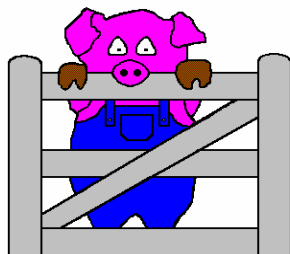


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Welcome to AOTM. 1st Edition

Hello,

We at AOTM have decided it was about time we had a fun & informative newsletter for our future budding farmers & their friends.

Our aim at AOTM is to inform and educate the young and young at heart about the value, fun and pleasure in owning you own pets and farm animals.

As some of you may be already aware we have an extensive range of educational and fun programs for children of all ages to enjoy. During the past 12 months we have visited many venues with our farm animals, bush babies, Brandy our milking on the move cow, baby chick hatching and rabbit rearing programs.

With almost 15 years on the road our popularity continues to grow, ensuring the barn yard animals and their care givers are busy all year round.

So we can make it to your next function please try to remember to book well ahead for your anticipated fun time with AOTM.

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issue:**

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What's new in the barn?

SPRING had sprung upon us before we knew it, and we all know what happens at spring time.

YES lots of baby animals are born, and you may wonder why.

Well it is because

The sun shine's to keep the babies warm.

The grass and plants grow, which a lot of farm animals eat.

The babies born have a chance to grow up before cold weather comes.

News from the barn is that it is full of baby animals, Chickens, Rabbits, Ducks, Geese, Piglets, Calves, Goat kids and lambs.

These are just a few of the babies that you will see over the next few months when AOTM visits you.



Introducing "Cindy" one of our farm yard Guinea Pigs. She will be assisting us with our future news from the barn.

Cindy is a little cheeky girl who is often seen darting around the barn, in and behind where "Petunia" the big white Sanann Goat lives with her little boy kid. Even as far a field as "Brandy" the milking cow.

She will keep us informed with all of the farm yard news. And what the animals are talking about.



TRIVIA QUESTIONS.
(Answers on the back page,
DON'T LOOK YET)



- A: what do you call a baby Koala ? ...
- B: what do you call a female donkey?...
- C: what do you call a baby rabbit ?...
- D: what do you call a female hare?...
- E: what do you call a female cat ?...
- F: what do you call a baby swan ?..
- G: what do you call a baby ferret?....
- H: what do you call a baby echidna?..
- I: what do you call a baby horse ?..
- J: what do you call a female kangaroo?...
- K: what do you call a baby guinea pig?...
- L: what do you call a male goose?....
- M: what do you call a female ferret?...
- N: what do you call a baby hare? ...



ALL ABOUT PIGS

Pigs play a big part in our farm display. Some people do not like them but I am here to tell you that PIGS are fun.

Did you know that pigs have a great sense of smell, and that they are actually really clean animals.

You may ask why they wallow in mud? the answer to this is. Pigs do not have any sweat glands, they cover themselves in mud to help keep them cool and it prevents some insects from biting them.

PIGS are very intelligent and you can train pigs sometimes easier than training some dogs.



A group of Pigs is called a herd.

Pigs eat almost anything you give them and love to snort and dig with their snout (nose).

They can have big litters of babies, (up to 12 at a time). Mother pig gives her babies milk to drink.

A Male pig is called a BOAR

A Female pig is called a SOW

A Baby is called a PIGLET.

I hope you have learned some thing about pigs.



PETS & PRODUCTS FOR SALE.



Of course our babies grow up, but do not think the worst. We endeavor to place our beautiful young animals who no longer are required to visit children with the mobile farm yard, a chance at a new home. These animals are adopted out by us to new families. We can organize all the products & information you would require to take good care of your new companion.

Selling a large range of pet enclosures, books, drinkers and much more.

Package deals can be organized and if required delivered.

Often available are baby Rabbits, Guinea pigs, Lambs, Kids, Piglets, Claves and many different types of poultry friends. Phone or check out the web site to see more.

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Ferrets As Pets

For many of us Ferrets may not be our ideal pet, but to those who have owned one already know they are excellent companions, easy to keep and lots of fun. If you are looking for an alternative pet why not try the trusty ferret?

With an average lifespan of five to eight yrs. Handled from a young age ferrets can become extremely tame and only occasionally nip. They may be taught to walk on a harness and lead, and even play games in pipes.

Ferrets are carnivores (meat eaters) and require up to 35 per cent protein and 20 per cent fat in their diet.

Good quality Kitten dry food can be a suitable diet. They appear to do well from this with the addition of the occasional raw chicken wing or neck.

An yearly vaccination against distemper is required. Heartworm treatment should also be considered. Speak to your veterinarian for further advice on health issues.

Interestingly the human flu can also be transmitted to your pet ferret and they too can pass it back to you.

The de sexing of a female ferret can be done from four or five months of

age. They should either be de sexed or allowed to breed by this age or risk a continuous breeding season and can die from permanent bone marrow suppression, due to anemia.

Good luck if you decide to become a Ferret Owner.



CARING FOR OUR WILDLIFE

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It is sad many native animals are injured on our roads, some unfortunately are killed but some can be saved. With the assistance of the wildlife shelter's run by volunteers in your area, those who can be saved are treated with loving care and years of experience until their anticipated release back to the wild. In conjunction with Heilsville sanctuary we all work closely together to save as many animals as we can.

If you find an injured animal or bird you can take them into your nearest veterinary clinic, the best will be done for the animal, this is NO COST to you. Volunteers work tirelessly to save these little guys where ever possible, so please observe the following emergency tips to try to help out.

Some emergency first aid tips . **Warmth** is of the utmost importance, hot water bottle wrapped in a blanket & in a box will be fine. **Quiet** (after all the creature is wild and not used to humans). Place in a dark, quiet and warm room. **If late at night then keep while the morning**, unfortunately some animals due to shock will not make it through the first night.

If you see a baby bird you think is injured, observe first from a distance as the parents are often teaching them to fly and if you intervene the parent may not come back. Many are unnecessarily removed and have to be hand reared. Sometimes the parents were looking on when the young were taken.

And lastly make a note of where you found the wildlife as many species are very territorial and it will be necessary to release them back to the same place they were found.



For emergency Out of Hours advice please

phone wild line 0500 540 000 or email wildline@wildlifevictoria.org.au

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Do you love animals and children then this could be the small business opportunity for you.

Already with 5 vans on the road, animals on the move travels far a field from its Gembrook base location.

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Rachael you would find running your own farm business a breeze.

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"The early bird catches the worm!!!"
How many times did Cindy appear in this edition?

- N: LEVERETT
- M: JILL
- L: GANDER
- K: PIGLET
- J: FLYER
- I: FOAL
- H: PUGGLE
- G: KIT
- F: CYGNET
- E: QUEEN
- D: JILL
- C: KITTY
- B: JENNY
- A: JOEY

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