

# Centre for Public Culture and Ideas

## Humane Education: A compassionate ethic for animals Symposium

5 – 6 October, 2007

EcoCentre

Griffith University, 170 Kessels Road, Nathan, Queensland

### Friday 5 October, 2007

8.30 – 9.00 **Registration**

9.00 – 9.15 **Welcome – Dr Gail Tulloch** (Adjunct Research Fellow, Centre for Public Culture and Ideas, Griffith University) and **Elizabeth Usher** (Voiceless, the fund for animals)

9.15 – 10:45 **Session One**

**Phil Brooke** (Education Officer, Compassion in World Farming, UK)  
*'Humane Education: A personal and professional view'*

**Joy Verrinder** (Education and Development Officer, Animal Welfare League Queensland), *'Learning to Care: Education for Compassion'*

**Nichola Kriek** (Education Officer, SAFE, NZ), *'The New Zealand Experience'*

10.45 – 11.05 **Morning tea**

11.05 – 12.45 **Session Two**

#### **KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

**Professor Terry Lovat**, Pro-Vice Chancellor (Education and Arts), University of Newcastle (NSW)  
*'Values Education: towards a more compassionate society'*

**Rupert MacGregor** (National Projects Manager, Australian Council of State School Organisations),  
*'Strengthening Society's Values'*

**Jenene Rosser**, Senior Education Officer, Association of Independent Schools (Qld), *'Linking Values and Animals: Examples in Queensland Independent Schools'*, with **Wendy Ruback** (Dep Principal, St John's Lutheran Primary School), **Prabha Demasson** (Dep Principal, Ananda Marga River School), **Nigel Grant** (Dep Principal – Curriculum, HoD Ag Science, Scots PGC College)

12.45 – 1.45 **Lunch**

1.45 – 3.15 **Panel – Practising Teachers Present Humane Education Initiatives** – followed by Q & A.  
**Carmel Loane, Gayle D'Arcy, Alysia Kepert, Michelle Read-Zorn** Facilitators: **Cynthia Burnett** and **Phil Brooke**

3.15 – 3.45 **Afternoon tea**

3.45 – 4.45 **Session Three**

**Beryl Roberts** (Senior Education Officer, DETA Qld), *'Animal Ethics and Animal Welfare within an Education Framework'*

**Corinne Hanlon** (Technical Manager, Animal Facility, Griffith University)  
*'Beyond the 3Rs: An Innovative Approach to Care and Welfare in an Animal Facility'*

5.00 – 6.00 **Reception at symposium venue – EcoCentre**

7.00 **Dinner at Robertson Gardens**, 281 Kessels Road, Robertson

**Saturday 6 October, 2007**

8.30 – 9.00 **Registration**

9.00 – 9.15 **Welcome, Review and Introduction to the day's proceedings – Carole de Fraga** (Regional Representative, Compassion in World Farming)

9.15 – 10.45 **Session One**

**Senator Andrew Bartlett** (Australian Democrats), *'The political context'*

**Dr Gail Tulloch** (Griffith University), *'From Sentience to Capabilities and Affective Education'*

**Dr Tania Signal** (Lecturer in Psychology, University of Central Qld),  
*'Reducing the incidence of human / animal abuse'*

10.45 – 11.15 **Morning tea**

11.15 – 12.45 **Session Two**

**Dr Di Evans** (W.A. Dept of Agriculture and Food), *'Is Education the Answer to improving Farm Animal Welfare?'*

**Professor Clive Phillips** (Director, Centre for Animal Welfare and Ethics, UQ)  
*'Veterinary Education: more than just Science is needed'*

**Steven White** (Lecturer, Griffith Law School) and **Associate Professor Deborah Cao** (School of Languages and Linguistics, Griffith University), *'Animal law: how, or will it help to bring about a more compassionate society?'*

12.45 – 1.45 **Lunch**

1.45 – 3.15 **Session Three**

**Katy Wood** (Grants Program Manager, Voiceless), *'Animal Club: encouraging compassion'*

**Dr Amanda Mergler** (Human Development and Educational Psychology, QUT), *'Teacher Training and Development: Turning the focus to values-based education'*

**Cynthia Burnett** (Education Division Representative, Animals Australia), *'The WHY and the HOW of Humane Education'*

3.15 – 3.30 **Refreshments**

3.30 – 4.15 **Concluding discussion**

4.15 **Tea and coffee**

This Centre for Public Culture and Ideas Griffith University event is run in partnership with renowned international farm animal welfare organisation **Compassion in World Farming** (<http://www.ciwf.org/>) and is proudly sponsored by **Voiceless, the fund for animals**.

