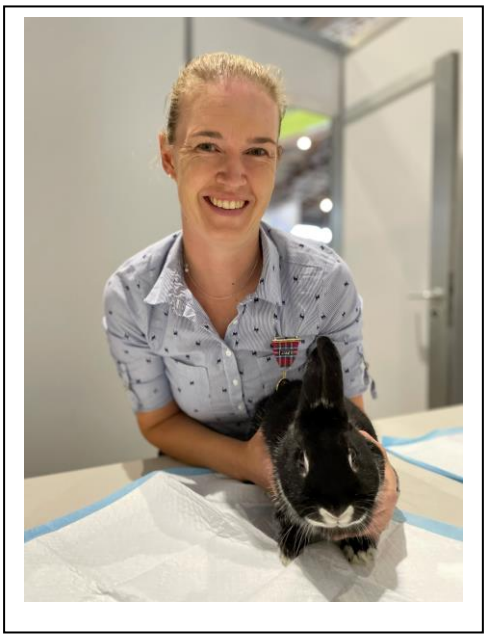
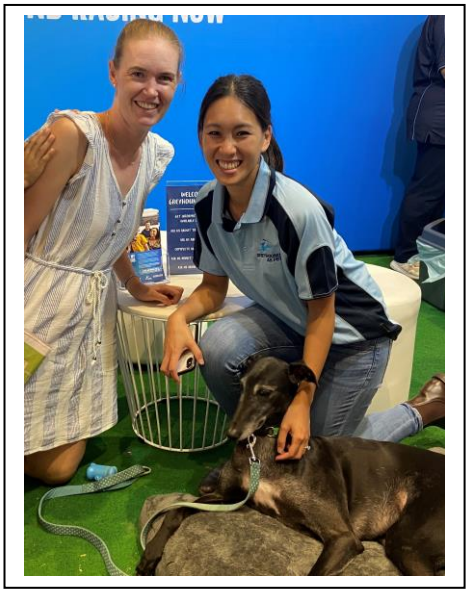
Easter Show 2021



We are eight weeks into lockdown 2.0 in Sydney, and as I was scrolling through photos I came across my Easter Show photos from less than six months ago. 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. Some years my role is to look after competing dogs or cats, this year I was looking after the rabbits.

My day involved arriving at 7am, but already the rabbit 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. My job was to ensure the health and welfare of the rabbits- checking them over and making sure they are not stressed after their journey and throughout their day at the show. The general public come to view the rabbits, watch the judging of the animals and gain important information about keeping rabbits as pets. There is a real community spirit!



I also bumped into Karmen. She volunteers with a grey hound rescue organisation called “Greyhounds As Pets”. Karmen and her mum volunteer every year with their own pets, Diesel and Millie, to educate the public of how wonderful greyhounds can be as pets. While I was there, I saw a lot of children and people stop by the exhibit and just sit with the dogs for a few minutes- enjoying a rest during their fast paced day at the show. Animals really bring us a sense of calm and happiness. Hopefully more greyhounds can find their forever homes!

Both Karmen and I love being involved in the Easter Show and hopefully making a difference to both the animals and the public who come and visit the Easter Show. Make sure you come and say hello to us at the Easter Show next year!

Greyhounds as Pets

Dr Karmen said: “Greyhounds make amazing pets. They may look fast and mean but they are some of the most loving, cuddly dogs out there. As a vet, they are the perfect example of a healthy breed with few predisposing diseases. And as a busy individual, they are so easy to look after. They love nothing more than to lounge around with you and if you’re feeling like a stroll they’ll happily come along too! The best thing about having a greyhound as a pet? You’re giving them a beautiful retirement and a second purpose in life.”