

# PAWS 4 THOUGHT!



Australia's Pupcake Queen, Tanya Arnold, interviews two toy poodle brothers, Mr Bigglesworth and Mr Jangles, sharing their insights on being young at heart.

**Q:** Mr Bigglesworth and Mr Jangles, what do you think of the young pups of today?

**A:** They cause havoc and demand attention. There are times when we just want to be left alone and our newly adopted brother, Dusty, who is only a pup, insists on waking us up and giving us kisses. Yes, it's a nice thought, but sometimes we just need our sleep! We also notice that the youth of today don't appreciate what they have in life. They just chew and chew and go through toys like nothing else and then they expect them to be instantly replaced. Back in our day, when you ripped your toy apart, we would have to wait for your next birthday

or Christmas until we got a new one. I guess times have changed we accept that.

**Q:** You are almost 84 years old, what's your secret to looking so young?

**A:** Love! We wouldn't be in such great shape if it wasn't for our owners. Our previous owner, recently put us up for adoption to 4 Paws Animal Rescue as he was working 12 hour days and was unable to give us the quality life that he felt we deserved. It was so hard for him to make the decision though, Ann, our foster mum is so great that she lets him visit us often.

Ann treats us like royalty. She takes us for walks every day and we get to visit the beach on weekends. Our food is homemade which is made with much much love. We even have a choice of where to sleep – in the lounge room or in the bedroom – sometimes it can be a hard choice.

**Q:** Mr Bigglesworth, you lost your eyesight three years ago, has this affected your life in any way?

**A:** No, not really. The only real difference is now I depend on my senses of smell, hearing and touch even more.

Yes sometimes I may hit a wall (literally), but that doesn't stop me as I easily find my way and get back on course. Isn't it all about the journey anyway? There are smells and sounds that I never really noticed until now. I still go on walks with my brother and take trips to the beach. I'm not even afraid of other dogs coming up to me, because I know Jangles has got my back.

Mr Bigglesworth and Mr Jangles, it has been a pleasure. You both are a perfect reflection of what it means to be young at heart.



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