

# PACAT



**People Against Cruelty  
in Animal Transport**

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**Committee Meetings:** 35 High Street, Fremantle (Rooms 1 & 2)  
1.30pm Sat 30 Apr 2005  
1.30pm Sat 28 May 2005

*All members welcome at committee meetings (usually held on last Sat of month) but phone the office by Thursday 1pm preceding, in case the time has varied.*

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## PACAT NEWS

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### **PACAT Joins the World in Demanding Humane Transport Standards**

**YOU TOO CAN HELP TO IMPLEMENT GLOBAL ANIMAL WELFARE STANDARDS—JUST SIGN AND SEND THE ENCLOSED POSTCARD TODAY!**

The intergovernmental standard-setting organisation for animal health and zoonoses\*, Paris-based World Organisation for Animal Health (or OIE), is now an important focus for the development of international animal welfare standards and guidelines. An international approach to animal welfare is needed as the free trade rules of the World Trade Organisation (WTO) have severely impeded attempts to improve standards of animal welfare within countries.

Basic guiding principles have been developed by the OIE and will potentially be adopted during the OIE General Session in May 2005. This is when 167 international delegates (including our Australian delegate) will vote whether or not to implement these global animal welfare

standards for land and sea transport, slaughter for human consumption and slaughter for disease control.

Several animal welfare groups have formed a united lobbying group, ICAFW (International Coalition for Farm Animal Welfare), to make representations to the OIE. Compassion in World Farming—a UK-based organisation that has supported PACAT's work for many years—is a member of this group.

**Join a world of people who care about the transportation and slaughter of farm animals by promptly sending the enclosed postcard to CIWF in Australia.** THIS WILL LET OUR DELEGATE KNOW THAT AUSTRALIANS SUPPORT THE NEED FOR REFORM—AND THAT WE WANT A 'YES' VOTE FOR GLOBAL ANIMAL WELFARE STANDARDS. CIWF will take these postcards to the OIE meeting in May to ensure that all delegates are aware of the extent of international support for global animal welfare standards.

**Every postcard counts!**

For more information on the OIE, please visit [www.ciwf.org](http://www.ciwf.org) and look under 'Latest News'.

\* diseases that move between animals and humans

# SPECIAL ADVERTISING CAMPAIGN: 'THE MYTHS OF LIVE EXPORTS'

Attention members! We really need your help to launch a full-on, ongoing advertising campaign, inspired by PETA's recent 'Myths of Mulesing' ads in the print media.



PACAT plans to make this its main focus for the rest of the year and we urge you all to **send whatever donation you can** towards what will be an expensive (but worthwhile) exercise that will bring live exports back into public consciousness on a continuing basis. By addressing the most common misconceptions about the trade in a logical way in various newspapers and magazines (including publications such as *Farm Weekly*), we aim to spark debate and fuel public support for a ban on live exports, both in WA and interstate. **Your support is crucial, so please use the enclosed form to send a donation to this campaign now!**

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## Next regular Fremantle demo:

### Sat April 9

These demos are held at the corner of Tydeman Rd and Victoria Bridge (old Freo bridge) at 11 am—approx 1-hour duration.

**Banners and pamphlets are provided.** Parking is available in the Post Office premises.

Please phone either the office, or Heather Wood on 9272 2992(A/H), for further dates or if you have any questions.

## Street Appeal and other donations

Thanks to all who helped or donated to the recent Street Appeal, especially Ken Lowe for coordinating the whole event. We raised approximately \$1,100.

We also take this opportunity to thank *Judy Cambridge* and *Steve Peach* for their extremely generous recent donations and to say how heartened we are by their commitment to the animals.

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