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Free Microchipping Days

A program to provide dogs and cats with free microchipping is returning in 2023, great news for animal owners throughout the Warrumbungle Shire.

“Free microchipping days across the towns throughout the Shire have become an annual program due to the success of previous microchipping events and go a long way to ensuring dogs and cats are able to be identified if lost,” said Warrumbungle Shire Council Mayor, Councillor Ambrose Doolan. “Council is encouraging pet owners to bring their dogs and cats to any of the clinics that will be set up in the leash free areas around the Shire to be microchipped.”

“Having your animals microchipped not only benefits the animal and pet owner but also the community. When an animal escapes, or is missing, the most reliable way to identify the animal is for Compliance Officers to scan their microchip, allowing the animal to be returned to their owner quickly and safely,” said Cr Doolan.

In NSW, all cats and dogs, other than exempt cats and dogs, must be microchipped by 12 weeks of age or before being sold, whichever happens first.

“Bookings are not required, however if you would like to contact Council and obtain the form to be completed prior to the microchipping day please call into the Coonabarabran or Coolah office to pick up a form,” said Cr Doolan.

Dates for the microchipping clinic are:

Baradine – Tuesday 20 June 2023, 10:00am to 11.30am
Leash free area (cnr Worrigal St & Kenebri Rd)

Coonabarabran – Tuesday 20 June 2023, 2:00pm to 3.30pm
Leash free area (Dalgarno St)

Binnaway – Thursday 22 June 2023, 10:00am to 11.30am
Leash free area (Camp Ground)

Coolah – Thursday 22 June 2023, 2:00pm to 3.30pm
Leash free area (Cnr Charles & Binnia St)

Dunedoo – Tuesday 27 June 2023, 10:00am to 11.30am
Leash free area (Milling Park)

Mendooran – Tuesday 27 June 2023 2:00pm to 3.30pm
Leash free area (Riverside Camp Ground)

“This is also a good reminder for pet owners who have animals that are already microchipped to make sure their details on the microchip are correct and they can be updated online or at the Council Offices,” Cr Doolan concluded.

For more information please contact Council’s Environment and Development Services on (02) 6849 2000.

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Photo: Council Compliance Officers microchipping a cat.