



Minutes General Meeting

Meeting Date		30 October 2023	
Meeting Time		1.00-2.15pm	
Location/venue		Mead Hall, Flinders Street Baptist Church, 65 Flinders Street Adelaide.	
Chair		James Vandenberg President	
Attendees		28 members in attendance	
Item	Topic	Discussion	Action/Outcome
1.1	Welcome	<p>The Chair opened the meeting with the Welcome to Country and reminded members that the meeting would be recorded and later become available on the Association website.</p> <p>The Chair noted the apologies submitted via the web booking form for today's meeting.</p> <p>The Chair acknowledged the attendance of the Guest Speaker Ms Jennifer Howard founder of Safe Pets Safe Families with a formal introduction to her to follow.</p>	Nil
1.2	Executive Committee Update	<p>The President invited Michael Evans Treasurer to provide an update on future Membership Fees.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Treasure advised that feedback from members gathered via the Pilot Phone Survey thus far, indicates a general acceptance and intent from life member to pay a voluntary annual fee to improve the Associations revenue stream and to aid covering the ever-increasing operational costs. The Treasurer advised that the full Phone Survey results will be considered at the November Committee Meeting and a motion on any changes to membership fees presented at the AGM in February 2024 for members consideration and approval.• The Chair advised that there has been some interest from new/joining members to join the Committee in 2024 and that the Association still requires Committee Members and Office Bearers – encouraging those in attendance to become involved.• The Chair advised that the Association is still seeking a response from Qantas in relation to the Associations Qantas Club Offer and that an update will be	Nil



		<p>provided and added to the Association website once communication on this issue has been received from Qantas.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">The Chair invited members to join the Committee in an Afternoon Tea at the conclusion of the General Meeting on 27 November 2023. The Afternoon Tea is in celebration of Associations successes in 2023 and to welcome in the Festive Season.	
2.	Guest Speaker		
2.1	Introduction to Ms Jennifer Howard founder of Safe Pets Safe Families.	The Chair invited Peter Frick Communications Manager to introduce Ms Jennifer Howard founder of Safe Pets Safe Families as he had previously utilised the services provided by Safe Pets Safe Families, initially as an animal Foster Carer and then to adopt his current dog.	
		<p>Jennifer Howard opened the session by explaining that her personal experiences prompted her to establish Safe Pets Safe Families (SPSF) and that from her personal tragedy <i>"Something incredible was created to help save others from the same fate"</i>.</p> <p>With the SPSF Motto being: Our People, Our Pets, One Community - with SPSF a not-for-profit registered charity.</p> <p>Jennifer presented the SPSF Model as one welfare framework - Connecting Human and Animal services by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Providing holistic practical support through case managementWorking with Partner Vet Clinics, Partner animal behaviourist & trainersProviding free outreach vet clinics (with support from Volunteer Vets/nurses)Providing a Pet FoodbankEstablishing a Community of Volunteers and Foster CarersProviding psychosocial support servicesEnsuring equitable access to all the organisations services <p>Jennifer explained that many SPSF clients experience vulnerability due to factors that may include domestic and family violence, family breakdown, poverty, mental and physical ill-health, and other issues which may impact their ability to care for their pet.</p> <p>Jennifer provided details of their:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Safe Pets Foster ProgramPaws & Pals Homeless SupportYouth and Pets Program	

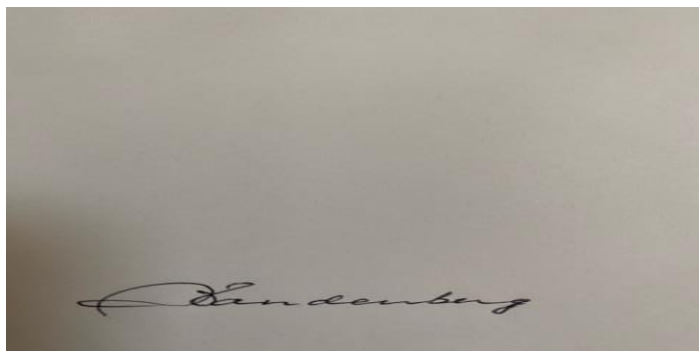


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		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Paws with friends• Pet Food Bank• VET Community Fund <p>Jennifer answered questions from members and was thanked for her presentation and time by Ian Beckingham Guest Speaker Coordinator.</p> <p>Jennifer was advised that the Association would activate a donation to Safe Pets Safe Families to aid in supporting their ongoing work and provision of services.</p>	
3	Closing of the Meeting		
3.1	Next Meeting Monday 27 November 2023 @1.00pm	Chair advised members that the next General Meeting was scheduled for Monday 27 November 2023 and invited members to join in the Afternoon Tea on that date.	

Meeting Closed at 2.15pm



James Vandenberg President PS Superannuants

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