





### Post-Festival Report



Sat 26 & Sun 27 August 2023

**Sydney Showground** 







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### Visitor Insights

26,704

visitors attended the 2023 Sydney Dog Lovers Festival

\*Excludes kids under 5 & Exhibitor staff

67%

of visitors stated that their primary reason for attending was 'to buy products & services for their dog in the Expo' – which ranked higher than all other reasons to attend, proving our audience is coming to see, compare and BUY!

More than

60%

of visitors were attending for the event for the first time.

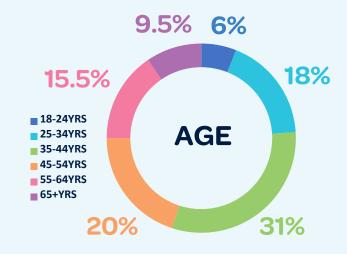
Over

90%

of visitors stated that the show either met or exceeded their expectations and will return next year, with almost half saying they will also be telling all their dog loving friends to attend next year too! Over

20%

of visitors attended the Cat Lovers Festival next door, demonstrating many of our dog visitors also love and live with cats.



78%

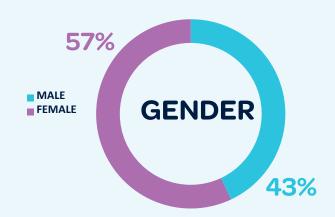
of visitors purchased products & services on-site at the event and over 80% stated that they will buy from Exhibitors after the event.

42%

are interested in a new natural and organic product zone for dogs next year. 86%

of visitors spent over 5 hours at the Festival and nearly 20% spent the entire day at the event. 28%

of visitors also live with a cat and over 45% would attend the Cat Lovers Festival if we ran it at the same time again next year.



### Visitor Insights



83% of visitors own a dog



28%

of visitors to the Dog Lovers Festival also live with a cat



of visitors welcomed a dog into their homes less than 12 months ago



of visitors are looking to welcome a dog into their home in the next 6 months



of Exhibitors said that the 'Quality' of visitors was either 'Excellent' or 'Very Good'

\$3.2M



worth of purchases were made on the Festival floor

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33%

of visitors own 2 dogs



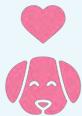
11%

of visitors own 3 dogs



49%

of visitors sourced their dog from a registered breeder

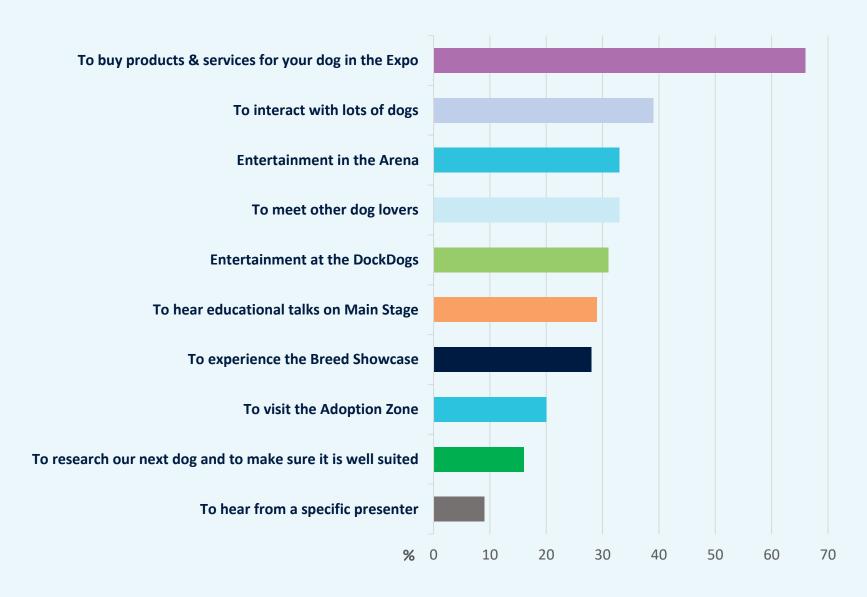


33%

of visitors sourced their dog via an adoption group or rescue shelter A higher percentage of visitors reported that they made purchases at the 2023 event (79%) compared to 75% in 2022 – so there was an increase in buying on the Expo floor this year despite attendance being slightly down.

Over 90,000 individual leads generated by those Sydney Exhibitors using the official 'Lup' data capture technology, with some businesses collecting over 7,500 leads at the event.

### Reasons for Attending the Festival

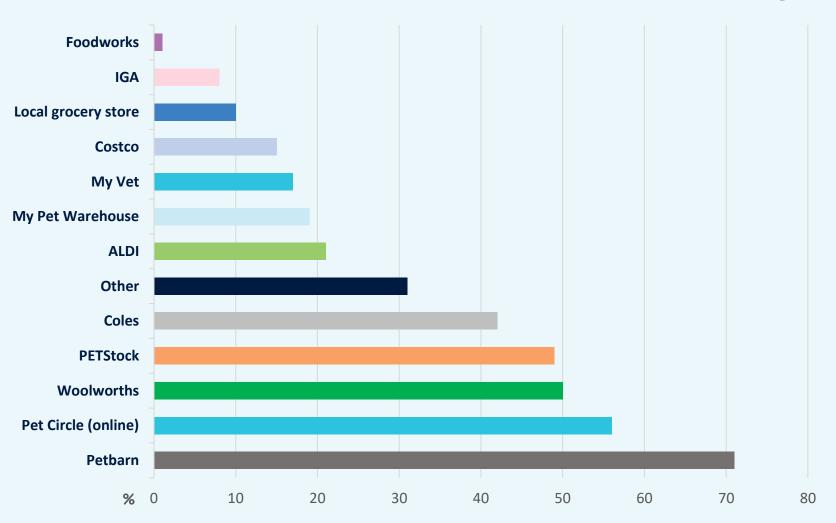


Lattended the festival whilst travelling for work. I am not from Sydney and I saw it advertised at the Dome from my Hotel Balcony, so I bought tickets and went along. It was such a great day out, I met lots of dogs and lots of friendly like-minded people. The Wonderdogs were probably my favourite, but all the shows in the Vitapet Arena were great. I purchased so many goodies for my four Border Collies that I had to purchase an additional case and add an additional baggage onto my plane ticket.

**Danielle from Brighton** 

# **Shopping Trends**

#### Places where visitors buy products/service for their dog









# The Digital Stats

**Dog Lovers Festival Website** 

DIGITAL STATS Unique

770,000+

Unique Users per year

53% of audience aged

25-44

63% female skew

Social Media followers at the time of the 2023 Sydney Dog Lovers Festival.

\*100% organic and engaged audience – we don't buy fake followers

**©** 33,000

**f** 61,000

\*Click social media icons above to visit our Facebook & Instagram pages

Newsletter subscribers at the time of the 2023 Sydney Dog Lovers Festival



127,000+

\*Consists of all previous visitors since 2014, Door Prize Entrants and subscribers to our VIP Loyalty Program nationally. Better than Xmas.
A fun packed day
of entertainment,
petting cute dogs and
checking out the latest
treats and goodies for
our dogs. Can't wait
'til next year.

**Ebony from Somerville** 







### Festival Footage and Images



Festival Highlight Video (B2B)



Festival Highlight Video (B2C)



Had a wonderful time at the Dog Lovers Festival, was able to purchase some great products that I have seen on Instagram that don't deliver to my area, so it was being able to purchase them there for my dog to try!

Nicolle Simpson from Wyoming

My daughter and I attended both the Dog Lovers and Cat Lovers Festival. We chose to come by public transport as we were travelling down from the Central Coast. We found travelling to the venue very easy and the range and knowledge of the vendors was very impressive. There were lots of give aways to be found and our animals are reaping the benefits. This was our first Festival and will be back for sure next year. Congratulations on presenting two amazing events.

Megan Radford from Kincumber

# **PR Highlights**

Click here to view the Tide PR Report detailing all the media coverage for the 2023 Sydney Dog Lovers Festival received.

EDITORIAL HIGHLIGHTS

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The marketing campaign for the Sydney Dog Lovers Festival was developed with one sole focus: to inspire tens of thousands of passionate dog owners and soon to be dog owners to attend the Festival.

We create an extensive marketing mix across a vast array of media platforms that enables us to reach, communicate and inspire our relevant audiences to attend.

It's all about attracting a targeted, passionate and high spending audience with a focus on households that are actively looking for their next dog or have just welcomed a new dog - new owners that are yet to decide on the products & services they want for their best friend.







#### Radio

The campaign implemented 10 and 30 second adverts, live reads by on-air talent and traffic report sponsorships during the peak breakfast, morning, afternoon drive time slots on NOVA, KISS, SMOOTH, WSFM etc from around 12th to 26th August.

We reached approximately 615,000 listeners at least once and 282,000 at least 3 times across the radio stations above and our saturation campaign was supported with a large scale outdoor advertising campaign on major arterials throughout metro Sydney.

Click to play the 30 second radio ad





Click here to listen

to the range of live reads

Fantastic event full of adorable & wellbehaved dogs! We had so much fun with the dog shows, talking to breeders & owners and just enjoying the great vibe in general. Everyone was lovely and you could tell they were all happy to be there dogs included! Would recommend for any current or soon-to-be dog owner, or if you are iust a fan of dogs in general!

Mike from Camperdown

#### **Outdoor Advertising**

The massive Outdoor campaign featured over 20 x Smartframe street furniture signs and 14 x large format digital screens and 1 x large format static on major arterials across Sydney from Monday 31st July to Sunday 27th August.

#### **Smartframe Locations**

- Central Station Sydney x 3
- Central Station Haymarket x 4
- Strathfield Station
- Martin Place Station
- Chatswood Station
- Circular Quay Station x 2
- Bondi Station Bus Interchange x 4

- Parramatta Station
- Redfern Station
- Town Hall Station x 3
- North Sydney Station
- Wynyard Station x 2
- North Sydney Station x 2



#### **Billboards - Digital**

- Boundary St Roseville
- M4 Motorway Overpass Sydney Olympic Park
- General Holmes Drive Airport bound Mascot
- T1 Exit Spectacular Mascot
- Sydney Domestic Airport Entry Supersite Mascot
- Epping Rd Overpass Macquarie Park
- Parramatta Rd Inner West Overpass Lewisham
- Old Windsor Rd Overpass Bella Vista
- Corner Mona Vale Rd & Pacific Hwy Pymble
- Woodville Rd Overpass Granville
- King Georges Rd Overpass Wiley Park x 2
- Anzac Pde Overpass Marouba
- General Holmes Drive M5 Mwy Junction Mascot
- Kitchener Street Overpass on Burnt Bridge Creek Balgowlah

#### **Billboards - Static**

Corner Norton St & Marion St



**Approximate Total Reach: 1,235,000** 

**Approximate Frequency:** 4x per viewer (the average of times a person would see the campaign creative)



#### TV

An extensive campaign was featured across 7plus, 7Bravo with programmatic TV running across SBS On Demand, TenPlay, 10Bold, 9Now, Foxtel and Tubi.

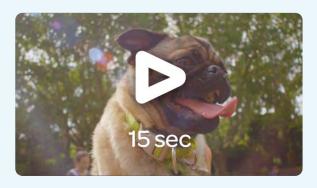
Approximately **770,000** impressions were delivered across the Sydney greater metro area for the Sydney Dog Lovers Festival.

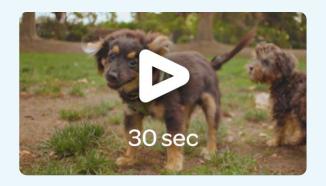
Breakdown of Paid Digital Impression Delivery

Mobile/Tablet: 12.3% CTV: 78.1% (Catch-up TV) Web/Desktop: 9.6%



#### **View TVC's Below:**





#### **Door Prize Entry Stats**

Over **2,562** people entered the official door prize at the Sydney Dog Lovers Festival providing enormous exposure for all our prize suppliers.





# Breakdown of Digital Campaign

Strong existing brand awareness in Sydney allows our digital campaign to focus more aggressively on conversions over ad impressions, with our click through rates and tickets sales remaining strong in 2023.

#### **Social Media**

Paid Social Media Advertising across Facebook and Instagram:

Impressions: 3,243,675 Link clicks: 24,864

#### Paid advertising across YouTube

Impressions: 492,305

#### Paid advertising across Google text Ads

Impressions: 192,902

#### **Near** (paid advertising with the Near In-App platform)

Impressions: 292,996

Apps included:

News.com.au

The Guardian

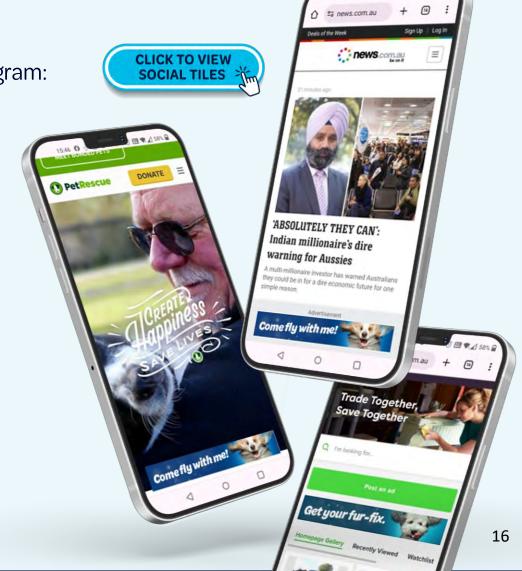
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Tracker

Cat Training

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### Breakdown of Email Marketing

We ran a comprehensive eDM campaign that went to all the 2023 advanced ticket buyers plus the visitors to the Sydney events since 2014 along with all the Door Prize entrants since the show's inception.

The following are the results from our Sydney campaign:

**Emails sent:** 396,250 **Opens:** 205,856 (52%) **Click throughs:** 28,827

<u>Click here</u> to view all the emails that were sent to promote the Dog Lovers Festival before, during and after the event.

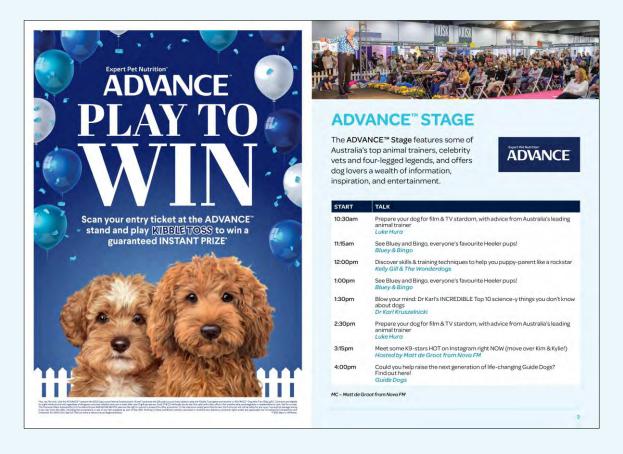


### Festival Guide

**20,000** Festival Guides were distributed to visitors upon entry to the Sydney Dog Lovers Festival.

The Guide is used as a tool for visitors to plan their day at the event and used for many months afterwards as a valuable reference for dog products and services. Exhibitors can book an advert in the Guide at highly cost effective rates but spots are limited and do sell out so book early!







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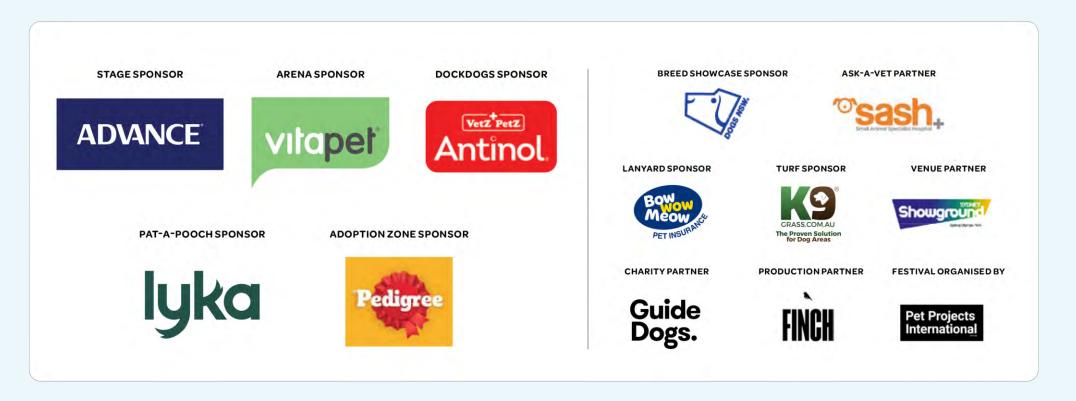
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