

THE ADVENTURES OF NIPPER, CLOTHES PEG, WOMBAT AND FRIENDS.

Good Evening, Dr Kristancic,

My name is Nipper and I live in Darlington Rd. The humans who live in the house above me call me Nipper because I sometimes have a go at their toes in case it might be a juicy worm. I used to be quite timid, but in summer I discovered that if I nose the lady human in the leg she will put water out for me. I also love the kids who live here, and the fact they don't have any pets to scare me away.

The young humans are 9, and have helped me write this email as I hear you are interested in us. I visit the humans quite frequently and they know me by name. Sometimes, they wonder why I have patches of fur missing. At the moment I have a pouch full of babies.

I have many good friends that hang around this house with me. Wombat is the old matriarch, she has a stubby tail and droopy lip. Clothes Peg got her name because she lives under the shrubs near the clothes line. Recently, some new quenda have come into the neighbourhood. Grumpy, Cashew and Rocket. Rocket is a young one who is very fast and scared of the humans.

I've added some photos of us all, plus some of our handy nose work in the garden. The male human gets a bit cross about the holes everywhere, but I'm pretty sure he loves us because we are so adorable.

Best wishes (hope you like the story),

Nipper



Images and story: Nipper and His Human Friends