



Autumn Newsletter

Another very busy month with our wagging tailed guests has just passed and we are now well on the way to seeing another half year rolling away at a great pace.

In another couple of months, it will be two years since my wonderful Mum left us to sing in the heavenly choir with the angels. Mum had a big wish, to return to the birthplace of her Mother in London. Unfortunately, Mum ran out of time to make that journey, but Harry and I have decided to honour Mum by visiting the places she longed to see; places her Mother told her stories about.

On September 1st we will wing our way to the UK to begin our five-week tour, arriving in London on Mum's birthday.

So dear clients, instead of closing **4 The Love of Dogs** over November, we thank you for your understanding of our very important mission, and advise that we will be closed from September 1st until October 13th 2019. We will open our gates to welcome our dear pooches again on Monday 14th October 2019.



We understand that our time away coincides with the Term 3 School Holidays, and apologise for any inconvenience to clients planning a get away during that time.



In November this year we will be celebrating 4 years of operating our Home Away from Home doggie holiday retreat in Te Aroha. We are so grateful to all of the clients who have remained loyal to us over this time, especially those who live in Auckland. Our collection service to Auckland to collect our guests is often the only time we can catch up with the Mums and Dads – and we really look forward to that.

As you are all aware, petrol prices have continued to rise and we have endeavoured to hold our collection fee at \$50.00 by combining collections and returns on the same Auckland run, or by collecting two or three dogs on the same day. However, it has been costing us an extra \$30 to make a return trip to Auckland. As from 1st June 2019 our collection fee will increase to \$65.00.

We had our first frost two weeks ago and were pleased that our guests remained warm and cosy in the dog office with the heat pump humming away. Our aim is to continue to provide more comfort and/or entertainment value each year and this summer we built a sandpit for those dogs that love to dig and make mischief in the sand. It has proved very popular. Due to the drought we experienced, our water feature was put on hold. However, our plastic shells where well used for water play and cooling off, and provided us with a lot of entertainment as well!!

4 The Love of Dogs Calendar. Yes, I have had this idea in my mind for a while, but with the help of Otto's Mum, I plan to make this available for purchase in time for Christmas. Using photos of some of our gorgeous clients we will endeavor to produce a fantastic looking calendar. If your darling is selected your permission will be sought before anything goes to print. All proceeds will be forwarded to the following amazing organisation...



I will let one of our dear friends tell the story of his involvement with Chained Dog.....



"Hi, my name is Falkor and I am one of Olwyn's regular guests.

I spent the first 3 years of my life chained up in a carport, and did not get any walks at all, so I felt like I had permanent ants in my pants. Thanks to the love of Olwyn, Harry and the fab charity Chained Rehabilitation I was freed for a new life of fun, new doggie friends and lots of walks!

I've met some great new friends at 4 The Love of Dogs (Marley being a really special friend who loves to run around all day with me). Olwyn has taught me how to behave nicely, and she also loves an adventure herself so it's just been great! Happy news, that after 11 months with my foster parents, (waiting for my forever home) I'm off this weekend to live in Featherstone...."

-Falkor, Oona & Leigh

Yours in loving dogs,

Olwyn & Harry

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