

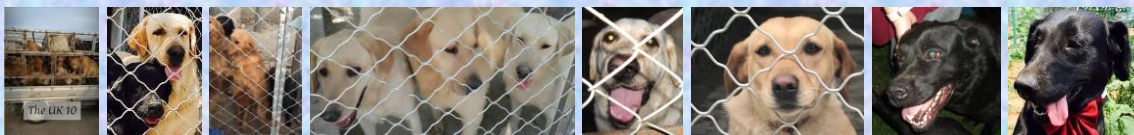


# LABRADOR RETRIEVER RESCUE SOUTHERN ENGLAND

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## NOVEMBER

Welcome to our November Newsletter. Just when you thought you had heard the last of the fireworks, they start back up again! We do hope your pets were not too badly affected and we only wish that some rules and guidelines would be put in place to stop the unnecessary suffering our animals go through. We thank you for your continued support and hope you enjoy reading this Newsletter. Don't forget to follow us on Facebook: [www.facebook.com/LRRSE](https://www.facebook.com/LRRSE)



### China Dog Update

We're delighted to welcome the latest 3 arrivals from China. Please meet:



Fergus a true heart breaker. At the moment he is feeling very nervous at the huge change in environment but loves a cuddle and we know he will blossom given time.



Connie a real teddy bear of a dog. She radiates joy and love to everyone she meets.



Trudy another gorgeous girl that takes everything in her stride and loves everyone she meets.

The wonderful nature and temperament of these dogs never ceases to amaze us. Particularly after the horrors that many of them have witnessed and/or endured. We will be welcoming some more beauties in January providing we can raise enough funds so if you are able to help, however small a donation, we and the dogs will be so grateful to you. [Click here for PayPal](#) or [here for JustGiving](#)



### ***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 fosterers.***

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Visit our donate page <https://www.labrador-rescue.org.uk/donate.html> for many simple ways to donate.

Thank you



# UNA

Hi Sue! The latest development with the girls.. I'm really pleased about how they are getting on.. Ebony is happy for Una to budge in for a cuddle!

I can see how Una is still very unsure about reading human behaviour and always backs off defensively to begin with. Ebony has been the perfect guide dog so far and Una does watch Ebony's interaction with us a lot. There is a long way to go but there has been progress in terms of her reaction to us going towards her, asking her to come and even just about giving us her paws to clean when she gets back in the house. We are going to look for a trainer to help us with recall and help her relax when getting into a car. She was very stressed on the way home.

I can see it's a journey, but it shouldn't be long at all as she continues to embrace our little family! I am not surprised Matt didn't want her to go!

Cheers, Qian



Hi Sue

Hope you are well!

Una has been making tremendous progress. She gets along perfectly with Ebony, she's been on walks in the woods, on the beach and even in town. Yesterday she was introduced to my in-law's house and 2 dogs and had the best time racing round the paddock with Ebony. She even decided to swim from one end of the pond to the next. She had a shower after a long wet muddy walk and was good as gold with that too.



She now sits next to Ebony before dinner is served and waits patiently until she hears 'Finish' before having her dinner. She stopped rushing to Ebony's bowl completely now. Both George and I are just amazed at the progress she is making. We are currently working on her recall. She could not be a more suitable dog for us, and we hope she will have many happy years with us.

She has finally enjoyed her first chew. She was very suspicious and unsure about what they were, but I think she was reassured after seeing all 3 other dogs woofing it yesterday at my in-law's house.

We are looking out for her documents to register her with the vets and if you send us instructions, we can post her tag back to you. Again, thank you so much for matching Una with us. Really hope you can continue to rescue dogs as they all deserve a good home.

Cheers, Qian



Ollie



A very special boy!  
Best wishes, Ann



## FUND-RAISING AUCTIONS

Our November auction started on the 13<sup>th</sup> November and will be running for just 7 days. This is the last auction before Christmas, so please join our LRRSE Fundraising group on FaceBook and join in to bid and win some great bargains.

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# The Power of a Dog - Freda



Hi Louise,

I was told last week that my job was being deleted and I was going to be made redundant. It came of the blue, and I took it quite hard so decided to get away to the coast for a few days. I woke up this morning and looking out on a miserable day I did not want to get out of my warm bed. However, after being poked in the face by a wet nose on numerous occasions I relented and got up.

Sitting in the lounge pondering my fate and what day-time TV to watch, I noticed I was being stared at constantly by Freda who thought she'd seen enough and started to make me aware she wanted to go out.

Again, I reluctantly relented and prepared to go out. Hat, coat scarf, grumpy face, off we went.

Within a few feet the hat, scarf and grumpy face had gone, and a smile replaced. Off skipped Freda without a care in the world, having a great time. No time to think about myself - I needed to keep up.

Not long, and we were on the beach. Felt like just us, in a world of our own. After a while we met other lucky people out for a walk with their dogs and off went the dogs chasing each other, in and out of the water, in and out of the rocks, and up and down the sandy beach.

What a fantastic time we had.

Back home now with a big smile on my face and Freda snoring on the chair next to me.

Thank you.

Best wishes, Stuart





# BELLA



Dear Louise and Sue,  
Can you believe that I have been with my forever family for 4years! Since losing all my excess weight I am doing a great job of keeping my figure - although Mum thinks she has something to do with it!  
It's great to be able to run around and I have lots of fun playing with my doggy friends.  
Here I am with Truffles patiently waiting for someone to throw us a ball!



I enjoy supplementing my diet by fruit picking - apples, plums, berries - anything within my reach.

The picture is of me blackberrying.

Mum says we should collect them to take home, but it is much better just to eat them straight away!

With lots of love,  
Bella and Bridget

Please don't forget to carefully 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!





# LUCAS



Hi Louise,  
We adopted our dog, Lucas,  
from you, about 4 years ago.  
He is doing really well.  
Here he is, in front of the food  
cupboard!  
Best wishes.



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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# LULA



After a long couple of days, she slept through from about 9pm till 7 am.  
Really settling well.

Another forest walk this morning. She seems very happy and is getting along well  
with Barney



Update: After only a week Lula is really happy! Barney and Lula seem like best  
friends - she's even come upstairs on the bed.

No signs of stress now - enjoying her morning walks, eating well, playing a lot  
and sleeping a lot (both of them actually)!





# DEACON'S DIARY

Deacon swapped the Bedfordshire Clanger for a Cornish Pasty when he was just 9 weeks old.



## July – Puppy Parties

Not being old enough to go out and play with all the other big dogs, I was taken to a puppy party at the vets. I met lots of other puppies! We played games, got to have chicken and get to know each other, whilst Mum and Dad learnt about vaccinations, neutering, training. Boy-o-boy, do my Mum and Dad need training!

## August – Pubs and Winning

Now that I have had my vaccinations and I can go out, I have enjoyed a couple of visits to the local pubs. Sitting in the beer garden one sunny evening, and then in the bar of my local where I got to meet lots of the locals: a Labrador, a Cockapoo and a Collie. There are so many new friends for me to get to know.

I also had a trip to the lovely market town of Tavistock, a nice walk by the river, meeting some visitors from the Netherlands and keeping an eye on the pigeons and ducks. Then lunch in a very nice café. I was such a good boy that the ladies said to come back soon. We also went to an Agricultural Show. It was great, I met some sheep and cows, and they had a fun dog show. I entered the puppy class and won; Mum was surprised? Well, that meant that I got to enter the Grand Final and guess what – I won that too! I got a fabulous rosette, which I wanted to eat, and £20 which I am looking forward to spending, perhaps on some treats for my doggie friends. The Women's Institute ladies thought I was adorable and weren't surprised that I won. They make a cracking cuppa!

## September – Birthdays, Runners and Trains

Dad's big birthday – 70!!! We went to the beach for breakfast. I was a very brave pup and paddled in the surf with some big dogs. Then we went on a ferry across the estuary, and Mum and Dad had their breakfast. I am so lucky that lots of places let me in. I have heard that some cafes don't let dogs in, WHY NOT? The ladies said they couldn't wait to see me again.

Mum has been very busy, as she was Race Director for a road running competition??? So, me and Dad helped by marshalling. Again, the ladies were very pleased to see me, and I had loads of cuddles.





# DEACON'S DIARY



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Then we had a long journey up North as Dad was running in the Great North Run. We stayed in some hotels, that was great fun! I got to sleep in a big boy's bed and no crate, but Mum wasn't impressed with me doing zoomies round the bedroom. I met Snaffle, a spaniel puppy, she was a bit of a flirt but very nice.

We weren't home very long before we were off again as Mum was swimming in the Serpentine. More hotels, I like hotels. Also, I went on a train to London, that was very exciting! And everyone thought I was a very brave boy. I wanted to look for this guy called Paddington, as I quite fancied a marmalade sandwich, but no luck!

## October – More Travels and Classy Ladies

So, we were home for a while, but then it was off on my travels again... to Scotland! I was told that there would be lots of haggis to chase, however I didn't see any. We had some lovely walks, and I swam in the Loch with a lovely black Labrador called Lego. I got to go to the hotel whilst Mum and Dad had dinner in the bar, I met some lovely dogs, and the people were all really kind.

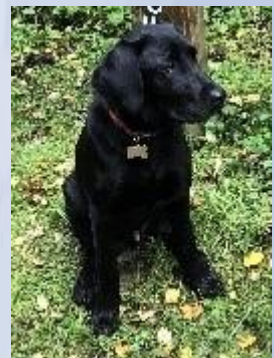
We had an adventure when it was time to leave, because the road was flooded, and we had to stay another day. We went out to see the waterfall. Wow it was really gushing and noisy, I was a bit scared. But Mum had a tight hold of my lead and said that she would never let any harm happen to me. The next day we had to drive through the flood water, but we went slowly and got through safely.

I also met Ruby – a yellow Labrador. I was told she is my cousin, but I don't think she is – it's just that we were staying with Auntie Margo and Uncle Chris, they are great fun. Uncle Chris took me to the park, where I met even more friends, especially Daphne. She's a Weimaraner, one very classy lady!!!

So, home now and I have been told that we have to knuckle down to do some training. I am sure it will be lots of fun.

That's all for now but I'll write again soon.

Oh, just one complaint, lunch seems to be getting smaller each week and I have been told that when I am 6 months old, I will only get two meals per day, to whom do I complain?





# ELVIS AND ROXY

Hi Sue,

A few photos of Elvis and Roxy. The two from today are with my sister and her rescue dog Dotty. They all get on really well. This was the locked dog fields we can rent per hour. They are knackered now x



## Dog Friendly Cup Cakes

### Ingredients:

- 125ml sunflower or olive oil
- 150ml honey
- 140g of dog friendly peanut butter (make sure it is xylitol-free)
- 2 eggs, whisked
- 240g wholewheat flour, sifted
- 2 tsp baking soda
- 225g carrots, grated

### Method:

- Pre-heat oven to 180 deg C
- Combine oil, honey, peanut butter and eggs in a bowl and mix well
- Add the flour, baking soda, carrots and mix
- Grease a muffin tray with a dab of sunflower or olive oil and spoon the mixture into the muffin tray
- Bake for 20-25mins
- Once out of the oven, cool on a cooling rack before giving them to your dog

You can finish them off by topping with extra peanut butter and other dog-friendly toppings such as strawberries, bananas and apples



# LOLA



Thank you so much for this beautiful dog. She travelled really well in the car with no problems. Once home she jumped out of the car and walked straight into the house, followed us to the garden and promptly left us a huge message! She is responding really well to a whistle and RAN the full length of the garden to get to me. Although we can see that she is a little wary she has already settled well and has claimed her "spot".

Thank you once again and keep up the good work.

Jim and Kim

Hi Sue,

Well, the first day and night has been a mixture of trial and tribulation.

On the plus side she is such a gentle soul. She has met our neighbour's dog, which she really enjoyed. Lots of tail wagging! She has explored the garden fully and already knows that's where she does her toilet.

Although she obviously doesn't respond to her name yet, she came running the full length of the garden when I whistled. She stayed downstairs overnight and slept well. She showed no signs of anxiety, and we could hear her snoring from upstairs!! We were greeted with a very waggy tail this morning.

She fed well this morning although she had to be coaxed to the kitchen to her bowl and then went into the garden to poo and wee.

On the slightly challenging side is the fact that she really did not want to move from her "spot" at all and we were beginning to worry that she was not walking anywhere; preferring to just lay down looking a little sorry for herself. I think that maybe she's missing her doggy friends from the kennel. However, after her feed this morning, we are much happier that she will use the garden. And that we must be really patient with her and allow her to do things in her own good time. "Slowly, slowly" will be the motto.

She is such a beautiful girl and I'm sure she will be extremely happy here.

Kim is walking around with a permanent grin on her face!

Thank you, and the charity, for all the good work you do.

Jim and Kim



Hi Sue,

We took Lola on her first walk on the lead today. We covered just under a mile and not once did she lay down and refuse to move. She was great with walking to heel which she also does off lead in the garden which makes me think she was a well-trained pet at some time. Farm animals did not faze her neither did the traffic (we are yet to meet tractors and lorries).

We are really pleased with her progress, and she shows a fair turn of speed racing up and down the garden.

Kindest regards,

Jim and Kim



# CHEWIE & LEIA



Dear Sue and Team

Day 3 update: Chewie and Leia are doing so well and are here enjoying the autumn leaves in the park. First fireworks yesterday made them bark and pace around the home, but they settled quickly, which took us by surprise.

Eating well and sleeping throughout the night with no accidents - amazing, adorable pair. Still a small issue with Leia resource guarding toy/chew, and sometimes bed space, but to be fair this is very early settling. We swapped out toys with a treat and will give much more time to reintroduce them.

Both happy, gently play fighting when relaxed and love being groomed. Leia checks on Chewie all the time, he is her baby, and he laps it up.

Lisa and Bill



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# EBONY & STORM



Hi Sue,

Both girls have settled in and are very happy. Seem to have sorted out a pecking order with Hudson. Ebony is the boss and puts him in his place if he gets too excited as he is so large compared to her. Storm just barges through everything!

Storm is so happy she has ended up with happy tail syndrome. We have tried protecting it, as advised by the vet. But last Friday she chewed it down to the bone so a quick trip down to the vets again! She had to have the end of her tail amputated and is currently wearing the cone of shame but is still so happy and wagging her tail excessively.

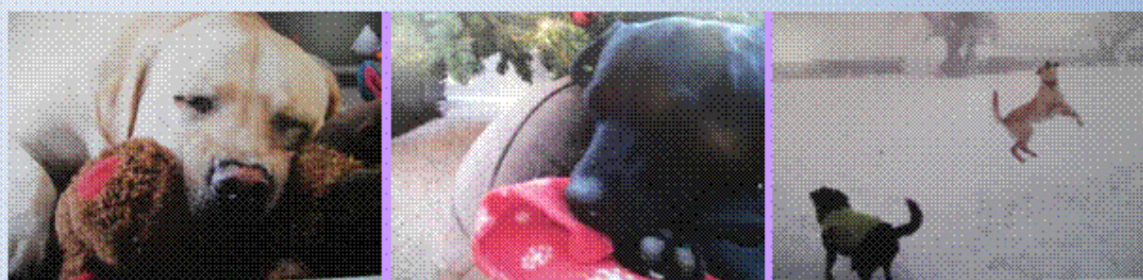
Kind regards, Tim





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Barney loves the water. As you  
might guess from photos &  
videos!

He is so funny when out & about.  
He ignores the ponies, cows &  
donkeys when we are out, we  
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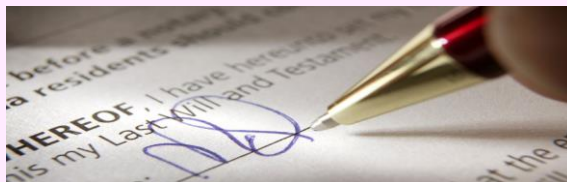


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