

September is an important month for the NSPCA: we're gearing up for our AGM and observing various important awareness days (*stay tuned to our social media!*). In this Newsletter issue, we spotlight **Wills Week**, **World Tourism Day** (spoiler alert: your estate & travel plans can impact animal welfare!), and **our recent interventions to improve animal welfare**.



YOU can be a guardian angel for animals by including the NSPCA as a beneficiary in your will.

VIEW attorneys drafting wills FREE of charge for Wills Week

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VIEW the NSPCA's Wills

"I've often thought about the future of my estate. Given my long-standing support for animal welfare, I included the NSPCA as a

beneficiary in my will.

It brings me great peace to know that I can continue to help vulnerable animals in need, even after my passing."

CLICK to include the NSPCA in your will



Renowned for its rich biodiversity and exceptional wildlife attractions, South Africa offers unforgettable experiences for local and international tourists. Unfortunately, several animal welfare concerns arise among captive wildlife facilities. Our Wildlife Protection Unit inspects these facilities and promotes the interests of wild animals, striving to improve their quality of life.

Experience the beauty of South Africa by supporting

## ETHICAL TOURISM

Red Flags that signal disregard for animal welfare at wildlife-centred attractions:

The facility breeds or trades with animals (for reasons other than bonafide conservation purposes)

The facility forces animals to perform or have interaction with the public (e.g. cub petting, walking with lions, riding elephants)

Animals are in captivity solely for entertainment or "education"

Animals end up in canned hunting or trade in body parts or the illegal wildlife trade

Lack of transparency, misleading advertising and deceptive behaviour

Unnatural enclosures prioritising animals' visibility to the public rather than providing enrichment encouraging natural behaviours

CLICK HERE to learn about ETHICAL Tourism

purposes

View NSPCA Accredited Facilities





Cartoons courtesy of Cuan Miles

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## **CHARLEY IS FINALLY FREE!**

Through the combined efforts of animal rescue organisations, Charley, South Africa's last zoo elephant, has been set free and is adapting to his new home at Shambala Private Game Reserve in Limpopo.

Over the past three years, the NSPCA extensively engaged with the Pretoria Zoological National Gardens (PNZG) regarding Charley's retirement. We conducted several inspections and issued warnings in terms of the Animals Protections Act 71 of 1962 and were considering legal action prior to the announcement of his release.

Charley was taken from his wild home in Zimbabwe in 1982 as a two-year-old calf. He was then brought to South Africa and forced to perform in a circus. After 17 years of suffering, he was transferred to PNZG, where he has spent the last 23 years.



We are so glad you are finally free, Charley!

CLICK to SUPPORT the NSPCA's Freedom for Elephants Project

## SHOCKING CONDITIONS AT "NO-KILL" SHELTER



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The NSPCA supports **DIGNITY** and **QUALITY OF LIFE** for animals

SUPPORT our relief for dogs and cats project

The Southern African Python rescued by our Special Projects Unit in January 2024 has been served justice, with the perpetrator of her cruelty found guilty of contravening The Animals Protection Act 72 of 1962.

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NSPCA Disaster Response Team, Mafikeng SPCA & Local Animal Rescue team up to assist animals in need amidst North West fires, scouring the area for injured animals.

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NSPCA Farm Animal Protection Unit monitors Traditional Horse Race in Newcastle, KZN - 11 horses removed due to health concerns and leg injuries

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