

Spring 2019

End of Winter with the fallen Autumn leaves and beginning of Spring with the delightful Daffodils

caninefriends pet therapy Dogs helping people.

This beautiful photo of Oakie is amongst the Daffodils in Kowhai Park by the river in Wanganui.

Ann says "This park is by the river and nearly every year the river breaks its banks and flows over the grounds. These are newly planted so really looked a fab picture. More stop bank measures are in place again so, hopefully, it will hold the river back on its own patch but these storms we are having are certainly hard to control. A lovely sign of Spring indeed and I always call them my happy flowers". Regards Ann Evans



Message from our former President

"Just a big thank you to all members for the cuddly rug that was presented to me at the AGM. Such a delightful surprise to receive it. Thank you to everyone, those members whom I have met or not over the years but you are all great ambassadors for Canine Friends Pet Therapy. Keep wearing that scarf with pride and enjoy bringing happiness to all you meet. Many thanks once again". Ann Evans





President's Report

It has been a very busy three months since our AGM but firstly I wish to acknowledge Ann Evans, Victoria Caccioppoli, Anne Abbott and Chris Partridge for their worthy contributions to the committee and our organisation. Victoria filled the role of treasurer for the last two years and helped us implement a number of best not-for-profit financial governance practices. Ann and Chris are continuing their commitment to Canine Friends as Liaison Officers for Manawatu and Hawkes Bay and Anne Abbott has kindly taken up the role of Upper Hutt Liaison Officer. Anne previously served as our treasurer for many years. On behalf of the committee, a big thank you! Your continuing involvement is very much appreciated.

Let me introduce our new committee members – Dallas Hopkins as Treasurer, Alison Law, Sandy McAllen and Sandy Fea.

Dallas lives in Christchurch and is a chartered accountant working for Ag Research. She also has auditing experience in the public accounting sector.

Dallas has been a member for seven years visiting with her Samoyed Atticus.

Alison lives on the Kapiti Coast and works for the Kapiti District Council as Parks and Recreation Manager. She has many years of experience in local governance, volunteer management and has a passion for communications.

Alison visits with her Black Labrador Fern.

Sandy McAllen is our Whanganui Liaison Officer and visits with her Golden Retriever Abbot.

Sandy has been very involved with the Blind Foundation and Guide Dog Services. She is keen to assist with social media and communications.

Sandy Fea is a long time member and well known in Lower Hutt for visiting with her Golden Retrievers. Sandy has many years of hands on experience as an active member.

Further afield we have two new Liaison Officers – Lynda Davidson in Dunedin and Yvette Shore in Waikato. Welcome Lynda and Yvette! New to our Christchurch team is Hannah Smith Walker who has kindly taken the role of Placement Officer. We look forward to working with you and wish you well.

On 3 August the committee met in Wellington for a planning day and a lot of work was covered. The initiatives arising from this meeting will be introduced in the coming months.

Our Liaison Officers are frequently asked to make presentations to groups from all walks of life. To assist with these presentations Beverley Jocelyn has done a sterling job assembling kits which portray a professional and consistent image. We will soon have a power point presentation to include in these kits.

I hope you have seen the Lotto NZ television advertisement which showcases our organisation beautifully. The video illustrates the very essence of our work and is a testament to Eileen Curry our Founder, and her vision almost thirty years ago. This advertisement is running for a month but for those of you who may miss it, look at the My Lotto website and you will see the video and more. Many thanks to our Wellington members who took part and to Margaret Ranum our Liaison Officer for the work that went into this.

I have known Eileen personally since 1988 and made a promise to her last year that we will never forget our beginnings. I have been visiting with my various Golden Retrievers since the early 90s and continue to feel so much pleasure seeing the residents smile and light up when patting my dog. It never fails to amaze me how a dog can break down a barrier and help people feel reconnected to the world.

Please accept my appreciation for sharing your dogs with those in need.

Vicky Graham

23 August, 2019



Canine Friends Pet Therapy Committee as elected on 8th June, 2019

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Committee Snippets

Canine Friends Pet Therapy on Television—a reminder. Lotto TV One on 24th August at 8 pm and for one month on each Wednesday night to see four Wellington members sharing their wonderful dogs at Te Hopai Home and Hospital. Our President, Vicky Graham, sent the following message out to all members: "On behalf of the Committee I wish to express our sincere thanks to Margaret, Sue, Carol and Marjory for portraying our organisation so beautifully. We are proud of you! Margaret, our Wellington Liaison Officer, did a superb job arranging this with the Te Hopai Management Team. A huge thank you also to Carolyn Williams, our Communications Manager for spending the day with the members and film crew".

Members: Please see our new contact list for members of the National Committee. If you wish to make contact your first point of contact would be the Liaison Officer for your Area otherwise contact the appropriate person from the Committee list. A new position, Liaison Officers' Training person, has been created, Rachel Butler, who is the Liaison Officer for Auckland Area and a Committee Member, has been asked to take this position as she is a very experienced, highly organised and competent person. Rachel is here to help our new Liaison Officers and our experienced Liaison Officers are free to contact Vicky Graham or Beverley Jocelyn.

Dogs NZ Blackhawk National Dog Show in Blenheim: We are so fortunate to have Dogs NZ support Canine Friends and, therefore, we were asked to showcase our group of Volunteers by attending their show in Blenheim in October this year. Thank you to Wendy Reynolds, Liaison Officer for Blenheim, for organising our Stand and Banner and who has the support of members and Canine Friends from her Group to share their dogs at the Show. Wendy is also a competitor in the Agility classes so will be a busy lady.

Canine Friends Pet Therapy Clothing: We organise a clothing order which is placed twice a year. An order has just been sent and another will be organised and circulated later in this year. To purchase this clothing is a personal option and is paid for by the member. An email with order form will be circulated to all at that time.

Spring Newsletter: Thank you for all the great stories and photos and the Canine Group has certainly been very busy indeed throughout the Country. If you are disappointed that your photo has not been shown please be assured it will appear in the December issue.

Founder's Day Hastings

We had 13 people celebrate our Founders Day afternoon tea at the Paper Mulberry Cafe in Te Aute.

It was a beautiful Hawkes Bay day and everyone had a great time. Cheers Chris and Lyn



Founders Day May 19, Southland CFPT at Queens Park Invercargill

Sandra Knight sent this lovely relaxed group photo taking a stroll in the local Park.



Our Canine Friends Out & About visiting the Hillcrest High Physical Assistance Centre

Here in Hamilton we had a fine day for our much anticipated meeting with the pupils, staff and parents of Hillcrest High Physical Assistance Centre . We were very well received and the pupils made us a sign which you can see sitting on the steps. Thank you to all our wonderful members who participated in the day.

Regards Christine Johnson

Photos were taken by Christine Johnson, who is the "first visit" liaison person for Waikato.



Alison and Kobe took some time to get from her car to the building as dozens of students on their morning break wanted to pat this huge dog and ask questions.

Kaye and Denva (Long Coat GSD) and Liz with her McDuff in the other photo on the right.



Our happy Group of Volunteers from Waikato







Homemade Dog Treats



The pupils & Staff made the dog treats, packaged them and placed an ingredient label on the front. Presented by Julie-Ann (photo left side)

Teena Te Maro introduces Chewy to the pupil (left)



Tui having cuddles



Liz with her dogs McDuff & Tui

Still at Hillcrest High Physical Assistance Centre: Christine Johnson, is the person who does a superb job by sending so many photos to choose from. Thank you.



Sue Moser & Lotte







Zach with Chewy

Noel Hirovanaa, a very keen new member here in Taupo. **Noel visits Taupo Hospice** with Lola and also volunteers there in other capacities. Kind regards Vicky

Denva enjoys a pat

Totara Hospice Presentation by Rachel Butler LO Auckland

Rachel says " after the Powerpoint Presentation and talk, our dogs/ owners mingled among the audience. We were then asked to visit the rest of the home's residents in several areas of the complex so we ended up being there for well over an hour. They have asked for a permanent volunteer. Trish Alderson said she is happy to do this".

New Member—Cambridge

Del & her little dog Honey



Danika Connolly and Honey ready to visit **Te Awa** Life Care in Cambridge.

Kind Regards Vicky



Rachel and Jim with Lucas, Laurel Greaves with Cooper and Trish Alderson with Piper attended.

OBITUARY

We would like to send condolences to Sandra Anderson and family for the loss of their Canine Friend dog Max. Our thoughts are with you Sandra at this time. Kind regards Julie Cowell, LO Rotorua

Max came to me, homeless, of unknown background and maybe 9 years old. He was a gentle, compassionate, companion for 7 years who wanted nothing more than to be with me. Max brightened the lives of young and old and made many friends.

We visited Preschools to teach empathy and animal responsibility, Primary schools to sit on beanbags and listen to children read aloud, at risk youth to support programs and the elderly as a Canine Friend.

A few weeks ago I could see he was becoming weary and suddenly his body failed him. I had to say goodbye and let him go. Rest In Peace Max, your work is done. Sandra.

Hi Rachel,

From all of us here at Totara Hospice and the Fundraising team, we would like to thank you for supporting our 'Living Every Moment' event last Tuesday. The dogs were a hit and I think shined a bit of light into the day for our guests. So, thank you again for taking the time out to visit us, we really appreciated it. Have a great week

Jo Davis

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Our Canine Friends Out & About



Scarface Claw Exhibition in Hamilton

I think this photo is rather lovely. Waikato member Yvette Shore with Toby fulfilling his role as a reading buddy at the Scarface Claw exhibition in Hamilton. Regards Vicky



New Member—Dannevirke

Ruby and Mum, BJ's first visit to **Rahiri Resthome**, **Dannevirke**. Ruby is a one year old Chihuahua, a little gem. She was a real professional, cuddling in to everyone and giving the odd kiss as required! One lady who doesn't speak even spoke to her! Mum BJ and DT Julie were thrilled with her. Julie was so happy with the effect she had on the residents. We left behind a lot of smiles and happy faces. They are looking forward to her next visit in a fortnight. Photo is of Ruby spreading her magic. Regards Chris Partridge



Kevin & Zulu visit Aperangi and Kimihia Rest Homes in Waikato

These photos are from Kevin Whittock in Huntly. Unfortunately he could not attend the Founder's Day Event in Hamilton due to work commitments. He received a five year Certificate of Appreciation. As he could not be there I asked him for this lovely photo

Kind Regards, Vicky Graham



The opening of a new doggy park at Animates in Palmerston North.

The day was arranged by More FM in conjunction with Cahills Animal Hospital in April and was attended by Manawatu Canine friends and some of the donations were given to our Organisation. Regards Ann

Our Canine Friends Out & About



Broadview Lifecare in Whanganui

Thumpa enjoying High Tea with friends at Broadview Lifecare in Whanganui. Regards Ann



Anne-Marie Dejong and Sid Please see a delightful story by clicking below

https://www.channelmag.co.nz/ channel/shore-people/anne-marie-sid/



Kew Hospital Presentation

Judy McDonald & Charlie, who got lots of pats. came along to be supportive to Teddybear. He was a big hit. Sandra Knight



Majestic Magnum—couldn't see him in the photo above



New Member visiting Eileen Mary Rest Home in Dannevirke

Betty McKenzie was very happy to have a visit from Magnum (Ch Briongloid Magnum the Don at Strabahn), Irish Setter. Lorraine said Magnum loved the attention. Regards Chris





New Member in Christchurch

A lovely photo of a new member, Jan Fortune with her husband Colin and their Airedale Terrier Briar. Jan organises volunteers at Christchurch Public Hospital and is hoping to take Briar into the out patients department. Carol Milican

Gorgeous Phoenix

Here is a lovely photo of Phoenix, an Akita, who visits **Ohinemuri Rest Home in Paeroa** with her owner Dorothy and loves it.

Kind regards Vicky

Our beautiful dogs Out & About

On June 19 a small group of members from the Manawatu area made an inaugural visit to UCOL Library in Palmerston North. It was very well received and the staff were very excited about us being there and they are already organising another visit which will include staff as well especially as part of their Well-Being Programme. Thank you to all members who attended. Ann Evans and Kaye Harkness, Liaison Officers for Manawatu



Oakie having cuddles



Ed loving the pats



Panda talking



Murphy loving the attention



Evie who is adorable



Izzie 'what a big tongue'



Sophie & Oakie always photogenic



Zara enjoying a cuddle

Ever so cuddly Ellie visiting the Spinal Unit at Burwood Hospital, Burwood Road, Christchurch

Ellie, the Lovehound, (aka Spoodle) and I first became friends around 5 years ago as I was her vet nurse and hairdresser, at the Redcliffs Vet Clinic in Christchurch. From there I progressed on to be her caretaker when her Mum and Dad go away and she trained me as a behaviourist after I joined the team at the KURI dog centre in Phillipstown, Christchurch 2 1/2 years ago. Ellie has always cared as much for my mental and physical health as I have for hers.

We are both over the moon to be now spreading the excess love we both have for people and dogs on our weekly adventures amongst the Elderly folk and the Spinal unit at Burwood Hospital, Burwood Rd Christchurch. Lovely photo (right) sharing love with Kath frequently. Also a wee thank you to Cherry and Sandy Daly (Ellies owners) for trusting me with her.





Regards Shannon McGarry

First Visit to Pakeke Trust Elderly Care in Waipukurau

Mylo officially took over from Clyde this week on his Canine Friends journey. His first visit was to Pakeke Trust Elderly Care in Waipukurau. He sidled up to everyone for a cuddle and was a great hit. Milo is off to his second assigned placement today for more cuddles and gets very excited when the red scarf comes out and is off out to the car. He has very big paws to fill replacing Clyde. Go Mylo!

He'll be able to tell Clyde all about it when he gets home. Cheers Chris Partridge

First visit to Chiswick Park Lifecare

Beautiful Stella all ready for her first visit at Chiswick Park Lifecare with Nicky Crooks.



New Members - Palmerston North Hospital

Majestic Arlo and Julia Richards are new members visiting the Children's Ward at the **Palmerston North Hospital.** Regards Kaye Harkness LO (see below)



First visit to Olive Tree Rest Home and Palmerston North Hospital

Gorgeous little Poppy enjoyed her first visit to the lovely people at Olive Tree Rest Home with Sylvie Hicton; she wanted to go back in again. Poppy is also going to visit the Children's Ward at the Palmerston North Hospital. Regards Kaye Harkness, Liaison Officer Manawatu





New Member - Redwood Rest Home

This is Julie Sefton and Milly our newest members. They are visiting the Redwood Rest Home once a fortnight on a Wednesday.

Milly is a 2 year old salt and pepper Miniature Schnauzer. She is learning dog sports and especially enjoys Fly agility. We also do Rally -O and Beginner Agility training together. She is great company and loves to be the centre of attention. Welcome Julie and Milly. Regards Julie Cowell, Rotorua



Dogs in Togs at Makino Pool in Feilding in April. The Manawatu Group had a great fun day and thank you to all who attended. Regards Ann Evans





Last Monday pre our coffee morning at Oderleys Cafe to celebrate Founders Day - busy morning with our wonderful 2 & 3 year olds at **Remarkables Primary** School

Kind regards Beryle Ravenswood LO



Greetings from Queenstown. Finally got our team together to celebrate Founders day - we had a lovely coffee morning after our Reading in School programme on Monday morning - our recipients were; June with Rufus & Seraph, Bev with Gemma's little brother Hunter, Marilyn with our oldest little star Minti and Angela with Lexie (3)

We have 3 Lexi's in the team, my big girl Lexi 1, Linda's Boarder Collie (absent from photo) and Angela's Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever Lexie 3.

Also featuring are Di and Stella (Golden Retrevier), Del with Bismarck(GSP), Pam with Moose and Beryle's Lexi (1) and Willow.

Kind regards to all

Beryle & The Pet Therapy Team Queenstown

Our New Members who joined from 8 June, 2019. to 19 August, 2019. We wish you all a very long and happy association with Canine Friends Pet Therapy

Auckland

Sally Myles & Henry, Pomeranian Joanne Counsell & Rosie, Border Collie Emma Fairhall & Indy, Husky Donnalee Parnell & Duchess, Bichon/Shih tzu Olivia Donaldson & Tigger, Griffon Cross Chihuahua Sheryl Mungall & Jambo, Lowchen Susy Lai & Soren, Golden Retriever

Christchurch

Katie Borrill & Rose, Retradoodle Hannah Walker & Dink, Terrier and poodle Sue Le Mesurier, & Ebony, Miniature Poodle Kim Heslop & Gem, Staffordshire Bull Terrier Jan and ColinFortune & Briar, Airedale Terrier Ann Voyce & Missy, Bearded Collie Mady Bensdorp & Castiel (Cas), German Shepherd Kelpie mix Rachelle Baker & Belle, Golden Retriever Hannah Webster & Cleo, Border Collie Wendy Pryor & Ollie, Westie/Bichon Cross Faye Thompson & Tessa, Greyhound Lucy Hamdulay & Arnold, Greyhound Susan Noble & Paddington (Paddy), Maltese/Shih tzu

Hastings

Louise Taylor & Fletch, Golden Retriever Maureen James & Flo, Labrador Debbie Watts & Busta, Golden Retriever Marilyn Van Asch& Bella, Schnoodle Schnauzer/Poodle Miniature BJ Crosse & Ruby, Chihuahua Lynne Harrison & Angus, Golden Retriever

Kapiti Coast

Karen Backler & Marli, Maltese/Bichon Cross Kate Thomson & Poppy, Lowchen/Poodle Cross Paula Rowe & Odin, Alaskan Malamute Leanne Morris & Minnie, Miniature Poodle

Lower Hutt

Ian Weatherall & Maggie, Shih tzu

Manawatu

Nicky and Tabitha Crooks & Stella, Weimaraner Cross (Labrador, farm dog) Sylvie Hickton & Poppy, Tibetian Spaniel

Napier

Michelle Batt & Koda, Retriever Border Collie Cross

Otago Lynda Davidson

Queenstown Kenton Palmer & Dexter, Labrador

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Rotorua

Julie Sefton & Mily, Mini Schnauzer Henk Buissink & Bobby, Mix Foxy /Jack Russell Judy O'Sullivan & Katie, Cavoodle

Taranaki

Jenny Cavanaugh & Obi, Shih Tzu / Pomeranian Brooke Sheehan & Nellie, Huntaway

Taupo

Gill Warren & Nico, Standard Poodle

Tauranga

Pauline Wilson & Poppee, Maltese Shih tzu Raina Chester & Peppa, Shih tzu Colleen and Kevin Low & Barnaby, Maltese /Shih tzu John Robertson & Bella, Golden Lab Cross Ridgeback Gillian Blanchard & Teddy, Golden Retriever Brian and Maggie Marriner & Jake (Border Collie/Smithfield) and Buddy (Toy poodle) Viki Lester & Gypsy, Labradoodle Jeanne Mcvicar & Fergus, West Highland White Terrier Caroline Hodges & Jackson, Greyhound x Catahoula

Tauranga Hospital

Lynnette Dodson & Nikita, Red Toy Poodle Lyn Hartley & Anna, Golden Labradoodle

Upper Hutt

Laura Johnston & Nala, Lab/Collie Cross

Waikato

Winnie Bolton & Huey, Pomchi Danika Connolly & Honey, Golden Retriever Lynne Kemp & Sapphire, Long Haired Weimaraner Dorothy Mustor & Phoenix, Akita

Wairarapa

Leonie Eastergaard & Thor, Lakeland Terrier

Wellington

Natasha Rave and Graham Bradley & Jager, Bernese Mountain Dog Neville Waisbrod & Alfie, Miniature Poodle

Whanganui

Sarah Änderson & Bella, Golden Retriever Doreen Hardy & Toby, Labrador Cross Retriever Cross Border Collie

Dee Brough & Cully, Toy Poodle



Photos of the Ziwi stand at the Tauranga Pet Expo. Thanks Merina for all your help.



Kerrie & Chief



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