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National Council of SPCAs

# NEWS

**INSIDE THIS ISSUE**

On October 4th, we marked **World Animal Day** - a global call to defend animal welfare.
In honour of this day, we showcase the systemic change **you make possible**: holding government and industry to account, challenging injustice, and advancing the movement.

## Welfare Watchdogs:

***Without You, Cruelty Wins***

It is often said that a person's true character is revealed in how they treat animals, because it is in caring for the most vulnerable that the best (or worst) of who we are shines through.

And this is where the line is drawn.
On one side are those who place power and profit over compassion, people who see animals as objects to be controlled, blind to the suffering they cause. **On the other side are people like you: a small portion of humanity who still care**, who understand that kindness must reach beyond themselves.

This is why your role matters so deeply.
Animals cannot defend themselves.
They cannot speak out against their suffering.
But they have **US,** and they have **YOU.**

Through **your** voice, **your** choices, and **your** actions, **hope is still alive.**

## LIVE EXPORT:

*We Need Bills with Bite for Forsaken Animals*

Without strong safeguards, **countless animals face suffering in live export,** with industry interests prioritized over their welfare.

These animals are **powerless** against the forces of government. Together, we are **fighting** for their **dignity.**

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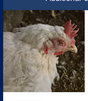
**NSPCA Expresses Concern: Government Soft-Pedalling on Live Export Will Sink Animal Welfare**

## DAYBREAK:

*Additional 89 000 Helpless Lives in Danger*



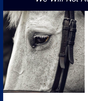
Despite clear evidence of ongoing **suffering** and inadequate funding, Daybreak plans to place tens of thousands of **vulnerable** chickens, risking even **more cruelty**.

With courage, compassion, and relentless commitment, we need to continue to **stand between these animals and harm.**

**READ MORE**
**Daybreak Pushes 89,000 Birds into Uncertain Future Despite NSPCA Concerns**

## REIN IN THE PAIN:

*We Will Not Rest Until Racehorses Are Protected*



Horses are **gentle and intelligent creatures**, yet the racing industry continues **practices that put them at risk.**

Thanks to your support, we stand firm - **refusing to compromise our principles**, exposing cruelty, and **holding those responsible accountable for the welfare of these defenceless animals.**

**READ MORE**
**NSPCA Calls for Urgent Action to Protect Racehorses Following Meeting with NHA**

## MADIKWE:

*These Innocent Elephants Shouldn't Pay the Price for Profit*

Behind the fences of Madikwe, **elephants starve while officials debate profit over mercy.**

Because of your **compassion and drive**, we are standing up for them - **protecting and defending the very lives that depend on us.**

**READ MORE**
**Conservation or Convenience? Why Madikwe's Elephants Deserve Better**

## SCHOOL CAMEL RACE:

*Children Should Be Taught Compassion, Not Cruelty*

Camels at Laerskool A.G. Visser were facing **unnecessary stress, injury, and danger from untrained riders** - but thanks to your support, the NSPCA **stepped in to stop the races**.

Together, we are teaching that animals are **sentient beings deserving of care and respect, not spectacles for entertainment.**

**READ MORE**
**NSPCA Pulls Breaks on Non-Compliant Heidelberg Camel Races**

These innocent, defenseless animals cannot protect themselves - they need someone to stand up for them.

**Will you be that someone?**

**Click Here to Protect Them for as Little as R50 / Month**

People like Ibtihaj are making a **real** difference.
Join a community of compasssionate people.

**Ibtihaj Yilmaz**
I am grateful for EVERY attempt you make to keep ALL animals as safe as possible ! salute your work, effort, with LITTLE RESOURCES, most time UNDER STAFFED, UNDER SUPPORTED, facing FEAR in hostile environments, and not to mention your emotional wellbeing dealing with SEVERE injured animals across South Africa. I am PROUD to be a lifelong sponsor to Warriors Against Dogfighting. A little goes a long way. I will SING your praise **NSPCA - National Council of SPCAs**!!!! You are worth it!!! Lots of love from me, Rocky & Mimi🥰

Learn More About Adopt-a-Project

Looking for something to keep the kids busy this school holiday?

Check out our NSPCA Children's Activity Book - it's packed with learning AND fun!

**- Click Here to See -**

Thank you for believing in this cause. Thank you for standing with us.
And most importantly, thank you for standing up for them.

With gratitude,
**Team NSPCA**

## P.S.

**We can't do any of this without you.**
**Helpless and vulnerable, these animals are looking to all of us for hope.**

**If you can, please consider donating.**

**What you choose today will shape their tomorrow.**

**DONATE**

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