



Court Case Wins Concessions for Horses

The government cannot bring gambling on horse racing into the country without considering the animal welfare implications. Furthermore, it has no authority to bring in the industry unless the Knesset (Israel's Parliament) passes a law authorizing it. These were the admissions conceded by the government in their written response to our petition to the Supreme Court, submitted just one week before the case was scheduled to be heard.

CHAI/Hakol Chai's appeal to the Court contended that the government's decision to bring in the industry, announced three years ago, was illegal because animal welfare concerns were not considered, as required by law. Had they been considered, it would be clear that the cruelties inherent in the industry make it a violation of Israel's Animal Protection Law. Gambling is also prohibited in Israel.

Yet another concession by the government was a commitment made to the Court that it would provide Hakol Chai an opportunity to inform deciding officials about the animal welfare implications of racing.

Until now, government officials have been unwilling to hear the facts contained in the expert opinions submitted to the Court, and they have failed to respond to letters outlining our concerns. See page 3 for a summary of the abuses inherent in racing that make it a violation of Israel's Animal Protection Act. *(Continued on Page 3)*



Environment and Agriculture Ministries Give Spay/Neuter National Push

Israel's Ministries of Agriculture and Environmental Protection will jointly sponsor a several-month-long, low-cost spay/neuter campaign for dogs that will include public education, under the slogan: *Be A Mensch — Care for Your Dog.*

The Agriculture Ministry estimates that 50-100,000 dogs are abandoned throughout the country every year. The majority suffer and die on the streets or are euthanized in municipal pounds and animal shelters. The campaign will help educate the public about the advantages of spay/neuter, including health and behavioral benefits. The government also hopes it will reduce the amount it spends annually to deal with the dog overpopulation problem.



~ Veterinarian and assistant spay rescued puppies in Hakol CHAI's clinic

CHAI presented spaying and neutering as the long-term solution to the overpopulation problem at its conference for municipal veterinarians on humane animal control techniques, in 2003, co-sponsored by the Agriculture, Environment, and Interior Ministries. CHAI also recommended to the head of the Agriculture Ministry's Veterinary Services that government agencies join forces to sponsor TV commercials to educate the public. Shorter-term solutions presented at that conference have already been, or are in the process of being, implemented.

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Liora and Sabra: Together at Last

All 39 of the puppies rescued in the war between Israel and Hezbollah by CHAI/Hakol Chai found loving homes. Each of these happy endings, each one of these salvaged lives, was made possible by your support. In this newsletter and those that follow, we will feature some of their photos and stories.

Travel-weary puppies arrived in Washington, DC late in the evening. Rather than keep them and representatives of the shelters that had agreed to house them waiting while we checked their “passports,” each shelter’s representatives quickly took a group of dogs, keeping together those they thought looked like siblings. Two large white pups ended up at the Alexandria, VA shelter.

Karis Graham immediately felt a bond with one of them, adopted her, and named her Liora, which in Hebrew means “my light,” or “God’s gift of light to me.” Karis is a former Air Force chaplain who served in combat zones overseas, counseling servicemen suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder. After retiring from the military, she earned a PhD in Psychology and accepted a job at a Washington, DC mental health facility. From her experience, Karis understood completely what Liora had been through and how she must be suffering.

Every night, Liora had terrible nightmares. Karis held and rocked her, reassuring her that the war was over and she was now safe. Never again would she be in harm’s way. As the weeks passed, Liora’s

nightmares seemed to lessen a bit, but Karis thought it would be a long time before she would be free of them altogether.

I did not yet know of Karis and Liora’s experience because shelters only release information about adopters if they give specific permission to do so. In the meantime, I placed another large, white puppy refugee with a woman who, like Karis, lives in Washington, DC.

This woman, Nina Halper, learned of the Israeli pups from a Washington Post article about the rescue. Nina named her new puppy Sabra (in Hebrew, a native-born Israeli). A sabra is a cactus that grows in Israel, known for being tough on the outside, soft on the inside.

What I did not know at the time was that this puppy was Liora’s brother.



Once I learned from their passports that Liora and Sabra were siblings, and after Karis contacted me, I suggested that the new mothers arrange a reunion. **And what a reunion it was!** The siblings raced for one another, leapt joyfully, and could not stop holding, touching, and playing with each other. They lay on their sides facing one another, a ball between their mouths, so visibly bonded, they seemed like one being. **From that day forward, Liora’s nightmares were a thing of the past.** At a second reunion, to which I had the great fortune of being invited, I was deeply moved by the strong connection and love between the two dogs. They are inseparable and clearly take joy from looking at, touching, and interacting with each other. **These days, the two have frequent play dates and an occasional sleepover at Karis’ house.**

The 39 puppies brought to the U.S. were placed in homes throughout four states. Surely the hand of fate played a role in seeing that Liora and Sabra, who so needed one another, ended up in homes just ten minutes apart!



A Play Date in Washington, DC

Nina Halper

Executive Director, CHAI

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The government suggested to the Court that it could propose legislation that would allow racing and at the same time provide for animal welfare concerns, but these two aims are contradictory. The industry itself is cruel, and therefore, violates the law. No state within the U.S. nor any country anywhere in the world has ever been able to regulate it. Where the driving force is greed, violations of the law and cruelty are common.

Race organizers have been trying to create a *fait accompli* by building a small race track on the site of the planned large one, and by holding short racing events there and at other sites around the country. Attendance at these events has been sparse, contrary to the expectations of the organizers. The government claims these events are within the bounds of the law because they are organized by private individuals, not the government, and because they supposedly do not involve organized, state-sponsored gambling, though wagers are made in private.

At the last racing event, held in the north of the country, about 40 Hakol Chai demonstrators staged a protest, dressed in horses' costumes, and handed out literature. The protest was covered by the media, and many people, especially young people, turned away and did not attend the event after reading the facts.

As a result of the government's concessions, we temporarily withdrew our petition to the Court. Doing so preserves our right to appeal to petition the Court again on this issue, if the government fails to meet the commitments it made to the Court.

Now the struggle moves to the Knesset. We are working to educate Knesset members to ensure that when the government introduces a bill to permit gambling on horse racing, it will be defeated. Many Knesset members have already signed our petition against this industry entering Israel and have agreed to enlist the support of other members. We will continue these crucial efforts and will also continue to work to educate the public about this issue.

We need your support!

Please donate to our efforts to make Knesset members and the public aware of the cruelties of this industry based on greed, to prevent it from gaining a foothold in Israel.

What's Wrong with Horse Racing?

Thousands of horses are bred for racing; a few are selected, the rest slaughtered. They are raced too young, before their bones harden, resulting in catastrophic injuries. Race horses suffer from bleeding lungs, chronic ulcers, and heart attacks. To win, they are drugged so they can race even while injured.

Though thoroughbreds can live to 25, by age 6 many are no longer fast enough to race, and are either slaughtered or sold from hand to hand in a downward spiral of abuse.

Many ex-race horses, even former champions, end up in the slaughterhouse. Will Israel build slaughterhouses for young, healthy horses no longer fast enough, or enter the cruel live transport business, shipping horses to France and Belgium to be served up on dinner plates there?

A *New York Times* front page article reported that drugs used on race horses are often undetectable. Even before testing laboratories develop tests for currently used drugs, new cocktails are being created.

Insurance fraud is yet another of the problems associated with the industry. **When the bottom line is the only consideration, it can be more lucrative to kill a horse and collect the insurance money than to enter a slow horse in a race.**



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Tel Aviv Students Act to Prevent Horse/Donkey Abuse



Sixth-grade Young Leadership Committee students of Tel Aviv's Open Democratic School who participated in "Project Breakthrough" called on Hakol Chai for help in researching the horse and donkey abuse problem in their city, including ways to prevent it. "Breakthrough" is a Tel Aviv multi-school project that requires participating students to identify a local social or environmental problem and work to make a positive difference in that area for their community.

The students' findings were presented to a panel of local authorities, including the city's veterinarian – the official responsible for the welfare of these animals – at an annual conference for all schools participating in the "Breakthrough" program. At that event, the students showed a film shot by Hakol Chai that documented the horse/donkey abuse problem in the city. Following is an excerpt from the students' report to the city-wide representatives at the conference:

"Every day, we witness horses carrying heavy loads in the streets, and children sitting on them, though the horses' legs are wounded. Sometimes they are bleeding, some of them suffer from malnutrition, and they are weak and tired. An examination showed us that in many cases, their shoes are improperly fitted on their hooves, and damage their feet and hurt them.... Our aim is to increase awareness of the needs of animals by educating the community."

As part of their research, the students learned that although the Animal Protection Law forbids an animal in bad physical condition from being worked, it does not outline criteria for determining when an animal's condition is sufficiently bad that he cannot work. They appealed to the city veterinarian to establish standards for keeping these animals, including such factors as: the maximum number of hours per day a horse can work, the minimum quantity of food and water he must be given, the conditions in which he is housed, the definition of a properly fitting harness, and the requirement that regular veterinary care be provided. The students recommended that mandatory certificates setting out the requirements for each individual animal be issued to horse and donkey owners, and that these certificates be compared annually with the actual conditions in which the animals are living.

In response, city vet Zvi Galin, who has been accused of ignoring the condition of the work animals in the city and of failing to act on reported cases of abuse, defended the city's actions. The city now collects its own scrap metal, he claimed, rather than have cart-horse owners do it, because they overload the animals. In addition, he said that his veterinary department set a goal of reducing the number of donkeys and horses in the city by 50% in two years. The students questioned whether any real progress was achieved since the goal was set. In response to the students' decision to hang posters throughout the city, advising residents of an emergency number to call if they witness abuse, the veterinarian had no comment.

Tel Aviv City Council Acts on Hakol Chai's Horse Abuse Initiative

Hakol Chai appealed to the Tel Aviv City Council to take action to protect horses and donkeys in the city. Severe abuse of these animals has been repeatedly exposed by CHAI/Hakol Chai, along with the fact that the city's municipal veterinarian has been reluctant to act to prevent or put an end to the abuse. As the Council met to consider our appeal, Hakol Chai conducted a peaceful demonstration outside the building.

In response to Hakol Chai's appeal, the Council requested that we submit written recommendations for improving the current situation. Our list of recommendations included requiring annual licensing and inspections of these animals, providing horse trailers to make it easier to remove abused animals from their abusers, and providing one or more facilities where they can be taken for treatment and evaluation. Council members complimented our submission, and invited Hakol Chai representatives to give another presentation to the Council at an upcoming meeting called to focus on this issue.

Hakol Chai's efforts in Tel Aviv are part of its campaign to see that regulations are passed and enforced throughout Israel requiring annual licensing and inspection of work animals, to prevent their abuse. **What happens in Tel Aviv will serve as a model for the rest of the country.**





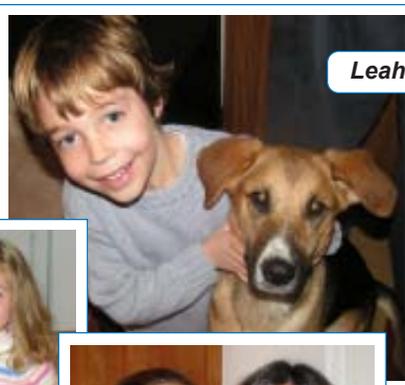
Dani, Bella, & Eva (L-R). Dani donated to CHAI for birthday



Shayna joins Temple youth group at a CHAI presentation

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Leah



Sadie



Sabra

39 puppies rescued during the war were flown to the States; and every one found the perfect family.

Knesset Bans Testing Cosmetics On Animals

On May 21st, Israel's Knesset voted to ban testing cosmetics on animals. Such testing is not currently being done in Israel, according to the Ministry of Agriculture, and so the law is symbolic, but it is, nonetheless, significant because it creates a climate favorable to further progress in eliminating tests on animals.

Knesset Member Gideon Sa'ar proposed the law at the urging of his 16-year-old daughter, Daniella. "This is an important law that reflects how our society is changing its regard for animal rights," said Sa'ar, adding:

"I am very proud of this new generation that wants a more humane society."

Have you provided for your legacy into the future?

A bequest to CHAI is a strong statement of your concern for animals.

Please plan now so that your kindness will continue into the future. CHAI can be named as beneficiary of life insurance policies, bonds and other securities, house, and trusts. Securities can be willed to CHAI with the provision that you will continue to receive interest from them throughout your lifetime. Real estate can be willed to CHAI with the provision that the owner can remain in

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Because wills are legal documents, bequests should contain the phrase: "I give, bequeath and devise Concern for Helping Animals in Israel (CHAI), POB 3341, Alexandria, VA 22302 the sum of _____ and/or unencumbered properties described as _____ to be applicable for

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CHAI gives abandoned puppy a new lease on life



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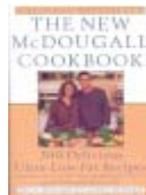
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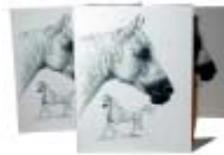
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