensive Care and given a positive but, guarded prognosis.

Rufy made a full recovery and he captured the hearts of everyone that came into contact with. His resilience, zest for life and his recovery was remarkable.

Honorary Treasurer's report

The Society remains in a reasonably stable financial position as a result of the capital fund balance, which is diversely invested.

The 2018 year has been a better year with regard to bequests received. Bequests make up the highest percentage of income, 50% in comparison to 45% in the prior year. Donations have remained inline with prior year representing 4% of total income.

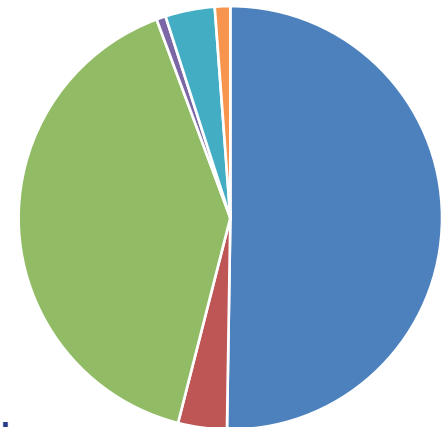
The income from Vet Services and Adoptions also remained inline with the prior year making up 40% of total income, thanks to the hard working staff. The charity shop has performed slightly less favourably this year, dropping to 4% from 7% last year. Investment interest income has decreased in current year, this is a result of more funds being held in long term equities rather than interest bearing cash reserves.

Overall expenses have decreased by about 6%. Although this is a small percentage it equates to almost R 1 million in Rands, so this is a huge improvement from the prior year.

Although the Society has remained stable during 2017/18, it still operates with an overall deficit, forcing us to use funds from the capital reserve. We greatly appreciate donations and bequests as the Society is dependent on these funds to continue providing its first-class service.

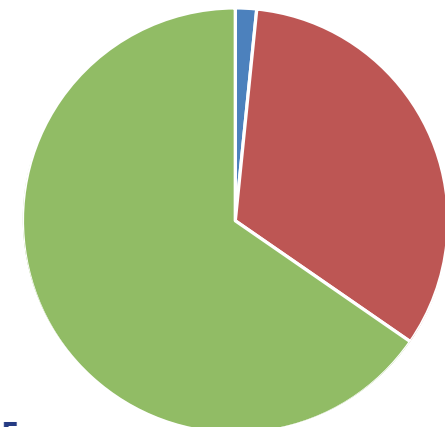
The Annual Financial Statements will be available at the AGM and on request from carmen@awscape.org.za

Ann Sanders
Honorary Treasurer



Income

- 1% Subscriptions and other
- 50% Bequests
- 4% Fundraising
- 40% Vet services and Adoptions
- 1% Interest
- 4% Donations



Expenses

- 2% Field and case work
- 33% Hospitals at Philippi
- 65% Administration and kennels

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Communications and Resource Development report

We are just as committed to animals now as we have been since 1929 and with your support, we always will be.

After a tumultuous 2017 things were looking up for the country and many of us had high hopes for 2018 at the outset.

I was very fortunate to be able to join the society on the 1st March 2018 as Head of Communications and Resource Development. An exciting new position created to boost income and raise the public profile of the society which for too long despite its remarkable contributions to the world of animal welfare had largely been allowed to go uncelebrated.

I spent the first few weeks putting together a plan of action and getting to know the various internal and external role players and familiarised myself with the workings of the society. One of the first things that struck me was the degree of compassion and commitment of everyone. I instantly knew that I had a gem of a brand to market and a dedicated team to help deliver on our promises.

With all the ingredients for success in the mix and armed with a lengthy wish-list and set of clear expectations from the Executive Committee I set about prioritising a comprehensive "To Do" list. So it is with a sense of pride and sincere gratitude to you our generous donors, enlightened supporters and dedicated team that we in spite of the difficult times we live in continue to excel and are able to share several wonderful accomplishments for the period under review.

One of the most significant achievements that has catapulted our society from parochial status to international relevance was the launch of our new website on Mandela Day the 18th July. The website has ensured our professional international online-profile and allowed us to extend our

adoptions show room to the world resulting in our first successful website adoption within days of it going live. To illustrate just how powerful a communications tool this is, the dog in question had been in our care for almost one year.

Analytics show that on-line activity is high which gives us confidence that this will translate into improved all-round results. On the 1st March our Facebook following totaled 9 787. This has grown to 11 537 over the past approximately six months.

We also activated a number of reputable and trusted on-line donation platforms to enable benefactors to safely donate at their convenience and I am pleased to see that all of these options are being used resulting in an additional trickle of income that I hope will increase in the near future.

We introduced a seasonal e-newsletter to help improve general communications and as a means of illustrating the impact of our work made possible by your gifts. Our subscriber list has grown exponentially since inception and the letters have been well received.

Our sincere thanks is extended to all of our business partners for sharing their time, talents, expertise and good fortune with us.

Bequests and Trusts provide a much needed source of revenue for capital projects and offer a comforting degree of financial security for our society so it is apt for us to also acknowledge the gifts received from all Bequest Donors, Trusts and Foundations.

The success we are able to claim and celebrate over the past year is testimony to the fact that we have an incredible team supported by a growing number of donors and sponsors who share our Vision.

Looking to the next celebratory milestone when we celebrate our 90th Anniversary in March 2019, we are aware that there are still many challenges ahead and we plan to further expand our facilities and services in order to meet an ever increasing demand and I look forward to achieving these goals through your continued support and that of many new friends.

If you would like to join our growing donor family below are a few suggestions on how you can get involved and start saving animals lives today.

- Leave a lasting legacy by remembering the Animal Welfare Society of South Africa in your Will.
- Sign up as a debit order donor.
- Adopt your next pet from us.
- Obtain a My School My Village My Planet Card and nominate us as your beneficiary. If you are an existing card

- holder remember that you can register up to 3 beneficiaries.
- Donate your unwanted goods to our Charity Shop.
 - Sign-up to receive our e newsletters to see how your contributions are helping to transform lives.
 - Visit our website. It is interactive and smart-phone friendly, and follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.
 - Join our vibrant volunteer family.

Allan Perrins
*Resource Development and
Communications Officer*



Donations

Bequests:

Est Late: J S Parsons

Est Late: M Schoonraad

Est Late: Borton

Est Late: A James

Est Late: W M Herne

Est Late: D Proctor

Est Late: M Phipps

Est Late: B J van der Berg

Est Late: Ruth Dose

Est Late: J Emerson

Est Late: Henshilwood

Est Late: R Lewin

Est Late: AWS Marsden

Est Late: DP Randall

Est Late: Romijn

Est Late: DMK Rowland

Est Late: G Schlafke

Est Late: ML Skewes

Est Late: Snodgrass

Trusts:

A Herbst Trust

AWE Larpent Trust

B & M Robinson Trust

Bob Langham-Carter Trust

BSM Golstein Trust

Charles Harding Trust

Crowther Trust

Din Din Trust

Dora Gassner Trust

Douglas Jooste Trust

Dr Sunshine Trust

EE van der Hoven Trust

Harry Crossley Foundation

Helga Blake Trust

JHG Knoren Will Trust

L Croudace Trust

Lily Ashton Trust

Maskew Miller Trust

Maxwell Trust

MD Woodgate Trust

Meaker Will Trust

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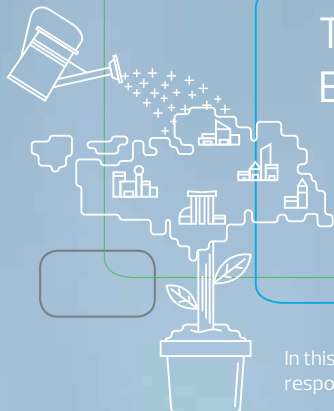
Simpson Trust

Sponsors

Our numerous appeals for corporate support were heard and we are delighted to announce a number of new and improved change-maker partnerships.

- William Simpson of William Simpson Cars Tokai granted our 89th birthday wish of a brand new vehicle for our Inspectorate.
- Prominent Paints chose us as their Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) beneficiary for the year and have agreed to repaint and re-waterproof the entire interior and exterior of the facility in collaboration with Paint Tech and Optima Coatings.
- The Isdell Family Foundation magnanimously sponsored the cost of a brand new vehicle for our Education and Outreach team.
- Euromonitor International chose us as their CSR partner for the year and have awarded us generous funding for a 2nd independently run Mass Animal Sterilisation Campaign in Elsies River and Mitchells Plain.
- Personal Trust and Hart Nurseries sponsored the costs for the upgrade of a beautiful dog “meet and greet” area that has already resulted in a number of successful match-making dates.
- Ascendis Animal Health afforded us the opportunity to deal direct and save on escalating medical expenses.
- Hills, Lakato, MCP, Ultra-Dog and Pick n Pay donated generous quantities of pet food.
- Cape Union Mart donated up-to-date GPS units for our Inspectors.
- Joan Sutton assisted with the design and layout of our inaugural e newsletter and more recently appealing new collection tin labels.
- Jerry Hartley of Ascot Press printed and delivered 100 new collection tin labels for free.
- Barend Kellerman of Kellerman Hendrikse Attorneys, Stellenbosch reviewed our Constitution and has offered to assist us with miscellaneous legal matters pro-bono.
- Alimandi Nurseries donated a generous amount of water-wise plants and has pledged its support for our society.
- Starke Ayres Nursery donated boxes of garden ornaments and also pledged their support of our society.
- Broc Sand Mine donated a huge quantity of building sand.
- AVB Transport delivered the sand for free.
- BSH Group (Bosch) donated a huge quantity of bottled water for the animals and have pledged their continued support of our society.
- Value Transport transported tons of bottled water from Gauteng and elsewhere to us for free.
- Virgin Active supplied and installed a number of Jo-Jo water tanks at their expense.
- Protea Fire & Ice Hotel donated loads of goods to our Charity Shop and pledged their future support.
- Abax Investments for its generous contribution towards essential operating expenses.
- The Rutley Family for their financial contributions towards our campaigns.
- Erica Petersen for sponsoring all our vehicle branding.
- A special vote of thanks goes to the Armstrong family for their unwavering support, especially Cindy for producing this year’s top-notch Annual Report.
- Woolworths, Personal Trust, the SANDF’s Military Health Unit Western Cape and NSRI Station 16 turned up in their numbers as part of our Mandela Day Centenary Celebrations where the success of the occasion was toasted with a wonderful selection of fine wines donated by Diemersfontein.





THINKING ABOUT YOUR BUSINESS IS A BIG PART OF OURS

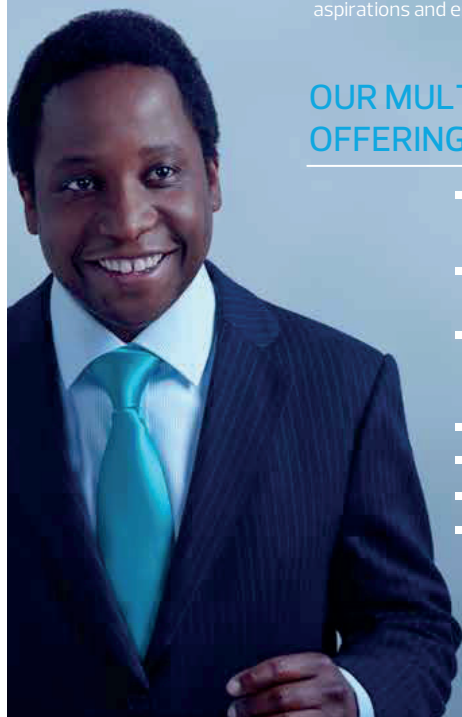
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Mr A Mongo

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Mr A Ngcakaza
Mr G Ngcakaza

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