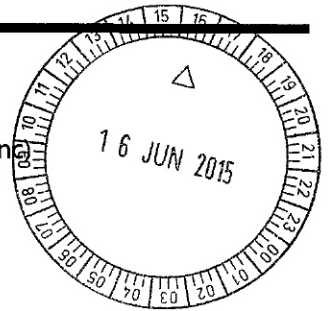


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**From:** Daryl Stuart  
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**To:** Select Committee into the Operations of the RSPCA WA (Inc)  
**Subject:** RSPCA Inquiry



Dear Committee members

I would like to make mention of some work conducted by my wife in the capacity of a volunteer for a fauna rehabilitation group based in Perth.

She wanted to help sick and injured native animals but when she arrived for the first shift she found cages full of Indian ring neck doves, lorikeets and a pond with Muscovy ducks.

It took a new President and volunteers like my wife to change the mindset that a feral dove should be rehabilitated and should be seen just as important as a black swan, 28 parrot or a tawny frogmouth.

My view is the RSPCA is a vital organisation when operating in the role of a body charged with the investigation and prosecution of individuals and or companies charged with cruelty.

It is concerning that the waters are being muddled somewhat by the deviation of this body towards a stance of animal liberation.

Foxes, cats, pigs, deer, rabbits, camels, donkeys, horses, cattle, goats etc; are not native animals and are a destructive force to our fragile landscape. Culling of these feral animals by shooting, trapping and poisoning has been conducted for many years at great cost to the tax payer by government bodies.

The use of properly trained and licensed shooters from the recreational shooting community is another tool in this control measure and should not be confused with animal cruelty or emotive animal liberationist ideals.

The RSPCA needs to get back on track.

Thank you for your time

Mr D Stuart