Vet HQ represents at the 2022 Easter Show

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This year was a very special year for the Royal Easter Show as it celebrated 200 years since it all began!

A brief history: The Royal Agricultural Society (RAS) began in 1822, as European settlers were struggling to adapt to the new environment and the problems they were facing with crops and farming. The RAS' aim was to educate early settlers and to come together and exchange ideas- and the annual "Show" was a way of bringing rural communities together. 200 year later the RAS is still organising events and competitions and acting as a guardian for the state's agricultural heritage, while showcasing Australia's thriving and innovative agricultural industry.

Although, it's not all about farm animals……

You may not know, but there are over 50 vets involved in the Easter show each year. I have volunteered at the Easter show over the last ten years and feel passionate about the importance of bringing a 'taste of the country' to the city.

This year I had the pleasure of working with Kristy (Vet HQ'sQueen of Cats) at the Easter show.

Our day involved arriving at 7am, but already the cat exhibitors were lining up, anxious to get the day started with the help of a little coffee. Many had travelled through the night to arrive on time and were coming from all over the country. Our job was to ensure the health and welfare of the cats- checking them over and making sure they were healthy and not stressed after their journey. We also got to cuddle a lot of these beautiful animals!

We also bumped into Dr Karmen who volunteers with the rescue organisation “Greyhounds As Pets”. Karmen and her mum volunteer every year with their own pets, Diesel and Millie, to educate the public of how wonderful rescue greyhounds can be as pets.

Kristy, Karmen and I really enjoyed our days volunteering at the Easter Show and next year don’t forget to walk by and say hello!

Dr Polina