



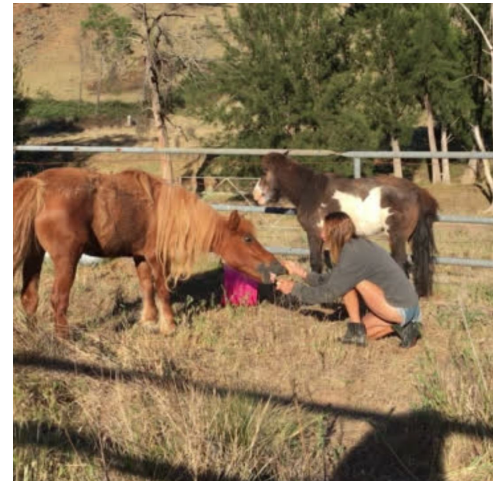
The Kind Farm Inc.

Annual report 1st July 2022 – 30th June 2023



Our mission

To rescue horses who would otherwise be slaughtered, rehabilitate them and find them loving fur-ever homes. To bring awareness to the plight of horses and to **meet them with kindness, gentleness and patience** so that they can enjoy interaction with and care from humans. To share the simple, gentle ways of interacting so that adopters, and other people can find safe, effective and gentle ways to co-exist with horses.



Our vision

To become a world wide horse rescue network rescuing horses who are destined for slaughter, and finding them loving, forever homes. In achieving this it is our intention to raise awareness for the plight of horses and educating people on how to be with horses in a safe and kind way.

Our pillar stones are trust, kindness, freedom and magic. Building trust, offering kindness, giving the horses freedom to express themselves...and watching the magic happen as they transform emotionally and physically.

To offer both experienced and inexperienced humans the opportunity to connect with, and care for horses in a way that is insightful, connected, gentle, safe and fulfilling for both the horse/s and human/s.

For horses to be seen as the living, feeling beings they are - rather than objects, sporting equipment, or vehicles.

Our History

The Kind Farm Inc was established as a registered charity in May 2021. We did our first rescue in September 2021. From then on we have rescued over 25 horses and re-homed 9 horses.

The Kind Farm Inc. has continued to have wonderful health outcomes for horses in care and industry experts often comment on the healing that the horses have achieved in our care.

We are known for our kind, gentle and patient approach as well as loving, expert care for as many horses as we can help at any given time.

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Section 1 - Overview of The Kind Farm Incorporated

About Us

The Kind Farm Incorporated key focus is rescuing horses who would otherwise be slaughtered. We then rehabilitate horses until they are in a sound physical and emotional state and then find their fur-ever homes.

Many of the horses we rescue have been described by horse industry experts as highly traumatised. These horses need time, care, peace, expert handling and patience to learn to trust again and to be suitable for re-homing.

Often during the rescue journey horses bond with other horses for support and we do what it takes to find these horses loving homes together.

It is the work of the kind farm inc to keep horses in care unit they are genuinely ready for a new home and ensure that the adopting home and humans are a great match long term for the horse/s.

Who we are

The Kind Farm Inc is made up of a team of people who realise that we can make the world a kinder place for horses. Most of our committee members pitch in to help with the physical care of the horses where needed.

We are all committed to the long term success of The Kind Farm Inc so we can continue to rescue more and more horses and find their fur-ever homes. We pride ourselves on helping horses who are not easy to help - unhandled, highly traumatised and/or those who are not in good health.

Our pillar stones are kindness, love, gentleness, trust and freedom.

When a horse arrives we give, give, give to that horse in a way that supports their immediate and long term wellbeing. This may be in the form of nutrition and holistic foods, supplements, medicine or by touch and grooming that they enjoy. Horses are also paddocked with a compatible mate or herd to support their healing.

This kindness builds trust. We give them the freedom to be who they are - and do what they want to do at their own pace. We do not force them to be groomed or stabled if they do not want to be.

When a horse is offered kindness and freedom, they almost always engage with you when they are ready and trust has been built. From this point, healing (both physical and emotional) takes a quantum leap and the magic happens. By magic we mean huge positive changes in temperament, confidence and health and wellbeing.

Everything in our approach is for the horses long term health and successful re-homing. Some horses need time and gentle training, whilst others need health care, maintenance and time and peace to build trust.

Our Committee

Committee members

President and Public Officer Lucinda “Lulu” Scarman

Lulu is the founder of The Kind Farm Incorporated. She has always loved animals and wanted to make the world more aware of who animals are. She has a background in ethical business and skills in fundraising and hands on animal and horse care.



**Vice President
Katja Maya**

Katja and Lulu have cared for horses together for the last 7 years. Katja passionate about making the world a kinder place for horses. She has hands on expertise in horse care.



**Treasurer
Joanne Rapa**

Joanne has, amongst her creative talents, a background in account keeping
Joanne is always happy to lend a hand in helping contribute to the care and feeding of The Kind Farm Inc horses.



**Secretary and Chairperson
Narelle “Nellie” Vasicek**

Nellie assists with the kind farm inc meetings and administrative requirements as well as hands on help with feeding and caring for horses where needed.



**Ordinary Committee Member
Sebastian Goldhorn**

Sebastian contributes both hands on and in the direction of the charity. He brings a wealth of management experience as well as practical hands on help - when it comes to transport, fencing and fixing water droughts, Sebastian is always there to help the horses live their best life.



**Ordinary Committee Member
Gabrielle Scarman**

Gabrielle offers her expertise in being part of management committees and associations.

The Kind Farm Incorporated horses:

Summary

Since we began operating in September 2021, we have rescued 25 horses and re-homed 9 of them. This year we had more horses needing a high level of health care and treatment and the horse's physical health took precedence over training and handling.

Spirit - rescued as a young horse, unhandled and aggressive. He is now a sweet, confident horse in care and is undergoing basic training. Spirit is awaiting self gelding before being re-homed. Spirit has continued to thrive and is scheduled for a safe castration in February 2024.

Aslan (rescued as Danny) - Aslan arrived as an emaciated young horse who was very timid and traumatised. He had ingested plastic which came out in his manure for days. He is now thriving and after a difficult gelding, typical of a traumatised horse, he has again become very timid. This year Aslan will continue gentle training until he is ready for his forever home. Aslan was rescued with Sox and they are best friends.

Sox narrowly escaped slaughter, being an unwanted, unhandled colt. He arrived timid, with Aslan, and then quickly began to thrive and find his way in the herd. Sox is continuing gentle training and is still a young horse. He is now the leader of his herd of 6. We will do what it takes to have Sox and Aslan find a loving home together.

Prince Caspian came to The Kind Farm Inc in an unusual way - he was in the unpenned section at a horse auction and listed as a much larger horse. We bid the meat price remotely and on arrival found he was a miniature stallion. The auction house acknowledged the listing error and offered to take him back, however we decided he had been through enough and he stayed on, winning everyone's hearts. Prince Caspian has since been gelded and found a loving fur-ever home.

Arthur was a last chance rescue from a sale yard - a young standard bred horse. He arrived extremely timid though from what we gather he was not raced or ridden. Due to his very timid nature, we wonder whether he had a training accident and was discarded as he was too frightened to continue training. Either way, we have loved watching Arthur settle in and get confident in his

herd. Arthur has had gentle training, which will continue, to give him the best chance at a loving, fur-ever home. Being a young horse, his training is so important to ensure the best chance at a great life.

Thor is an ex raced horse and came to us highly traumatised from ropes and very aggressive to the other horses. Thor continues to trust and enjoy life and is still not an easy horse to handle - mostly due to him being nervous and reactive. It's been a huge achievement for Thor to have his hooves trimmed and his sarcoid healing. He is in wonderful health.

Frankie is a white miniature horse who was washed away with his best friend in the floods. Although Frankie survived, his friend did not make it and he was traumatised and could never be caught or handled from this time onwards. His property was flooded again in 2022 and his owners needed to move on leaving Frankie homeless. Frankie came into care and was castrated and gradually, with gentle handling, was ready to be adopted into an idyllic, loving and experienced home and has an entire new lease on life and settled in right away. We are so happy we could help Frankie.

Nova is a standardbred mare who was in a last chance saleyard with Juno. We raised funds for her rescue and transport to safety and she is adopted directly into a lovely, experienced home.

Tara is a standardbred mare who was in a last chance saleyard with Nova. We raised funds for her rescue and transport to safety and she was adopted to an experienced home close to the saleyards. She did not come in to care before adoption, due to a very experienced adoption home close and turned out to be very unsettled and came in to our care during the year. Tara is now happy, calm and confident and almost ready for a new fur-ever home.

River arrived with a bowed knee and overgrown hoof. He is an ex-trotting/ racing horse who had no name, and no racing history. He is 22 years of age and was extremely traumatised and defensive when he arrived. River didn't have an easy year with his 2 front hooves. One is now very strong and healthy and the other hoof is under close care as in December 2023 River suffered a painful abscess that has impacted his hoof condition. He is a gentle and obliging horse and it's lovely to see him become happier, friendlier and more at ease.

Sophia (formerly **Hope**) arrived as the most timid horse we had ever experienced. Sophia has a previous knee injury and a club foot as well as neglected hooves. She started the year in a very challenging way with both

front hooves unhealthy. She now has one very strong front hoof and the other front hoof continues to get stronger.

Sophia has a lot of trauma around her feet being handled and is the only horse we currently need to sedate for some treatment.

Sophia is a beautiful horse who is good friends with Peppermint and River.

Faith is an ex harness racing horse who was used as a breeding mare. She arrived very traumatised - she could not go in a yard or wear a halter or be caught or touched without panicking. Faith needed expert handling as she was very timid and defensive. Today she is gentle, trusting and her eye condition continues to improve.

Merlin has become one of the easiest horses to be with and is now happier and healthier than we have seen him. He used to nip and be very timid and now he will happily come for a walk alongside you, put on his halter and enjoy a brush. Merlin still has quite a lot of melanoma growths however is happy and loving life. They will likely make his life shorter and we are so delighted to see Merlin so happy.

Magic came from the rodeo industry and his nervous system had been overcome. Magic is still a bit timid and is in much better physical condition. So far no one has been interested to adopt this gentle horse and he still needs time to heal and become easier to catch. He is improving every day.

Peppermint was a raced horse who was injured and instructed to be put down. He was a horse valued at around AUD 100,000 and once injured the owners claimed the insurance money and he was left unable to walk.

Horses who we could not save:

Casper and Gingerbread These two beautiful ponies were sadly neglected, unhandled and were hobbling around in pain and about to die of dehydration in a drought. Sadly we could not bring these ponies into care and they were euthanised in the remote location they were found.

Sephira - a beautiful horse - perhaps Spirit's mother, who was severely neglected. We we're unable to save her due to her being so weak she could not get back to her feet after lying down.

Highlight of the year - huge increase in Summer wellbeing.

Last year we had approximately 10 horses who suffered Summer Itch and skin conditions over the Summer. This year, due to the nutrition and healthcare we have offered we only have 2 horses with uncomfortable itchiness. We attribute this to the research we did and preparation in supplementing horses throughout the year in preparation for summer, and our move to a more suitable property.

OUR SUPPORTERS

The great majority of our fundraising is from kind hearted individuals who find The Kind Farm Inc horses and their plight on social media.

Special thanks to Sally Tansley for her generous donations.

OUR SUPPORTERS

Most of our financial and moral support comes from our wonderful supporters who have most often found The Kind Farm Inc on social media. These are loving and kind members of society - many of whom donate regularly and care for the horses from a far. We are so grateful for every single person who donates to The Kind Farm Inc.

SPONSORS/GRANTS

We have been grateful to receive a grant for fencing from local charity Global Ripple and an annual horse sponsorship from Demeter Legacy.

ADOPTERS

This work is only possible due to people who are willing and capable to adopt horses and give them the love and care they need. Special thanks to everyone who has opened their heart and home to a rescued horse.

HORSE WELLBEING AND EXPERT CARE

The Kind Farm Inc continues to have wonderful outcomes for horses due to the expertise offered by incredible horseman Jason Proctor. Jason generously does what is needed when it comes to long term health and wellbeing, immediate care, hoof rehabilitation and horse handling. Jason's decades of

expertise, his wonderful way with horses and commitment to their healing is an absolute blessing to the horses at The Kind Farm Inc.

PRACTICITONERS

Rescued horses need, gentle, patient handling and experiences that give them confidence. We are grateful to these people for their gentle and patient and compassionate approach.

Thank you to the patient and gentle ways in helping with hoof care - Sarah Lehau, Wayne Marcintelli. Matthew Munce is wonderful as an experienced, equine dentist and has an incredible way with horses.

Thank you Helen Appleton from TRANSEQ for your patient and gentle transport service.

COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE

We are grateful to have most of The Kind Farm Inc horses on a property we are leasing. The owner, Ross Larkin has been very welcoming and accomodating with the building of shelters and fencing of paddocks.

CORPORATE ASSISTANCE - training and expertise

We have been grateful to receive professional fund raising coaching and have been grateful to have this support to engage in profitable online fund raising. This has helped us build a group of supporters that continues to grow. Thanks to Cathy Blasonato, and to Leonard Coyne for your invaluable advice.

AUSPICE ASSISTANCE - Thank you to The Owl and Pussycat Farm Animal Sanctuary - a wonderful, well established sanctuary in the area, for your kind support in being an auspice for The Kind Farm Inc and letting us hire your truck.

Section 2 - Governance

STRUCTURE & MANAGEMENT

The Kind Farm Incorporated is an incorporated association registered in New South Wales, Australia. The Kind Farm Incorporated is a registered charity and complies with the retirements for a charity in Australia with with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC).

The Kind Farm Inc was first approved as a charity in May 2021, our first transaction was August 30th, 2021 and we rescued our first horse in September 2021.

Section 3 - Finances

The Kind Farm Inc was registered as a charity on the 9th of May, 2021. Our first transaction was on 30th August, 2021.

The Kind Farm Inc has operated at a slight profit. We have had the confidence to take on rescues due to the kind offers of two supporters to donate more fund should we need it. It is expected that, over the years to come, our fundraising expenses will be a much lower percentage of donations received as we will continue to build a loyal and support following.

We are proud to have been able to provide rescue and rehabilitation to horses at an annual expense/cost similar to what many people spend on their healthy “pet” horses each year. As we secure our own transport we will be even more effective in our rescue and rehoming costs.

CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT

The Kind Farm Inc was blessed to have such a stable and committed committee. All meetings were well attended and very productive, reflecting the committee sharing the clear vision of The Kind Farm Inc. For a young charity, I am very satisfied in the professional and aligned way The Kind Farm Inc is operating and progressing.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT

The financial year ending June 30th, 2023 marks The Kind Farm Inc’s second full year of operating. Thanks to a dedicated committee and our loving donors, The Kind Farm Inc horses and charity have continued to thrive.

Whilst we are extremely grateful for every single donation, we had hoped to have more funds raised to allow for staffing, rescue truck and more shelters for the horses. However, we are grateful with the progress and a milestone

has been finding a new property to lease for the horses that is more suitable than most previous paddocks.

We had a devastating rescue attempt in Mudgee NSW that was largely unsuccessful, very sad and a considerable use of funding. Our attempt to rescue Casper and Gingerbread, when no other organisation was available to, was a big undertaking for a small charity, with a heart breaking result.

We are proud to continue to be there for the horses who have no - one else to turn to. Those who can not be ridden, are old, injured or unwanted for other reasons.

The operations, health care and general direction of The Kind Farm Inc is wonderful and I am grateful to have the support of our wonderful committee and supporters.

The year to come will focus on ever improving our health care outcomes for the horses with a big focus on purpose built rain shelters for all horses a rescue truck.

Report by President - Lucy Scarman

OUR OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The Kind Farm Incorporated rescues horses who are destined for, or at risk of slaughter. The majority of horses rescued are from meat paddocks at large horse sale yards.

Meat paddocks are where unwanted horses stand until there are enough to send a large truck full to the knackery or horse slaughter house.

Horses are slaughtered for human consumption or as pet food. Their bodies are worth around \$400 depending on their weight/size/health. The horses we rescue all have issues whether it be health or behavioural issues. They are rarely ready for immediate re-homing.

The Kind Farm Inc establish relationships with horse meat traders and often purchase horses for the meat price.

We then arrange transport to safety and assess, rehabilitate and re-home horses. Often, due to the sale yard environment, horses are very traumatised on arrival. We then offer them feed, and care until they are healthy enough and confident enough to find a home.

‘When re-homing we consider the best long term, forever homing options for each adopted horse/s. Ideally they are re-homed to experienced horse

homes, where the adopters own their own property, there is great infrastructure including shelter, and the home is safe from flood and bushfire and drought.

Part of our strategy is to assist with transport to these homes, to make it possible for horses to live out their days on suitable properties in great horse country.

The adoption fee is always more than the horse is worth to a horse meat trader, to show commitment to that horses. We then conduct quarterly checks on adopted horses to make sure they are thriving in their new homes. Horses are re-homed under adoption agreement that prohibits the sale of the horse onwards unless under specific approval.

All male horses adopted our are gelded to prevent further breeding of horses. All mares are adopted out under agreement that they will never be bred from.

TREASURER'S REPORT

I am happy to report that The Kind Farm Incorporated is in good financial standing. As a further note to the financial statements below, we are blessed to have the ongoing support of a couple of individuals who have offered to contribute further where needed.

This provides a safety net to continue with operations with confidence.

We had worked towards having more regular donors to cover weekly expenses so that we could accumulate funds for assets including shelters and a rescue truck.

We continue to be guided by fundraising experts and comparably, across the charity space, have very good returns on any expense we use for fundraising. As a young charity, overall, we are happy with our performance and direction with our fund raising and financials for this year ending 30th June, 2023.

Report and financials by Joanne Rapa - Treasurer

FINANCIAL REPORT

The following financial report was submitted to the ACNC as The Kind Farm Inc's second required charity financial report.

Introduction

The Kind Farm Inc has been operating as a registered charity for two financial years successfully rescuing horses who would otherwise be slaughtered or otherwise at risk of death. This financial report encompasses our second financial year of operations.

Principal Activities

The Kind Farm Inc rescues horses who are en route to slaughter or at risk of slaughter or are in desperate need of rescue. We rehabilitate them, retrain where necessary and re-home them into adoption homes. Through our activities we also educate the general public about responsible horse ownership.

Significant changes

The Kind Farm Inc was registered in May 2021, starting operations in September 2021. There have been no significant changes for The Kind Farm Inc.

Going Concern

This financial report has been prepared on a going concern basis that expects to continue operations and the realisation of assets and settlement of liabilities as ordinary course of operations. The ability of the association to continue to operate as a going concern is dependent upon the ability of the association to generate sufficient cash flows from operations to meet its liabilities. We also have members of the public who have pledged to offer more donations on request, should they be needed. The members of the association believe that the going concern assumption is appropriate.

Operation result:

The surplus for the financial year amounted to, as per below: \$3038.71

Profit and Loss Statement

For the year ending June 30th

Profit and Loss

The Kind Farm Inc
For the year ended 30 June 2023

	2023
Trading Income	
Donations received	88,997.81
Grants	1,000.00
Income	3,695.00
Non-tax deductible gifts	501.35
Total Trading Income	94,194.16
Gross Profit	94,194.16
Operating Expenses	
Assets Purchased <\$5,000	1,539.00
Bank Charges	11.46
Expenses	62,168.80
Fundraising Expenses - General	23,156.16
MV Fuel and Oil	94.00
Trading/Operating Activities	136.00
Volunteer Costs	4,050.03
Total Operating Expenses	91,155.45
Net Profit	3,038.71

Income and expenditure statement

Income and Expenses by Contact

The Kind Farm Inc

For the period 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023

CONTACT GROUP	TYPE	2023
		(10.00)
adoption donations		3,145.00
agistment		(10,197.00)
bank fees		(11.46)
charity box donations		3,323.90
donations direct to bank		8,721.96
Donations received via Stripe		33,814.35
donations via paypal		42,638.95
farrier/hoof trim		(1,100.00)
fence and paddock equipment		(3,159.70)
fix/move/hire equipment		(85.00)
fundraising advertising		(20,595.05)
fundraising expenses		(38.00)
fundraising expenses, fundraising advertising		(51.64)
General horse care contractor		(3,453.00)
grants and corporate donations		1,000.00
horse accessories and equipment		(824.82)
horse accessories and equipment, fence and paddock equipment		(339.20)
horse dentistry		(790.00)
horse feed		(30,819.43)
horse health care supplies		(4,308.70)
horse health professionals		(1,743.04)
horse training		(78.09)
horse transport		(3,820.00)
Key donators - members of public		1,000.00
motor vehicle expenses (inc volunteer fuel)		(984.73)
office, stationary and printing		(156.77)
software subscriptions		(4,537.08)
staff/contractors		(957.98)
trades people / labourers		(100.00)
volunteer expenses		(2,227.23)
website		(217.53)
Total		3,038.71

Balance Sheet

As at June 30th, 2023

Balance Sheet

The Kind Farm Inc
As at 30 June 2023

30 Jun 2023

Assets	
Bank	
Commonwealth Bank	4,536.82
petty cash The Kind Farm	376.79
Total Bank	4,913.61
Total Assets	4,913.61
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable System	16.45
Total Current Liabilities	16.45
Total Liabilities	16.45
Net Assets	4,897.16
Equity	
Current Year Earnings	3,038.71
Retained Earnings	1,858.45
Total Equity	4,897.16

Note on financial statements

The Kind Farm Inc. was approved as a charity in May 2021. This financial statement represents the second full year of operations.

The Kind Farm Incorporated is an incorporated association registered in New South Wales, Australia. The Kind Farm Incorporated is a registered charity and complies with the requirements for a charity in Australia with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC).

The Kind Farm Inc financial statements and reports use the accrual system of accounting.

The Kind Farm Inc responsible persons are in agreement that this financial report represents an accurate and true record of operations of The Kind Farm Inc.

Section 4 - Other important information

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS & THANK YOU

- Donors
- Members of The Kind Farm Inc

Grants and funding

- Global Ripple Inc
- Demeter Legacy

Corporate & community partners

- Jason Proctor
- Sally Tansley
- Ross Larkin
- Benny and the Wong Family
- Cathy Blasonato & Leonard Coyne

Volunteers

- Muriel Bell
- Karyn Cameron
- Shardae Reid

HOW YOU CAN HELP

- Become a member
- Make a donation
- Offer land for the horses
- Leave a bequest

- Support an event or fundraising activity
- Become a corporate partner
- Adopt a horse

LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

Our overall goal is to rescue as many horses from slaughter and neglect as possible, rehabilitate them into good health - considering their immediate and long term physical and emotional wellbeing, and find them for ever homes.

To achieve this we will continue to attract donations, build better facilities that will safeguard us from challenging weather and employ carers so we can have more horses rehabilitated, and have them ready for loving homes sooner, where possible.

This year, compared with our first year had a larger focus on physical rehabilitation, largely due to some challenging hoof issues. The hands on care and treatment needed meant more resources and time were used for specific horses in need this year. The special care included increase of funds used on specialised supplements and equipment and has returned great outcomes for the horses.

As we grow as a charity, we will raise funds for our own rescue truck which will allow us to rescue horses in a safer way and time frame and also reduce initial transport costs and make re-homing possible to a broader array of homes.

We will continue to keep bonded horses together where this is the best outcome for the horses and continue with our trust based gentle training to ensure horses and their adopting humans the safest and most enjoyable life together.

We had anticipated that we would have more adoptions, however, we had fewer inquiries for adoption this year and many inquiries were looking for a horse that could be ridden or different size, gender, age than we had ready for adoption. Because we are committed to taking the horses no one wants, including many ex harness racing horses, many of them have never been ridden or have injuries/conditions making them best suited as companions.

Additionally, River, Faith, Thor, Aslan and Sofia, for health reasons are not yet suited to be adopted out unless they are within the Northern Rivers area where we could still assist with specialised care.

Engaging the community in the way we initially envisioned has not been easy due to the high cost of liability insurance relating to operations involving

horses, and specifically, rescued horses. This cost quoted at over \$1500/month is not currently in our budget

Whilst we have had some help from larger organisations (Global Ripple and Demeter Legacy) the key to our fund raising has been kind individuals - mostly from social media, who have donated either once off or regularly to the rescue and care for the horses.

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