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TASMANIAN CANINE DEFENCE LEAGUE INC.



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Image above: Ranger living his best life.

Front cover image: (L to R) puppies Sentinel, Little Dog and Goose enjoy time in foster care while they prepare for adoption.

Our organisation

About us

The Dogs' Homes of Tasmania is operated by the Tasmanian Canine Defence League (TCDL) Inc. We are Tasmania's largest canine welfare organisation and for over 70 years, have provided for the care and welfare of Tasmania's dogs.

Our vision

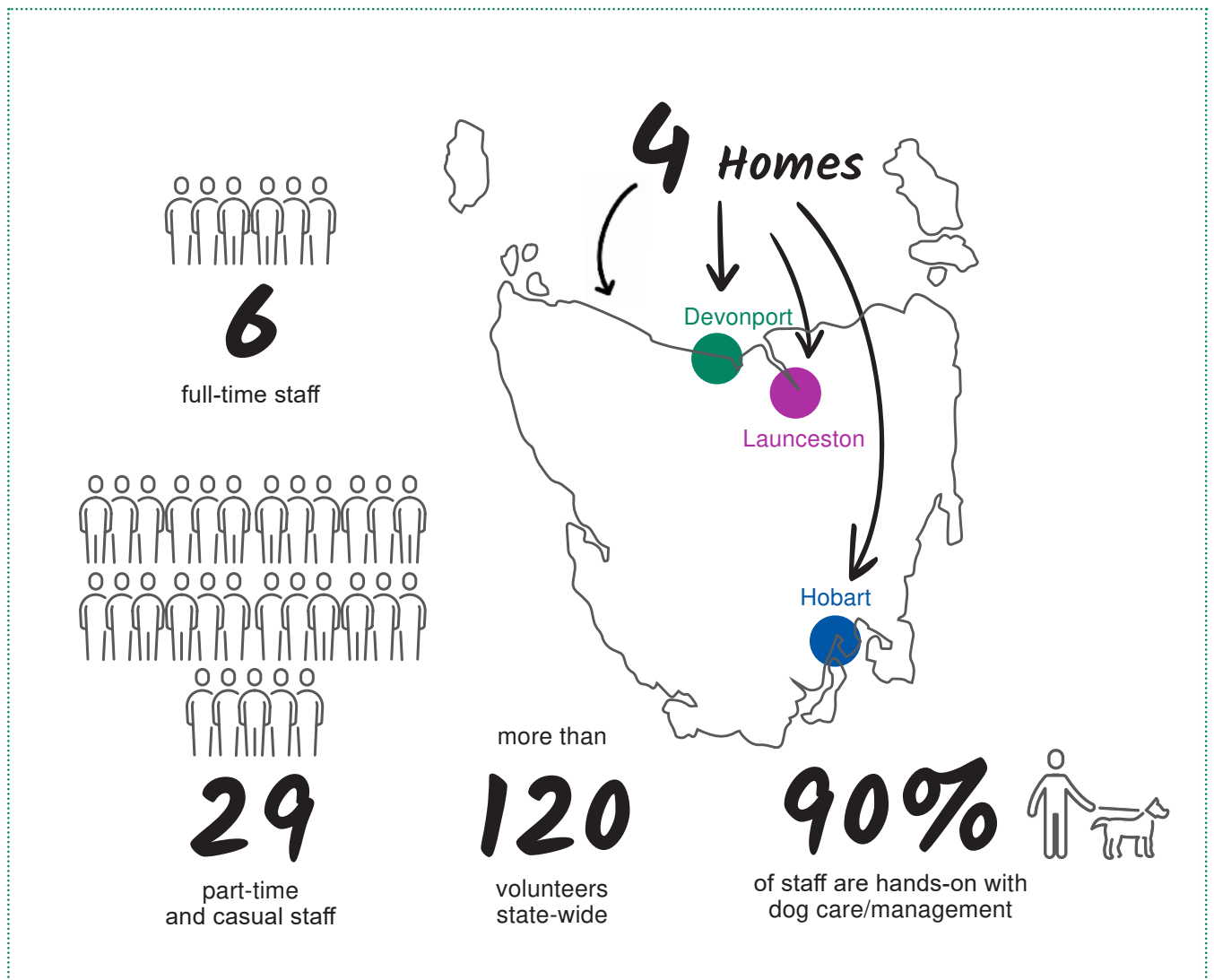
That every dog in Tasmania has a safe and caring home.

Our mission

The Dogs' Homes of Tasmania is committed to being the best friend of all dogs in Tasmania but particularly stray, abandoned, lost and unwanted dogs. Across our four Homes we will ensure that dogs and their welfare remain the central focus of our activities.



(L to R) Junior with his newly adopted brother, Riccardo; Jax out on an adventure in foster care.



President's report

When thinking back over the last 12 months of fluctuating dog numbers, the impacts of COVID and the everyday challenges of doing the very best for our dogs, the concept of resilience comes to mind. I am constantly impressed by the way in which our CEO Michael and his team have not wavered and have continued to face the presenting difficulties head-on for the benefit of all, and I am deeply grateful to them for their perseverance in these changing times.

Operational challenges have also provided opportunities to more effectively manage the way in which we interact with our supporters and volunteers. The introduction of a Customer Relationship Management System has been integral in this regard and has already enhanced our fundraising ability.

The Board continued to meet by Zoom during the year and this has been embraced by Board members to the extent that it is likely to continue indefinitely. Needless to say, it has been particularly welcome during the winter months!

In February, we joined with other animal welfare organisations in supporting a petition to government to stop public funding of Greyhound racing which attracted over 13,000 signatures, the most ever for a petition in Tasmania. It is disappointing that at the time of writing, there has been no response from government regarding the petition. Attempts are continuing to be made to seek an indication of what action receipt of the petition might have prompted, particularly as far as the welfare of the Greyhounds involved is concerned.

I am delighted to confirm that our first Ambassador, Lisa Gormley (and of course her best friend Sasha) will be working with us again this year, and we look forward to their ongoing involvement.

A review of the past year would not be complete without acknowledging the sad passing of Betty Shepperd, a long standing and much-loved member of the TCDL. Betty, together with her sister Joan, supported our Founder, Miss Rawson, with fundraising for the Dogs' Homes more than 40 years ago. Betty became a member of the then TCDL Council and served for a time as Vice President. After the Dogs' Homes Auxiliary was formed in 1987, Betty acted as Treasurer, presenting her handwritten Treasurer's report at each Auxiliary meeting and this continued until recent years. Betty was presented with Honorary Life Membership in 2000 in recognition of her devoted service to our organisation. Betty had a particular soft spot for our Burnie Dogs' Home and would travel to the northwest when required. Betty's devotion

to the dogs and puppies in our care lasted a lifetime. We honour her memory and contribution to the welfare of our dogs.

Vale Betty.

Our ability to care for our dogs is enhanced by the contribution of so many and my heartfelt thanks goes to one and all; our dedicated Board members who share their time and expertise unstintingly; our wonderful Auxiliary who continue to benefit our dogs with their fundraising efforts; our members and volunteers who provide assistance in so many ways; our magnificent people who have exhibited unbounded resilience in difficult times; Michael, our CEO, for his exemplary leadership; and our many supporters, donors and friends. Together we are fulfilling the obligations of our mission to be the best friend of all dogs in Tasmania.

Carol

Carol Hughes

President



Carol Hughes, President.

Chief Executive Officer's report

“Don't limit your challenges – challenge your limits!”

— Anonymous

For Dogs' Homes of Tasmania, as for so many of us, the past two years have been particularly challenging. But through it all we have not lost sight of what matters: being there for every dog in Tasmania when they are in need.

Thanks to your support, we have much to be grateful for, and during the past year our team has risen to meet the presenting challenges and take up opportunities to lay the foundation for the future.

The Dogs' Homes team has worked hard to significantly reduce our operating expenses without compromising the level of care and support to our dogs.

Keeping more than 3,000 dogs each year warm, healthy and safe requires constant work to maintain and improve our buildings, kennels and yards. Donations from our supporters are critical to funding this work and we were thankful for the wonderful response to our Appeals. In 2022 we were also delighted to receive a \$200,000 grant from the Tasmanian Government to assist with works at both Burnie and Devonport Homes.

Improvements have also been made at our Launceston and Hobart Homes, thanks to generous public support at our fundraising appeals.

For those experiencing homelessness, the bond with a beloved dog can be a priceless source of comfort and solace, and our commitment to be there for every dog in Tasmania means that we partner with organisations supporting people who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. We congratulate the team at A Paw Up for their wonderful work supporting pets of people dealing with homelessness problems and have been delighted to support them in their work. Now they have wound up, the RSPCA has advanced its Safe Beds Program and we are proud to provide support to the dogs under this program. We will continue to work with Hobart City Mission to provide dog food, dog beds, collars and leads to help people in need to care for their dogs.

Engaging with our supporters and communicating about our

goals, appeals and fundraising activities is essential to ensure we are here for dogs in need. During the year we invested in better systems to improve the effectiveness of our communication with our supporter community. The new look and regular issue of our newsletter 'Dog Tales' has also helped us inform, entertain and educate our supporter community. We thank consultant Beck Drake for her professional advice and her hard work to improve our communication and engagement, and thank her husband Ken for his remarkable photographic skills that have enhanced many of our publications.

The quality of life of all dogs in our community is very much impacted by local government policies and decisions on access, exercise areas and by local government enforcement activities. We have been active in local government dog management plan reviews and delighted to work with community dog owner groups to achieve improved outcomes for dogs in Tasmania.

We have valued and productive relationships with local government authorities across Tasmania. We partner with Brighton, Burnie, Clarence, Devonport, Glenorchy, Hobart, Kentish, Latrobe, Launceston and Waratah/Wynyard to provide their pound services. We thank each council for its support and in particular, thank the City of Burnie for its significant increase in funding to ensure the viability of our Burnie Dogs' Home.

We hold formal Dog Transfer Agreements with other councils across Tasmania, rehoming unclaimed and surrendered dogs from those areas when needed, and we appreciate the strong working relationship we enjoy with each council.

Lasting improvements to dog welfare in some areas requires changes in government policy, and in 2022 we have continued our advocacy work. More details on the areas where we are working to make changes are included in the body of this report.

At a national level, our membership of the Companion Animal Network of Australia (CANANA) provides an avenue to advocate improvements in companion animal welfare

management. This very important partnership also provides a critical source of income and support through the generosity of Purina, JB HiFi, Starbucks and Collins Foods. We thank CANA staff and Directors for their hard work.

None of our work would be possible without the extraordinary support of our donors and supporters. In particular, I thank Petstock and Petbarn, our many corporate partners and our loving and caring individual supporters. Your generosity is an inspiration to us as we care for dogs in need across Tasmania.

The volunteers at our four Homes are amazing, generously giving time each day to walk and spend one-on-one time with the dogs in our care. This makes such a difference to the dogs, and we offer heartfelt thanks and appreciation to all our volunteers.

Sincere thanks is offered to the Board for its commitment, time and encouragement. We are fortunate each Director gives so generously of their time and expertise in their love of dogs.

Finally, the deepest gratitude is offered to each and every employee at the Dogs' Homes of Tasmania. Your hard work and dedication is appreciated and your willingness to embrace change is deeply admired—thank you.

On a personal note, this is my final report as I am retiring in 2023. I will be forever grateful to have been appointed to the CEO position and thank everyone for their support and encouragement.

I leave you with one thought; "Don't limit your challenges – challenge your limits!" – Anonymous



Michael Sertori
Chief Executive Officer



Michael Sertori, Chief Executive Officer.

“Your generosity is an inspiration to us as we care for dogs in need across Tasmania.”

Treasurer's report

In the 2021-2022 financial year the overall surplus for the year was \$1,374,400. This positive outcome was the result of bequests from the friends and supporters of the Tasmanian Canine Defence League Inc. (TCDL). The year's operating income before bequests was insufficient to cover the day to day costs of running the organisation, resulting in an operating deficit of \$409,762.

Operating income for the year was down by around 4 per cent on the previous year. Income from dog adoptions showed a slight recovery after a significant drop in the previous year due to COVID-19 lockdowns.

It has been pleasing to see a reduction in operating costs of around 5 per cent. This has been largely due to hard work by the CEO and staff to manage the two largest expenditure items—staff and veterinary care costs. Work by the CEO and Team Leaders to restructure rosters and better align staff hours to need enabled a 7 per cent reduction in staff and contractor expenses. Changes enabling our vet team to provide more care in-house rather than using external providers meant that our veterinary costs were 30 per cent lower than the year before with no reduction in the timeliness or quality of care.

We were delighted to receive a \$200,000 grant from the Tasmanian Government to fund kennel repairs and improvements, add new fencing and install new exercise yards for our dogs at the Devonport and Burnie Dogs' Homes. These are very welcome improvements, and we thank the Tasmanian Government for its support and commitment.

As mentioned above, bequests are enormously important to our financial performance and to our capacity to develop the Homes and provide care into the future. The TCDL is grateful to the following friends who supported us with a final gift in their wills.

Elizabeth Hughes	\$100,108
Susan Gittins	\$300
Janice Horton	\$2,292
Wendy Palmer	\$91,540
Rosemary Van de Griendt	\$392,441
Margaret Cox	\$25,000
Valerie Stanton	\$2,000
Betty Shepperd	\$982,223
Dianne Steele	\$1,000
Ian Crawn	\$5,000
Ann Masters	\$90,047
Estate of Beatrice Thompson	\$29,717

Thank you to all our supporters for their continuing and valued support which comes in many forms from financial support to voluntary work, advocacy and resources.

Trish

Trish Brown
Treasurer



Trish Brown, Treasurer.

Dogs' Homes of Tasmania Auxiliary report

In spite of continuing COVID-19 restrictions, the Auxiliary was able to hold two fairs this financial year. The November fair raised \$1,889 and our May fair raised \$1,548. In addition, we received \$200 in donations.

Although our fundraising venues were very limited, at Hobart Dogs' Home, we contributed \$4,000 towards the vet room floor, and \$5,000 towards a new autoclave (steriliser). We also purchased Kongs for the dogs' enrichment for \$417.45, so we are still able to play our part and fund these important items for the benefit of our beloved dogs.

Our team stands ready to raise more funds as soon as the opportunity arises!

Sadly, we lost one of our dearest and longest standing members of the Auxiliary in August. Betty Shepperd was a proud member of the Auxiliary from its inception in 1987 and held the position of Treasurer for most of that time.

Betty and her late sister Joan will always be remembered for their great love of animals, and above all, for their wonderful generosity on behalf of the dogs and puppies at all our Homes. We are proud to have known and worked alongside these two great ladies.

Pat

Pat Rogers

Auxiliary President



(L to R) Betty with Denise Bower and Pat Rogers at the Hobart Home celebrating the International Year of the Volunteer in 2001. Collectively, these generous volunteers had given over 150 years of volunteer service to the Homes when Betty passed away in 2021.



Betty Shepperd and two little 'suppawters' at Claremont Shopping Centre in the late 1980s, fundraising to build the current Hobart Dogs' Home. The huge donation tin is pictured next to a model of the proposed Dogs' Home.

Advocacy

Staff and volunteers at the Dogs' Homes experience the joy of making a difference for dogs every day. But to resolve some of the big issues, creating better lives for dogs and their human families in our community, we need to change legislation.

Pets in rental accommodation

Dogs are surrendered to us for many reasons, but far too often they are given up because their human family couldn't find rental accommodation that allows pets. In partnership with the Companion Animal Network of Australia (CANA), we have been trying to change rental laws in Tasmania. We'd like to see tenants allowed to have a pet, unless an independent tribunal determines otherwise.

This sensible and practical legislative change would reduce the number of dogs surrendered to us each year by 15-20 per cent.

Greyhound welfare

We have three major welfare concerns with the Greyhound racing industry. Racing Greyhounds experience long days of confinement with little enrichment. There is still significant over-breeding in the industry, with more Greyhounds bred than can ever find pet homes after retirement. In addition to this, Greyhound racing is dangerous. In 2021, 181 Greyhounds were killed, and 10,195 dogs were injured on Australian tracks.

These concerns meant that earlier this year we signed and promoted the e-petition asking the Tasmanian Parliament to stop all taxpayer funding of Greyhound racing. The petition achieved 13,519 signatures—the most support for a petition to Parliament in Tasmania's history. The government has guaranteed funding of the industry until 2029 and the industry would be unsustainable without such funding.

We believe that for the sake of every Greyhound, now is the time to start planning to withdraw funding from this industry.



Renting with dogs is an enormous challenge. Surrendering their much-loved dog due to being unable to find suitable rental housing has been the sad reality for too many Tasmanians.

Staff member Alexandra is pictured with the love of her life, Smeegles.



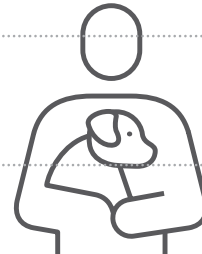
Volunteer Tanya spends some quality time with Greyhound Lily. Rehoming Greyhounds after racing is part of our ongoing commitment to their welfare.

Supporting Tasmanian dogs

Our year at a glance

The Dogs' Homes of Tasmania:

reunited **1,080** lost dogs with their families



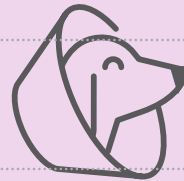
found new homes for **1,049** dogs

provided more than **32,223** days of care to dogs



desexed more than **550** dogs—no more unwanted puppies!

vaccinated, wormed and deflead **1,049** dogs



introduced more than **3,790** prospective adopters to dogs



washed over **70,000** blankets and towels—keeping our dogs clean, warm and dry—come rain, hail or shine!



served over **64,000** doggie meals—thanks to our generous supporters Purina!



gave more than **950** cuddles and ear scratches



scooped **16.11** tonnes of poop



walked more than **19,000** kms in all weathers to give our dogs exercise

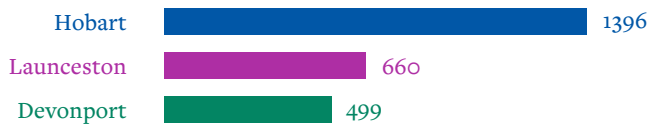


Statewide statistics

Incoming dogs

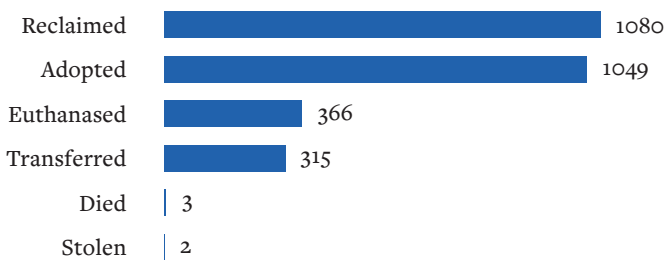
Nearly 3,000 dogs came to us for care during 2021-22.

During the past few months of the year the number of incoming dogs started to climb. Around 15-20 per cent of surrenders are due to families not being able to find dog-friendly rental accommodation. Another 5 per cent are related to people going into aged care and not being able to take their dogs with them.



Outgoing dogs

The total number of adoptions declined slightly during 2022 after the rush on adoptions that occurred during the lockdowns of the previous year. Associated with this has been an increase in length of stay, increasing the number of dogs in our care as they wait longer for adoption.



Long-term Hobart Home resident, Chevy, who after graduating from our in-house training, celebrated with a day out at Every Dog Farm Adventures.



Ronnie making friends and swimming at the beach with his foster family.

Euthanasia - getting to zero

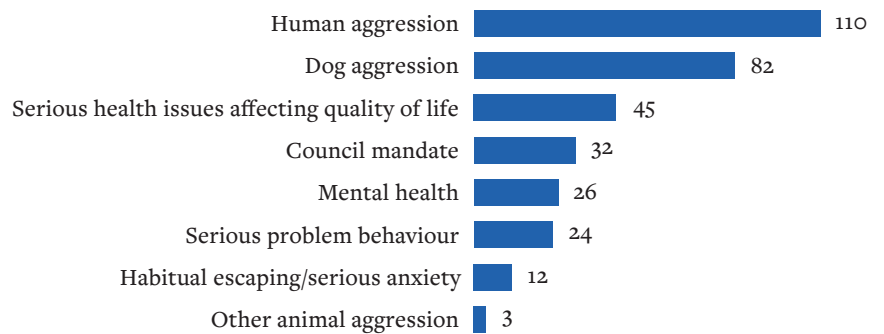
Dogs' Homes of Tasmania will never turn a dog in need away, and we accept any dog needing our help.

Sadly, sometimes dogs brought to us have significant health issues affecting their quality of life. Some other dogs are not safe to rehome into the community because of serious aggression.

Dogs' Homes of Tasmania is a 'Getting to Zero' (G2Z) shelter which means we are committed to zero euthanasia of healthy or treatable dogs. There is no time limit on how long dogs can stay in our Homes, and we work to ensure that every dog in our care receives the support they need.

No dog is ever euthanased without exploring every possible option for safely rehoming that dog.

More detailed statistics can be downloaded from our website: dhot.com.au/statistics



Inside our four Homes

Thanks to a grant of \$200,000 from the Tasmanian Government and the generosity of our supporters, we were able to make significant improvements at our Burnie and Devonport Homes during the year.

The Burnie Home has been a hive of activity with the installation of a perimeter fence, finally enclosing the 1.3 hectare property—keeping wildlife out and any escaping dogs safely enclosed.

Repairs were made to many of the ageing kennels, keeping the dogs warm, safe and secure.

Outside, dogs, visitors and staff are now safe and dry as they walk around the property—thanks to the resurfacing of the gravel car park and the installation of new concrete paths.



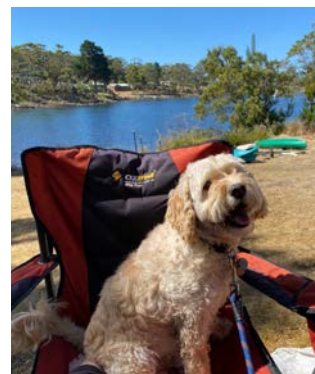
(L to R) Burnie Team Leader, Deb, and 11 week old Otto and Levi showing off their new fencing and paths.

Fiona and her family will never forget the day they first met Rasta the Spoodle. The Burnie Home had approved their application to adopt him, so they loaded their other dog, Rory, into the car and made the long drive from Hobart to Burnie. Rory and Rasta got on well with each other from the start, so Rasta came home with them that very day.

“Rasta is such a big doofus. He continually runs into things as he’s too busy looking over his shoulder. He falls off couches and beds when he rolls over and he just bounces with happiness

when he knows he’s going out in the car.

He’s so easy going—he loves everyone and they love him,” Fiona said.



Rasta enjoying the sunshine.

Donations of treats, tinned food for fussy eaters, toys and blankets all help to keep tails wagging at our four Homes.

Our Homes are woven into the fabric of their surrounding communities—supporting dogs and dog owners. In return, our communities always respond to donation calls with incredible generosity. Whether it's an extra tin of food purchased and left in a supermarket donation bin, or someone holding a personal gift-drive to celebrate an event, we are constantly humbled by the kindness of our supporters.

The community of Smithton donates a small mountain of goodies for our dogs each year. It's 90 km from Smithton to our Burnie Home, but thanks to Tasmanian police officers, Sergeant Lee-Anne Walters and Senior Constable Andrew Ollington, donations are kept safe and delivered to us as time permits.

Thank you Smithton and thank you to Sergeant Walters and Senior Constable Ollington for your special delivery!



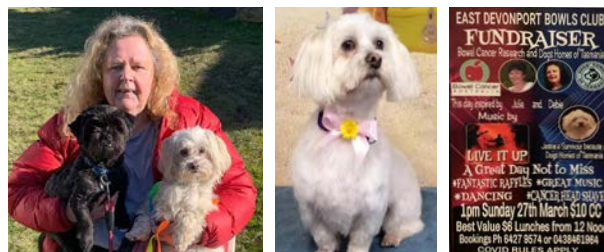
(L to R) Sergeant Walters and Senior Constable Ollington delivering much needed goods to the Home.

Debie's family has always been a two-dog family. One dog just never felt quite right.

But sadly, in 2021, Debie lost one of her beloved dogs, Sugar, leaving behind her other dog, Jett. Jett wasn't coping well with the loss of Sugar and was developing separation anxiety. But, thankfully for Debie and Jett, a post popped up on Debie's Facebook feed two months later, featuring Jessie, a Maltese x who was looking for a new home. Within minutes, Debie was applying for Jessie. The next day, she and Jett were driving home with their new family member. On the way home, Jett fell in love with Jessie, licking her all over! In that moment, Jett's anxiety disappeared. The two are now inseparable.

In March 2022 Debie and her friend, Julie, organised a co-operative fundraising event for the Dogs' Homes and Bowel Cancer Australia. The event was a hit, with local band 'Live it Up' performing live and, Debie and others shaving their heads, raising much appreciated funds.

Thank you Debie, Julie, Jett and Jessie.



(L to R) Jett, Debie and Jessie on adoption day; Jessie at the dog spa the day after she was adopted; Debie's fundraising event poster.



(L to R) Two peas in a pod, Jett and Jessie.

The year in review

Inside our four Homes

The Devonport Dogs' Home

The year 2022 was the year that Devonport finally got a purpose-built 'Meet and Greet' yard! 'Meet and Greet' yards are large, safe play spaces where potential adopters can introduce their own dog to a dog they would like to adopt.

When dogs meet a new dog, they need space to approach gently, and room to romp and play if they decide to. Good meets can help an adopter's existing dog make a friend for life with the new dog.

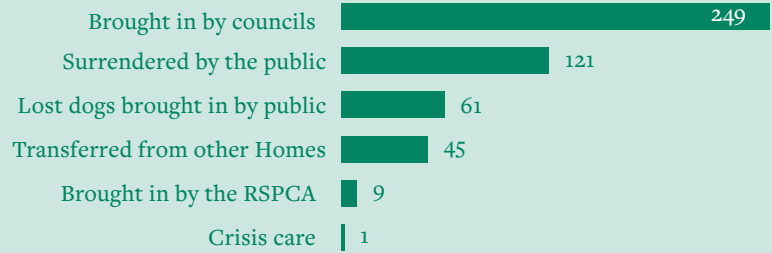
Thanks to the generosity of supporters and our grant from the Tasmanian Government, Devonport pound has been made safer, calmer and more comfortable, with paths widened so dogs and staff can walk by pens without upsetting the dogs inside. New roofing has improved weather protection, while making the pound kennels lighter and brighter for the dogs.



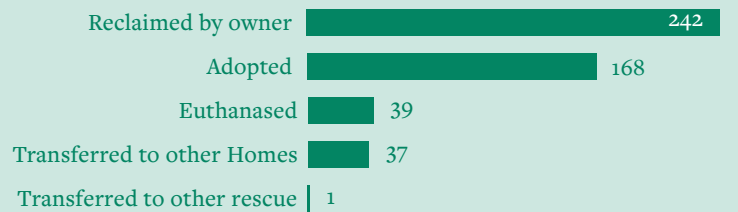
(L to R) George and Leia enjoy some time in the Devonport 'Meet and Greet' yard.



INCOMING DOGS



OUTGOING DOGS



Widened paths, new roofing and weather barrier in the pound.

Fourth time lucky for Layla!

Four year old Layla was surrendered to our Devonport Home early in February, as her owner was moving house and sadly couldn't take her.



Layla was quickly adopted but then returned the very next day as she was chasing the cat. A few days later another family adopted her but returned her two weeks later—this time she was chasing

possums and was just too much for the family to handle. A few weeks later she was adopted again and returned a little over a week later—too strong for her new family to handle and too keen on chasing neighbourhood cats!

If it felt like poor Layla couldn't get a break, and so many home changes can be stressful for dogs. So staff decided Layla needed some rest and relaxation and some down time before she was matched with a potential home again. So she spent nearly three months in foster care to give some stability in her life and to give her time to settle.

Late in June, Layla was ready to try another home—one with no cats or possums! Thankfully such a home presented with Kristy and her two boys. We were delighted when we received updates from Kristy that Layla has settled in well.

Kristy recently updated us on Layla's progress:

"... just wanted to let you know that my beautiful Princess, Miss Layla, has settled in with us so well. I honestly could not ask for a better dog. She brings so much joy to my two boys and I."



Kristy and Layla sharing a special moment.



Layla having snuggles on the couch in her forever home.

The year in review

Inside our four Homes

The Launceston Dogs' Home

In November of 2021, Dogs' Homes staff participated in the state's first 'Pet Expo' at the Launceston Silverdome, celebrating the way animals enrich all our lives and promoting responsible pet ownership. Our staff and volunteers had a great day meeting dog owners, promoting enrichment toys like lickimats and snufflemats, and giving away free copies of our Dog Treat Recipe Book.

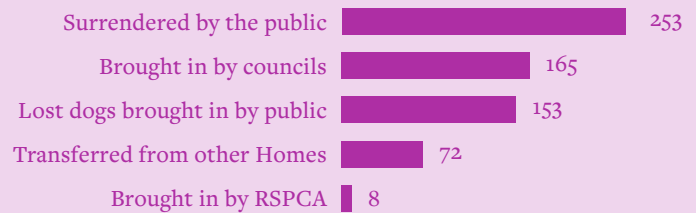
As with all our Homes, volunteers are an essential part of our Dogs' Home family in Launceston. The extensive grounds keep our gardening volunteers busy, and their help with fundraising is also invaluable. Among them is volunteer Karen, who raised \$1000, growing plants and selling them through a service station in Westbury.

Improvements to the Launceston site continued this year, with a new shelter installed in the 'Meet and Greet' yard.

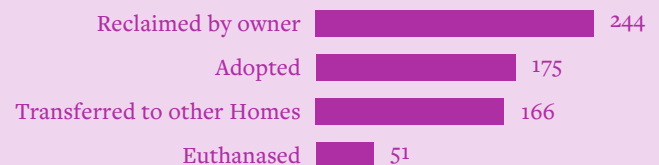
Adoption meets need to take place, rain or shine, and the new roofed shelter will make meetings between humans and dogs a more enjoyable and positive experience.



INCOMING DOGS



OUTGOING DOGS



(L to R) Volunteer John with staff, Gemma and Luci at the Pet Expo stand.



Volunteer Jamie and friend.

Adopting Miss Daisy

Five year old Wolfhound x Dalmatian, Daisy was brought to the Launceston Home when her first owner could no longer care for her.

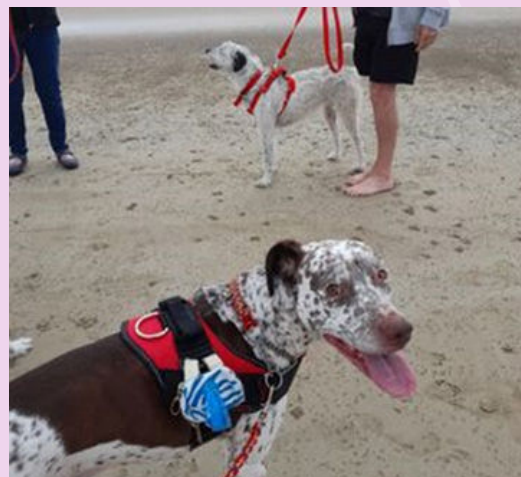
Upon seeing Daisy's adoption ad, Karen, the owner of Daisy's siblings, Zeus and Venus, called her parents to tell them about Daisy. Karen had fostered Zeus and Venus from the North East Animal Sanctuary and become so attached to them that she decided to adopt them. We call these 'foster fails' in the animal welfare business! When Karen's parents, Paul and Margaret saw Daisy, they fell in love and knew immediately that she needed to be part of their family.

Daisy has settled into her new home well and Paul and Margaret simply adore her. They will cherish Daisy for the rest of her life.

“Daisy is a beautiful dog who is now a ball of energy and lives for her walks and food, and is so loving and affectionate that she has stolen our hearts.”



Daisy stealing hearts and beds.



Daisy meets her brother Zeus (foreground).

The year in review

Inside our four Homes

The Hobart Dogs' Home

Our Hobart Home is the largest Home in the state, and the location for our statewide support team, including our CEO, marketing and admin staff, Behaviour Trainer and Foster Care Coordinator.

With an on-site clinic providing in-house vet services, the Hobart Home takes the complex medical cases and dogs with special behavioural needs from our other three Homes. During the year, nearly 200 dogs were transferred from other Homes to Hobart by volunteer drivers.

This year, the vet clinic underwent a long overdue and significant upgrade thanks to the generosity of the Dogs' Homes Auxiliary and the hard work of volunteer, Richard Moore.

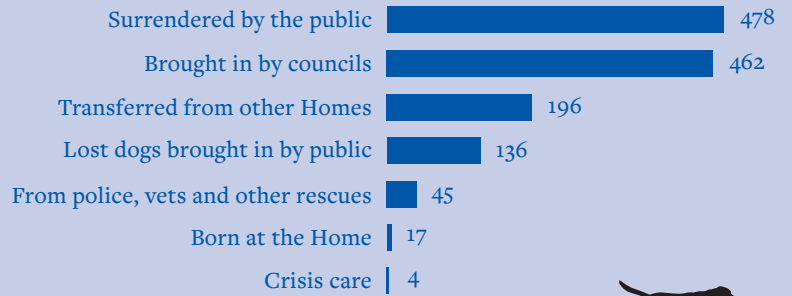
With the generous support of the public, we also undertook considerable work to waterproof each of the kennels in Hobart, which was much welcomed by the dogs and staff.



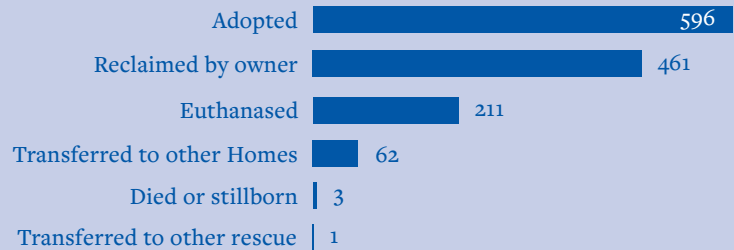
Our in-house vet clinic at the Hobart Home takes complex cases from around the state.



INCOMING DOGS



OUTGOING DOGS



The new-look vet clinic in Hobart.

Our front garden in Hobart was revamped, with some TLC from volunteers Richard and Mandy, creating a welcoming entry and a quiet place to sit.

We greatly appreciate the support of the Hon. Julie Collins MHR who assisted our successful application to fund the purchase of a large quantity of garden tools. These tools were much appreciated by our volunteers who in the past, often used their own equipment.

Inviting local dogs to go on a Sniffari

For some dogs in our community, meeting other dogs on their walk can be frightening. He/she sees a strange dog in the distance and reacts by barking and jumping, making walks upsetting and stressful for them and for their humans.

To help these dogs and their humans enjoy a relaxing walk, we introduced 'Sniffaris' at our Hobart Home.

On weekday afternoons when resident dogs at our Home have all had their walks for the day, dog owners can book a time-slot for a



Chevy enjoys some farmyard smells on his Sniffari.

private walk on the bushland paths around our Home, followed by some off-lead play time in a large, safely fenced yard.

Staff and volunteers make sure there is plenty of good stuff to smell and investigate on the Sniffari route, with 'sniff stations' set up along the way for dogs to investigate. The sniff stations are regularly refreshed by our volunteers with all kinds of interesting items and smells—seaweed, shells, feathers, sheep's wool, pig bedding, horse manure—the kind of thing that dogs love to investigate!

Our dogs at the Home often walk the Sniffari route with volunteers in the mornings. The changing menu of smells and sniffs has been a wonderful way to make their daily walks even more enjoyable and enriching.



Gough gets in close to a sniff station.

Community support

Our volunteers

Volunteers fill many essential roles at our four Homes—dog walking, gardening, maintenance and fundraising.

Our dog walking volunteers play an essential part in keeping our dogs happy and relaxed while they wait for their new families. Their time is not just about walking, but spending one-on-one time with a dog. It's doing what that particular dog wants to do—whether that is going for a long slow walk with lots of sniffing time, playing games, sitting quietly in the shade or spending time indoors together. Gardening and maintenance volunteers keep our Homes safe and comfortable for the dogs, staff and visitors, by weeding, brush cutting, painting and fencing.

And then there are our fundraising volunteers. They assist at our annual street appeals, help at fundraising BBQs and raffles, or fundraise on their own through events and social media.

Our foster carers

Our foster carers provide life-changing support for dogs at a time when they need it most.

Some take on the joyful but hard work of raising a litter of pups, others give a single stressed dog some time away from the shelter, or a sick dog a comfortable place to recover.

In recent years we've needed more foster carers than ever, as our foster carers introduce ex-racing Greyhounds to the fun of life as a pet in a home.

Dogs in foster care become part of family life, whether that's with a single person, a couple or a family with children and other pets.



Debbie has some quiet time with Chevy after a walk.



(L to R) Juniper, Jellybean and JJRabbit with a young friend (background). Experiencing family life with other animals, children and all the activity of homelife is an important part of foster care for puppies.

Helping Hans

Hans Hermans has volunteered for us for over 25 years. In that time he has walked countless dogs. He's also been a foster carer—until his own dog Rufus told him that he needed a break. Hans helped us set up the Dogs' Homes' Facebook page back in 2013 and his shares of our adoption posts have introduced many, many people to their new best friend.

Hans is also a powerhouse for our fundraising efforts. He's shaken a tin for us at street appeals (too many to count), and in 2022 he single-handedly raised \$5000 in a peer-to-peer fundraiser for our Winter Appeal.

We recently asked Hans how he got started as a volunteer and why he keeps coming back:

"You can blame our Auxiliary President, Pat Rogers for that! Hahaha! I knew Pat, and when I brought in a stray 27 years ago, she said "why don't you come and volunteer?" The rest is history. Oh, and I ended up adopting that stray I brought in!

I keep coming back because all I want to do is help the dogs that are there to the best of my ability and I want to help them enjoy their stay as much as possible.

The most satisfying thing is seeing the long-termers get rehomed. Although pretty much any dog for that matter, watching their proud new owners walk down the footpath smiling and talking to them, ready for their new beginnings."

Thank you Hans, and thank you to all our volunteers and foster carers. Your gift of service changes life for the better for thousands of dogs.



Hans reuniting with Dogs' Homes Alumni, Zayd, whilst volunteering on a Street Appeal.



Above: Spotty, the dog who introduced Hans to the Dogs' Homes in the driver's seat. Hans' other dog at the time, Wrigley, is a passenger.

Left: (L to R) AmbassaDog Sir Tater Tot, CEO Michael and Hans creating social media content for their peer-to-peer fundraising effort during the recent Winter Appeal.

Bottle babes diary

by Michelle Jones | Vet Nurse and Behaviour Trainer

Insight into the extraordinary commitment needed to give three tiny pups a chance at life.

Week 1

A litter of 9 has been born at the Home. Three of the pups are really struggling to stay warm and fed amongst their much larger siblings. Mum came to us very malnourished, so to give these babes a fighting chance, and make things a little easier for mum to sustain the six bigger babes, we decided to hand raise the three wee ones.

They're on hourly feeds until they are used to the teat. I have to be careful to make sure they are swallowing and not inhaling the formula.

Keeping them warm is so important but I need to ensure that they can't get trapped or tangled under blankets. And I have to be careful not to overheat them. Thank goodness for our donated humidicrib!



Week 2

More sleepless nights as the puppies are on 2-3 hourly feeds and must be toileted after every feed. Puppies can't toilet on their own until about three weeks of age, so we use a cotton ball to stimulate them to urinate and defecate like their mum would.

They snuggle together and I have to make sure they are not sucking on each other for comfort as this leads to inflammation and infections.



Weeks 3-4

Gradually reducing the temperature of the humidicrib, in preparation for the pups to transition out of it. Later this week if they're still strong and healthy, they'll be onto four-hourly feeds. I have to be careful to avoid over feeding in a single meal as it will cause diarrhoea!

Three weeks old today and starting to get mobile now! They can now stand on all fours instead of scooting around on their tummies. Now that they can see, hear and walk, they are beginning to explore their environment. They no longer need help to go to the toilet and their teenie baby teeth are starting to emerge.



Week 5

It hasn't been a great week. Sadly we lost one of the pups to a twisted bowel. AHVEC (emergency vet) were great but due to the pup's size and age, treatments were limited and the little girl crashed pretty quickly. It's heartbreaking to come so far and lose one so suddenly to such a freak incident.

The other two pups, named Charm and Vibe, are thriving. They have upgraded to a larger enclosure to allow them more room to play and explore. Their little barks and growls are just the cutest!

We've started introducing solid food. A slurry of tinned food to begin with. Meal times are a very messy process!



Week 6

This is a critical period in pup development and we have been gradually introducing different sights, sounds and surfaces. They're spending time with toys, puppy puzzles, people and other animals. All of these experiences help them grow into confident and curious adults.

AmbassaDog, little Tater-Tot (pictured to the left) is doing a great job with his first foster babies. Norm (Tater's older brother) is teaching him well. He found them a little scary to begin with but is starting to really enjoy them this week.



Weeks 7-8

The pups are spending more time outdoors, exploring and getting used to the sights and sounds of the big, wide world. Their six siblings—Delight, Essence, Aura, Allure, Enchant and Charisma—are also in foster care, but are so much bigger than Charm and Vibe that they are not put together.

It's wonderful to see how far the little ones have come, from those early days when I didn't know if they would make it, to the active, happy pups they are today.

I'm going to miss them when they go to their new families, but I feel so excited for them too.

AmbassaDogs tell their Stories

Each year, for over 1,000 dogs, life changes forever in the best possible way, when they are adopted into new families. One of our adopters was kind enough to allow us to share the story of two of those dogs.

Chris, Cilla and Jamie

AmbassaDogs, Cilla and Jamie had two very different starts in life, but both found a happy ending with Chris.

Cilla came to the Home at approx seven years old. Sadly, she had an eye tumour that meant her eye had to be removed. Cilla recovered well from the operation and was soon ready for adoption.

After watching the adoption post for a while, Chris decided to go and see Cilla. She had Greyhound Jennifer, but had recently lost Kally, her beloved Kelpie x Shepherd. She had room in her home and her heart for a second dog.

A 'Meet and Greet' between the two dogs went well and Cilla had a new home. But sadly, Greyhound Jennifer (adopted from the Dogs' Homes in 2013) died not long after Cilla joined the family.

So it was just Chris and Cilla until a few months later when they were at the Hobart Home for Cilla's nail trim. During their visit they saw an elegant Greyhound being walked by volunteers. 'Hoppy' (now Jamie) was an ex-racing Greyhound, lucky enough to be brought to us for rehoming.

The two dogs met, and it was clear to Chris that they were going to be a two-dog family again.

Chris has a full and busy life, but her dogs are her dear friends and confidants. Owner of many 'rescue' dogs over her lifetime, Chris feels enormously grateful to her dogs for their love and companionship, and the way they have enriched her life.

We feel exactly the same way, and are delighted when our dogs find such a loving home.



(L to R) Jamie, Chris and Cilla.



Above: (L to R) Cilla and Jamie.

Left: (L to R) Cilla, Chris and Jamie.



Volunteer Moira and Monique enjoying playtime.

Executive report and financial statements

Executive report

Tasmanian Canine Defence League Inc. for the year ended 30 June 2022

Your Executive Members submit the financial Report of the Tasmanian Canine Defence League Inc. for the financial year ended 30 June 2022.

Office Bearers and Other Board Members

The Members of the Board and Office Bearers throughout the year and at the time of this report are:

Name	Position
Carol Hughes	President
Denise Bower	Vice President
Trish Brown	Treasurer
Aaron McClurg	Secretary / Public Officer
Megan Alessandrini	Director
Jencie Harrington	Director
Maxine Hindell	Director
David Jackson	Director

Declaration

The Board has determined that the association is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 of the financial statements.

In the opinion of the Board, the attached financial report:

1. Presents a true and fair view of the financial position of the Tasmanian Canine Defence League Inc. as at 30 June 2022 and its performance for the period 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022.
2. At the date of this statement there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Tasmanian Canine Defence League Inc. will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board and is signed for and on behalf of the Board by:



Carol Hughes
(President)



Trish Brown
(Treasurer)

Dated at Hobart this 16th day of September 2022

Compilation report

Tasmanian Canine Defence League Inc. for the year ended 30 June 2022

We have compiled the accompanying special purpose financial statements of Tasmanian Canine Defence League Inc., which comprise the asset and liabilities statement as at 30 June 2022, the profit & loss statement, the statement of cash flows, the statement of changes in equity, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes. The specific purpose for which the special purpose financial statements have been prepared is set out in Note 1.

The Responsibility of the Directors

The Directors of Tasmanian Canine Defence League Inc. are solely responsible for the information contained in the special purpose financial statements, the reliability, accuracy and completeness of the information and for the determination that the basis of accounting used is appropriate to meet their needs and for the purpose that financial statements were prepared.

Our Responsibility

On the basis of information provided by the Directors we have compiled the accompanying special purpose financial statements in accordance with the basis of accounting as described in Note 1 to the financial statements and *APES 315 Compilation of Financial Information*.

We have applied our expertise in accounting and financial reporting to compile these financial statements in accordance with the basis of accounting described in Note 1 to the financial statements. We have complied with the relevant ethical requirements of *APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants*.

Assurance Disclaimer

Since a compilation engagement is not an assurance engagement, we are not required to verify the reliability, accuracy or completeness of the information provided to us by management to compile these financial statements. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or a review conclusion on these financial statements.

The special purpose financial statements were compiled exclusively for the benefit of the committee who are responsible for the reliability, accuracy and completeness of the information used to compile them. We do not accept responsibility for the contents of the special purpose financial statements.



Tim Moroney (CA)

Moroney Wray Jackson Pty Ltd GPO Box 1504, Hobart TAS 7001

Dated : 15 August 2022

Profit and loss (consolidated)

Tasmanian Canine Defence League Inc. for the year ended 30 June 2022

	2022	2021
Income		
Auxiliary	2,939	6,875
Council Contributions	754,292	729,174
Dogs	601,879	572,514
Donations	244,486	361,518
Fundraising Income	196,682	188,685
Subscriptions & Sponsorships	19,868	22,238
Sales	88,967	78,931
Other Income	52,814	85,537
Surrender Donation	17,204	11,921
Dog Treats - Sales*	-	162
Grooming Services*	-	727
Total Income	1,979,131	2,058,281
Cost of Sales		
Discounts Given	-	2
Total Cost of Sales	-	2
Expenses		
Finance & Admin Costs	66,758	70,741
Dogs	11,470	851
Fundraising	15,058	14,238
Goods for Resale	74,429	51,218
Rental Property Expenses	3,518	6,785
Running Costs, Maint. & Repair	148,494	146,291
General Expenses	186,217	136,814
Supplies	32,930	27,823
Utilities	60,712	70,006
Veterinary	160,364	241,978
Staff, Consult & Contractor Exp	1,628,943	1,744,889
Total Expenses	2,388,893	2,511,634
Operating Surplus/Deficit	(409,762)	(453,353)
Other Items		
Depreciation	(120,892)	(112,690)
Bequest Income	1,721,671	205,638
Grants Received	200,000	62,159
Minor Capital Expenditure	(980)	(536)
JobKeeper Receipts	-	797,550
Cashflow Boost Income	-	50,000
Loss on Disposal	(15,637)	-
Total Other Items	1,784,162	1,002,120
Total Surplus/(Deficit)	1,374,400	548,767

* In FY22, line items 'Dog Treats - Sales and Grooming Services' were absorbed into 'Sales'.

This statement should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report and notes to accounts.

Balance sheet

Tasmanian Canine Defence League Inc. as at 30 June 2022

	30 Jun 2022	30 Jun 2021
Assets		
Current Assets		
Cash at Bank		
Cash at Bank (Dogs' Homes)	131,050	1,063,408
Cash at Bank (Auxiliary)	3,375	9,165
Total Cash at Bank	134,425	1,072,573
Cash on Hand	1,510	899
Receivables		
Debtors	34,341	50,872
Accrued Revenue	2,557	2,421
Prepayments	14,838	24,769
Total Receivables	51,736	78,061
Investments		
At Call Investment	2,767,065	779,663
Term Deposits	1,354,438	1,352,610
Cash Managed Funds	627,382	619,655
Total Investments	4,748,885	2,751,928
Inventories	98,041	102,949
Other Current Assets	900	900
Total Current Assets	5,035,497	4,007,310
Non-current Assets		
Property		
Land (Risdon Vale) - At Cost	144,696	144,696
Buildings (R/Vale) - At Cost	1,437,774	1,442,600
Acc Depn Risdon Main Building	(928,066)	(888,819)
Freehold Prop (Burnie) At Cost	495,332	510,696
Acc Depn Brn Main Building	(279,285)	(276,723)
Freehold Land (Burnie) At Cost	21,222	21,222
Freehold Prop (D'port) At Cost	288,833	288,833
Acc Depn Dport Main Build	(150,236)	(139,718)
Total Property	1,030,270	1,102,787
Plant & Equipment		
Plant & Equipment - At Cost	721,638	599,243
Acc Depn P and E	(267,604)	(347,596)
Total Plant & Equipment	454,034	251,647

This statement should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report and notes to accounts.

Leasehold Improv (D'port) – At insurance value		
Leasehold Improvements (D'port) – At Insurance Value	98,500	98,500
Acc Depn Out Building 1	(76,365)	(73,903)
Total Leasehold Improv (D'port) – At insurance value	22,135	24,597
Leasehold Improv (D'port) – At cost		
Leasehold Improvements (D'port) – At Cost	60,058	77,155
Acc Depn Out Building 2	(30,638)	(40,817)
Total Leasehold Improv (D'port) – At cost	29,420	36,338
Total Non-current Assets	1,535,861	1,415,369
Total Assets	6,571,358	5,422,679
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Account Payables	(3,042)	59,069
Accrued Expenses	46,788	40,105
Grants Received	12,650	200,000
GST liabilities	8,827	26,585
Payroll Liabilities	17,382	20,283
Staff Leave Provision	358,086	309,191
Total Current Liabilities	440,691	655,233
Non-current Liabilities		
Provisions		
Long Service & Annual Leave	33,981	45,156
Total Provisions	33,981	45,156
Total Non-current Liabilities	33,981	45,156
Total Liabilities	474,672	700,390
Net Assets	6,096,686	4,722,289
Accumulation Funds		
Retained Earnings	6,096,686	4,722,289
Total Accumulation Funds	6,096,686	4,722,289

This statement should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report and notes to accounts.

Statement of changes in equity

Tasmanian Canine Defence League Inc. for the year ended 30 June 2022

	2022	2021
Equity		
Opening Balance	4,722,290	4,229,186
Current Year Earnings	1,374,400	548,765
Change in Value of Investments	–	(55,383)
Opening Balance	–	29
Prior Period Adjustment	–	(308)
Total Equity	6,096,690	4,722,289

Statement of cash flows

Tasmanian Canine Defence League Inc. for the year ended 30 June 2022

	2022	2021
CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Cash Receipts from Operating Activities	1,589,381	1,583,267
Donations received	244,430	362,345
Bequests received	1,721,671	205,638
Fundraising proceeds	200,075	192,786
Subscriptions & Sponsorships	20,658	24,296
Interest Received	21,971	37,805
Other Income	46,129	1,097,242
Payments to suppliers	(917,713)	(945,048)
Payments to employees	(1,614,240)	(1,755,148)
Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities	1,312,362	803,182
CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Receipt/ (Payment) for at call investments	(1,987,401)	(278,698)
Receipt/ (Payment) for term deposits	(1,828)	(8,147)
Receipt/ (Payment) for other investments	(2,820)	263,521
Payment for plant and equipment	(258,098)	(192,087)
Net Cash Flows from Investing Activities	(2,250,147)	(215,412)
Net Cash Flows	(937,785)	587,771
Cash and Cash Equivalents		
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	1,073,163	483,623
Prior year adjustment	–	1,768
Net change in cash for period	(937,785)	587,771
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	135,378	1,073,162

This statement should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report and notes to accounts.

Notes to the financial statements

Tasmanian Canine Defence League Inc. for the year ended 30 June 2022

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements are special purpose financial statements prepared for the Members of the League to enable compliance with requirements of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Act 2012*. The League is of a type identified in Statement of Accounting Concepts 1 as a non-reporting entity, therefore generally accepted accounting principles have been used in the preparation of these accounts.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historic costs and do not take into account changing money values or, except where stated specifically, current valuations of non-current assets.

The following significant accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless stated otherwise, have been adopted in the preparation of these financial statements.

Income Tax

No provision for the income tax has been raised as the Tasmanian Canine Defence League Inc. is exempt from income tax under Division 50 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*.

Property, Plant and Equipment (PPE)

Leasehold improvements and office equipment are carried at cost less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation.

The depreciable amount of all PPE is depreciated over the useful lives of the assets to the association commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

Leasehold improvements are amortised over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the improvements.

Accounts Receivable and Other Debtors

Trade Receivables are recognised at the nominal transaction value without taking into account the time value of money. If required a provision for doubtful debt has been created.

Employee Benefits

Provision is made for the association's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to the end of the reporting period. Employee provisions have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled.

This statement should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report and notes to accounts.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash on hand includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

Revenue and Other Income

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable after taking into account any trade discounts and volume rebates all owed. For this purpose, deferred consideration is not discounted to present values when recognising revenue.

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest method, which for floating rate financial assets is the rate inherent in the instrument. Dividend revenue is recognised when the right to receive a dividend has been established.

Grant and donation income is recognised when the entity obtains control over the funds, which is generally at the time of receipt.

If conditions are attached to the grant that must be satisfied before the association is eligible to receive the contribution, recognition of the grant as revenue will be deferred until those conditions are satisfied.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax.

Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO). Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included in the Balance Sheet.

Accounts Payable and Other Payables

Accounts payable and other payables represent the liability outstanding at the end of the reporting period for goods and services received by the association during the reporting period that remain unpaid. The balance is recognised as a current liability with the amounts normally paid within 30 days of recognition of the liability.

Minor Capital Expenditure

Capital items costing less than \$1000 are expensed in the year they are purchased.

Independent auditor's report



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**INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT
TO THE MEMBERS OF TASMANIAN CANINE DEFENCE LEAGUE
INC
ABN: 65 399 649 360**

Opinion

We have audited the special purpose financial report of Tasmanian Canine Defence League Inc (the Entity), which comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2022, the profit and loss statement, statement of changes in equity and cash flow statement for the year then ended, and notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes.

In our opinion, except for the possible effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph, the financial report of Tasmanian Canine Defence League Inc has been prepared in accordance with Division 60 of the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Act 2012, including:

- a) giving a true and fair view of the registered entity's financial position as at 30 June 2022, and of its financial performance for the year ended on that date; and
- b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards to the extent described in Note 1, and Division 60 the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013.

Basis for Qualified Opinion

Cash donations are a significant source of fundraising revenue for Tasmanian Canine Defence League Inc. The Entity has determined that it is impracticable to establish control over the collection of cash donations prior to entry into its financials records. Accordingly, as the evidence available to us regarding fundraising revenue from this source was limited, our audit procedures with respect to cash donations had to be restricted to the amounts recorded in the financial records. We therefore are unable to express an opinion on whether the recorded cash donations Tasmanian Canine Defence League Inc are complete.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report section of our report. We are independent of the Entity in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.



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We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Emphasis of Matter – Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The special purpose financial report has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the responsible entities' financial reporting responsibilities under the ACNC Act. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Responsibility of the Board for the Financial Report

The Board of Management of the Entity are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and have determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1 to the financial report is appropriate to meet the requirements of the ACNC Act and the needs of the members. The Board's responsibility also includes such internal control as the responsible entities determine is necessary to enable the preparation of a financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the Board is responsible for assessing the Entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Board either intends to liquidate the Entity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as



fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the registered entity's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by responsible entities.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Board's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the registered entity's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the registered entity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the Board regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Derbyshire".

Michael Ian Derbyshire
Director

29 August 2022

Thank you

to our 'pawsome' business sponsors and partners who have supported us this year.



Thank you to our local government partners:

- Brighton Council
- Burnie City Council
- Clarence City Council
- Devonport City Council
- Glenorchy City Council
- Hobart City Council
- Kentish Council
- Latrobe Council
- Launceston City Council
- Waratah-Wynyard Council



Thank you

And thank you to our generous dog-loving community who continue to provide unwavering support. Your generosity allows us to provide for the welfare of Tasmanian dogs, including finding new homes where they have a warm, dry bed, a full belly and plenty of love.



(L to R) Puppies Roydon, Little Dog and Moriarty in foster care.

