

# Great & Small

## MAGAZINE

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### SHELDON A SHINING STAR



Read how Sheldon and his 12 siblings, surrendered to us at just a few weeks old, became the shining stars of our latest fundraising campaign, raising over \$430,000 to help RSPCA WA care for more animals just like them...

# SHELDON A SHINING STAR

You might remember little Sheldon and his 12 brothers and sisters from our Guardian Angel campaign at Christmas time. The cute and energetic pup recently came back to RSPCA WA to say hi and we got an update from his new owner Ross.

Sheldon was extremely excited to see our staff again and to show everyone just how big and strong he is now! What a transformation from when he first came to the Animal Care Centre and needed life-saving medical care to have the best chance at a long and healthy life – a transformation made possible by generous animal lovers just like you.

Ross said Sheldon had fit into the family very well, even knowing to play more gently with the kids and show off his full agility with his paw-rents.

"We came to the RSPCA just to have a look – we didn't really have the intention of getting a dog

that day, but we saw Sheldon and instantly fell in love," he said.

"We kept the name Sheldon because it suits him – he is very curious and smart [like Sheldon from The Big Bang Theory].

"He settled in well – a few teething issues but mostly just normal puppy stuff."

Ross said he discovered the puppy has what he called a "radar ear", saying he will only raise one ear to listen to a new or interesting noise.

"We took him to the beach for the first time not long ago and he really loved it," he said.



"He was a little hesitant to get in the water at first but quickly figured out he liked it.

"He likes to cuddle on the couch too."

Ross said he and the rest of the family were really excited to share Sheldon's first Christmas with him and felt good about giving him a loving home.

Sheldon, his mum Sheila, and 12 littermates, were surrendered to RSPCA WA in September 2024 in a poor state – hungry, weak, and lethargic – after their owner could no longer afford to care for them properly.

After weeks of specialised care and love from RSPCA WA staff, Sheldon and his siblings became available for adoption and all, one-by-one found loving families to call their own.

The puppies and Sheila spent Christmas in their very own homes instead of a kennel, all thanks to you!

Sheldon's path in life could have looked very different but because of your generosity, he is living his best doggy life in a loving home.

Thankfully, because of all of the generous Guardian Angels who donated to RSPCA WA last year, even the shelter cats and dogs had an enjoyable Christmas too.

**Sheldon, his mum Sheila and all the other S pups say, 'thank you' for making their Christmas wish come true!**

## A word from Lynne

Welcome to RSPCA WA's first Great & Small magazine for 2025. We had such wonderful feedback about our new-look magazine, packed with stories about how you impact the lives of animals every day, that we've decided to stick to the whopper 16-page format.

I hope you all had a wonderful festive season with friends and family – whether it was loud and busy or whether it was just you and your four-legged companion enjoying some quality time.

I have recently moved to a rural area and joining us for Christmas were a peacock and a peahen who decided to move in and make themselves at home. They have particularly taken a shine to my rescue greyhound Roger, and my husband, with the peacock displaying his full festive glory whenever he spots either of them!

As usual, the festive season was a busy one for us at RSPCA WA. We received an overwhelming 500+ animals through our gates between 1 November and mid January.

It's a daunting number with every single one needing love, care, attention, shelter and in most cases, medical treatment. However, it's because of you we can keep saying yes when we're asked to be there for a stray cat and her litter of tiny, hungry kittens, or a neglected dog, suffering untreated medical conditions in a barren backyard.

The generosity of people like you, right across Western Australia, who got behind our Guardian Angel appeal featuring puppy Sabrina and her 12 siblings allows us to continue to rescue, rehabilitate and rehome vulnerable animals.

These cute as a button baker's dozen are thriving, as are hundreds of other animals helped in the last few months.

Thank you for continuing to be there, standing shoulder to shoulder with our inspectors, vets and animal attendants as they show animals in need the love and care they all deserve.

Thank you for never wavering in your belief that the innocent need you to be their voice and for matching that belief with life-changing donations.

As always, in extreme gratitude.

**Lynne Bradshaw AM**  
Chair of the Board RSPCA WA

## BUBBLES NURSED BACK TO HEALTH

**Sweet Bubbles was found in August last year as a stray in Hillarys. When she arrived at RSPCA WA it was clear straight away that she was unwell.**

Bubbles was suffering from lethargy, low body temperature, and mental dullness. Our vets diagnosed hypothyroidism, identifying that she desperately needed medication to manage her symptoms and get her back on all paws.

Her condition was caused by an underactive thyroid, meaning her body was not producing enough hormones needed for her to stay healthy.

Thanks to generous donors like you, RSPCA WA vets and animal attendants were able to start her on the necessary medication and she slowly but surely regained her health and stamina.

She now has a much better quality of life and will continue to thrive despite her condition, as long as she continues taking her medication.

She is a quiet and affectionate cat who adored the care and attention of our dedicated animal attendants and cattery volunteers. All of our staff were mesmerised by her large eyes!

Bubbles spent a few weeks recovering with one of our amazing foster carers and after a lengthy wait at the shelter, she was finally adopted by Marsha who said the sweet kitty fit in to her home like she had always been there.



## Julian saved from his freezing prison

**In late June last year, an RSPCA WA staff member spotted a tiny cardboard box with a few holes poked in it. Stacked unassumingly next to a pile of donated towels and blankets, passersby making a quick glance would never have realised a live animal was trapped inside, slowly freezing to death.**

Inside was a very cold, terrified rabbit with a significant eye wound that needed urgent medical attention.

With nothing to keep him warm in the middle of winter, aside from a few scraps of shredded paper lining the bottom of the box and some wet hay, this innocent rabbit could have suffered from hypothermia and, coupled with his eye wound, could have passed away.

Julian, as our team named him, was rushed quickly to our onsite vets. Thanks to the

kindness of donors like you, we were able to act quickly and provide him warmth and medication to save his life.

**Julian fully recovered and is now living in a home that adores him. Julian's second chance at happiness and safety was made possible through donations that pay for specialist vet staff and medication. Sadly, pets are dumped across WA every day and are subjected to needless suffering. Thank you for saving Julian's life – and the lives of so many other animals in need.**



## GLENYS THE GUARDIAN ANGEL

**At RSPCA WA, we love hearing what motivates our generous donors to give. One story from our recent Guardian Angel campaign was so beautiful we just had to share it with you.**

Glenys, 91, has always been an animal lover. She's had rescue dogs and cats her whole life and has a special affinity with magpies. Sadly, 2024 wasn't shaping up to be a great year for Glenys.

Firstly, she began to lose mobility. Determined to be declared fit enough to remain living independently with her Bichon Frise Bella, she began weeks of intensive physio rehab at a facility. And it worked! Glenys returned home to a joyous Bella.

However, that joy didn't last very long as both Bella and Glenys's health began to fade. Blood tests revealed that 14-year-old Bella's kidneys were shutting down and her vet recommended humane euthanasia. Poor Glenys was heartbroken.

It may have been she was missing Bella but a second attempt at intensive physio didn't work, and Glenys was assessed as having to move into care. Just two nights later, she fell ill and was taken to hospital by ambulance.

After three weeks of worsening health, doctors told her they had done all they could and organised a move to a hospice. Glenys has a large and loving family and her five children, her stepchildren, her in-laws and her grandchildren rallied around her.

Her naturally giving and positive nature shone through, and she quickly became a staff favourite. She was continuing to deteriorate but then something strange began to happen. Glenys was feeling a little better. She could stay awake for longer and was even getting a small appetite back. The medical staff were amazed – and thrilled.

Glenys started listening to the radio again (one of her favourite pastimes) and heard about RSPCA WA's Guardian Angel appeal. In those long nights at the hospice, she thought about all the poor animals who would be homeless at Christmas time, and she felt compelled to help, not only in memory of Bella, but also in memory of two "grand puppies" who had also passed in 2024 – Turbo the Rottweiler and Mabel the golden retriever.

Glenys made a very generous donation to the Guardian Angel appeal to ensure "every animal in the shelter can have a gift and a special treat on Christmas morning at the very least."

**Thanks to generous, loving donors like Glenys and you, so many animals had a Christmas better than they could ever have dreamed of.**



Glenys is back in aged care and enjoys regular visits from her grand puppy Monty.



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# Cherry-eyed Simon can see clearly now

Simon came into care at RSPCA WA with his three siblings, Saskia, Shaun, and Sam in November.

The four Staffy pups had rock-hard bellies full of worms and unfortunately their owner could not afford to properly care for them.

Once they were surrendered, our vet staff got straight to work administering worming treatment to the four pups. They were all underweight due to the worm burden but that was quickly fixed with a specialised diet thanks to our nutritional partner Royal Canin.

Simon was a bit of special case, however, coming into care with a condition called cherry eye in both eyes.

The condition is common in some breeds and happens when a dog's so-called third eyelid becomes swollen and red, resembling a cherry.

Without surgery, Simon would have had decreased tear production and would not be able to close his eyes fully.

His surgery was a success and now Simon has clear eyes and can grow up healthy and happy. This life-improving surgery was only made possible because of generous donations made by you and others like you.

Simon and his siblings were all adopted very quickly, spending Christmas in new loving homes.



## A DAY IN THE LIFE OF AN RSPCA WA INSPECTOR

Every day, RSPCA WA inspectors are working across the state to rescue animals from unsafe environments and help owners take better care of their pets. Without you being right there alongside them through your generosity and care, our inspectors would not be equipped to handle the situations they come across.

Inspector Hayley takes us through a typical day out on the streets.

"I start the day off by meeting my partner in the office at 9am, plan any rechecks that need to be attended and keep the rest of the day loosely planned. Our inspector coordinator assigns jobs to us, and they are categorised by urgency, so we know which jobs to attend first. At the end of the day, we return to the Malaga shelter to restock our vehicle with items (like food, carriers, clean towels, worming and flea treatments) and wrap up any admin work."

The resources that inspectors hand out to help owners, like food and flea treatments, come primarily from generous donations.

Our inspectorate team are based out of the Malaga Animal Care Centre, but do not spend a lot of time there. This demanding job requires hours of time behind the wheel and going to unfamiliar places to help animals in need.

"We are typically out on the road all day, with any urgent admin done between jobs."

"When I'm not scheduled to be on the road, I'm at the shelter making calls to regional shires to discuss jobs in remote areas, making phone calls to external vet clinics, adding any notes to jobs, working on case files for prosecutions, and obtaining witness statements. There's a lot that goes on behind the scenes that often goes unseen!"



When asked about any cases close to her heart, Inspector Hayley recalled Emu the cat.

"She came from a colony of over 30 cats that grew after someone started feeding strays, the population booming over time. We worked with rangers to save them, some of which were suffering from awful infections and cat flu. We took in the unhealthiest cats, Emu being one of them."

"She started off as an extremely shy cat, but now loves pats. If you pat her in the right spot, she drools, which just makes my heart sing!"

Inspector Hayley does so much for all animals in need, and she is so compassionate about animal welfare as all our inspectors are. RSPCA WA inspectors dedicate so much more than their scheduled 9-5 workday to animals in need.

Thanks to inspectors like Hayley and donors like you, RSPCA WA can care for as many animals as they can, rescuing unsafe animals from cruelty cases and assisting in issues of animal welfare.



# SUNNY AND SKYE THE PERFECT PAIR



A bonded pair of Indian Ringneck parrots – Sunny and Skye – were surrendered to RSPCA WA in July after they were abandoned by their owner.

The sweet blue and yellow duo are magnificent birds with bright feathers. They captured the attention of every staff member walking by the aviary.

Sadly, they didn't get a lot of attention from potential adopters. But our kind-hearted facilities cleaner Lynn was falling more and more in love with them so applied for the special license required to own them.

Lynn eagerly returned to work with her licence in hand and adopted them without hesitation.

She said she would walk by their enclosure each day and whistle with them, and they made her so happy she just had to give them a safe, permanent home.

Having previously owned lorikeets, Lynn said she had missed having birds and was excited to welcome Sunny and Skye into her life and her heart.

"They really settled in well," she said.

"Skye has been a bit naughty – swearing, which I think he must have picked up previously – but he does say 'I love you'.

"Sunny listens and whistles a lot but she doesn't speak.



"They both love their food a lot – if they don't like something they flick it out of their enclosure.

"If I have food, Sunny will come down and sit on me and try to eat it."

Lynn said they have become a great source of company.

"I let them out to fly around the living area and do their own thing for a bit which they love," she said.

"They were absolutely what I needed and I'm so happy to have them."

It sounds like Sunny and Skye have ended up exactly where they were meant to be.

Providing specialised care to parrots, budgies, finches, and all the other types of birds we come across requires trained professionals who we could not employ without your ongoing support.

**Sunny and Skye's story could have taken a totally different course but thankfully your donations enable us to care for the animals that find themselves here and get them into loving homes.**

## A decade of fundraising - what an achievement!

Earth angels Marty and Ange Bertuleit have been participating in our Cupcake Day fundraiser every year for an incredible ten years! In that time, they have helped countless animals with the money they've raised at the annual Cupcake Day events they hold.

Every year, they organise a fundraiser at their local park, baking a myriad of sweet treats to raise crucial funds for neglected and abused animals. They also organise a coffee van to come along and other activities to make it a fun and engaging day out.

"In recent years, we've had local dog-related businesses come along and promote their products at the event too (in exchange for a donation), and we've started providing face painting for the kids, dog washing, and nail clipping at the events to help raise funds.

"The total amount raised increases every year, and last year we raised a record-breaking amount of \$2,400! It was our best result to date, and significantly special to achieve for our ten-year milestone."

We are so grateful to have support from incredible people like Marty and Ange, who are passionate and dedicated to improving animal welfare in WA. The pair say it has been such an amazing feeling knowing that they are helping



animals in need, and love how the community comes together over their shared love for animals.

"We find the thought of an animal suffering to be very distressing and can't imagine how anyone could treat an animal so poorly."

"We know how much our local community loves their dogs, and that they all feel the same way about caring for them. Being able to harness that love for animals through an event that helps animals in need gives us an incredible sense of fulfilment."

**Thank you Marty and Ange for all that you do – you have saved the lives of so many animals in the last ten years.**



## KAL KITTENS FIND BIG CITY HOMES

**At the beginning of kitten season this summer, RSPCA WA was hit with an influx of mother cats with litters of kittens between two and five-weeks-old, and several pregnant cats.**

Sixteen cats and kittens, rescued from the Goldfields, were promptly driven from Kalgoorlie-Boulder to Perth thanks to Sherae Pet Link. Many of the kittens and their mums were suffering from ringworm and were immediately placed into quarantine at our Animal Care Centre in Malaga.

They required specialised care and medication to give them the best chance at a healthy life going forward. Thankfully, because of people like you, they are all now thriving and most have been adopted into loving homes.

Inspector Manager Kylie Green said when cat breeding spikes in the warmer months, shelters and rescues, including RSPCA WA, are left

to deal with the consequences.

"Kitten season is a huge drain on RSPCA WA's shelter and inspectorate resources," she said.

"That's just one reason why it is incredibly important people practise responsible pet ownership and sterilise their cats.

"Cats get pregnant easily and can start breeding from as young as 16 weeks.

"When owned and unowned cats are not desexed, suburbs and regions become inundated with unwanted kittens who do not have homes to return to and they're left to face dangerous diseases and situations on the streets."

**Without your generous support, RSPCA WA could not help these incredibly vulnerable kittens and mother cats.**



# RSPCA WA BENEFITTING COMMUNITIES

Over the past year, attendance at RSPCA WA's Community Action Days (CADs) has risen by more than 30 per cent! The community-focused events help WA's struggling pet owners give their dogs and cats the care they need.

Cost-of-living pressures are thought to be behind the increase in attendance.

CADs are held in areas of need and offer struggling pet owners free health checks and microchipping for dogs, as well as free pet food and flea and worm treatments for dogs and cats.

In 2023-24 we saw a 52 per cent increase in microchipping and a 37 per cent increase in health checks. We handed out a whopping 2,417kg of pet food – a 35 per cent increase – and 1,379 parasite control products.

RSPCA WA partners with local governments, vets, and TAFE students to provide consults, advice, and microchipping to dog and cat owners who may be struggling. At the events, pet owners can also pick up flea and worming treatments, bags of food, and swap out chain collars for soft ones. The final CAD for 2024 was held in Bunbury and with more than 150 owners and dogs in attendance it really ended the year with a bang!

These days are extremely important for pet owners going through times of hardship and they ensure more pets get to stay with their owners and out of shelters.

**RSPCA WA thanks Petbarn Foundation, South Metropolitan TAFE, Vetwest, Rogz, Vets Beyond Borders and our incredible volunteers and donors for helping make Community Action Days a success.**



# Simba's saviours

**Our inspectors get called to all sorts of jobs, never knowing what to expect from one call to the next!**

A lot of the time what they arrive to see is harrowing, but every now and again they get to give loving pet owners a happy ending.

This was true for Simba's owner who made a desperate call to RSPCA WA in the hopes we could help free the adventurous cat who had gotten herself stuck between two brick walls.

Inspectors Candy and Taylia attended the home in Innaloo and found Simba wedged in the three-inch gap so tightly her face was squished.

It's thought she'd been stuck for up to 24 hours and her owner was understandably fretting!

Our inspectors were struggling to free Simba – she was wedged in so tight they were scared they would break one of her delicate little bones by pulling too hard.

A kind-hearted bricklayer working on a home nearby came and helped by removing some of the bricks so our inspectors could save her.

Poor Simba had a graze on her paw, and a trip to the vet revealed her body temperature was low and some other superficial injuries, but otherwise she was okay.

She recovered at home with lots of cuddles.

**This heartwarming story is only made possible when people like your kind-hearted self, donate to keep our inspectors on the road.**



# FINDING A DIAMOND IN THE ROUGH

Our inspectors at RSPCA WA are constantly called to respond to cruelty complaints from the public. Animals rely on their owners to look after them and owners have a responsibility to provide care to their pet, but unfortunately that's not always the case.

Every year, animals need to be rescued from unsafe homes where they are not receiving the standard of care that they deserve and that the law demands. RSPCA WA is then tasked with rehoming these poor souls.

Diamond is a gorgeous Staffordshire terrier-cross puppy who came into our Malaga Animal Care Centre when inspectors seized her from her owner. The owner had refused to get her vet treatment, even though the poor pup had been trapped under the wheel of a car and was obviously injured.

Diamond had been taken to an emergency vet immediately following the accident, but the owner said they were only able to afford basic first aid. They were given strict instructions to take the dog to her regular vet the following day. That didn't happen and subsequent checks by our inspector led to the owner claiming Diamond had run away.

Further investigations revealed that the owner was hiding Diamond at a different address – she still hadn't been to see a vet and was still in pain, limping from her injuries. Diamond was seized and brought to RSPCA WA for medical treatment and rehabilitation. She was found to be suffering from a painful fractured pelvis, and she had red open wounds on the front of her head and her thigh.

RSPCA vets provided Diamond with the extensive treatment she needed to put a stop to her pain, and she started the long journey of healing.

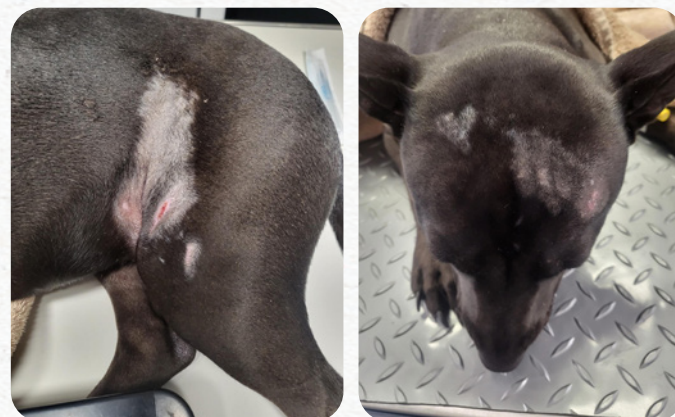
As well as the physical recovery that Diamond was going through, she was also learning to trust people and other dogs again. She started off very stressed at our shelter and unsure of people and her furry neighbours.

After a lot of work by the vet team and the animal care staff, Diamond showed huge improvements. She was eventually comfortable meeting new dogs, and her shyness improved greatly.

Thanks to the generous support of donors like you, Diamond was able to receive the extensive treatment needed to fix her broken pelvis and other injuries, as well as get the specialised behaviour training to help her overcome her fears. She has now found a forever home with the lovely family that was fostering her. She is living a bright and fulfilling life, thanks to the resources provided to us by generous donors like yourself.

Your donations have a life-changing impact on dogs like Diamond. Your assistance not only helps us treat and care for animals in need but also shows them what love and safety mean.

**From all animals, staff and volunteers, thank you for supporting RSPCA WA. Together, we can make a difference.**



## Freckles finds perfect home through trial and error

Freckles is a playful Staffy puppy who was surrendered to RSPCA WA when her owner could not care for her. They simply had too many dogs and poor Freckles was missing out on the care she needed.

Freckles was only three months old when she came to us and was still learning about the world as a puppy. She was unsure of other dogs that would approach her and showed signs of fearfulness when she would meet new friends. When meeting people, Freckles showed her true puppy colours and would constantly nip and bite at people's fingers. Our team soon discovered Freckles was completely deaf, so teaching her verbal commands was out of the question.

The team knew that they would have to change up some of their training techniques to reach her, but our staff are always willing to put in the work.

The team were patient and compassionate as they worked to improve Freckles' dog sociability and teach her how to interact with people, using repetitive hand signals and rewarding her with treats and pats. She showed herself to be a fast learner and showed huge improvements in her puppy habits of nipping and biting. She continued this progress while she stayed in our care.

Freckles was eventually adopted, but her new owner struggled with her puppy behaviours and returned her to us. Two weeks later, Freckles was adopted and returned again, this time because of her uncertainty around some other dogs and people.

While the staff and volunteers loved seeing Freckles every day, it was disheartening to see her returned from two homes. But after more training and hard work, Freckles was ready for her true forever home.

She is now living with an attentive owner, who showed such care and



interest in Freckles' needs as a hearing-impaired puppy. Thanks to your generous support, we can provide education and assistance with Freckles' needs and make sure she gets everything she needs to grow up in the best environment.

All animals deserve a second chance and to live with a family who understands and loves them unconditionally. We love to hear the stories of when this happens, and someone truly finds their happily ever after.

So many animals come to us because their original owner cannot or will not care for them and we work to ensure every single one of them finds a better home and a better life.

Your support of our mission and belief in our team means that we can continue to provide the love, care and understanding that dogs like Freckles deserve. The resources and knowledge that we can provide thanks to you is invaluable.

**Thank you for allowing us to help these animals in need.**

## THANK YOU, JUNE



RSPCA WA volunteer and foster carer June Bartlett was with us for almost 20 years before retiring this year. June started volunteering at RSPCA WA in 2006 in the laundry and started fostering in 2008.

June has said that if given the opportunity, "everyone should

volunteer. If you are an animal lover, everyone should do it."

She says that volunteering here has been a very rewarding experience while also being very heartbreaking. She has a strong sense of justice and a huge love for animals, which had kept her returning over the years.

She says that she knows that so much of what RSPCA WA does is important, to people and to animals.

"I don't think that a lot of people are aware of the cruelty and stuff that goes on," she said. "I get very upset about court cases when the sentence doesn't seem right, and an animal has suffered."

June has fostered an incredible 377 animals including cats, guinea pigs and rabbits in her 16 years as a foster carer!



Without June's time and effort, those animals would have had such a different experience. It wouldn't be possible to care for as many animals as RSPCA WA does without the generous volunteering of time and resources from people like June.

Volunteering with RSPCA WA is a joyful and fulfilling experience that gives you the opportunity to see your contribution's positive impacts on animals in real time.

**If you'd like to know more, visit our website and head to the volunteer tab.**

## WAYS TO SUPPORT

**Here at RSPCA WA, we appreciate every dollar, donation and dog bed that is sent our way. Donations from generous people like you make up around 80 per cent of our operating costs.**

If you are searching for some unique ways to support us and help WA's animals, there are plenty of options beyond monetary donations.

A portion of fees from RSPCA WA Dog Training also go toward our cause so if you have just welcomed a new puppy into your life or need to teach an old dog new tricks, signing up for some training will not only benefit you but us too!

A gift for someone you love can be as easy as a donation on their behalf. The animal lover in your life would appreciate knowing that their gift has helped countless animals in the care of RSPCA WA.

We also draw several raffles throughout the year. You can win up to \$5,500 every month and proceeds go towards helping animals in need.

If you have an adventurous spirit and find yourself always looking to try new things, sign up for a membership for the Digital Entertainment App through the RSPCA WA website. It offers discounts on restaurants, activities, attractions, travel and more across

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## Bozena's memory lives on in the hearts of WA's most vulnerable

**A lifetime of loving animals and a special connection with her Maltese Shitzu named Monty inspired the late Bozena Pieda to generously leave her estate to RSPCA WA.**

Leaving a legacy in the name of animal companionship, Bozena's gift is making a world of difference to countless animals across Western Australia. To be able to continue to support the vital work that RSPCA WA does, beyond her lifetime, truly represents Bozena's commitment to animal welfare.

Born in Chorzow, Poland in 1957, Bozena moved to Australia in 1966 when her father, Zigmunt, was to play for struggling Perth-based soccer team Cracovia. He would lead the team to win the State League championship after one season. Bozena then stayed in Perth with her father and mother Aniela.

She was an only child who excelled at everything she did. She became an accomplished accountant and worked at several building companies in her lifetime, becoming Chief Financial Controller and Director.

She always held a love for animals and had several cats who all lived very long and pampered lives. In 2006 she adopted Monty and she and the small pup became inseparable – wherever Bozena went, Monty went too, even on most holidays.

She made plenty of good friends along the way, many of whom she met through Monty on their daily walks along the South Perth foreshore.

Monty would eventually pass away in 2019, leaving Bozena without her companion. She was heartbroken and vowed not to let another pup into her life because she didn't want to go through the pain of losing one again.

However, as the COVID-19 pandemic became a reality, Bozena knew she needed another Monty to keep her company. She searched high and low all over Australia to find a little black and white bundle to call her own again but the demand for puppies during the pandemic lengthened the search.

She was nonetheless determined and eventually would come to adopt Charlie who would be with her until she passed away in 2021.



Little Charlie kept her on her toes with his puppy ways, and she realised she had forgotten about the sharp teeth and constant energy of a small puppy.

Bozena's parents had passed away years earlier and being an only child, she decided she wanted to do what she could to help animals, as to her they were the most beautiful companions to humans, able to provide unconditional love.

Bozena's decision to donate her entire estate to help care for animals ensured that her legacy as an animal lover would continue through RSPCA WA, helping all animals great and small. We will be forever grateful for Bozena's selflessness, compassion and love.

**If you are interested in leaving a gift in your Will for WA's most vulnerable animals, please contact Kay on 9209 9365 or email [bequests@rspcawa.org.au](mailto:bequests@rspcawa.org.au). Your gift, no matter what size, will greatly contribute to RSPCA WA's mission and help fund operations into the future.**



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Australia, New Zealand and Bali. Treat yourself to a membership that will last a year and try to be more adventurous! 20 per cent of your membership goes towards RSPCA WA.

And if you're looking for a way to show your love of animals to the world, you can order a personalised RSPCA number plate. Half of the cost goes towards rescuing, rehabilitating and rehoming animals suffering from cruelty and neglect. This could also make a personalised and meaningful gift for any animal lover and all animals in care benefit.

We want everyone to have the best year yet, and that includes every soul in our care that doesn't have a home right now. To ensure they get what they need, you can order donations directly from our Amazon Wishlist and they will get delivered to the shelter.

**These donations mean so much to the animals in our care and your support, whether large or small, can change a life. We rely on donor funds and resources to supply our animals with the care they need. We are so grateful to have so many supporters like yourself contributing to our cause.**



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