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## HSI Tsunami Vets in Action

Australian vet John Skuja joined HSI's disaster relief team to help after the tsunami devastation. Our thanks to John and the other volunteer vets from around the world who gave their all. Following is John's personal account of his mercy mission.

Most of my days started wandering amongst the rubble of peoples homes down to watch another beautiful sunrise over the debris strewn beach near Thrikkovil, a busy town on the flat hot and dry East coast of Sri Lanka. The main street and business area was intact due to its slight elevation above sea level, but a large part of the town, mostly people's homes along the coastal area, had been totally devastated by the Tsunami which had struck two and a half months ago.

There were a few signs of people starting to rebuild their lives in those areas, evident by the occasional pile of carefully stacked unbroken tiles or the newly erected tin roof over a small area of the house that had once been. Mostly though, it was deserted, except for the occasional herds of cows quietly passing through or the timid but friendly dogs, some of which would approach you hopefully, perhaps to see if you were their missing owner, for food or maybe just a pat.



*HSI vets at work in the field clinic tent in Sri Lanka. John Skuja and with their backs to the camera, Charles Foster from Melbourne and a vet from Rajistan in India. Images courtesy of John Skuja.*

Most of our work with HSI was in and around the refugee camps. Many families had brought a dog with them and many 'community' dogs and strays had gravitated to the camps as there was water available and food scraps or garbage.

The dogs were generally lean and reasonably healthy. The main concerns for both animal and human welfare was the potential population explosion amongst such a concentrated, entirely undesexed dog population. There was also issues of increased aggression and pack formation associated with sexual activity, territorial behaviour and most frighteningly of all, the potential for the spread of rabies through dog on dog or dog on human bites. The best course of

action was a "family planning for dogs" and rabies vaccination program.

The HSI team, or "Veterinary UN", consisted of volunteers and staff from Sri Lanka, India, Malaysia, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, United States and England. The project was organized and the team brought together by Sherry Grant of HSIAsia. It was an excellent example of what could be achieved by a diverse group of people from different backgrounds with a shared sense of dedication and enthusiasm for a cause.

The standards were excellent with all dogs getting a thorough surgical preparation, IV fluids during surgery and pain relief for recovery. The surgery was performed through the smallest incision possible >

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## Ban on Commercial Whaling in Danger

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# Message from the Directors

Dear Supporters

Thank you all once again for your extremely generous response to our appeal for critical resources for our ongoing and planned court cases.

As we write, HSI is lodging an appeal to the full bench of the Federal Court, seeking to overturn the judgement of Justice Allsop in the Federal Court, and gain permission to sue the Japanese whaling company, Kyodo Senpaku Kaisha. You can also read about the coming political fight with Japan and its cohorts at the International Whaling Commission (IWC) meeting in South Korea. HSI campaigner Nicola Beynon will be advising the Australian Government Delegation. See page 6.

Concurrently we are developing our legal case for a battle with the Federal Minister for the Environment in the Commonwealth Administrative Appeals Tribunal, over the commercial take of Southern Bluefin Tuna, and other legal preparations, in case the Australian Government decides to give permission to import endangered Asian Elephants from Thailand. We have an extremely busy half year ahead, while we also look at other potential legal cases on behalf of animals and the environment.

You will also find brief reports inside on HSI's continuing efforts post Tsunami, not only helping with the suffering of domestic and farm animals and wildlife, but supporting local people in their bid to recover from such a terrible natural disaster. This work has included supporting our colleagues Flora and Fauna International (FFI) who are working to repair damage done by the Tsunami to conservation programs and infrastructure in Aceh, together with their efforts on the protection of the threatened Asian Elephant. See page 3.

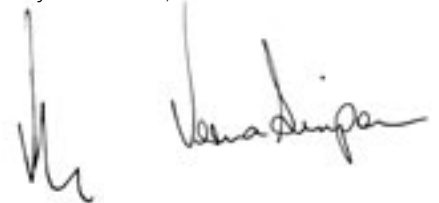
We are also very pleased to be able to include a thank you note from Jeremy Hulme, the Chief Executive of SPANA (Society for the Protection of Animals Abroad) for your extreme generosity in helping the suffering donkeys and other working animals during violent and disastrous times in the Sudan.

We have recently provided more funding for the conservation of the highly endangered Painted Dogs in Zimbabwe, and towards education programs in Kenya with the Born Free Foundation, attempting to fight against the decimation to wildlife caused by the "bush meat" trade in Africa. Again, your financial support has enabled us to contribute to these essential wildlife conservation programs, and are just some of the regional efforts that we continue to assist. See pages 3 and 4.

I hope you will also take some comfort from the wildlife habitat protection story ("saltbush") on page 3. We are aiming to gain legal protection for this endangered habitat. We still have a lot of work to do in ensuring governments enforce their own laws to protect such iconic Australian places. HSI is continuing to spend a large amount of effort in Canberra, trying to convince the Commonwealth to implement a massive new national biodiversity conservation program, with significant monies to support farmers who take appropriate conservation action on their properties.

Finally, work is already under way in preparation for HSI's 2005 Annual Extinction Denied Art Show in Sydney, raising much needed monies for regional animal protection programs. The date has now been set for October 17 at the ArtHouse Hotel in Sydney. We look forward to seeing many of you there, and thanking you personally for your unending support for HSI and all the animals of this world.

Our very best wishes,



Michael Kennedy & Verna Simpson ■

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with careful attention to surgical technique to minimize any complications. Most dogs would wake up adequately a couple of hours post surgery and discharge themselves from our care by finding their way out of the recovery pen. The stitches we used were dissolvable intradermals and did not require removal. We would see dogs we had operated on the previous day getting about their business as usual, the only noticeable difference being the red collar to show that they had been rabies vaccinated, and a distinct weariness of people in yellow T shirts!

The days were long and the heat would border on unbearable at times under the tropical sun. Flies and drips of sweat were a real concern for sterility of the

surgical field as was dust blowing into the tent, though any breeze was a blessing for the brief relief it brought. Though nothing was as good or as refreshing as a bucket bath by the well at the end of the day before our well earned beer and delicious curry dinner. We would bed down for the night in the one room of the house, our mattresses and mozzie nets all being squeezed in to fit under the single ceiling fan. Despite the heat, everyone would sleep, exhausted from throwing themselves into such satisfying and worthwhile work.

Come morning, I would always wake early and walk to the beach to again watch the sun, rising over the ocean that itself had risen on that fateful morning, reminding us of the delicate balance that is life. ■



*John Skuja working with other vets and staff in a field clinic tent in Sri Lanka.*

# Protecting Painted Dogs in Africa

HSI's support of the Painted Dog Conservation Inc project in Zimbabwe continues. One of the world's most mysterious and exceptional species, the African Painted Dog is threatened with extinction in the wild in Africa, where its numbers have declined dramatically to only a few thousand animals.



Image courtesy of John Lemon.

Our financial support of this project has been put towards a secure rehabilitation centre (and anti-poaching activities) which is designed to rehabilitate injured dogs, house orphaned dogs for future release, aid in the relocation of problem dog packs and serve as an education centre for guided groups.

Although the facility is only recently completed, it has to date held 10 dogs for rehabilitation purposes. Four of these have already been translocated to Tashinga National Park. We understand that the facility has already paid for itself and will continue to do so. HSI has contributed almost \$10,000 towards this project in Africa, and we are proud to support the work of Painted Dog Conservation Inc. ■

# Help in Aceh

Following our support of Fauna and Flora International (FFI) and their elephant conservation work in Aceh, HSI has also financially supported FFI Tsunami relief efforts in Northern Sumatra. HSI has helped with their field operations in the Aceh province, which is integrated into FFI's Asian Elephant protection program.

The resources are being used to provide veterinarian support, medical supplies and food and water to elephants. Resources will also be used help those local FFI staff affected by the Tsunami, assess immediate needs of other partners in FFI conservation programs, and help to rebuild infrastructure.

### ACTION REQUIRED:

Write to Senator Ian Campbell and the Prime Minister congratulating him on the Regional Natural Heritage Program (supplying monies for wildlife protection in Asia and the Pacific) and asking him when the program will be renewed. Please send your replies to us. ■

# HSI Campaigns to Save Shrublands in Arid Australia

The old man saltbush shrubland is one of the latest additions to HSI's campaign to save threatened ecological communities. Occurring in arid and semi arid Australia, the old man saltbush plant lives for 50 to 100 years and is known for its ability to withstand severe drought as well as waterlogging. Despite its enduring nature, the old man saltbush community is in danger of becoming extinct.

In December last year, HSI submitted a nomination to have the community listed as endangered under the NSW Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995. Next on our agenda is a nomination for the community under the federal Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999, which we are currently preparing.

Grazing and trampling by stock and feral animals has wiped out massive areas of the community. In NSW, only 12% of the original community remains and less than 1% of this occurs in protected areas.

The old man saltbush plant is well known among farmers as a food source for livestock in times of drought and for its potential to combat salinity. With four metre root systems, it is similar to trees in its ability to intercept the rising water-table that carries salt to the surface. Saltbush plantations are now widely used in grazing systems to revegetate saline discharge areas and rest grasses from grazing.



Old man saltbush shrubland near Nitchie Lake, NSW. Image courtesy of John Benson.

While saltbush plantations occur across Australia's rural landscape, it is the naturally occurring old man saltbush ecological community that is in danger. This community is a complex assemblage of shrubs, trees, forbs and grasses. A diverse array of fauna call it home, including the thick-tailed gecko, lion earless dragon, narrow-nosed planigale (a very small carnivorous marsupial) and the threatened forrest's mouse. The natural community is in fact very different from the saltbush plantations used in agricultural systems and unless it is protected from further degradation it will be wiped out completely.

### ACTION REQUIRED:

Write to Senator Ian Campbell asking him how many recovery plans have been developed and implemented for endangered ecological communities under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act, 1999*. Please send your replies to us. ■



# Join us at the 2005 Extinction Denied Fundraising Art Exhibition in October

Our annual "Extinction Denied" fundraising art exhibition is fast approaching, so please mark your calendars and come along to help us celebrate a future for all animals.

The opening night celebrations will be held on Monday 17th October from 6pm-8pm, at the ArtHouse Hotel, 275 Pitt Street, Sydney - who is once again donating their fabulous venue for the exhibition. The theme for the exhibition is animals and/or their environments, with the proceeds of art sales going towards our animal protection campaigns.

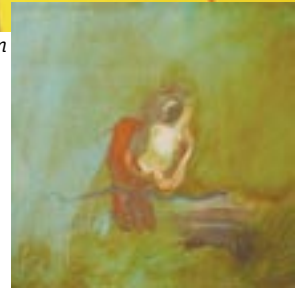
The exhibition will remain at The ArtHouse Hotel till Saturday 19th November, so if you can't make it to the opening night please take the time to visit The ArtHouse Hotel during the month following.

**We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to the fabulous, talented and dedicated artists that make this event possible:** Adam **Cullen**, Nicholas **Harding**, Margaret **Woodward**, Stuart **Rex**, Xavier **Ghazi**, Darren **Pryce**, Michael **McIntyre**, Mark **Sofilas**, Mary **Shackman**, Nafisa **Naomi**, Mark **Rhodes**, Michael **Herford**, Gav **Barbey**, Carla **Priivald**, Philipa **Veitch**, Ash **Hempsall**, Joanne **Mulcahy**, Stephen **Coburn**, Kim **Bolitho**, Shaun **Clark**, Bruce **Goold**, Michael **Golding**, Abbey **McCulloch**, Marguerite **Derricourt**, Cash **Brown**, **Diablo**, Peter **Griffen**, Terezka **Beck**, Grant **Whiteley**, Robyn **Caughlan**, Charisma **Barker**,



"Foil Brumby" by Adam Cullen

Cleo **Wilkinson**, Geri **Roggierro**, Jeanette **Korduba-Barker**, Nick **Hall**, Giles **Alexander**, Lucy **Culliton** and Sandra **Nyberg**



"Bird Flew" by Ash Hemsall

**To RSVP - space is limited, but entry is free - please call our office on (02) 9973 1728 or email [admin@hsi.org.au](mailto:admin@hsi.org.au). Hope to see you there!** ■

## Helping the "Bush Meat" Campaign in Kenya

It is in recognition of the immense threat of the commercial bush meat trade to all wildlife that the Born Free Foundation commissioned Kenyatta University Theatre Group to write and produce a play addressing bush meat issues.

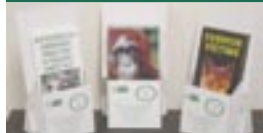
The play, entitled 'Carcasses' illustrates the issues surrounding the bushmeat crisis and aims to entertain, educate and ultimately challenge people's attitudes towards bush meat. The play has been successfully received in and around Nairobi and there are now scripts in both English and Swahili.

Humane Society International, in partnership with the Born Free Foundation, has provided resources to permit filming of the play and its transfer on to 50 – 100 DVD's, in both languages, enabling the 'Carcasses' message to travel much further afield. The Swahili film is intended for touring in areas identified as bush meat hotspots. ■



Chimpanzees are threatened across Africa by the bush meat trade.

## Help HSI by distributing our brochures. Do you have a business?



**A great way for HSI to reach more people across Australia is through the distribution of our brochures.** We currently have over 500 businesses who have offered to display and/or give out HSI brochures and also have a number of committed supporters who combine exercise with helping us by mail dropping our brochures while they walk. If you are interested in helping us spread the word on animal welfare and conservation please contact our office on free call 1800 333 737 or complete the coupon below.

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# New Alternatives to **Animal Experimentation** in Practical Teaching

HSI provided funding to Associate Professor Garry Scroop, Department of Thoracic Medicine, Royal Adelaide Hospital, South Australia, who travelled to Norway to attend an important meeting on the use of animals in teaching. He reports:

'Many students, teachers, animal welfare organisations and others have long opposed the use of animal experimentation for practical teaching in Universities and similar tertiary institutions, yet it still continues. However, a recent international conference described a raft of new alternatives and provided a strong push for many of these to be implemented in tertiary educational courses.

The conference was entitled "Alternatives in the Mainstream: Innovations in Life Science Education and Training", held in Oslo, Norway and attracted teachers and animal welfare representatives from more than 25 different countries.

I attended this conference as a keynote speaker with a seminar entitled "Developing Research Skills through Problem-Solving; The making of Scientists". This described a novel educational method, which removed all animals from teaching of physiology at Adelaide University and was recognised by the Australian Higher Education Council as an example of best teaching practice in Australia.

The main take home message for me from the conference was that there are now available, a more than sufficient number and variety of non-animal teaching methods - ranging from simple computer-based programs to virtual reality simulations which, quite simply, are far, far better teaching

methodologies than old-fashioned animal-based practical teaching. The issue facing us now is to ensure that these are publicised and implemented not simply as alternatives, but as examples of better teaching practice.

That I was able to attend this conference was due entirely to the financial assistance kindly provided by the Humane Society International Small Grants Program and the Animal Rights and Australian Humane Research Foundation. I am extremely grateful that they provided me with the opportunity to participate in such a warm, inspiring and friendly environment in Oslo and exchange ideas with like-minded individuals from around the world.' ■

## HSI'S 2005 COMMUNITY SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

We would like to express our heartfelt thanks to Greg and Jefferson Grainger and the wonderful team at Grainger TV for producing our new television ad. The beautiful ad which has been shown widely by TV stations around Australia and promotes the survival of the orangutan, was shot, edited and coordinated by Greg and his team. Sincere thanks also to Chrissie Hynde who has allowed us to use her moving song "I'll Stand by You" as backing to the ad. We also appreciate the great support shown to us by television stations around the country who play our ad free of charge. Their generosity allows us to be more effective in raising awareness of animal issues around the world. ■



*Our sympathies to our valued supporter Patricia Hill, whose devoted and loyal companion Ernie passed away recently.*

## How can I help animals even when I no longer share their world?

Through your bequest for animal protection to Humane Society International, you can provide for animals after you've gone. Naming HSI in your Will demonstrates your lasting commitment to animal protection and strengthens the Society for this task. We will be happy to send information about our animal protection programs and material that will assist you in planning a Will.



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# Ban on Commercial Whaling in Danger

The international 20-year ban on commercial whaling is in further danger this year, with Japan and its pro-whaling nations making a continuing push to overturn it at this year's meeting to the International Whaling Commission (IWC) in South Korea. The votes on whaling will be extremely close this year, with some decisions likely to hang on just one or two votes.

At the time this article went to print, HSI's Nicola Beynon was on her way to South Korea, to attend the meeting as an advisor on the Australian delegation. HSI has been at the forefront of the public efforts to protest Japan's plans ahead of the meeting.

This IWC meeting will be the most pivotal since 1982 when the moratorium on commercial whaling was passed. Not only does Japan want to bring back commercial whaling, but they are also pushing to dismantle the IWC Conservation Committee and all whale welfare work done by the IWC to-date.

Japan will ask the IWC to agree on a 'Revised Management Scheme' (RMS), a plan that aims to regulate commercial whaling. HSI has slammed the plan as being incapable of regulating whaling and riddled with loopholes. Any return to commercial whaling would be likely to spiral out of control, threatening the survival of many whale species. The Australian Government shares this view.

Unfortunately, even if the RMS is rejected at the IWC, Japan will continue their annual whale hunt, abusing a loophole for 'scientific research'. People all around the world were outraged when Japan announced their plans last month to double the minke whales killed in its annual Antarctic hunt to over 800, and to start hunting fin and humpback whales. A substantial number of these whales will be killed within the Australian Whale Sanctuary and will include humpbacks that migrate up the east and west-coast of Australia every winter.

HSI has recommended the Australian Government bring Japan to account over its whale hunts in the International Court of Justice. A case could be brought against the Japanese Government for 'Abuse of Rights' under the International Convention for the Regulation of Whaling because they are



*Humpback Whale image courtesy of Mick McIntyre, IFAW.*

exploiting the loophole that enables lethal scientific research to such an outrageous extent. The Labor Party has supported this call.

The Australian Government however, has chosen to pursue the matter through diplomatic channels, and while we support their strenuous diplomatic efforts, we are extremely concerned that Japan remains defiant.

HSI will be re-doubling our efforts to prevent a resumption of commercial whaling and to stop Japan exploiting the scientific research loophole. In addition to our efforts at the IWC we are pressing on with our own attempts to take the Japanese whaling company Senpaku Kaisha to the Australian Federal Court for whaling in Australia's Whale Sanctuary in Antarctica (see our update on the case below).

By the time this newsletter has been distributed, the verdict on whaling will have been made at the IWC. To find out what happened, please visit [www.hsi.org.au](http://www.hsi.org.au). ■

## ACTION REQUIRED:

Please write to the following Ministers and congratulate their efforts against whaling thus far. Ask that they do all in their powers to protest Japan's scientific whaling, enforce the Australian Whale Sanctuary in Antarctica and bring Japan to account in the International Courts.

**Senator, The Hon Ian Campbell**  
Minister for Environment & Heritage  
Parliament House  
Canberra ACT 2600  
Fax: (02) 6273 6101  
Email: [senator.ian.campbell@aph.gov.au](mailto:senator.ian.campbell@aph.gov.au)

**The Hon John Howard**  
Prime Minister  
Parliament House  
Canberra ACT 2600  
Fax: (02) 6273 4100

## Update: HSI's Case Against Japanese Whalers

HSI has received a setback in our efforts to bring Japanese whalers to the Australian Federal Court for whaling in Australia's Whale Sanctuary in the Antarctic. In a court hearing on 27th May 2005, Justice James Allsop refused us permission to proceed with our case against the Japanese whaling company, Kyodo Senpaku Kaisha Ltd.

Justice Allsop cited concerns raised by Federal Attorney-General Phillip Ruddock, that to enforce Australian law against the Japanese company, would be likely to give rise to an international disagreement with Japan.

The Australian Government has not given support for our Federal Court case because they argue Japan does not recognise Australia's claim to sovereignty over those Antarctic waters and they would prefer to resolve the matter through diplomatic efforts.

However, HSI is undeterred in our fight to bring the whalers to account and has lodged an appeal to a full bench of the Federal Court. ■

# List of Conservation & Animal Welfare Ministers

## Federal:

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- Minister for the Environment and Heritage  
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- Minister for Forestry & Conservation  
Senator, The Honourable Ian MacDonald  
(Fax 02 6273 7096)
- Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries &  
Forestry\*, The Honourable Warren Truss  
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Bracks (Fax 03 9651 5054)
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- Minister for Environment and  
Conservation, The Honourable John  
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Honourable Bob Debus  
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- NSW Premier, The Honourable Bob Carr  
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Desley Boyle MP (Fax 07 3221 9954)
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Fisheries\*, The Honourable Dean Palazcuk  
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- QLD Premier, The Honourable Peter  
Beattie (Fax 07 3221 3631)

## Western Australia:

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- Minister for Environment, The Honourable  
Dr Judy Edwards (Fax 08 9221 4665)
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- Minister for Environment & Heritage,  
The Honourable Marion Scrymgour  
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- Minister for Parks and Wildlife, The Honourable  
Dr Chris Burns (Fax 08 8901 4165)

## Tasmania:

- Minister for Environment and Planning\*,  
The Honourable Judy Jackson  
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- Premier, The Honourable Paul Lennon  
(Fax 03 6234 1572)
- Minister for Primary Industries and Water,  
The Honourable Steven Kons MHA  
(Fax 03 6233 8013)

## ACT:

- Chief Minister; Minister for the  
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Stanhope (Fax 02 6205 0433)

**All letters to Federal Ministers should be addressed:** C/- Parliament House, Canberra ACT 2600

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\* Animal Welfare Minister

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Ms Verna Simpson  
Director  
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Dear Verna

On behalf of all at SPANA and particularly the people and animals of North Darfur, Sudan, can I express my sincerest thanks to you and your most generous supporters for their wonderful assistance with our project in the Sudan?

I have sent you full details in our report but I would just like to remind your supporters that their generosity has allowed us to build a huge store of hay for the coming dry season and initiate the first of a series of para-vet training courses. It was very rewarding to visit the country a second time and see that we had been able to make a very real difference.

None of this would be possible without the generosity and enthusiasm of our supporters, both here in the UK and in Australia. The support from the Humane Society International has been particularly rewarding and generous.

Again, please pass on my very best wishes to all concerned.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely

Jeremy Hulme  
Chief Executive

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