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Hawkesbury Local Referral Pathways For People and Animals Experiencing Domestic and Family Violence

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Surrender/crisis animal support

Paws & Recover

- Often get foster carers for animals for Women escaping DV (I've had a client use their service & she was happy with it).
- It is a requirement that people have their pets vaccinations up to date, microchipped, desexed, etc & this can be an obstacle for women accessing this type of support due to not having the money to get these things done.
- Paws & Recover offer an option to get animals desexed whilst in foster care.
- They are a short-term option for 1-3 months only.

Website: <https://www.pawsandrecover.com>

RSPCA Safe Beds for Pets is difficult to access, they charge a minimal daily boarding fee but if you have no money, it's a lot, they are also all the way at Yagoona so The Woman would have to be able to get her pets there & it's very hard to get a vacancy.

<https://www.rspcansw.org.au/what-we-do/working-in-communities/community-domestic-violence-program/>

RSPCA Safe Beds for Pets

- Families needing assistance from Safe Beds for Pets can contact them directly through their hotline, which operates Monday-Friday, 9 am-5 pm.
- Can speak to any of the caseworkers to get help for their pets.
- They charge a minimal daily boarding fee.
- Located at Yagoona, so transport must be considered.
- Domestic violence services can also make a referral or inquiry on behalf of the client
- Very limited vacancy

Phone: 02 9782 4408 or a call can be made to the RSPCA Contact center, 1300 CRUELTY

Email: safebeds@rspcansw.org.au

Website: <https://www.rspcansw.org.au/what-we-do/working-in-communities/community-domestic-violence-program/>

Animal Welfare League Hawkesbury

- Mostly cats- desexing assistance October-May every year
- Hawkesbury Valley is a branch of Animal Welfare League NSW.
- Rescues dogs and cats and kittens from the local Hawkesbury Companion Animal Shelter and other shelters in Sydney.
- The Animal Welfare League NSW Hawkesbury Branch promotes responsible pet ownership, including desexing animals before breeding age and microchipping as these measures will help to decrease the large numbers of surrendered, lost, and abandoned pets.
- Can assist financially in desexing your pet via the Companion Animal Assistance Scheme (CAAS).
- Available to pensioners and low-income earners in the Hawkesbury area.
- All dogs and cats are rehomed desexed, vaccinated, vet checked, microchipped, and ready for their new home.

Phone: 0402 086 580

Website: helpingpets@awlsw.com.au

Hawkesbury Companion Animal Shelter

- Cats only, currently not able to offer any foster care facilities.

Address: 10 Mulgrave Rd, Mulgrave NSW 2756

Contact customer service on:

(02) 4560 4644

Email: companionanimal@hawkesbury.nsw.gov.au

Opening hours:

Monday to Friday 9am - 12.30pm and 2pm - 4.30pm

Saturday 9.30am - 11.30am

Sunday 7am - 9.30am

Connect with us on:

Friends of Hawkesbury Companion Animal Shelter 20 Lucky Lane Billinudgel

Phone: 0403 533 589

NSW Hen Rescue:

- Has liberated thousands of hens and other factory-farmed animals from places of abuse and exploitation.
- Has shared the stories of those individual animals to help people connect with them and see that like dogs and cats, they deserve our respect and compassion.
- Hen Rescue is entirely volunteer-run.

Berrima, South Highlands

Email: admin@henrescue.org

Website: <https://henrescue.org/>

Let the ladies go:

- Let The Ladies Go is a Non-Profit Charity to end the exploitation of chickens by saving them from slaughter, Re-homing & providing a loving Retirement from a life of continuous egg-laying.
- Two local women assist with this.

Website: [Let The Ladies Go | Chicken Rescue | Mandalong NSW](#)

Email: info@lettheladiesgo.com.au



Crisis Foster Care

RSPCA NSW Community Domestic Violence Program

- Sydney metropolitan-based service that builds partnerships with local kennels/shelters/organisations in regional areas.
- The only established specialist crisis fosters care program available in this area.
- HOWEVER, often unable to offer their program locally
- Primarily dogs and cats but ask about any animal.

Below is some information from their website:

“Through our Domestic Violence program, RSPCA NSW aims to offer practical solutions for pet owners leaving situations of domestic violence. We safely house and care for their pets, allowing them time to find a safe refuge for themselves, to reunite them with their beloved pet as soon as possible.

- Services of our Domestic Violence program include temporary foster accommodation and/or emergency pet boarding
- financial assistance for veterinary treatment
- financial assistance with impound fees
- financial assistance with transport fees

This community program was previously known as Safe Beds for Pets.

Phone: 9782 4408 (M-F 9-5) 97707555 (weekends and public holidays)

For more information, please contact the RSPCA Community Programs helpline **(02) 9782 4408**.

The helpline operates Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. During weekends and public holidays contact the RSPCA Contact Centre on **(02) 9770 7555**.”



Sanctuaries/large animals

Horse Rescue Australia

- Animal rescue service in North Richmond, New South Wales

Website: [Home](#) | [Horse Rescue Australia](#)

Address: 220 Crooked Ln, North Richmond NSW 2754

Phone: (02) 8250 1442

Email: Rescue@HorseRescueAustralia.org.au

The Women's Cottage

- For further information and possible contacts please contact Mel Olsen

Address: 22 Bosworth Street Richmond

Phone: (02) 45784190

Email: antiviolence@womenscottage.org.au



Animal Registration Issues

If Women wish to stay in the family home & keep their pets one of the main things is having that pet microchipped in her name, if it's not in her name & the perp won't sign it over issues arise.

Hawkesbury City Council – Registration of Companion Animals and Pound

- For registration of dogs and cats

Phone: Animal Management Officer on (02) 4560 4577

NSW Pet Registry

- See section “Transferring your pet to a new owner” and “Updating pet details”

Website: <https://www.petregistry.nsw.gov.au/#/faq>



Veterinarians

Hawkesbury Equine Veterinary Centre

- HEVC has been a trusted provider of quality health care to horses and alpacas in the Hawkesbury, Sydney Hills District, and Lower Nepean area for over 40 years.
- Provides 24-hour emergency service seven days a week.
- Has both ambulatory services and a fully equipped A-grade equine hospital.

Website: www.hevc.com.au

Phone: 02 4577 4611

Email: hevc@bigpond.com

Macquarie Veterinary Clinic

- Macquarie Veterinary Clinic Windsor NSW has been servicing and caring for clients and their pets in the Hawkesbury for more than 40 years.
- Small animal clinic.
- Has boarding facilities for cats.
- Boarding is charged per day of stay.

Address: 24 Hawkesbury Valley Way, Windsor

Phone: 02 4587 7490

Email: mvc24windsor@gmail.com

Website: <https://macquarievets.com.au/>

Bligh Park Veterinary Hospital

Address: 693 George Street, South Windsor New South Wales 2756 ·

Phone: 02 4587 7177

Email: reception@bvsc.sydney

Website: <https://bvsc.sydney/>

McGrath hill Veterinary Clinic

Address: 205 Windsor Road, Vineyard New South Wales 2765 · ~44.3 km

Phone: 02 4587 9000

Email: office@mcgrathshillvet.com.au

Website: <https://www.mcgrathshillvet.com.au/>

Vineyard Veterinary Hospital

Address: 703 Windsor Road, Vineyard New South Wales 2765 ·

Phone: 02 9627 1257

Email: info@vineyardvet.com.au

Website: <https://www.vineyardvet.com.au/>

Wilberforce Veterinary Hospital

Address: corner Rose Street & Wilberforce Road, Wilberforce New South Wales 2756 ·

Phone: 02 4575 3335

Email: admin@richmondvet.com.au

Website: <https://www.richmondvet.com.au/>

North Richmond Vet Hospital

Address: 36 Bells Line of Road, North Richmond New South Wales 2754 · ~55.7 km

Phone: 02 4571 2042

Email: northrichmondvet@hotmail.com

Website: <https://northrichmondvh.com.au/>

Kurrajong Veterinary Clinic

Address: 16 Old Bells Line Of Road, Kurrajong NSW 2758

Phone: (02) 4573 1216

Email: jonoraah@gmail.com

Website: Hawkesbury | Kurrajong | Kurrajong Animal Hospital (kurrajongvets.center)

Kurmond Veterinary Clinic

Address: 373 Bells Lind of Road NSW 2757

Phone: (02) 4573 1980

Email: clinic@kurmondvet.com.au

Website: <https://www.kurmondvetclinic.com.au/>



Kennels/Cattery/Agistment and Shelters

Acacia lodge boarding Kennels and catteries

Address: 204 Carrington Road Londonderry, NSW

Phone: (02) 4572 5412

Email: acacialodgeboarding@gmail.com

Website: acacialodge.com.au

Office hours:

Mon - Fri: 09:00 – 16:00 Hrs

Sat-Sun: 09:00 – 12:00 Hrs

Montana Lodge Boarding Kennels

Address: 80 Spencer Road, Londonderry New South Wales 2753

Phone: 0429 404 610

Email: montanalodge1@gmail.com

Website: <http://catanddogboarding.com/index.html>

Opening Hours: 4-6pm

Sydney Pet resort

Address: 504 Windsor Road, Vineyard New South Wales 2765 · ~40.6 km

Phone: 02 9627 2386 or 0422647754

Email: info@sydneyresort.com.au

Website: Dog boarding & day care – Sydney Pet Resort, Vineyard

