

5-DAY WORK EXPERIENCE STUDENT from 4-8/7/11 – KANGAROO MEAT TESTING

In 2011, we are still finding that our kangaroo meat is contaminated, and confirms what I have been saying since 2005, kangaroo meat is not fit for human or pet consumption.

Photos taken by NORA PRESTON.

On Days 2 and 4, Wildlife Carers Group 5-day work experience student was picked up by the group's Founding President NORA PRESTON, and taken shopping to the Woden Plaza, ACT, Coles and Woolworths grocery stores, to purchase all their kangaroo meat that they were selling for human and pet consumption, to be tested for contamination.

Tinned dog and cat food were also purchased, however since they are already cooked, the technician didn't feel it was worthwhile testing them.

I would still like to pursue in having the tinned foods tested later down the track, and will purchase fresh tins at the time.

The meat was then selected for testing according to the brand name and state, with the fillets and roasts for human consumption not tested, that were from the same companies, as shown below.

Coles Kangaroo meat:

Coles Fussy Cat Kangaroo Mince from Yatala, Qld
Paws Fresh dog mince from Yatala, Qld
Coles Mince for cats from Hawthorn East, Vic.

Woolworths Kangaroo meat:

Select Pet Steak for dogs from Bella Vista, NSW (packaging was swelled, filled with air)
Macromeats Sausages for human consumption from Athol Park, SA
Macromeats mince for human consumption from Athol Park, SA

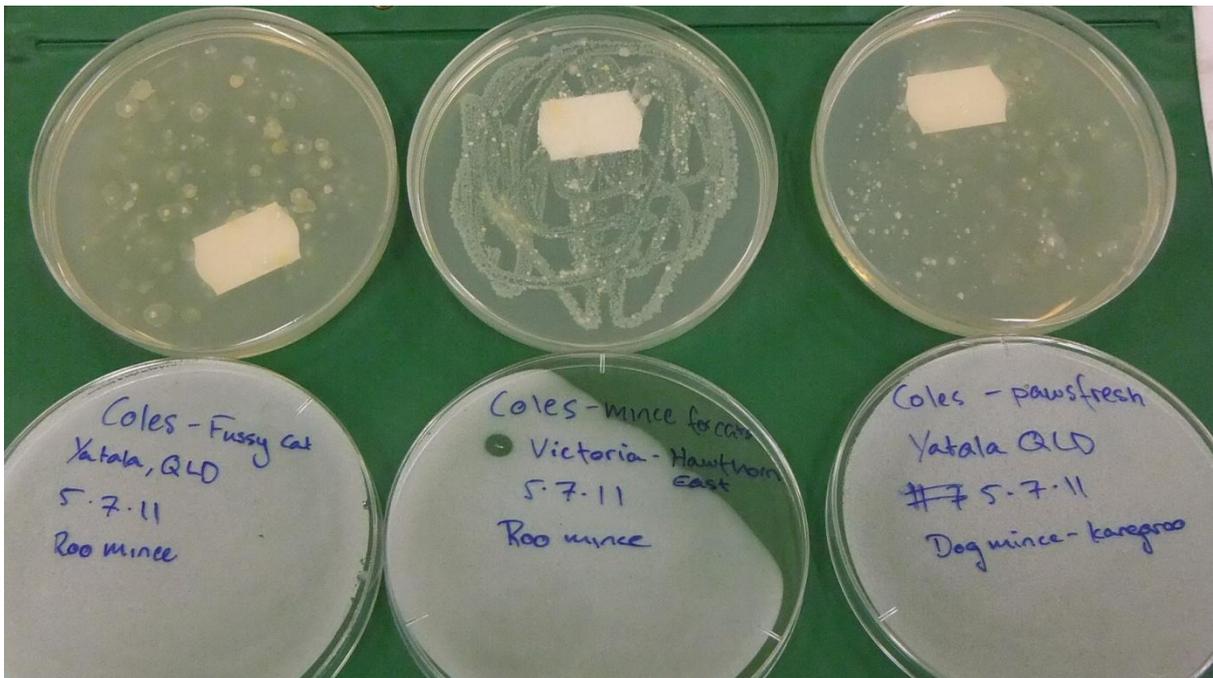
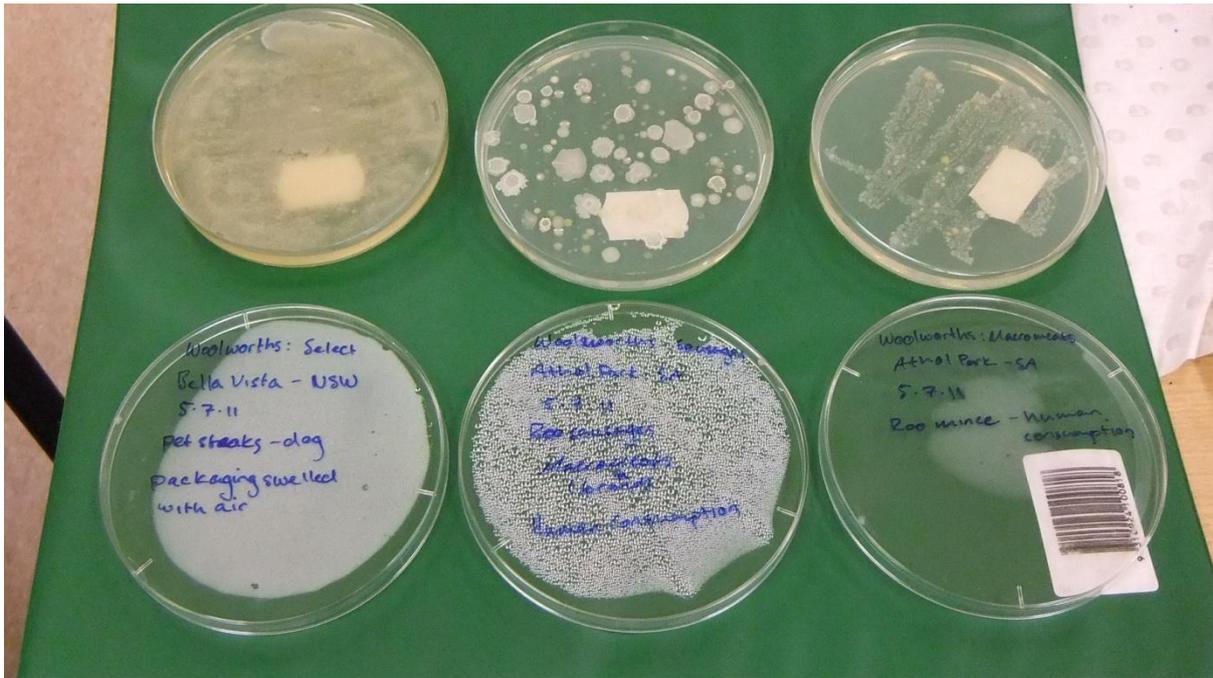
Aseptic techniques were used to prepare the process.

The surface of the packages plastic seals were first sprayed with ethanol, followed by a small incision through the plastic seal, that was cut away, using a sterile scalpel blade.

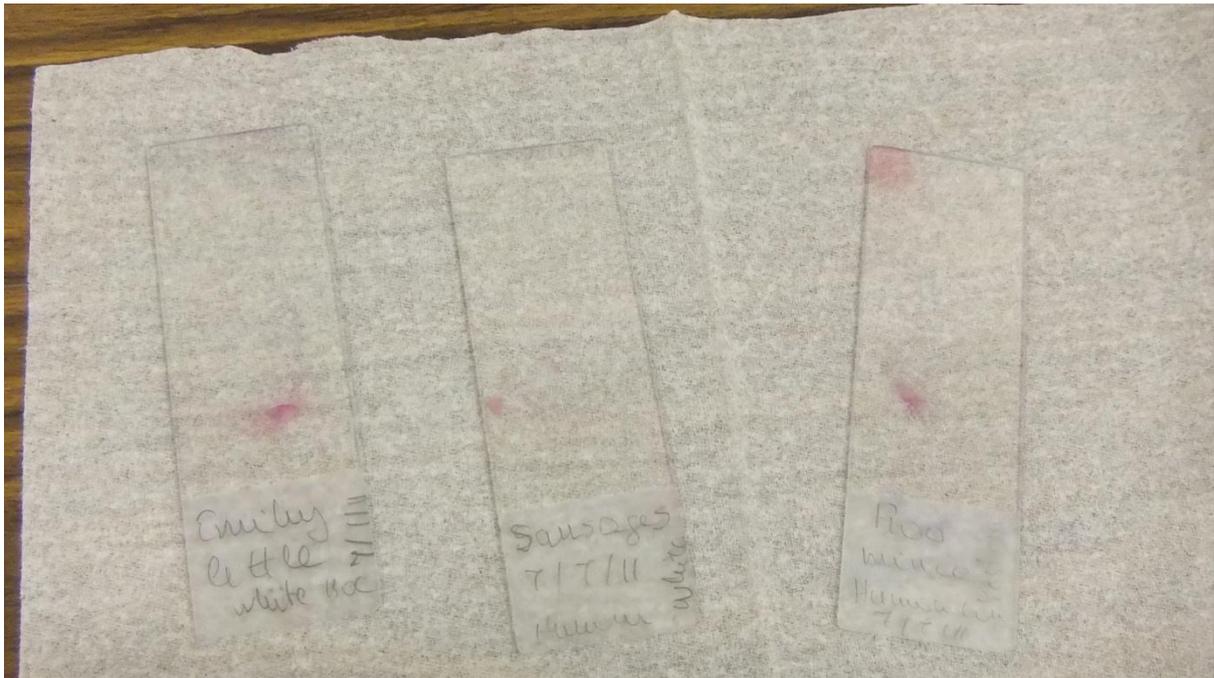
Separate Sterile swabs, that were first sprayed with a saline solution, were used for each package, that were inserted into the meat products, that were then transferred onto 6 sterile nutrient labelled agar plates.

The agar plates were then stored in a 37 degree heated environment.

After 24 hours, bacteria and fungi was already seen to grow on the Agar plates.



Day 4, Gram stain slides were prepared showing 3 different culture bacteria.



Result: 90% of gram negative bacteria, 10% gram positive bacteria, plus fungi.

A microbiologist will check the stain slides next term.

Next term, chicken, beef, lamb, pork will also be tested for contamination, for comparison with the kangaroo commercial industry, to which I have requested to see the results for.

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In this article, interviewed on 15/4/10, www.nowuc.com.au/2010/05/27/kangaroo-plan.../comment-page-1/ don fletcher from tams says that *kangaroos are not the main problem and in fact 'native grasses' are not threatened with extinction, but other animals and plants are, and that "the biggest 'contributor' to the loss of the natural treeless grasslands of our region has been agriculture (by far)".*

This statement is admitting to the flawed, dishonest kangaroo management plan, and russell watkinson's media release, on Friday 18/6/10, that blames the kangaroos for driving legless lizards, earless dragons, etc, and the deteriorating grasslands and woodlands to extinction, by eating all the grasses, when fletcher admits that the native grasses are not threatened by the kangaroos, but by human activity, including toxic sprays.

Please check out this link <http://www.canberratimes.com.au/news/local/news/general/roo-best-custodian-for-some-plants/1652005.aspx>, that was in the Canberra times on 17/10/09, that completely refutes the allegations against the roos destroying grasslands, that was sent to maxine cooper, that were also ignored.

The report is by Julie Lindner, who has also been studying the grasslands and the roos for the past 20 years, which backs up what I've been saying all along.

<http://www.canberratimes.com.au/news/local/news/general/roo-best-custodian-for-some-plants/1652005.aspx>, with a more recent article in the Chronicle in the 'letters to the editor' section, titled 'culling controversy' p.23, 14/6/11.

Please click on this link www.youtube.com/watch?v=JUZrKj6CIBg 'KANGAROO CHILLER BOX INVESTIGATION'/'KANGAROOS ON TRACK TO EXTINCTION', that contains the cruel bashing to death of roos that are shot, but not directly killed, hung up while still alive, and left suffering, trembling as they hang, tortured to death, and joeys bashed to death, possibly attempting to decapitate the joeys head on the back of the truck with several blows.

Please click on this link <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zbn3c8EcNRk&feature=related>, so called controlled government butchering, you will note that the kangaroos are still alive when hung up, suffering, AND BEING TORTURED TO DEATH, the male is laughing at the cruelty he has just inflicted on this kangaroo, a joey stomped to death, even the child stomps on it as he walks past following his father, orphaned joeys hopping around, left to starve to death, a joey bashed till its eyes popped out, but is still alive, suffering, a prolonged death, and the male admitting that these are protected species. Native protected animals called pests, the very same native animals that maintain a healthy well balanced eco system. The code of practice that the shooter refers to is inhumane, and unacceptable, as witnessed in this video footage. Kangaroos are not fit for human or dog consumption, heavily contaminated with various diseases/harmful bacterias, e.coli, salmonella, staphylococcus, streptococcus, toxoplasmosis, preserved illegally with sulphur dioxide that causes thiamine

deficiency, (a white crystalline solid forming part of the vitamin B complex, C₁₂H₁₇CIN₄O₅; a vitamin (B1), required by the nervous system, absence of which causes beri-beri and other disorders), causing death, etc. Keep watching till it stops, keep an eye on the timer, next to the speaker symbol, length 10:59.

There are more links on youtube to show the facts on the extreme cruelty committed to our native protected macropods.

Possum abattoir

<http://www.engagemedia.org/Members/HuonEnviroCentre/videos/possumdeath.wmv/view>, these animals are still alive and awake, when going through the abattoir's chute processing system, dropped on top of one another, through a swinging door, to go through to the next phase, with several possums piled on top of one another, into the same boxes, when delivered to the abattoir, (possums are extremely territorial,) females with joeys, butchered, and bashed to death. Please Help stop these extreme acts of animal cruelty and export. You can help stop these extreme acts of animal cruelty to these possums by adding the above link to the possum abattoir and lodging your submissions by 23/4/10, to wta@environment.gov.au, wildlife.enq@dpiwve.tas.gov.au and click on link <http://www.environment.gov.au/biodiversity/trade-use/invitecomment/brushtail-possum.html> Submissions are now closed.

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