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Meet a greyhound at the Ekka

Visiting this year's Brisbane Ekka could be the start of a whole new relationship for you and your family in the form of a greyhound as a pet.

The Queensland Racing Integrity Commission (QRIC) Greyhound Adoption Program (GAP) is showcasing several greyhounds from the program at this year's Ekka.

QRIC Commissioner Ross Barnett said the Ekka was one of the most important engagement exercises of the year for the GAP team.

"The Ekka gives us a chance to invite Queenslanders to learn about this amazing program and to meet the dogs who really are the star of the show," he said.

"When you meet the dogs at the Ekka the team can tell provide their profile, if it raced, its racing name, its age and the best family situation it is suited to.

"While the GAP is primarily about adopting greyhounds that have retired from or are unsuitable for racing, the team is also calling for foster carers who can take dogs for a short time to familiarise them with family life.

"Adopting a GAP dog is a process that involves matching the right dog with the right family, but that journey can start at the Ekka as show goers can make their adoption application for a greyhound onsite."

The QRIC GAP stand will be in a new location for this year's Ekka from 10 to 19 August.



GAP will be located outside of the old Museum in the Ekka grounds opposite Gate 1A.

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