

## Newsletter Editor's Report AGM 2020

Hello to all Canine Friends Members

I would like to repeat what I said last year and that is "I marvel at the most individual stories and the close relationship each of you have with your wonderful dogs. There is no doubt that each dog is your personal friend and I am in awe of the beautiful stories you send to me and the way in which you can talk about your canine friends so intimately".

I try to include all the stories and photos I receive from you and I hope that I have not disappointed anyone. The Newsletter is only as good as the information I receive from you as the Members and it would be great to hear from all regions.

Please do not hesitate to send me your contributions; they can be stories, photos, introducing you as a new member; poems, memories of your dog, your new rescue dog and his/her background story and maybe you have an interesting hobby with your dog outside of visiting the Rest Homes and Hospitals.

This quarterly Newsletter is presented each Autumn (March), Winter (June). September (Spring) and Summer (December). It is emailed to approximately 700 members, posted to 90 members and posted to 380 Rest Homes, Retirement Homes and Hospitals. Canine Friends Pet Therapy has been so fortunate and thankful in having the support of Ziwi Dog food as they sponsor the printing and postage of this quarterly Newsletter. Please support this Company and their dog food whenever you can.

Because of the Covid 19 interruption during the last few months our Autumn Newsletter was delayed and could not be printed or posted to our Rest Homes & Hospitals. We are pleased to say that this Autumn Newsletter has now been posted.

As mentioned in the Autumn Newsletter you will note that our Founder's Day celebrations could not take place in May but you can be assured that our Liaison Officers will be in touch with you as soon as it is possible to have a "get together".

In the meantime, we are posting our Certificates of Appreciation for years of service to members who qualify. We do so appreciate you all.

Thank you all so much for your contributions and it has been my pleasure to prepare the Newsletter for you. I am always looking for improvement in what I do so should I be re-elected as the Editor you can be assured that I will present your contributions in the best way I can.

Thank you

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