There are not fairies at the bottom of my garden but there are ferrets! (Of course, there could be fairies too...) You see the latest addition to my collection of doll ferret houses with my BEW jill, Heidi at the upper window and my sable jill, Lucky, going out for a walk.

I’m afraid the garden is looking a bit dry after a severe dry summer and we have been asked to be water wise in Western Australia. Isn’t that the case around the world? Of course, when the rain does come (we hope) the ferret houses are taken in for the winter.

We also have a young clinic cat at my Craigie Veterinary Hospital and you see her in the “ferret yard,” where I let the ferrets run, with jills Nipper and Pandy.

The black plastic bag was filled with dirty washing after changing their sleeping bedding and makes a good hide and seek place for Miska, the cat, to stalk the ferrets! I take some or all of my ferrets, seven in total, from home to clinic daily to show people, some of whom even now have no clue about ferret management!

There are lots of pipes in the yard and at home for the ferrets to play chase through and hide from each other. I have a ferretarium set up in the garden, and the ferrets play in the rest of the garden and also come into the house in the evening. Some sleep inside, but most don’t even though all would if I let them!

Temperature today is 37C and the ferrets are at the clinic today. We want the rain!

Hope this finds you all well.