



Our Commitment

To provide the highest standard 24 hour aeromedical, search and rescue service free of charge in our operational areas. To value our staff and volunteers and be fully accountable to our community, our corporate partners and government.

About the Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service

The Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service is a community owned and operated aeromedical search and rescue service, serving the Hunter Mid-North Coast and New England North West regions. The service commenced operations in Newcastle in 1975, and in Tamworth in 2000.

Each year the Rescue Helicopter undertakes more than 1200 missions in our service areas, transporting people from accident scenes and transferring critically ill patients from smaller, rural hospitals to larger regional or urban hospitals. It also plays a key role in search and rescue operations.

The Rescue Helicopter provides a free service to over 1.2 million people and covers an operating region of over 175,000 square kilometres.

The operating budget of the Rescue Helicopter is over \$13 million per annum. Of this 55% is raised by the generosity of our community and through corporate sponsorship, donations, fundraising events, our volunteer support groups and through the payroll deduction program. The other 45% is provided by the state government through our contract with the Ambulance Service of NSW.

Your Support is Valued

Every dollar is used wisely to provide emergency aeromedical and rescue services to the communities of Hunter Mid-North Coast and New England North West regions. People help protect each other by contributing to this essential service in whatever way they are able. Some of the wonderful ideas that people have created to support the Service include:

- Making weekly donations through payroll deductions
- Becoming a member of a volunteer support group
- Making a cash donation
- Join in fundraising activities including rodeos, golf days, craft exhibitions, concerts, car rallies, bike rides, walks, runs, and much more.
- Sponsoring an event
- Leaving a legacy in a will
- Donating an amount of grain
- Donating a sheep

Tag a Calf



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“Your calf can grow to become an important donation to the Service”.



'Tag a Calf' to support your Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service

The Service has an innovative program to ask cattle producers to 'tag a calf' and in the long term donate the proceeds from the beast to the Service

Cattle ear tags can be provided to identify and monitor the calf you have selected to donate. Once the calf is ready for sale it can be sold and the amount donated to the Service.

The donation is tax deductible.

How does it work?

To participate in our tag a calf program you can contact your local selling agent and request a "Helicopter Ear Tag".

When the beast is ready to be sold, you work with your agent to decide if the whole beast or a portion of the beast is to be donated.

You can choose for the beast to be sold at one of our nominated charity selling dates in your local area. Or you can sell it at a sale that suits you.

For further information, speak with your agent or contact 1800 155 155.

Tag a Calf Registration

- I wish to register for the 'Tag a Calf' program and request a "Helicopter Ear Tag"
- I wish to find out about regular WRHS sale dates in my area.
- Please add me to the free Rescue Magazine mailing list so I can follow the work of the service

Name:

Address:

Phone:

Mobile:

Email:

Signature:

The calf will be sold on (approx date):

at the:

Saleyard and my local agent is

and the proceeds sent to the Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service through my agent.

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Why participate in 'Tag a Calf'

Your financial contribution through 'tag a calf' is vital to help ensure this valuable Service continues to remain free of charge to those requiring emergency aeromedical transfers.

No one has ever paid to be transported by the Service.

Every dollar provided is valuable and helps to ensure the Service remains a vital link in the emergency care chain.

