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Look at him, he's gorgeous!

He's handsome and charming, possessed with a special charm for the ladies, he's witty and oh so cute, intelligent and fun loving, and he's a pig named Hamish. Trotting his way into the hearts of many was he at Saturday's Wheelers Hill Farmers' market. Hailing from Edgar's Mission Farm Sanctuary in Kilmore, Hamish McPig was delivering his special message of kindness for all animals.

"Since Hamish was rescued about 12 months ago he has made it his personal mission to reach as many people as possible" said Hamish's guardian and founder of Edgar's Mission, Pam Ahern. "No matter where we go, no matter what the weather, Hamish always draws a crowd".

Answering to his name, sitting on command and even offering his trotter for a hand shake are the hallmarks of one intelligent animal, with many surprised to see a pig doing all these things. Pam is quick to explain that Hamish, like all pigs, is an extremely quick learner as well as being incredibly clean and friendly.

"Australians care deeply about animals and many are shocked to learn that animals, just like dear little Hamish, do not receive the same legal protection from acts of cruelty as our beloved pets. Their only hope for a better world rests with an informed public who make their kindness count each time they shop"

Edgar's Mission is a not for profit farm sanctuary providing a true beacon of hope for animals. They are currently home to over 200 rescued animals with their outreach work aiming to expand the public's circle of compassion to include all animals. They are open to the public by appointment.

Useful website: www.edgarsmission.org.au

Photos attached for media use, large file photos and names available upon request.

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