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FORMER MISS WORLD JOINS HUNT FOR KANGAROO ATTACKER

Former Miss World and TV personality Belinda Green has vowed to do everything in her powers to find the person responsible for spearing a mother kangaroo carrying a joey with two arrows in Cowra NSW last week, and has joined forces with the Australian Society for Kangaroos in their search for the attacker.

Please see the full story at the link below:

<http://www.cowraguardian.com.au/news/local/news/general/extreme-cruelty/2159582.aspx>

After seeing images of a pregnant mother kangaroo speared with two arrows in her home town of Cowra last week, Belinda Green says she fell apart and felt physically sick to her stomach. The female kangaroo had sustained an arrow to her head and her leg and was carrying a small joey.

"When I saw images of that poor mother kangaroo with the spears in her head and body, I just fell apart. I felt so sorry for this poor mother kangaroo, carrying that little baby and having this happen to her", said Belinda.

"After seeing that kangaroo, and then a sleepless night, I decided something had to be done. This is not the first time this has happened in this area and I will not let it happen again." said Ms Green.

The Australian Society for Kangaroos has joined Belinda's campaign to find the perpetrator and has offered a reward for information about the attack that leads to a conviction.

Nikki Sutterby, Coordinator of Australian Society for Kangaroos said today, *"We're offering \$1000.00 reward for any information that leads to a conviction of the person responsible for this cruel act. Please help us stop this happening to another kangaroo or another animal. If anyone knows anything that may help us find the person responsible please contact Cowra Police on 02 63415000."*

Belinda said, *"We have the arrows that were used, and we have sent one to the police and one to the NSW Parks and Wildlife Service for investigation. But we hope that someone in the community will lead us to the people responsible."*

Belinda added: *"We live in a beautiful community here and it's a worry to think that someone disturbed enough to inflict such cruelty on this innocent creature is living amongst us."*

Belinda Green lives a quiet life in Cowra NSW as a registered wildlife rescuer and carer who specialises in kangaroos. She said: *"Kangaroos have a very special place in my heart. They are our national icon. They represent all that is Australian"*.

Please find photos of the kangaroo attached. The photo was taken by the wildlife rescuer and maybe used in media publications.

Please also see a photo of Belinda at home with one of her kangaroos.

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