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Fret-free holidays



■ Pampered pooches ... Julie Kean with Xena and Digger.

TAKING a holiday can involve plenty of planning, especially if a furry friend with a wagging tail is in the back yard.

Don't Fret Pet! is a dogminding service that takes the worry out of leaving the family pet alone.

As a minder, patrons offer their home as a suitable and caring environment for a pooch in the area.

Owners and minders meet beforehand to ensure each party will be happy.

Minder Julie Kean, of Corinda, said the service was "definitely valuable" for people who wanted their pets looked after.

"It costs more than putting a dog in a kennel, but they get much more out of it," Mrs Kean said.

"They get more personal attention and all the comforts of home."

Mrs Kean said being a minder was more of an interest than a job.

"It's not a major part of your life (but) it's nice to have different dogs and experience their company," she said.

Minders are paid a nightly rate for giving love and attention to a canine guest.

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