**Project Overview**

Yogi is a mobile app that offers people who own dogs the ability to seek and book an individual to help them walk/look after their best friend if they are too busy during the day/week to walk and take care of them themselves during specific hours of the week. This app will not only be limited to those who need their dog(s) walked, but also for those who love dogs, but do not have the time, money, or space to own one themselves.

Through the statistics shown on Labour Market Information portal, approximately 13, 016, 600 people are employed in Australia as of February 2021. This number includes about 68.4% of people who work full time, with the number of full-time hours averaging around 39 hours a week. This means that roughly 5 days a week, people are working 8-hour days. Although this is an average, it does not account for over-time, hours worked after that is not registered, the time taken to travel to and from work, and those who have families and must take their children to and from extra-curriculum activities.

The premise of this app allows those with a very busy schedule to create a profile for their dogs, that gives a bit of information of what their dog is like in terms of temperament, age, size, etc, which will then be advertised through the app. Then those who are offering their services and want to spend time with a dog, will have their own profiles talking a bit about themselves, their experience with pets and animals, the type of dog they are willing to take on, and what their proposed hourly rate would be.

It will give the users the ability to swipe on profiles of either:

* You are the one who owns the dog and are looking for someone to walk and/or take care of your dog for a specific time during the week as you are overwhelmed by your schedule.
* You are someone who loves dogs and are looking to offer your services to take care and walk someone’s dog during your free time.

How we intend this app to work is both users will have the ability to swipe left and right on profiles of people and dogs that appeal to them. Where swiping left means no and this person/dog is not what you are looking for. Swiping right being this person/dog you are interested in and would like further information. From there if the users are interested in each other mutually, they are then able converse with each other, seeing if it is what they are looking for and if yes, those who own dog will then be able to book in a time and day that they need someone to take care of their dog, providing that this person has their time slot available.

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