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Presidents Report

On behalf of the Horses in Drought Committee I would like to extend my best wishes for a happy Christmas and a safe and prosperous New Year to all our Members, Clients, Supporters and Sponsors.

For the last few months, the Horses in Drought Inc. Committee and Members have been focussed on boosting our feed relief funds. This has meant tireless hours Fundraising and promoting our organisation and at the same time having some great fun, meeting Dr Harry Cooper and dancing with Dorothy the Dinosaur.

We are committed to providing as much assistance as we can. If you have an idea on how we can Fundraise, or would like to be involved with assisting us in Fundraising, we would love to talk to you.

As I mentioned in our last newsletter, the current committee is stretched to the limit and are finding it difficult to concentrate on the "real" issues. To enable us to continue, Horses in Drought Inc. are searching for a suitable Member to take on the role of Secretary on our Committee. As we have had strong interest from other states we are currently seeking expressions of interest from anyone in QLD, WA, SA, and NT that would like to become a Member of our Committee. Please contact me at horsesindrought@yahoo.com or on ph 0410 573 124 for further information.

I would like to extend a very special thank you to our newest sponsor **Kevin & Glenys Grivell Saddlery** for their support and encouragement. We are launching our December/January Fundraiser that is proudly supported by **Kevin & Glenys Grivell Saddlery**, in this edition.

Over the next few weeks we will be updating our Billeting Register database once again. We understand that circumstances change and that some people may not be able to assist where they were previously able too. You may also now be in a position to offer support by way of providing a temporary home. Please keep an eye out for our correspondence regarding these issues as we endeavour to keep our databases as current as possible.

We will be embarking on another Media campaign in the coming months. Again targeting Regional Radio stations and local newspapers and Magazines.

We value your feedback, and always welcome any comments or questions you have regarding Horses in Drought Incorporated.

Nicole Pearce
President

News

News from our Website
www.horsesindrought.org.au

With our new Communication Forum now on-line on our Website, we would like to invite all Members to join up and participate in our on-line community. We have now decided to extend this invitation to everyone that has registered to provide a Temporary home for horses.

Please check our Forum Page on our Website for information on how to join.

We are now making Monthly Member Updates available on-line via our Forum.

The website is always evolving and we are updating it constantly, we have noticed an increase in hits on our site in the past few months and encourage our Members, Clients, Supporters and Sponsors to continue to visit regularly to find out what we are and have been up too and what events we have planned for the months ahead.

Halter Fundraiser proudly supported by Kevin & Glenys Grivell Saddlery



Horses in Drought Incorporated welcome our newest Sponsor, Kevin & Glenys Grivell Saddlery. We truly value our sponsors, and hope that you can support them through purchasing your Rope Halters through Horses in Drought's latest Fundraising event.

Proudly supported by Kevin & Glenys Grivell Saddlery, Horses in Drought Inc. are pleased to present our first Rope Halter Fundraiser.

Purchase your new Rope Halters and support HID's feed relief funds.

Price \$20 (inc. gst) per halter (plus additional for postage)

Purchase four or more halters and receive either a 10% discount or free postage.

All halters are tied with a genuine fiador knot and have spliced ends. Colours left to right: Brown, Blue, Red, Green, Yellow, Purple, Hot Pink, Black & Burgundy.

Place your orders by emailing us at horsesindrought@yahoo.com

Cost Benefit Analysis

Round Bales v's Small Square bales

A cost benefit analysis of purchasing small v's round bales has been done and as you will see, the round bales have proven to be more cost effective. Allowing our funds to be better utilised.

Cost Benefit Analysis		
Item	Cost	Size (kg)
Small Square Bale	\$6.00	25
Round bale	\$55.00	360
Ratios		
small bales:1 round bale	9.166667	14.4

We can see from these figures that for the cost of one round bale of hay, we would receive 9.1 small bales. The weight of one round bale equates to 14.4 small bales. We estimate that if fed correctly, there would only be minimum wastage of the round bales, this would equate to approximately 25kg of hay or the equivalent of one small bale.

We are always looking for new feed and hay suppliers, please contact us if you know someone that might be able to give us a good deal.

Coffee Fundraising

Horses in Drought Inc ran our first Coffee Fundraiser from October to December, 2005. We would like to thank all the Members that assisted with this Fundraiser and those of our supporters that made purchases.

A big thank you to Mr David Rosa from Coffee Fundraising for allowing us the opportunity to fundraise with the assistance of his business.

We will be running another Coffee Fundraiser in 2006, so keep an eye out for notification.

What's Happening

NSW Team Report

Penrith Panthers Pet Expo

Saturday and Sunday the 13th & 14 August 2005 the NSW team attended to Panthers Pet Expo.

We had a wonderful time and had the opportunity to meet some wonderful people. We even danced with Dorothy the Dinosaur. We spent the two days listening to the wonderful Native birds displayed opposite us, by the Blacktown Cockatiel Club, who most generously drew our raffle on the Sunday for us. Congratulations to the winners of our raffle.

The two days were a big success, with boosting our Membership base and concentrating on promoting responsible Horse Ownership.

Unfortunately, we have been advised that at this stage this event will not be held in 2006. Horses in Drought Inc thank Penrith Panther Pet Expo for their generosity in providing us with the opportunity to attend this event.

Pet Fest 2005

On Sunday, 18 September, 2005 the NSW team attended the Holroyd Pet Fest 2005 at Holroyd Gardens, Merrylands.

The day was filled with loads of fun and plenty of K9 friends as well. Over 5000 people attended the day and were treated to some great entertainment, including flyball displays, loads of stalls, agility and some great fun.

All money raised at Pet Fest via gold coin entry is donated to animal rescue and education for the local community.

Horses in Drought Inc. had a great day and hope to join in the fun again in 2006.

VIC Team Report

Seasons Greetings everyone

VIC team have been hard at promoting our plight these past few months, and catching up with our supporters and sponsors. We had the opportunity to visit Equitana in Melbourne in November, this time as visitors/spectators. Nicole travelled down from Sydney to catch up with us all and meet some of our sponsors and secure some exciting new relationships.

On Sunday 11 December, Horses in Drought Team VIC made a visit to the Packerham sales. We'd had word that there were a number of Miniature ponies about to go through there on the weekend and that it did not look good.

Generally HID do not "Rescue" horses, but this time it was different. There were three mini ponies all huddled together in one lot, a gelding and a mare with a foal on her that were beyond help. The little gelding was pretty bad too, but with plenty of TLC, he would probably come good.

There is a bit more to the story, but the upshot was that we bought the little gelding, paid \$50 for him. Poor little fella looks like a bag of wormy bones wrapped in a bay blanket.

He has a new name now "Spunky Monkey" and has a lovely new permanent home with a very kind lady and her horses. It'll take some time for him to be fixed up but he is a sweet little bloke with huge amounts of love to give.

We will have some photos soon that will be posted on our Website along with his story.

Cheers from Sam, Spirit and St Nicholas...

Thank you

Horses in Drought Inc. would like to thank the following people for their support and contributions to the Organisation.

David Rosa, Coffee Fundraising
Kevin & Glenys Grivell Saddlery, VIC
Meri Bennett, Eco2000
Holroyd Council, NSW
Penrith Panthers, NSW
Sassy Treats, NSW

Contact the Committee

The Horses in Drought Committee can be contacted as follows:

Via our Website: [Contacts](#)

Horses in Drought Incorporated
c/o Kurrajong Post Office
Kurrajong NSW 2758

Phone 0423 123 276 or 0410 573 124
Email horsesindrought@yahoo.com

All donations can be forwarded to the above address.

Membership Applications

Horses in Drought Incorporated Membership Applications 2005/2006

Become a member now, it truly is a very rewarding experience.

All membership funds go towards running costs and helping horses in need. Your membership will be valued and you will receive a monthly member update along with access to our On-Line Forum. Membership will be valid for 12 months from your date of application. Horses in Drought Inc. encourage members to be actively involved in assisting with our fundraising events, by selling raffle tickets, chocolates and attending promotional events and functions.

All members are entitled to attend Committee and Annual General Meetings.

Membership Fees
Single - \$10
Family - \$20
Business - \$100

Business Members will receive three months free banner advertising via the Horses in Drought Inc. Website Home page (<http://www.horsesindrought.org.au>), along with a link under our sponsors page for the period of your membership. We also offer the opportunity for distribution of your promotional flyers and products via our showbags and general newsletter circulation.

To become a member, please complete the below Application for Membership forms and return to Horses in Drought Inc. along with your money order or cheque (made payable to "Horses in Drought Incorporated") to:

Horses in Drought Incorporated
C/o Kurrajong Post Office
Kurrajong NSW 2758

For further information or enquiries, please contact Nicole Pearce, president on 0410 573 124 or Samantha Merritt, Vice President on 0423 123 276.

Application for Membership of Association

Horses in Drought Incorporated

(incorporated under the *Associations Incorporation Act 1984*)

I
(full name of Applicant)

Of
(address)

.....
(occupation)

hereby apply to become a member of the above named incorporated association. In the event of my admission as a member, I agree to be bound by the rules of the association for the time being in force.

.....
(signature of applicant)

.....
(date)

I
(Full name)

a member for the association, nominate the applicant, who is personally known to me, for membership of the association.

.....
(signature of proposer)

.....
(date)

I
(Full name)

a member for the association, second the nomination, of the applicant, who is personally known to me, for membership of the association.

.....
(signature of seconder)

.....
(date)

Application for Membership of Association
Horses in Drought Incorporated
INC9880430

Please find enclosed cheque/money order for:

Single Membership - \$10

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Family Membership - \$20

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Business Membership - \$100 .

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Name: _____

Address: _____

DOB: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

I would like to receive Monthly Members updates:

By Post

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By Email

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I would like to receive the Horses in Drought Inc quarterly newsletter:

By Post

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By Email

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Signed _____

Date _____

Please contact us should you prefer to pay your membership fees via direct deposit.

Thank you for supporting Horses in Drought Incorporated.

Merry Christmas

