LABRADOR RETRIEVER RESCUE SOUTHERN ENGLAND



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Welcome to our August newsletter. The summer holidays are well and truly upon us. This is always a particularly challenging time of year for us. Whilst many dogs are being found straying or being given up, there are fewer homes applying to either adopt or foster as so many people are away. Right now, we have a <u>desperate</u> need for experienced fosters for some of our lovely dogs. If you can help, please do get in touch as per the below details.

We thank you for your continued support and hope you enjoy reading this Newsletter.

Fostering a dog isn't a lifetime commitment.

It's a commitment to saving a LIFE.

We urgently need people that could join our small team of t

We urgently need people that could join our small team of fosterers.

If YOU would like to help, then please contact us

PLEASE GET IN TOUCH WITH US IF YOU FEEL THAT YOU COULD OFFER A STARTING PLACE FOR ONE OF THESE VERY SPECIAL SOULS.

LOUISE.LRRSE@gmail.com Or SUE.LRRSE@gmail.com

And if you aren't in a position to offer a temporary home, please share our Facebook posts, as this helps us enormously to find the perfect home for our lovely dogs: https://www.facebook.com/LRRSE

















China Dog Update

We're delighted to say that our latest arrival of China dogs have all found their forever homes and are settling in well. We still have many more in China to come to us.







Three of these lovelies (Xiaosan, Tiaotiao and Purdy) will be arriving on 21st August and are going into foster so we can assess them properly. They, without a doubt, will be wonderful souls with amazing temperaments and we very much look forward to meeting them.

Our next confirmed arrival is due in October. Two lovely golden retrievers (Shoutu and HuoYue). We are just waiting for their flight buddies visa to come through. We will update their details on the website as we learn all about them.





If you'd like to donate to help cover their travel costs, please do so through our Justgiving link below.

Please tick for gift aid if you are a UK taxpayer as we get 25% on top of your donation.

https://www.justgiving.com/lrrse/donate



BEN



Good morning to all at LRSSE.

This is an update regarding Ben, who has attained the age of 12 years, and we have looked after him for 2 years.

Ben has really settled into his new routine and knows when we should be having meals, going on walks and when we should be getting up in the morning (6am).

He does like a biscuit when we have a drink.

Ben is very active for his age and would walk all day if allowed, except for his mealtime.

Everything is eaten up quickly, especially if we put fresh fish amongst the kibble.

He got used to being walked at 6 am when the weather was hot and now expects it to continue that way.

He is a very proud dog and will not do anything in the garden. Luckily, we are surrounded by fields, so as soon as he gives the signal its time, we can go.

As soon as he hears anyone in our vicinity he is outside wanting and giving a lot of attention.

He loves his walks off lead so that he can mooch and sniff around to his hearts content!!!

He still has times when anxiety takes a hold again, but we have made it manageable.

When outdoors he takes no notice of high winds or storms but indoors is a different matter. He seems not so tense as long as he can see we are around.

Ben is Dad's dog and panics when he is not around but is getting better with that.

We still have not managed to get him near water or play with toys no matter how much we try. But will try some of the suggestions in the latest newsletter.

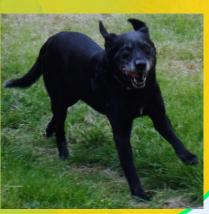
Ben gives us a lot of pleasure and we are very lucky to have been given the chance to look after him.

Thanks again for letting us have Ben and we will keep you updated as to his progress in the future.

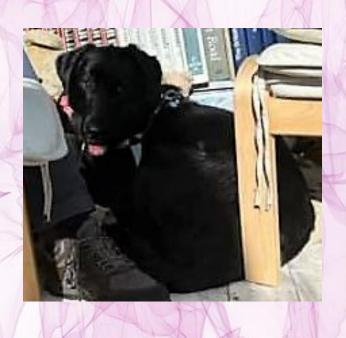
All the best to you at LRRSE, and keep up the good work,
Bob and Priscilla







BELLE



Hi Sue, Home safe and sound. No problems travelling.

When we got home, we opened both rear doors and after a minute she decided to jump out.

Several walks round garden now and has taken treats from both our hands.

Better start to be honest than we expected.

All the best,

Diana

When your husband says we don't have room for any more dogs 🦓 .





Join the VIP club today! petsathome.com/vip

The donations we received from Pets at home buy food – treats – bedding – toys etc for our rescue dogs. Please join their VIP club and make sure you choose Labrador Retriever Rescue Southern England as your chosen charity...details on how to do this are below...this won't cost you anything and will really help another rescued dog.

Pets at Home

By joining their VIP club and choosing us as your chosen charity, every time you make a purchase in their store a donation is made to us. Over the past months we have been able to purchase dog food, bedding, treats and toys for the dogs in kennels and in foster with the vouchers we are sent from this brilliant scheme. So, please sign up today and help us, help more beautiful dogs.

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Quick access to your VIP club card

MILLIE





Hi Sue and Louise, I came to live with my Mum and Dad (Gill and Ken) and my best friend, Bailey, in May 2021.

I wasn't feeling very well at that time, but I could still wag my tail when someone spoke kindly to me. I had been used as a breeding bitch, had very little or no food, was covered in open bleeding sores (mange), had mites in my ears, and smelt rather unpleasant.

Gill and Ken worked hard to get me back to good health.

After a lot of medication and surgery (I had three mammary tumours), good food, a cosy bed and lots of love, I eventually began to feel much better.

I have a very happy life now. I am loved such a lot and have wonderful walks with my Mum, Dad and Bailey. Super dinners and lots of friends who make a big fuss of me, and I love it all!!!

Thank you so very much, Sue and Louise, for finding and helping me, and introducing me to my new home. I am so very grateful to you both. Huge woofs, from Millie

P.S. I didn't have a name before, as I was found roaming the streets as a stray, I do hope you like it. My Mum and Dad say it is a pretty name for a beautiful girl. I am very proud. M.

DEXTER



Dexter found a stick (3)

CUCUMBER WATER

So simple to make and the perfect drink to offer your dog during warm weather.

Cucumber Water will help keep your dog hydrated

Cucumber Water will help keep your dog hydrated, replenish their electrolytes, and cool them down.

Simply slice some cucumber and soak it in their water bowl.

Cucumbers can also be fed as a low-calorie treat.

They are 96% water so provide extra hydration.

They are full of vitamin K which helps strengthen bones. Cucumbers are also full of nutrients that can fight the bacteria in your dog's mouth, leading to fresher breath.





COCO

Dear Louise and Sue,

Update on Coco – well, it is now 8 months since I adopted Coco in November, on his 7th birthday! He loved the journey back home and watched the stationary traffic on the M25. He has immediately settled into living with us. He was, and is still, reactive with other dogs. But since he had his "man bits" taken away, he has calmed down a lot.

He is a very loving and affectionate Labrador, who loves all his toys and loves going for walks in the woods.

He is also very popular, as he has his own Facebook page too!
Thank you, Louise and Sue!



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The facilities and staff are excellent, and the immediate care and compassion given to the dogs we have placed with them has been wonderful.

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Aife (formerly Barley)









Hi Sue

Thank you so much for everything today. We're home safely.

We got back about 5pm but as you can imagine have been very busy!

Aife is settling in, has found her toilet spot in the garden and eaten a good dinner! She's fast asleep now - opted for a comfy bed in a crate I have - door open - and has decided to leave the lovely bed I had ready for her

She's so lovely. We named her Aife, as the name means warrior princess, and we feel she's been a very brave girl who just happens to be beautiful!





Update: Hi Sue

Aife is settling in so well, she is adorable. She's enjoying lots of country walks and outings in the car. Aife loves her garden too, so much to explore!

She has a lovely comfy bed in the kitchen but prefers to snuggle up on her 2nd bed on the sofa in the evenings!!

Today in my shopping I ordered her a watermelon which she loves, and she also still loves sweet potatoes!! I have made her some special treats with sweet potato, peanut butter and flour - she thinks they're yummy!

Aife is learning to walk well on the lead, is learning to sit, still a long way to go on 'come' recall Too many countryside distractions - squirrels, rabbits, birds!!

She has a new tag with a butterfly motif - on her first day in the garden she was chasing butterflies!!

All the family love her, she is so sweet natured and likes treats, but more than anything loves cuddles.

Thank you LRRSE for a great addition to our family.













A very enjoyable walk along the coast and back again!



FUND-RAISING AUCTIONS

Our ever-popular auctions are now taking place on a monthly basis.

We have loads of fabulous new items that have been donated to raise money for our dogs, so please head over to our LRRSE Fundraising group on FaceBook for to grab yourself a bargain!

https://m.facebook.com/groups/392487404917165/?ref =share

Here are some of the items up for grabs this month:









DEACON

Deacon has certainly settled in well and has us wrapped around his paw! He went to his first puppy party at the vets on Tuesday and had a blast! Many thanks - JAINE 😂 😭 🐾



Attlee's Country Store Dorking

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Monday to Saturday 8:30 - 5:00pm Sunday 10:00am - 4:00pm



This is a lovely store with exceptionally nice staff and well worth a visit...with your dog of course!

GRACTE

Hello Sue, Hope you and your doggies are all well.

This was Gracie helping in the garden yesterday. Lots of love, Jackie xxx



CHESTER





Hi Sue,

I hope you are keeping well. It is nice to see news of LRRSE and all the good work you are doing.

I thought I would just give you an update on Chester who came from Bahrain two years ago to live with us. And is now the grand age of eleven years.

He has settled in well and one of his favourite things is chasing squirrels in the wood, although he can't understand why he can't climb the tree to catch them.

We have taken him on several short holidays to the seaside and although he is not too keen on the water, he is very partial to an ice cream!

He is quite a lazy boy but loves to meet people and have cuddles.

Thank you for finding him for us and of all the other rescue dogs you find homes for. I am sending a few pictures for you.

Kind regards,
Sue and Malcolm









BYRON

Hi Sue & Louise,
We've had Byron over a year
now and he's been a joy. Full of
love, inquisitive and a great
personality. Unfortunately,
though, he has my husband's
sense of humour!
He loves lots of cuddles, and we
love giving them to him.
He loves visiting the seaside, and
now travels very well in the car.
Regards,
Dave & Rosy







IF DOGS COULD WRITE... A BILL OF RIGHTS

WHAT WOULD DOGS WANT US TO KNOW?

I HAVE FEELINGS, I HAVE EMOTIONS, I AM A SENTIENT BEING PLEASE MEET MY BASIC NEEDS - HEALTHY FOOD, FRESH WATER, MEDICAL CARE, WARMTH IN WINTER, COOL IN SUMMER

I HAVE THE RIGHT TO FEEL SAFE & SECURE IN MY ENVIRONMENT

I HAVE THE RIGHT TO ENGAGE IN MY NATURAL BEHAVIOURS I HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE EXERCISED, EXPERIENCE OPEN SPACES & BE MENTALLY STIMULATED

I HAVE THE RIGHT TO SPEND TIME WITH MY PEOPLE - I AM A SOCIAL BEING

ALTHOUGH I LIVE IN YOUR WORLD I WAS NOT BORN TO UNDERSTAND IT -TEACH ME, SOCIALISE ME, SHOW ME HOW TO LIVE WITH YOU WITH PATIENCE, KINDNESS & UNDERSTANDING - NEVER USING FORCE, FEAR OR PUNISHMENT

I AM A DOG, NOT A WOLF, NOT A WILD ANIMAL -I AM DOMESTICATED DON'T TREAT ME LIKE A WILD ANIMAL OR BELIEVE IN WOLF PACK THEORY I HAVE MORE MENTAL
CAPABILITY THAN YOU
REALISE -I HAVE A RIGHT
TO BE UNDERSTOOD MAKE THE EFFORT TO LEARN
ABOUT HOW MY BRAIN WORKS

DON'T EXPECT ME TO UNDERSTAND YOUR WORDS, OBEY EVERY COMMAND, OR PRESUME I LEARN THE WAY THAT YOU DO

I HAVE THE RIGHT TO GIVE & RECEIVE UNCONDITIONAL LOVE

I HAVE THE RIGHT TO SECOND CHANCES, NEW BEGINNINGS & A FOREVER HOME I HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE FORGIVEN AS I DON'T ALWAYS KNOW WHEN I DO WRONG -I HAVE THE CAPACITY TO FORGIVE

I HAVE THE RIGHT NOT TO BE BRED IRRESPONSIBLY OR USED FOR FINANCIAL GAIN

I AM AN INDIVIDUAL, I HAVE THE RIGHT NOT TO BE JUDGED BY MY BREED'S REPUTATION, BUT ON MY OWN MERITS & MY OWN UNIQUE CHARACTER TO MAKE CHOICES
WHEN I DON'T FEEL
COMFORTABLE

I HAVE THE RIGHT TO DIE WITH DIGNITY, BE FREE FROM PAIN & BE REMEMBERED WITH LOVE

Dogs Disclosed

BARNEY (formerly Bruno)







Hi Sue,

Well, it's been almost a month with Barney.

Today in the garden sniffing the air plus making sure he doesn't try to pick up the fallen apples. A daily job for us to go out & collect them up, as they are cooking apples!!

Ralf & Barney tend to play more together but today even Monty had a game of tug with Barney. All settling into a good routine.

Hope all good your end.

All the best from us all 锅 锅 锅







REMI







Hi Louise, All well thanks.

She is a lovely dog. Has settled and enjoyed tummy tickles.

Lead work is definitely required but we will get there.

Thank you to you, Sue, Jo and Matt.

Will send pics and videos as she settles.

Best wishes, Nick



SAM

Hi Louise,

Well, it's been 8 plus years since you allowed me to rehome Sam. And once he'd established that he was in charge, he seems quite content with his life here. We are a few minutes' walk away from fields to walk in. He is quite the star of the pack that gathers to play out there and his position as first in the line for any treats going is unassailable. Indeed, he can spot Bob the (dog) biscuit from half a mile away across a field.

So, we are out first thing in the morning for a three-mile stroll and again in the late afternoon. If he can divert me to the local stream to go for a paddle, he is even happier. But his passion for paddling and splashing is only fully released when he can get into the sea.

You can guess how many times I find myself at the seaside. So far this year, he has allowed me to take him for holidays to Cornwall, south Wales and the Northumberland coast, after two Cornwall and one Northumbria trip last year.

All I can say is long may this continue because as we all know nothing brings us smiles like watching our mad dogs enjoy themselves.

Mark





Please don't forget to <u>carefully</u> return our tag once you have your own made.

Our stock frequently runs low, and they are quite expensive for us to replace.



Thank you!



OZZIE







Dear Sue,

I thought I would let you see how Ozzie is doing. He is such a character, and we love him to bits. He has fitted in so well and he is always happy.

Best regards, Steve and Liz

If I Didn't Have A Dog

If I didn't have a dog, I could walk around the back yard barefoot without worry.

My house could be carpeted instead of tiled.

My clothing, furniture and other belongings would be free of hair.

When the doorbell rings, my home wouldn't sound like a kennel.

I could sit on the couch or lie in my bed the way I want to, without taking into consideration how much space she needs to be comfortable.

I would not have strange presents under the Christmas tree like bones, stuffed animals, toys and treats...nor would I have to explain why I wrap them.

I would have no guilt about going on vacation.

I would not be on a first name basis with three veterinarians, as I put their kids through Uni.

The most used words in my vocabulary would not be sit, stay, down, come, go pee pee.

My house would not be cordoned off into zones with baby gates and barriers. My pockets would not contain things like poop bags, treats, and an extra leash. My house wouldn't look like a daycare centre with toys strewn everywhere. I would not have to spell out the words: B-A-L-L, T-R-E-A-T and W-A-L-K.

If I didn't have a dog.... how truly empty my life would be.



RIVER







Thanks for the paperwork. I couldn't make my mind up about a picture, so I sent these. River has settled really well. He has learnt to sit and now does it 99% of the time without being told. He is learning the down position now. Then we will work on the stay position. He will go through from 10pm till 4.30am most nights and goes out to the toilet. Then goes back to his bed for an hour or 2.

He is a happy pup and loves our 10 yr old choc lab.

He loves to chase our 2 cats, which is sometimes instigated by them.

He is loved by everyone he meets.

Thank you for letting us share his life.

BONNIE

Hi Sue,

Bonnie is very good this morning.
She's hardly eaten and I'm having to have feed her little by little, by hand.
But I know its anxiety related.

Other than that. So far so good 👍 Thanks,

Charlene









Update: Hi Sue,

Bonnie's doing really well, and her eating has picked up. She's been to the vets and started her vaccinations again. She needed ear drops for an ear infection and needs to lose 10kg. But she is settling really well considering it's only been a week. Thank you for letting us adopt her. She is an absolutely fabulous dog. Thanks.

Charlene





The Adventures of Tango



Humum had a friend visit today. I kept putting the ball in her lap-but no response. So, I put the ball in her drink.

She soon took the necessary action

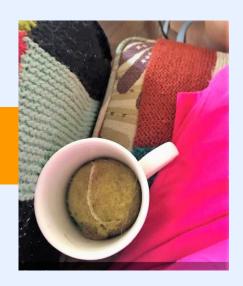






Love a party, but very tiring!

"I seem to have finished my coffee" said Humum, wearily

























Please Remember Us In Your Will

Charity No 1105955

Including us in your Will is an incredible way of remembering the dogs that have given you so much love and pleasure during your life and continuing to help many other dogs in the future.

We will also care for your dog/s should the need ever arise and writing your wishes into your Will, will ensure that your pet/s continue to be loved and cherished for the rest of their lives.

LRRSE does not have any paid workers, so every penny we receive is spent on saving another dog.

We are only able to carry on our work by receiving donations and legacies. Please remember LRRSE in your Will.

Made Your Will Yet?

You have probably worked all your life for everything you own

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