

## **MCAV Brumby statement and position June 2020**

The MCAV believe wild horses belong in the High Country, including the Alpine National Park. However, we recognise that their numbers must be reduced and maintained at sustainable levels.

What we agree with:

- Brumbies should remain in genetically sustainable numbers in the Bogong and Eastern Alps.
- Brumby numbers should be controlled using 3 methods: trapping, running or mustering
- Mountain Cattlemen and other bushmen should be consulted on how to best control the brumby population

What we don't agree with:

- Helicopter culling
- Euthanizing horses that are suited to re-homing
- The total eradication of the brumby population
- Mindless shooting of brumbies without discretion for condition, age and sex.

Our submission to the Victorian Alps Wild Horse Management Plan, which details the MCAV's long history with maintaining the brumby population, is also available on this website.

Our position on the brumby situation is clear, however we would like to re-iterate we, as always, support only respectful and peaceful protest.