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**MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY, HEALTHY NEW YEAR
TO YOU AND YOUR LOVED ONES!**

**DOGS BED & BREAKFAST
MORNINGTON PENINSULA
OFFICE NOW OPEN!!**

Robyn now operates Dogs Bed & Breakfast by the Bay!

We have over 40 minders on the Mornington Peninsula.

Deb & Robyn have been out and about talking to interested people at the Frankston Pets Day Out and at the Pet & Pony Expo in Rosebud.

Winners of the hampers at each of these expos were:

Juliana Parker from Frankston
and Dorothy Herron from Frankston South

NEW YEARS EVE

Please remember to keep your dogs inside on New Years' Eve – this can be a frightening time for a four-legged friend when fireworks are about.

Warm weather and leaving dogs in cars.

Please remember not to leave your pets in cars in warm or hot weather.

SOME HISTORY – why Dogs B&B...

Deb used to travel extensively for work – she was away every second week and hated leaving her dogs in kennels. Friends then started minding her dogs while she was away and she did the same for them. She then thought of the concept of Dogs Bed and Breakfast! The rest is history!

Deb officially established this business in February 2003 and is very involved in the Dog World! She has had dogs all of her life – such as a corgi, a cocker spaniel, an Airedale terrier, Giant Schnauzers and Poodles! The dogs who currently rule the home are a Giant Schnauzer and a Mini Poodle.

Robyn is also very involved with dogs and has 2 children (Jake, aged 10 and Reece, aged 8), 2 Rough Collies and 2 Shelties and a horse!

Deb and Robyn both compete in the sport of dog agility most weekends – this is where the dog and handler run around a course of obstacles such as jumps, tunnels, A frame, weave poles etc.

Both Deb and Robyn are registered ANKC judges in the sport of dog agility and travel interstate periodically to either compete or to judge.

Jane works for Dogs B&B part time, mostly visiting new Minders and doing promotional work. Jane also competes in dog agility most weekends and has three Australian Cattle dogs.

FRANKSTON PETS DAY OUT



PET & PONY EXPO



EVENTS (written by Jake Docker, aged 10):

Did you see us at the **Pets Day Out in Frankston?**

Did you see our stall?

Did you get your free show bag?

Did you enter our free raffle to win a fantastic dog hamper?

Pet & Pony Expo – Rosebud

Did you get a brochure?

Did you get your free fridge magnet?

Did you meet our shelties?

Did you win the dog hamper?

Did you meet the fabulous Robyn and Deb?

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Caulfield Expo – Feb 2006

Look for the purple stand outside the main building!

MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM JAKE AND REECE!

DOG FACTS:

According to current statistics 40% of households own a dog!

DID YOU KNOW... Apparently pet owners are healthier people and children with pets generally have a higher self-esteem.

- Owning a dog, for instance, will encourage you to get more exercise. With your faithful friend at your side, you're much more likely to go for a walk. Walking is one of the best health activities you can do. While walking you're also more likely to socially interact with your neighbours because your special pal often acts as an ice-breaker.

- Research has concluded that having a pet nearby helps control increases in blood pressure due to stress. The simple act of petting your dog apparently slows your heart rate and causes your blood pressure to drop.