



# *Hawai'i Fi-Do Service and Therapy Dogs*

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**To: Chief Executive Officer**  
Baw Baw Shire Council  
Warragul Victoria 3820

Dear Executive Officer & Council Members,

We have had the good fortune to work with Beverley Manners since early 2004 when she graciously donated 2 male Labradoodles to our non-profit training organization in Hawaii. Two female Labradoodles were donated the next year. Her multi-generation breeding program is so consistent and of excellent quality that we started our own breeding program using 2 of Beverley's dog to continue the line in Hawaii. Over the past three years we have had 15 Labradoodles in our program.

Hawaii Fi-Do is an accredited member of Assistant Dogs International which has strict health and temperament standards. These dogs must be of the highest quality because they literally are called upon to save lives.

I am sad and disappointed to read that an obviously ignorant person referred to Rutland Manor as a "puppy mill." Ms. Manners has spent years in research to develop this wonderful line of dogs and runs a reputable organization.

Please visit our web site to see some of these working dogs in action and to better understand the quality of dogs Rutland Manor has produced for the benefit of people with disabilities all over the world.

Thank you for your time in reading this and making the right decision in addressing this important issue. Beverley has made a difference in the lives of people who struggle daily to live an independent and fulfilling life.

Sincerely,

Susan Luehrs

***Our Dogs Help.***