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Wendy, Georgie and Lilly, co-proprietors of Albert Park's own slice of dog and cat heaven,
Pets & the City

THE CARNIVAL IS OVER BUT NOW SANTA'S CARNIVAL BEGINS!

The Spring Carnival has come to a close and as "Shocking" and exciting as it was we are now looking forward to the arrival of the "big man who travels by sleigh". Yes Santa is on his way to Albert Park!

In deciding what theme we would choose this year, as alternative Santa, there was one group who stood out from the crowd - the CFA fire fighters.

You will no doubt remember the amazing job they did earlier this year and we want to pay tribute for their gallant work, so we've chosen to represent them as "alternative Santa". CFA Santa will be specifically supporting the Maryknoll Brigade and volunteers will assist in collecting donations for their station - its just a little way we can say thank you for the fantastic work they do each summer. CFA Santa will be instore the last weekend in November followed by the arrival of our good friend Traditional Santa early December (details below).

CFA SANTA - Sat 28 & Sun 29 Nov - 11am - 2pm

TRADITIONAL SANTA - Sat 5th, Sun 6th & Sat 12th Dec - 11am - 3pm

Our friends at Furrever Pet Photography are of course, taking all the pictures. We have several packages available - choose whatever suits you.

- 2 images on CD + 2 prints \$25
- 3 images on CD + 3 prints \$35
- 1 image on CD & 1 print & keyring or magnet \$35

Greeting cards with your pooch emblazed on the front are also available, just in time for Christmas posting.



Wendy

P.S. Don't forget to book and avoid the queues!
Just phone (03)9686 5252 and let me know which timeslot you would like.



Events @ pets & the city

PUPPY WISE: Puppy education program for PEOPLE!!!!

The first of its kind, Puppy Wise will cover everything you need to know to successfully introduce a new puppy or dog into your home and family.

This innovative program has been developed by and will be presented by both Lynne Fitzsimmons of K9Wavelength and Luke Williams of Fun4Paws.

The Puppy Wise program will answer all your concerns about adding a new puppy to your family and provide you with the information YOU need to get it right from the start.

A holistic approach to puppies and dogs, this program has been developed from a knowledge and understanding of the dog, unique to Dog Listeners.

The information and understanding you will gain from this 6 week program will assist you for the life of the dog. It is also relevant to all the other dogs that you have in your life.

Pets & the city will be hosting the Puppy Wise programs commencing early in the new year. To register your interest, simply call Luke on 0415 104 044 or Lynne on 0428 844 810



CHRISTMAS WINDOWS

Once again, the budding artists at Albert Park Primary School will be providing our Christmas window decorations. Make sure you pop by and admire their work. Christmas windows will be up and on display 19 Nov.

DECEMBER/JANUARY TRADING HOURS

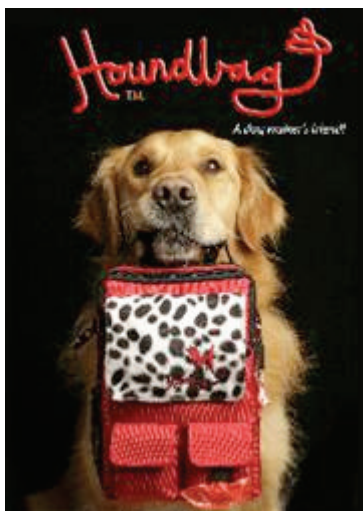
Just a reminder, we are closed for the Christmas break from 25 Dec - 1 Jan and reopening Saturday 2nd January. We are adopting summer trading hours for the month of January only:

Mon - Fri 12noon - 6pm
Sat & Sun 10am - 5pm



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What fun I've had searching out heaps of new pressies for Christmas this year - get in early and fill up your furry friend's stocking!



HOUNDBAG – As Elvis would say – There ain't nothing like a Houndbag!!

The Houndbag is a convenient, attractive compact shoulder bag solution to every dog walkers woes. Poo bags on demand, training treats within easy reach, a pocket for personal items (car keys, phone, money). Even the shoulder strap converts into a lead if ever you need a spare one! A great range of colours are available too.

Dexter has even learnt to carry his own Houndbag!

PAWS & EFFECT BROOCHES

Two very talented local ladies have come up a range of dog and cat brooches made from recycled plastic depicting some of our favourite breeds of dogs and cats. They are a perfect stocking filler or just a fun gift for "someone who has everything"!



The girls are gradually adding new breeds to the range.



2010 DOG & CAT CALENDARS

Its calendar time again and we've stocked up on all your favourite breeds of dogs and cats. Some of the popular breeds are selling out fast, so hurry in to snap them up before its too late.

p.s. let us know if you would like a specific calendar held for you next year!!

CHRISTMAS TOYS etc etc etc

Toys, toys and more toys - this year we have some great new Christmas toys for both pus and pooch. Old favourites, like Henrietta are back, plus lots of squeaky soft toys to amuse your furry kids for hours on Christmas Day. We also have a great range of "day wear" including scarves, scrunchies, t'shirts and neck ties. Checkout our gorgeous stockings ready to fill with little pressies for the "special one"!



CHRISTMAS TREATS

All our wonderful Treat Suppliers, including Gourmet Dog Bites, Happy Yappers and Mucky Pup have produced some beautifully presented treats for our furry friends. Pop by and take a look, there's lots of variety and yummy flavours to choose from.

"FLEA TAXI" COLLARS

New in town are a great range of Melbourne -made collars for dogs of all sizes. Made from strong canvas with adjustable buckles, they look great and are durable too.

They come in an extensive range of bright colours to suit any furry coat.





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ANIMAL AWARENESS DAY: First Aid for your Pet

Port Phillip Animal Hospital would like to invite you to their First Aid for your Pet, information night on Thursday 26th November at 7.30pm.

Topics covered include:

- Prevention (its better than cure)
- Initial approach to emergency situations
- Transportation of injured animals
- Examples of emergencies - what to look for and what to do..
- Everyday household items that can be used in a crisis

Numbers are limited, so call to book your spot
(03) 9686 8838



BOWEN TREATMENT FOR YOUR PET

Recently I came across Merry Cooper who practices Bowen Therapy for humans and animals. She worked on my knee and in between sessions, gave Georgie and Lilly some therapy. They both fell asleep almost instantly with blissful looks in their eyes!

Just like you and I, dogs too get tired, sore muscles and back problems, this effects their movements and moods.

Bowen therapy is a gentle non-invasive therapy, that rewards us with wonderful results that in turn makes our animals life alot happier. Gentle moves on soft tissue stimulate energy flows, empowering the body's own resources to heal itself. You will be amazed with how wonderfully the animals respond to this therapy, and how relaxed they are with it.

Just give Merry a call on 0414 569 594 and see the great results for yourself.



COOL TIPS FOR HOT WEATHER



- Always provide plenty of cool water fresh water. Fill up a few bowls and leave them in shady areas. Try freezing some ice cube trays with water and add to your dog's water bowls in the morning. Leave a few water bowls, in case one gets knocked over or put a large stone into the water bowl to stop it being tipped over.
- Create a cool area for your dog.
- A child's plastic clamshell is perfect for a sandpit or even a pool. Fill it with just enough water to splash about.
- Freeze a marrowbone - not only will it keep your dog cool but also occupied for hours. Try freezing stock in a Kong - a great timewaster!
- A walk during summer is great, but remember to only walk your dog at the coolest times of the day, keep him out of the hot sun as much as possible and don't walk on hot pavements or sand. Dogs' paws are very sensitive. They are also prone to sunburn, so make sure you pop by the shop and pick up some doggie sunscreen for full protection.

PICKING UP A NEW PUPPY - Before leaving the Breeder don't forget:

- Your pup's pedigree papers
- Vaccination certificates
- Worming preventive information
- Microchipping papers
- Diet guide
- Written statement with the guarantee that your purchase is based on your pup's good health
- Examine your pup - take note of its physical and mental state
- Take a soft toy along to rub against a sibling or parent - their scent will provide a calming influence on the pup's first night away from the pack



WALKING THE DOG!

Buzz, a dear customer sent me this true story - it just goes to show things aren't always as they appear!!

A woman was flying from Melbourne to Brisbane. Unexpectedly the plane was diverted to Sydney along the way. The flight attendant explained that there would be a delay, and if the passengers

wanted to get off the aircraft the plane would re-board in 50 minutes. Everybody got off the plane except one lady who was Blind. A man had noticed her as he walked by and could tell the lady was blind because her Guide Dog lay quietly underneath the seats in front of her throughout the flight. He could also tell she had flown this very flight before because the pilot approached her, and calling her by name, said, 'Kathy, we are in Sydney for almost an hour. Would you like to get off and stretch your legs?' The blind lady replied, 'no thanks, but maybe Buddy would like to stretch his legs.'

Picture this:

All the people in the gate area came to a complete standstill when they looked up and saw the pilot walk off the plane with a Guide dog! The pilot was even wearing sunglasses. People scattered. They not only tried to change planes, but they were trying to change airlines!

Pets of the month

Here's two very cute pets we'd like to introduce you to PINGER & NEO.

PINGER



Pinger is a Domestic medium haired cat aged 2 years old. Natalie and Pinger first met at their Vet, after he was dumped - it was love at first sight!

Pinger has a unique temperament, he can play and run around one minute and be wrapped up on Natalie's lap the next.

He just loves to be cuddled after all his spurts of activity, however he does have one bad habit - oh no, he sometimes decides to leave his little "calling card" around the house! When he shows off, he likes to run up the wall chasing Natalie's red laser pointer toy (hey, we have these in stock, if you think your puss might like one for Christmas).

After a busy day he likes nothing more than to laze around in the garden in the afternoon sun.

To prove his athleticism, once he jumped up on the kitchen bench, slid on some paper and came crashing down onto the floor. He looked up at Natalie very confused about what had just happened.

Oh well, its all in a day's work!

NEO

Neo is an 11 month old Yorkshire Terrier who just knows how cute he is!

I think I'll hand over to Neo to tell his story!

It started when Mummy gave Daddy a Christmas card with a Yorkie pup on it. Daddy loved it so much and then knew he wanted a Yorkie for himself. Eventually their search for me ended in Adelaide. With great anticipation, Daddy took a plane to Adelaide to pick me up as soon as I turned 8 weeks old. Mummy and Daddy named me "Neo", as I am "the chosen one".

By the age of 8 weeks, I had flown on a plane and gone camping. I have my very own website (www.neotheyorkie.com.au), and I must be one of the most photographed dogs!

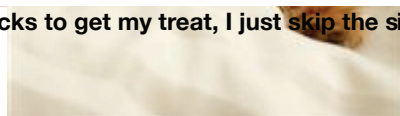
I think I am a human, and like to sleep in Mummy and Daddy's arms but sometimes I feel like being naughty and chew socks and slippers (my favourite)!



I can sit, drop and roll. But when I know I must perform my tricks to get my treat, I just skip the sit and drop, and start rolling!

I love hanging out at the park with the big dogs! I hope one day I will be as big as them. I also love coming into Mummy's work and running laps around her office.

Mummy and Daddy always laugh at me when I take a bath. It's not my fault that underneath my fluffy hair, I am just pint size - but what attitude!!!!



SEE YOU SOON - ONLINE AND OFF!

We hope to see you over the Christmas period and look forward to helping you choose that perfect gift for your pooch or puss.

Love from Marg, Margaret, Susan, Gail and me. We wish you and yours a safe and happy holiday season.

Woof Woof from Lilly & Georgie too!!

And don't forget to come on a virtual visit to my new online emporium at www.pamperyourpet.com.au we're adding new products all the time!



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