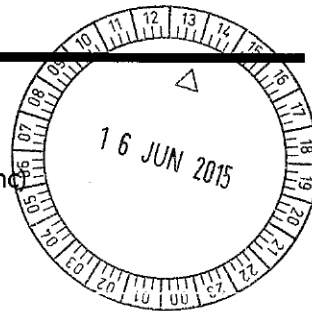


Select Committee into the Operations of the RSPCA WA (Inc)

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To whom it may concern

I am writing to pledge my full support to the committee setup to investigate the operations into the Western Australia RSPCA.

I will show my hand from the outset, I am a dedicated amateur fisherman and sporting shooter. I like many West Australians have supported morally and financially the efforts of the RSPCA over many years, but in recent times I see them now as a quasi arm of militant organisations such as PETA and Animal Liberation. I was recently amazed of the full page newspaper advertisements attacking hunters as blood lust rambos intent on slaughtering all creatures great and small. Hunting along with fishing, is a legitimate and legal pastime in WA, like all of Australia, and I cannot see that attacking these pursuits by the RSPCA has gained them a clear advantage to better there cause.

Cruelty to animals in any way shape or form is deplorable and any decent human being will agree and attest to that fact. No person I know engages in such depravity, and if I did I would be the first person to inform the authorities. It may seem ironic to some people that as a hunter and fisherman that my stance to them is a valid one, but as a very proud Western Australian, I love the native flora and fauna of this great state and country, it is simply unique and beautiful, and I have no hesitation to cull feral introduced pests that decimate these native species on a daily basis. I have undertaken this since I was legally allowed to own a firearm back in 1987, and I continue to do so to this day. I could not tell you the amount of foxes, feral cats, wild dogs, goats, donkeys and camels I have culled over the years but it would be in the thousands and at zero financial cost to anyone but myself. The winners as I see it, are the flora and fauna of WA, private station and farm owners and small business.

I finish by saying that it saddens me to see the RSPCA now act in the way it does, I feel they are being mismanaged by an ideology which is at odds as to what the RSPCA was originally setup to do and that is prevent cruelty to animals and investigate when there is, not attack a legitimate and legal and way of life, that is hunting and fishing, purely because they simply do not like it and it does not fit there ideology.

Regards

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Sent from my iPad