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Sanctuary visit

Auckland campaign officer Eliot Pryor reports that there are two places left for anyone interested in helping on the Animal Sanctuary working bee this Saturday (World Animal Day, 4 October).

There is a limit of twelve people for the trip, and Eliot says ideally they would love to include someone who can offer the use of a minivan to transport the group. If you are this dream person and are keen to help out on a place that helps rescued animals then get in touch with Eliot on eliot@safe.org.nz.

Eliot says when they visited for the first time in May they had a chance to meet the animals, and at that time had the idea of visiting again for the purpose of helping out.

"It's not often we get the chance to interact with the animals themselves, and being able to help the Sanctuary with the work they do is a great excuse for visiting again!"

WORLD ANIMAL DAY

World Animal Day (4 October) is a day of celebration for everyone who cares about animals. It began in 1931 as a way to highlight the plight of endangered species and has since grown to encompass all kinds of animal life. It is now widely celebrated in countries throughout the world.



October 4 was chosen as it is the Feast Day of St Francis of Assisi, the Patron Saint of Animals.

Since the official World Animal Day (WAD) website was launched in 2003, the number of WAD events taking place throughout the world has increased year upon year. You can participate by getting involved with local activities, organising an activity yourself or by making a pledge for the day.

SAFE campaign director, Hans Kriek, is the 2008 Ambassador for WAD in New Zealand.

World Animal Day - a special opportunity for anyone who loves animals

MISSION STATEMENT

HANS KRIEK - NEW ZEALAND Ambassador to World Animal Day		18
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<p>EMAIL: hans@safe.org.nz WEBSITE: www.safe.org.nz ADDRESS: SAFE 145 Broad Street Christchurch New Zealand</p>		<p>HANS KRIEK, CAMPAIGN DIRECTOR, SAFE</p>
<p>AIMS / MISSION STATEMENT: SAFE (Save the Animals from Exploitation) is dedicated to promoting recognition of the inherent value of all animal life, advocating for improvements in animal care and treatment, and ensuring and challenging abuse and neglect of animals, in all relevant areas of New Zealand life.</p>		
<p>ACTIVITIES / INITIATIVES: Achievements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> launched a world class humane education programme had New Zealand's campaign against battery hen farming and intensive pig farming attracted a supporter database of over 12,000 appointed two full-time officers and a part-time free officer launched a radio and television media profile successfully rescued and rehabilitated an orca (killer whale) launched New Zealand's first saving consumer watchdog group established a consumer expert committee (food safety) launched a huge network of support within the business community received a multitude of awards of praise since our first weeks successfully signed over 100 professional trainers and carriage events </p>		

- To celebrate animal life in all its forms
- To celebrate humankind's relationship with the animal kingdom
- To acknowledge the diverse roles that animals play in our lives - from being our companions, supporting and helping us, to bringing a sense of wonder into our lives
- To acknowledge and be thankful for the way in which animals enrich our lives

Be part of something special - find out how you can get involved in celebrating World Animal Day 2008

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