

Advice from Milly's Search, Trap and Rescue Inc.

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If You find a Lost dog or cat

These are some helpful guidelines to follow:-

- **1.** Check whether the animal has a collar look on the collar for any embroidered details/phone number etc. Or check for a tag with details. Great if the animal has either. As you can then contact the phone number.
- **2.** If you can't get the owner on the phone you can either take the found animal to the vet or pound to check for a microchip. Or you can ask the community if they have a scanner to check for a microchip.

(owners, please always have your dog or cat microchipped and keep details up to date, this is so important).

3. You can make posts on your local lost and found pages animal or community pages. Put a brief description and area/suburb found. **Never** hand a dog or cat over to someone claiming to be the owner without proof they own the animal. Such as photos they might have, a microchip number, description of the animal that only they would know about.

If you are uncertain and not confident they are the owner, please take the animal to a vet or pound. ON the Central Coast of NSW our pounds are fantastic and go above and beyond to help reunite pets. They will be in safe hands.

4. Please provide water for the found animal. And put in a secure safe area of your yard or home. Be careful about feeding a found animal. Keep food simple and feed only a small amount. If you feel there is something medically wrong with the animal please take directly to a vet or pound during business hours. Or find an after hours vet.

