

TAKE A DEEP BREATH...

Inside this issue **we are setting the noise aside** - the bad news that floods our inboxes, our feeds, and our thoughts. Because despite all of it, **good things are still happening**, and we want you to see how **you** are creating the conditions for **change** every day.

The Story of Castor & Pollux:
The Two Kimberley Donkeys



NSPCA Senior Inspector Duan Coetzee, 11 March 2026

On the afternoon of March 10th, I received a call from Chief Inspector Appalsamy, head of the NSPCA's Farm Animal Unit. Two donkeys, seemingly abandoned by their owner on the side of the road - a farmer had spotted them, and had no idea how long they had been there. Kimberley's autumn had offered some mercy that morning, but noon had peaked and the sun was blazing - even an hour or two in that heat likely meant dehydration.

I pulled up, stepped out, and approached slowly - their coats coming into focus as I neared, glistening and drenched in sweat. It was only as I got closer that the red and raw wounds revealed themselves - hydration, I realised, was the least of their concerns. Chafed through their coats, the injuries mapped every place where an ill-fitting harness had done its worst: legs, shoulders, chest, backs. What struck me, despite it all, was how stoically they stood. Carrying their pain without so much as a cry. They deserved names of honour: Castor and Pollux - the divine twins of Greek mythology, inseparable and steadfast, one always watching over the other.

As if fate herself had arranged it, there was an SPCA nearby - a stroke of luck animals in this part of the country rarely see. In less populated areas like these, there is often no shelter, no net to catch the falling. That day, there was. The doors of the Kimberley SPCA closed behind them, and for the first time in perhaps too long, they were safe.

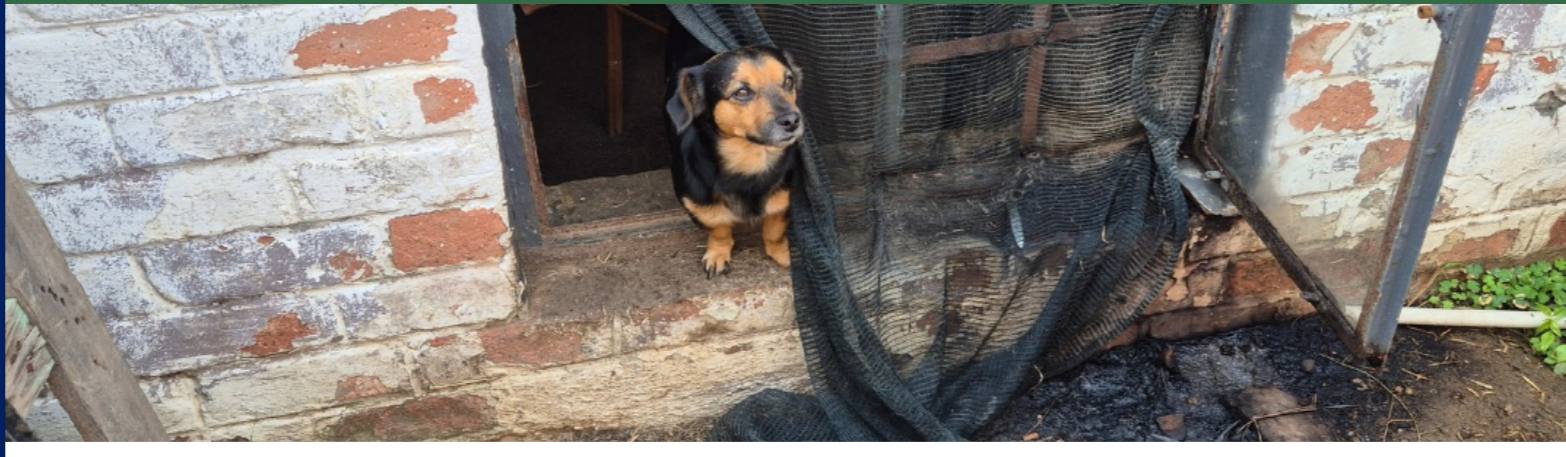
Pursuing justice and prosecution would mean days, weeks, and months of effort and worry, but it was an honour to act on their behalf. Though they would never know how loved they were, or that **we would not let their pain mean nothing** - I like to think, somehow, they did.

[Help Us Fight for Castor & Pollux in Court](#)



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Saving The Trichardt 28:
House of Horrors



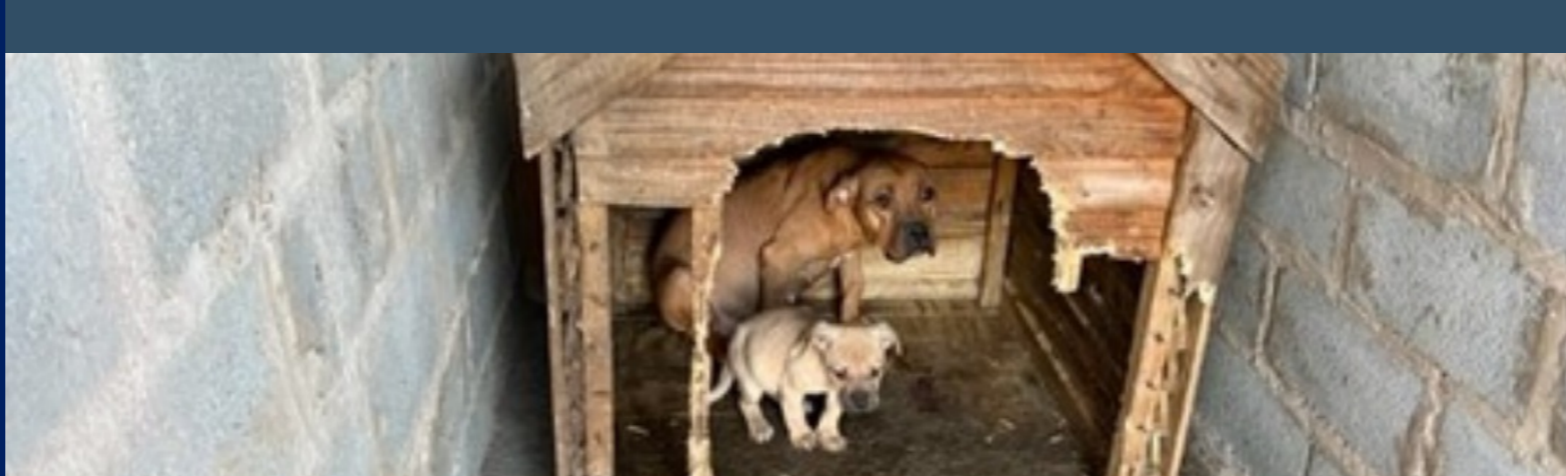
Twenty-one dogs and seven cats - that is how many lives changed on the 17th of March when NSPCA Inspectors executed a warrant at a property in Trichardt, Secunda. What they found was sobering, but what they left with was everything.

Each one now safe, fed, and in the hands of people who care.

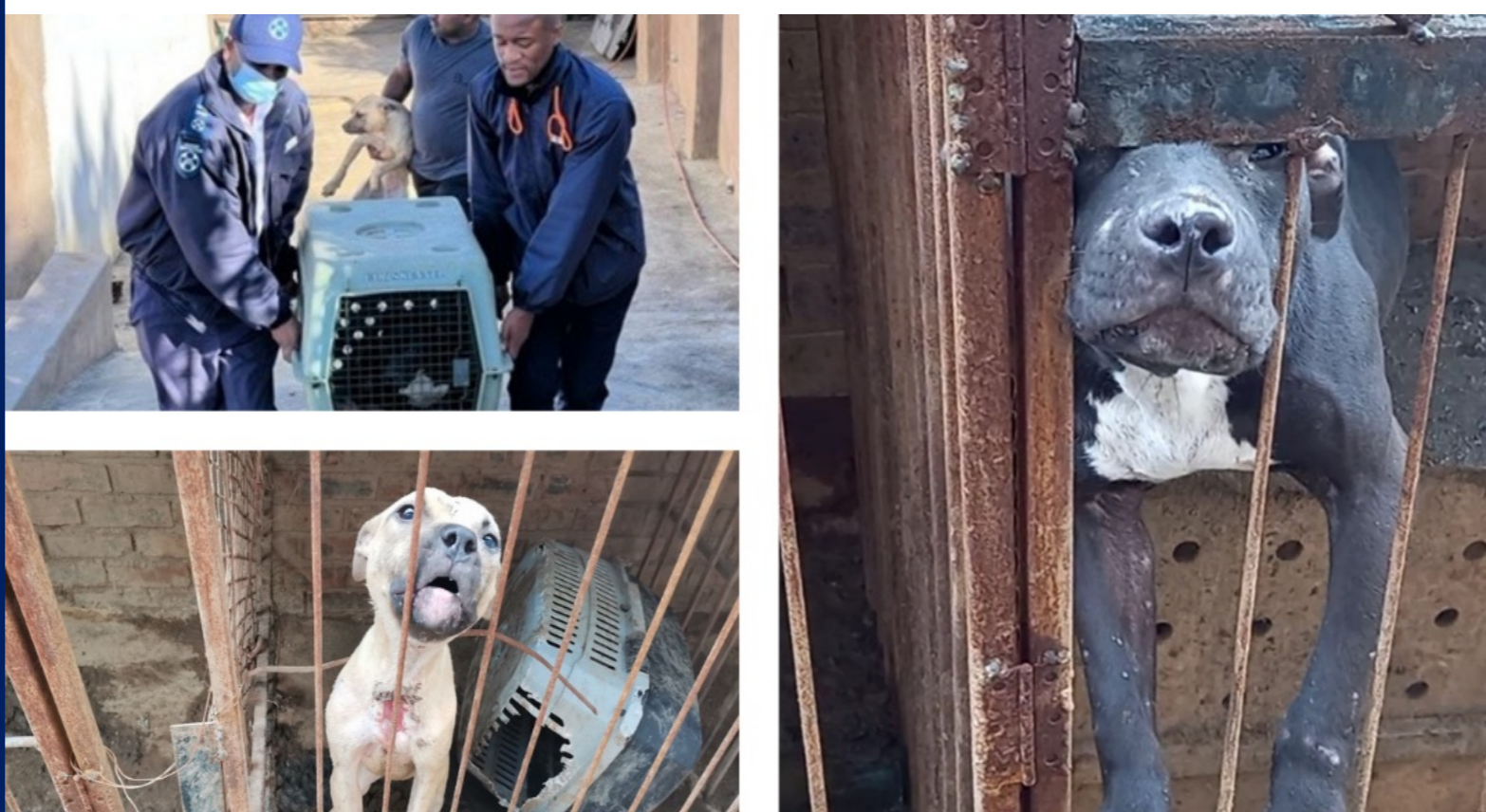


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Justice Delayed is Not Justice Denied:
17 Dogs and a Better Future



Seventeen Pitbull-type dogs. Four years of investigation, court appearances, and challenged evidence. On the 10th of February 2026, a conviction was secured in the Pietermaritzburg Magistrate's Court, and with it the message that animal cruelty will be pursued, however long it takes.



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[NSPCA Secures Conviction of Pitbull Breeder in Pietermaritzburg](#)

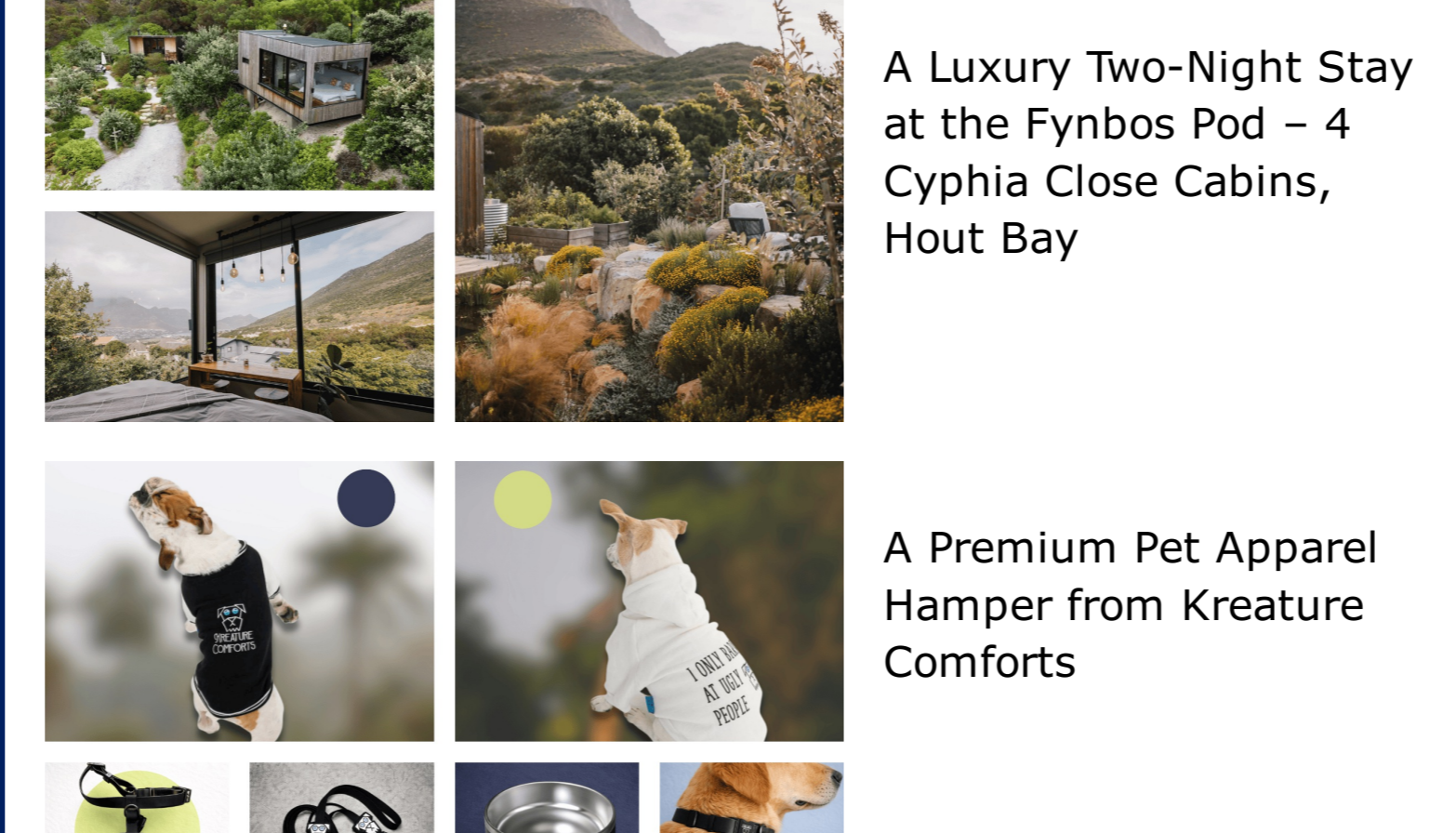


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