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**INQUIRY INTO MANAGEMENT OF CAT POPULATIONS
IN NEW SOUTH WALES**

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Approval of abhorrent animal cruelty is shameful. Shooting, baiting and leg trapping is far from being humane, the RSPCA supposed gave the support for the slaughter of the cats .

I don't believe that a shooter who is out to slaughter as many cats as possible will bother to check that the cats they were shot were actually killed instantly. Many may have been injured and left in horrendous pain before dying , baiting, not all cats will fall asleep before dying to the poisoning. They will also suffer horrendous pain , who is going to follow up immediately after baiting to see of the cats were actually asleep before death. It was mentioned that leg trapping is also an option, is that like rabbit trapping where legs were snapped in half and the animal lay for days in agony, or where they tried to free themselves from the trap and ripped their legs off before dying , please explain how any of the above are classed as humane. Each of the above will cause severe pain and suffering to cats.

I read an article that cats kill 1.5 billion(million, I can't remember the exact amount) native birds etc in 12 months.

I am interested to know where they get the proof of that amount. If a cat killed and ate a bird where is the proof the bird existed in the 1st place. Bones on small animals would not be noticeable in bushland and who was out in the bush to witness that cat kill and eat that bird to be one of the 1.5 million/billion. The culling of kangaroos left many dying in pain ,some were left on fences with body parts hanging off but still alive, some left with babies ,slowly dying, many shot but not checked to see of the shooter instantly killed it. Shooters do not go and check each animal they fire a bullet at. Most Shooters are gun happy and enjoy the slaughter of what they believe are pests.

There is no such thing as humane killing to any animal that is not sick or seriously injured that can't be healed.

Using the term HUMANE is misleading . What you are advocating is the inhumane slaughter of cats and employing people who haven't got any compassion for the animals they shoot. It's fun and games to them