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Central Animal Records Announces The Inaugural 'Reunion Story of the Year' Award

Central Animal Records has worked with Australian vet clinics, councils and authorised animal welfare organisations to facilitate the recovery of over 2 million pets! During this time we have heard some truly amazing and heartwarming reunion stories. In 2021, we began asking pets owners to share their reunion stories with other pet owners to raise awareness about the importance of microchipping and keeping contact details up to date on the registries. By sharing some of these incredible and often long term reunion stories, we also wanted to provide some hope to pet owners who are still waiting for their pets to find their way home.



We're proud to announce that Robyn's story, 'Aurora Has An Adventure' has been selected as the 'Reunion Story of the Year' for 2021. This includes a grand prize valued at over \$900. You can read about how Aurora ended up safely back at home below...



Aurora, safe at home in the arms of Robyn's daughter, Nev alongside the various RSOTY prizes.

Aurora Has An Adventure

“Aurora went missing on the 29th December 2020. Despite door knocking and handing out flyers she was nowhere to be found. She belonged to my 12 year old daughter and she was devastated. I even tried to replace her with another kitten but she didn't want to know about it. 4 months later, I received a phone call while at work telling me that a cat had been brought into the local vet. Through tears of joy, I left work to go get her. I had not told my daughter as I wanted to surprise her. Upon seeing Aurora, the tears flowed again. She looked dishevelled and had a bad cut under her arm. My husband videoed me coming through the door with her. My daughter could not even look up through her crying. Her baby was home. Today, she is back to normal and does not leave her side. The bond those two have is incredible. I am still amazed we have her back and I would love to know the little adventure she went on. Without her microchip we would never have seen her again as the people who brought her to the vet wanted to keep her. I am so thankful and words will never express the amount of gratitude I have for the people who run this system. It has been a miracle but one I never want to go through again!”

On the recent RSOTY announcement, Director Dr Doug Black said, “Since 1989, we have been helping to reunite lost pets with their families. While many animals are returned home, there are many pets that never find their way back to their owners because they’ve never either been microchipped, never been listed on a national database or the details linked to their microchip are outdated. We want this to change. We hope that the reunions shared by pet owners will raise awareness about the important role microchips play in getting lost pets home and encourage more pet owners to maintain their pet records. Congratulations to Robyn and Aurora from everyone here at Central Animal Records and thank you to all of the pet owners who shared their story in 2021. We can’t wait to hear more amazing stories in the years to come.”

Established in 1989, Central Animal Records is Australia’s first and longest running nationally recognised database for companion animal microchips.

Registry Statistics:

- 4.74 Million Total Animal Registered
- 3.61 Million Total Owners Listed
- 2.03 Million Total Lost Pet Recoveries

In recent years, Central Animal Records has created new services such as the free Lost Pet HUB and optional V.I.Pet premium subscription as well as new products such as the SMART tag to help get lost pets home sooner.

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