Fact Sheet of Animals Australia

1. Animals Australia is only a self-proclaimed "Animal Welfare" group.

Unlike animal welfare shelters, adoption services and wildlife rescue clinics located around the country, all Animals Australia's money is spent on advertising veganism. It's message is clear. You cannot be an omnivore and live a cruelty free life. While some of their campaigns may accidently achieve welfare outcomes, they do not condone the use of animals and seek to end all animal related industries. Animals Australia's agenda is exactly the same as PETA's: Animal rights.

2. "Animal welfare" and "animal rights" are two very different ideas.

Most people are in favour of animal *welfare*. They want animals to be treated humanely. But they also accept the fact that some animals are raised to provide food, some are kept as pets, some are used in research that seeks to cure cancer and AIDS, and others accept the humane involvement of animals in sports, entertainment, and education. A very tiny minority of Australians, however, believe in animal *rights*. They want to eliminate every human interaction with animals, without exception.

Animal rights activists believe that a rat and a child are morally equivalent—and that since "animals are people too," no man, woman, or child should benefit from the use of animals.

3. The primary difference between PETA and Animals Australia is that PETA is honest about its beliefs.

PETA spells out its goal of "total animal liberation" right on its website, but most Australians don't understand that Animals Australia shares the very same agenda. The animal rights tags are hidden from view. Animals Australia is inherently linked with animal *rights* school of thought. They accept loans from liberation groups, are supported by an army of animal rights lawyers and are run by hare core vegans. The only shelter they are involved in is www.brightside.org.au, run by an animal rights activist which introduces school children to PETA's ideology. They do not donate to any other hands on animal welfare shelters.

4. PETA and Animal Liberation groups are only useful for raids, break and enter, theft and making Animals Australia appear moderate by comparison.

If PETA and other branches of Animal Liberation didn't exist, most of Animals Australia's goals would be (correctly) seen as quite radical. But animal liberationists routinely throws red paint, jumping on top of chicken sheds with vegan banners, and parade naked university students on street corners—allowing Animals Australia to promote the same extreme agenda as PETA while appearing comparatively reasonable. The Animal Justice Fund is set up by Jan Cameron, the main financial benefactor of Animals Australia to pay for animal liberationists legal fees when they get into trouble with the law, not to improve animal welfare.

5. Lyn White and Glenys Oojges are outsiders, not stakeholders, in how farm animals are cared for.

Like the leaders of other animal rights groups, both directors of Animals Australia are strict vegans. Neither will consume the most humanely treated meat, eggs, or dairy foods. But unlike Industry marketing and research groups, who have a strong interest in making sure their members stay in business, Animals Australia's main goal is to completely shut down entire sectors of the Australian economy—including animal agriculture, pet stores, shooting sports, , <u>feral animal control</u>, the fur trade, *in vivo* biomedical research and zoos.

6. Many Australians are in an endless war with Animals Australia—even those who don't want to be.

Animals Australia will keep attacking Australian farmers, hunters and fishermen, pet owners, biomedical research scientists, zookeepers, and ecosystem conservationists because of the addictive moral righteousness. With Jan Cameron's endless millions, Animals Australia's holier-than-thou church is ready to groom young audiences who are unable to distinguish between animal rights and animal welfare. Preying on young children who are eager to impress their peers, their newly recruited foot soldiers will be rewarded by Jan Cameron for successful missions and given money if they get into trouble with the law.

7. Winston Churchill was right: "A lie gets halfway around the world before the truth has a chance to put its pants on."

Most Australians believe Animals Australia is an animal welfare organisation, but only 2% of the <u>Australian population is vegetarians</u>. Its high public profile has come about only because Animals Australia's directors intentionally deceive the public about their goals and intentions.

8. To the omnivores who do live a cruelty free life.

Yes. It's possible to live a cruelty free life without being vegan. Australians need to be educated about what Animals Australia really is, what it does, and what outcomes it is pursuing. But making that happen will require people who care about the outcome to roll up their sleeves and actually participate in the debate. Help us take action and spread the word.

The documented facts at <u>www.foodmythbusters.com</u> is your site for information about the animal rights groups in Australia.

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