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THE HABERFIELD VETERINARY HOSPITAL

Established 1975



CONSULTATION HOURS

Monday–Friday: 9:00am–12 noon; 5:00pm–8:00pm
Saturday–Sunday: 9:00am–1:00pm

NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY FOR CONSULTATIONS

Appointments are necessary for routine surgery.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Friday: 8:00am–8:00pm
Saturday–Sunday: 8:00am–1:00pm

LIVE-IN STAFF We have 24hr nursing care provided by our live-in staff, a group of senior vet students.

'PICK UPS' AND 'DROP OFFS' can be arranged outside office hours. Please call if you require this service.

AFTER HOURS EMERGENCIES PHONE 9798 0785

The Haberfield Veterinary Hospital is a community based fully equipped veterinary hospital, and our primary concern is animal health and welfare. Some of our services include:

- For incapacitated clients, a local **pick up and delivery service and house calls** for simple procedures that do not require hospitalisation.
- Limited **boarding facilities**, especially for animals requiring medical treatment - remember to book early for the busy holiday periods!
- **Contacts for pet minders:** we have numbers for animal minders and sometimes our nurses and vet students can help.
- **Simple pet grooms**, (not a full grooming service) designed especially for feisty furry cats and snappy little dogs that may require sedation.
- A **pensioner discount** of 10% off the cost of consultations and surgery.

MY CAT OR DOG IS MISSING – WHAT DO I NEED TO DO?

(Advice from the NSW Office of Local Government).

If your dog or cat has been missing for more than 72 hours, you must notify your local council within 24 hours. If your dog is a restricted dog or a declared dangerous or menacing dog and it is missing, you must notify your local council within 24 hours of first noticing that it has gone missing.

A pet tag with your contact details is a quick and easy way to be reunited with a lost pet. Contact the Inner West Council to order your **FREE engraved pet tag** * Ph 9335 2222 or order online at: www.marrickville.nsw.gov.au/pets
* Conditions apply, see the website



PUPPY PRE-SCHOOL

Delta Society accredited dog-trainer, **Louise**, is running the puppy pre-school on **Wednesdays from 7.30pm to 8.30pm.**

Join our fun and effective puppy class.

Bookings essential. Please ring **9798 0785** to enrol now.

LOST AND FOUND CATS AND DOGS

I HAVE FOUND A STRAY DOG – WHAT SHOULD I DO?

If you have found a dog that you believe to be a stray, you should first check to see it is wearing a collar and tag. If it is, use the contact details on the tag to contact the owner. If it is not wearing a collar and tag, you must by law, take the dog to a council pound, an approved animal welfare organisation or an approved premises (usually a veterinary practice). The dog can then be scanned for a microchip, the owner's contact details obtained from the NSW Companion Animals Register and the owner contacted and re-united with their dog.

Whilst councils are not obliged to collect stray animals, many councils offer this complimentary service for their ratepayers. However, councils are obliged to accept animals that are seized by members of the public and are taken to the council's holding facility/pound.

I HAVE FOUND A STRAY CAT – WHAT SHOULD I DO?

Any person can lawfully seize a cat, owned or un-owned, whether in a private or public place, if that action is reasonable and necessary for the protection of any person or animal (other than vermin) from injury or death, providing that action meets the animal welfare requirements of the Prevention to Cruelty to Animals Act 1979.

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In this area, phone the Inner West Council (Ashfield Service Centre 9716 1800) to check. We can check stray cats for microchips but we cannot hold stray cats.

PROFESSIONAL ENGAGEMENT

- We are committed to the advancement of veterinary science and are proud to be a major supporter of the Australian Companion Animals' Health Foundation (ACAHF). The ACAHF gives grants for research on small animal diseases. This vital organisation has made a significant contribution to the level of research that is carried out into the diseases that affect our pets.
- We support the Australian Veterinary Association's Animal Welfare Trust which provides grants for research into animal welfare.

- We also support Vets Beyond Borders, an important organisation that provides veterinary care and seeks to improve animal welfare in the Asia Pacific region.
- We support the Commonwealth Veterinary Association by hosting veterinarians from developing countries and donating veterinary equipment and instruments to veterinarians in these countries.

UNIVERSITY SUPPORT PRACTICE

- The Haberfield Veterinary Hospital provides the opportunity for Veterinary Science students from the University of Sydney to train with us.

AMERICAN INTERNS

CAPA is an American organisation that arranges for American students to travel abroad for a couple of months as part of their studies back home. We are fortunate to have an excellent relationship with them. It is good to see so many young American students enjoying the opportunity to study and work in Australia. The HVH has been hosting students for some years now and many keep in touch. It's very pleasing to see that a number have become vets.

OUR VETERINARIANS



Dr Tanya Carter Founder of the Haberfield Veterinary Hospital

After graduating in Veterinary Science from the University of Sydney, Tanya was engaged in research on marsupials. She has maintained a keen interest in wildlife disease. Tanya is a

Member by examination of the Australian and New Zealand College of Veterinary Scientists (in Animal Welfare). Tanya is past President of the Australian Veterinary Association's AVAWE (Australian Veterinarians for Animal Welfare and Ethics), serves on several Animal Ethics Committees and is a veterinary member of the NSW NCAT. Tanya was a recipient of the Belle Bruce Reid medal awarded to Australia's top 100 women vets by the University of Melbourne in 2006. Tanya has a Master of Science in International Animal Welfare Ethics and Law from Edinburgh University. She is a published author on veterinary ethics. She has four adult children.



Dr Helen Gibson has been with us for many years and is an experienced veterinarian. Mother to three beautiful girls, she is also a practising artist. Helen has a degree in Fine Arts as well as her BVSc. (You can see some of Helen's artwork on the walls of our waiting room). Helen works regularly

on Monday night, on Tuesday and Thursday during the day, and on regular Saturdays and Sundays. Helen enjoys surgery and performs our complex surgeries such as cruciate repairs.



Dr Kathy Tang has been with us since she graduated in December 2015. Kathy has been very much a part of the Haberfield Veterinary Hospital ever since she started her university studies. She was one of our resident vet students.



Dr Melody Leung is our casual vet. Originally from Hong Kong, she has worked in small animal medicine in Hong Kong and Sydney since graduating as a vet from the University of Sydney. An animal lover since childhood, Melody has four adopted cats.

Dr Eric Rozitis a vet who lives locally and is now studying human medicine, helps from time to time.

STAFF AND NEWS

OUR NURSES

Qualified vet nurse **Rachael** has re-joined the team after bringing William Joseph into the world and being away on maternity leave with him. We welcome her back. She will be working part time for a while. Rachael's vet nurse sister **Sam** is working full time whilst **Francesca** is our casual vet nurse.

RESIDENT VETERINARY STUDENTS

Our resident vet students **Joyce**, **Sophie** and **Genevieve** allow us to provide 24 hour nursing care.

All our students work as casual nurses at the practice when needed. Joyce (below left) was born in Malaysia, moved to Brisbane when 10 years old, Joyce is now in the fourth year of her studies for Bachelor of Veterinary Biology and Doctor of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Sydney.



FLEAS!

Autumn is the peak period of the year for fleas and therefore for flea allergies!

Fleas are the most common cause of itchy dogs and flea allergy can cause miliary dermatitis in cats. There are a number of products on the market and sometimes animals need treatment every 2-3 weeks instead of 4. As spot-on products spread over the skin it is important to follow the directions with regard to washing and as cats are important flea carriers all cats in a household should be treated at the same time. Call us for advice.

Is your animal up to date with vaccinations?

There has been an outbreak of feline parvovirus in Sydney as well as outbreaks of feline calicivirus. As well there has an outbreak of parvovirus in dogs. It's important to ensure your puppy or kitten has a 16 week vaccination and that adult animals are up to date with vaccinations.

HOW TO REGISTER YOUR CAT OR DOG

Register your cat or dog online and give them the best chance of being returned home. Take a few simple steps to make sure your pet's registration is up to date.

You now have access to the NSW Pet Registry to register your pet, update your contact details, report your pet missing, transfer ownership and pay most lifetime registration fees from your computer or mobile device.

www.petregistry.nsw.gov.au

It's a requirement in NSW for all cats and dogs to be microchipped and placed on the NSW Pet Registry by the time they reach 12 weeks of age, or prior to sale, whichever comes first.