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Pet pal lauded

WOOROLOO woman Sue Temby and her dog Teddy have been lighting up the lives of nursing home residents for over six years.

Ms Temby and her bichon-poodle are members of Animal Companions, a volunteer organisation that recruits people and their dogs to visit people in need.

Teddy Temby received a medal for long service at the Animal Companions awards ceremony last month.

Ms Temby became involved in Animal Companions in 2003 and has been making regular visits to local nursing homes ever since.

"It's the most rewarding thing I've ever done," Ms Temby said.

Teddy's placid nature makes him ideal for nursing home environments and residents look forward to his visits.

Animal Companions also sends dogs and their owners to hospitals, treatment centres, schools, prisons and other facilities.

For information about Animal Companions, visit www.aciwa. org.au



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