



HABERFIELD VETERINARY HOSPITAL NEWSLETTER

VETAILS

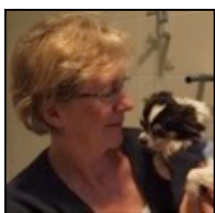
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ABOUT US

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 in 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.

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 past member of the Veterinary Surgeon's Board. 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. She is a published author on veterinary ethics. She has four adult children.

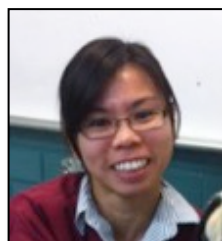


Dr Helen Gibson has been with us for many years and is an experienced veterinarian. Mother to three beautiful girls, she is also a practising artist.

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, Thursday and Friday 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 joined us now as a newly graduated full time vet. 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 and has worked as a casual nurse until now. We are very proud of her academic achievements and welcome her as a new member of the professional staff.



Dr Melody Leung is a 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.

Haberfield Veterinary
Hospital
Part of the local community
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CONSULTATION HOURS

Monday – Friday

9:00 am – 12 noon

5:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Saturday – Sunday

9:00 am – 1:00 pm

**NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY
FOR CONSULTATIONS**

*Appointments are necessary for
routine surgery.*

OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday

8:00 am – 8:00 pm

Saturday – Sunday

8:00 am – 1:00 pm

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

PUPPY PRE-SCHOOL

Delta Society accredited dog-trainer,
Louise, is running the puppy pre-school
on **Wednesdays from 7.30 to 8.30 pm**.
Phone us for details of the next class.

Join our fun and effective puppy class.
**Bookings essential. Please ring to
enrol now.**

STAFF & NEWS

NURSES

Megan, a full time qualified vet nurse with a degree in environmental science. Megan worked at the zoo before she joined us. She has a particular expertise with wildlife. Sisters **Rachael** and **Sam** job-share the other full-time vet nurse position. Local girls, they have a long association with the veterinary hospital. Rachael is a qualified vet nurse whilst Sam is continuing her vet nurse studies at TAFE. **Francisca** is a casual vet nurse.

RESIDENT VETERINARY STUDENTS

Our resident vet students **Joyce** and **Daniella** and resident vet nurse **Sam** allow us to provide 24 hour nursing care. All our students work as casual nurses at the practice when needed.

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.

University Support Practice

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

KITTENS NEEDING HOMES

These three lovely little kittens are looking to be adopted.
Ask at the desk.



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.

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. 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.

I would like a pet. What laws should I be aware of?

Australia has one of the highest rates of pet ownership in the world. To ensure the safety and wellbeing of the whole community, the *Companion Animals Act* regulates the responsible ownership of companion animals in New South Wales.

The Act sets down the following main requirements for pet owners:

- Dogs and cats must be implanted with a microchip from the time they are 12 weeks of age, at the point of sale or change of ownership (whichever occurs first) and must be registered with the local Council by 6 months of age.
 - Dog owners must take all responsible precautions to prevent the dog from escaping from the property in which it is being kept. For the purposes of this requirement, "owner" includes any person who is for the time being in charge of the dog.
 - Cats are prohibited from food preparation and consumption areas, and from all wildlife protection areas.
 - Dogs, with the exception of assistance animals, are prohibited from the following areas (whether or not they are leashed or otherwise controlled):
 - a. children's play areas;
 - b. food preparation/consumption areas, although it should be noted that recent amendments to the CAA now permit pet owners to take their pets to outdoor cafes provided that the café owner allows this, the animal is restrained (unless it is a designated off leash area), remains on the ground in the outdoor area at all times and is not fed.
 - c. Recreation areas where dogs are expressly prohibited;
 - d. Public bathing areas where dogs are expressly prohibited;
 - e. School grounds, child care centres;
 - f. Shopping areas where dogs are expressly prohibited;
 - g. Wildlife protection areas where dogs are expressly prohibited.
 - When in public places, dogs must wear collars identifying the dog's name and address or phone number of the dog's owner. The animal must also be attached to an adequate chain, cord or leash but is exempt if being exhibited at a show, engaging in obedience trials, secured in a cage or vehicle, or is in an approved off-leash area.
 - Greyhounds must at all times have a muzzle securely fixed when in a public place. There are also specific requirements regarding dangerous and restricted dogs in public.
 - Dog owners must pick up and dispose of dog faeces immediately.
- No person may have more than four dogs under his/her control at any time in a public area.

IF YOU MOVE DON'T FORGET TO CHANGE YOUR DETAILS WITH THE LOCAL COUNCIL.