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### Our Vets

Dr Austin McMahon (BVSc)

Dr Bronwyn McMahon (BVSc)

Dr Sheyne Horton (BVSc Hons)

Dr Rachel Hansen (BVSc Hons)

Dr Bruce Lamond (BVM&S, MRCVS)

**Our Nurses** – Alice Bassett, Ann Johnson, Rachael Hultgren, Kirsty Williams, Olivia Townsend, Zoe Twedde, Samantha Douma, Leigh Butler, Deb Blanco, Dakota Beattie, Nicki Klevering.

### Clinic Hours

The clinic can be contacted between 8am-6pm Mon-Fri, and between 8am-1pm on Saturdays.

### After Hours

For Emergencies after hours call 4125 2788



## 6-month health checks



### Managing pets on long-term medications

Our pets are no different to ourselves and our children when it comes to medications. Just as we need to visit the G.P. regularly if we require scripts for ongoing medication - our pet's need to visit the vet. The health department requires us to regularly perform a health exam on animals needing ongoing therapy. This is essential to monitor their response to treatment and watch for possible side effects.

This means if your pet needs ongoing medications they will need a full health check every 6 months. Some medications may require a blood test every 6-12 months to monitor any effects on liver and kidney function. Your vet will discuss the best management plan for your pet's condition.

If you are running low on your pet's medication-please call the clinic before you run out to determine if a repeat prescription or a revisit is required, to keep your pet on the best possible treatment.

## AUGUST

is your last chance to take advantage of:

### **'RSPCA OPERATION WANTED'**

To receive 20% off our desexing prices simply register at:

[www.operationwanted.com.au](http://www.operationwanted.com.au)

Call the clinic and book your pet's surgery during the month of August.

Bring your code on the day to receive the discounted price!!

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Nurses Debbie and Liv at Dr Breanna's Wedding



Nurse Rach with her new Kelpie Trix

## 5 Minutes with Rach



### Rachael Hultgren VN (Cert IV)

Rachael has worked at Bayview Vets for over 10 years now and is one of our Senior Nurses. She is otherwise known as the class clown, keeping us entertained and in good spirits throughout the day.

**Most rewarding part of being a vet nurse?** I really enjoy the warm friendly connections formed with clients and love providing the best care to pets when they are not feeling the best.

**What would you be doing if you weren't a nurse?** A Marine Biologist

**Favourite dog breed?** Kelpie!!

**Why you love living in Hervey Bay?** Hervey Bay is a piece of paradise right at our door step. Very much home.

**What pets do you have at home?** Digger my 7 year old Kelpie and Trix my 12 week old Kelpie.



## Product of the Month



### HILLS T/D Dental Care

Dental care for your pet may be more important than you think. The accumulation of bacteria laden plaque above the gumline can lead to long term oral health issues. Recent studies have demonstrated there is an association between oral health issues and systemic general health issues affecting the kidney, heart and metabolic systems.

Hill's nutritionists & veterinarians developed Prescription Diet™ t/d™ clinical nutrition especially formulated to support your dog and cat's dental health. In fact, t/d™ is clinically proven nutrition to reduce plaque, stain, & tartar buildup.

**How it works:** Unique kibble - shape and size, Special fibre matrix technology and balance nutrition.

**How it helps:** Cleans the tooth surface, fights bacteria-laden plaque, promotes overall health, recommended for lifelong feeding of adult dogs and cats.

Available in T/D, T/D small bites and T/D feline.  
This information and more is available on the Hills nutrition website.

## Do you have this plant at home...??



*Have you noticed your pet licking at their feet? This plant could also be the reason for your dog's red and itchy skin on their stomach, chest or muzzle.*

*'Moses in the basket' (tradescantia spathacea) can cause contact allergies and could be the reason your pet is itching and scratching all the time. The self-trauma from licking and scratching can cause secondary bacterial and fungal infections that may need treatment. If you have this plant in your back-yard avoidance is usually the best preventative, and our nurses can advise you on the best medicated shampoo to soothe your pets skin. If symptoms persist see your vet for a further diagnosis. For further information on backyard plants that may be causing allergies for your pet you can go onto the dermcare website [www.dermcare.com.au](http://www.dermcare.com.au) ☺*