



Welcome to our April Newsletter. It has been another very busy month with lots of gorgeous dogs coming into our care. We are very pleased to say that we have placed many of them into their new forever homes or they are enjoying the comforts of our lovely foster homes. No auction this month as we are building it up for a superb auction at the beginning of next month. So please keep watching our Facebook page for further details. 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](http://www.facebook.com/LRRSE)



## China Dog Update

We continue to bring our China Dogs home to start their best life. The weather is warming up in China and the Golden Retrievers really struggle with the extreme heat over there, so our next 6 dogs will be Goldies. Many have already joined us, both Goldies and Labs, and are now living happily with their forever families or in foster homes awaiting their new families. All have wonderful temperaments and are very willing and quick to learn.

**We have more arriving in May and would love to have foster homes waiting for them.**

**If you could offer a space for a truly worthy & wonderful dog, please do contact us:**

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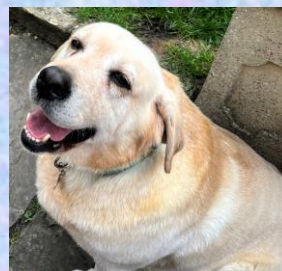
If you'd like to donate to us to help cover their travel costs to their new lives, please [Click here for PayPal](#) or [here for JustGiving](#)

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Here are a few updates of the China dogs that are currently in foster with wonderful families.



Betty in her foster home. She was very brave, by leaving her bed in the kitchen, to join the family in the living room.



Daisy



## 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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Thank you

# PHILOMENA

(PREVIOUSLY SUMMER)



Dear Sue,

Summer has been so good since we left you yesterday. She has been for two walks across the meadows. She really enjoyed the smells and meeting other dogs. I was going to take photos while we were over there this morning but with the lead and poo bag to hold onto, it didn't work!

Food wise, as Jayne said, she is half hearted about the food. My old dog loved any vegetable from the brassica family. So instead of carrots, which Jayne said she didn't eat in her meal, I cooked some fresh purple sprouting from out of the garden, but she wasn't impressed! I left the food down overnight and most of it had gone this morning. My old dog also loved apples, so I offered a piece to Summer, but she didn't think much of that either! I don't think she has had much fruit and vegetables in her diet - she does however love the Thrive dried chicken dog treats!

When we got home yesterday, I took her up the garden on the lead, as you suggested, her tail was wagging but not right up. When we got to the end of the garden, I let her off the lead and her tail went right up, started wagging and for a short while she broke into a run. She has been clean overnight, and her bladder and bowels are working well when we are outside the house. She wasn't sure about the memory foam dog bed until I put her blanket on it - now it is definitely 'her' bed.

Thank you so much for saving Summer and bringing her over here. She is a lovely dog. She is not quite sure about my daughter's horse, who lives 4 doors away, but there is plenty of time for her to get to know Sofy and it won't be the end of the world if she doesn't.

Best wishes, Penny

P.S. Have decided to change her name to Philomena - it means 'to be loved' - I thought it quite appropriate. I have shortened it to Mena as it is closer to Summer and will hopefully be less confusing for her.

# BARNEY



Hi Sue

Sorry for not sending any updates through sooner – have had a busy time! Here are a few of Barney, the one on his own is on a beach a few miles from us. The other one is in Cornwall – we had a few days away with dogs. The last one is so sweet - Barney after a day out during our holiday & sleeping in car, whilst Mark & I had a cuppa.

Barney has settled really well and is a character. He loves his cuddles and likes to be with us on the sofa. We are sure he thinks he is the same size as Monty & Ralf! He loves swimming in the forest streams, but we smiled when on the beach, as he stepped over the ripples from the waves. So funny!

If we are doing jobs either in house or garden, he is there supervising. When doing veg for meals he loves his carrots and we've learnt not to drop anything on floor. If you do, you have to be pretty damn fast to pick it up, makes life interesting. We hide our slippers etc., and I have to make sure any socks/clothes for the wash do not drop on the floor otherwise it's a treat bribe to get them back, all fun & games.

They all get on very well, Monty and Barney playing quite rough, whilst Barney and Ralf like to play tug with toys. Just wish they would do that with the rope tuggers, save having to repair/stitch the toys!

That's all for now but, just to say we would not be without him. Hope all ok your end.

Best wishes from  
Anne, Mark, Monty, Ralf & Barney

P.S. Forgot to say Barney snores!!! It is very loud !!!!! We've never had a dog that snores like he does. When he gets going, we need to turn the TV up if the speaking is quiet, so we can at least hear. Even the other 2 look at us as if to say, "What the heck! We would like to sleep." So very funny when you think about it.

# MAGNUS



Hi,  
Please see a couple of pictures from  
his first couple of days with us.  
First one of him after his bath and  
brush on Monday and the second is  
his first day as a work from home  
dog!! The radiator wasn't on!

Thanks,  
Nicola



**Owning dogs is  
perfect for  
people who never  
want to eat a  
whole sandwich  
by themselves  
again.**



# BUDDY



Buddy has been with us for 3 weeks and is settling in well. He is getting used to our routine and seems to have lost some weight. He is able to move more easily.

He's managing 2 very short walks a day and getting lots of exercise chasing birds in the garden! He'd love to play fetch with a ball, but this will have to wait until he is much lighter.

Buddy has a vet appointment in a few days for his vaccination. I'm keen to see how much weight he's lost 🍌

He is such a lovely, polite boy. We are very lucky to have him.

Thank you.

Best wishes,

Angela



# BELLA

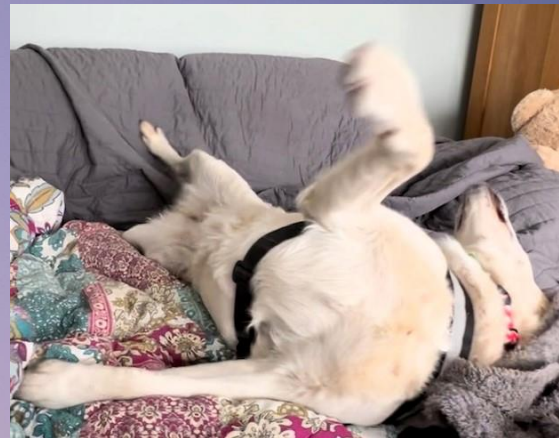


We made it home ok, Bella was quite stressed with her new adventure!

She is exploring a little but it also hyperactive and pacing a bit. It's all new to her! She had found the box of toys, has taken her time to pick out a few and have a little play. She managed to instantly find the squeakiest one and delighted in rolling on it to make it squeak as much as possible!

She is a very busy girl at the moment.

A few quick pics attached. I'm sure she will relax a little once she is more settled.



Very early days, but at least settled for the evening!

She ate all her raw dinner very quickly!

She has been exploring in the garden and house. She was a little reluctant to come into the lounge for the evening, having spent the afternoon in the garden room area.

Bentley is mostly ignoring her (in a nice way) Bella is mostly ignoring Bentley in favour of a large selection of toys! They seem happy in each other's company while maintaining a respectful distance.

All good so far 🐾 😊

# Gus

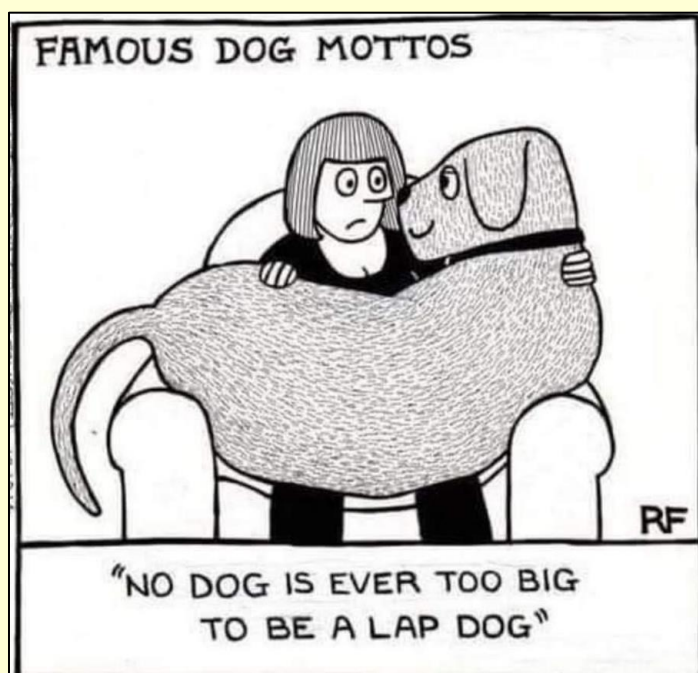


HAPPY BIRTHDAY to our lovely boy Gus. He is ten today.  
We have had him for seven years next month  
He seems to have made himself at home.  
Gus is the most laid-back dog that you could ever wish to meet.  
Thanks for letting us adopting him Sue ❤️ ❤️ ❤️ ❤️ ❤️



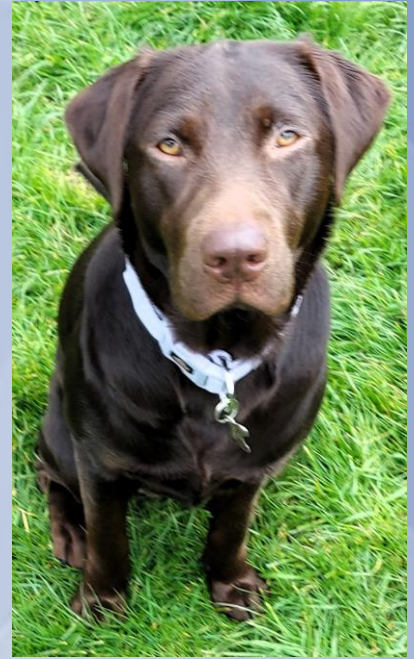
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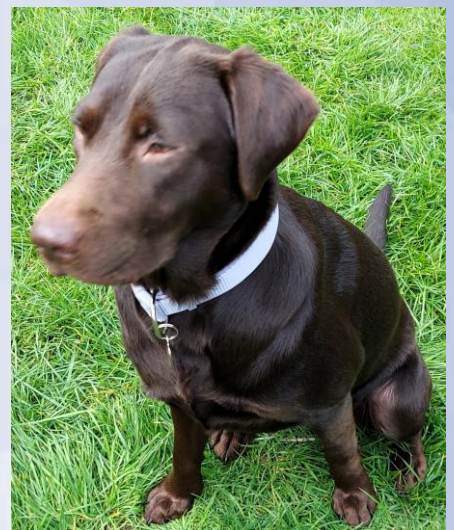


"NO DOG IS EVER TOO BIG  
TO BE A LAP DOG"

# MAGGIE



Good afternoon Sue,  
Please find some more pictures of Maggie.  
She's now getting very settled in her new home  
and we're delighted that she found us.  
Maggie is still a little reactive around other  
animals but no doubt we'll work on that in  
time.  
We'll keep you updated on her progress.  
I will post back her lead, collar and tag ASAP.  
Best wishes,  
Frank





# VIOLET



When Violet first arrived, she was on the (very) heavy side  
Just look at her now, after a year with her new family!



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Collect brushed fur into a bag and put it into a bird feeder. The birds will take away the fur and use it for their nests to keep them nice and warm. Goodness knows we have enough of it!

# DAISY



Hello Sue,

I hope you're all well. Daisy was 14 years old last February. She rescued me in mid-May 2015, so next month I will have had her for 9 years. She is great company, and we go out for quite long walks in various local parks where she can explore off the lead.

Daisy would have been a super sniffer dog!

She is on a special Renal diet with flexibility and vitamin supplements. She has an uncannily accurate stomach clock timer for her mealtimes. She anticipates where I am going around the bungalow and outside to the garden or car, which she seems to enjoy, going with me wherever possible.

On walks we chat to a wide range of owners with all kinds of dog breeds most days.

Daisy sleeps on my bedroom floor every night, having worked out immediately how to open a sliding kitchen door the very first night. A most loyal, devoted, intelligent friend to me, Daisy and I have kept fit with a good diet and our daily walks over many years.

Thank you again Sue and all at LRRSE!

Kind regards,

Neville

# PADDY



Just a quick update.

He has settled very well, sleeps through the night beside the bed in his own new bed, he is getting better with walking on lead. We avoid the park as he goes mental when he sees other dogs. We will introduce him to my sisters two dogs and see how he gets on.

We walk him around where we live for about 40 minutes in the morning, an hours play with the ball at home in the day, and another 40 mins walk when Radu comes home. He is the cutest boy in the world. So playful, naughty, cheeky, but he is really settling very well. He is on our food now, so we cook him fresh mixed veg and we mix it with half a tin of wet food twice a day. No snacks or tit bits! We are looking after his teeth as well, he's just been de flea'd, he seems a very happy bunny.

I got a new tag for him, returned yours..  
Anyway, he's good, improving all the time.

Here he is..



# PADDY continued



Hi Sue,

We took Paddy to meet my sister, her 4 kids and her two loud boisterous dogs. Kept him on lead to start, they all barked, and he was kind of barky and eager. I let him get close enough and they all sniffed each other and then started larking about. We decided to go to a local park that has a fenced off section for training. He was so eager to see them get out of their car, and they all rushed in to play in the field off lead. He ran and ran and ran! They played for about an hour, got absolutely filthy and loved every second of it! There is a dog washer there, so we gave him his first shower (enough to get him in the car). Once home, and we gave him his first proper shower with doggy shampoo in our walk-in shower. Then I blow dried him, so he wasn't cold - he was such a good boy. It was a very positive day, he loves my sister's dogs and her kids, so if we want a little trip away sometime, we have a perfect dog sitter nearby. He has very good recall, off lead running around, stopped in his tracks and came right back to me. Walking on lead is much improved, we have been going further each day and he even stopped to talk to two posties this morning.

Anyway, we are two weeks in, he is a gorgeous bundle of fun.

I hope you like the pics.

Simon



# SUNNY



Hello! This is Sunny.  
Celebrating his 3<sup>rd</sup> anniversary  
with us. Loving the beach life.  
Thank-you so much – he is just  
lovely.  
High maintenance, but lovely!

## POISON CONTROL FOR DOGS

### People Food

#### Safe

- Apples
- Bananas
- Bread
- Broccoli (cooked)
- Cantaloupe
- Carrots (cooked)
- Chicken & Turkey (cooked)
- Coconut meat & oil
- Eggs (cooked)
- Green Beans (cooked)
- Milk/Cheese (if dog is not lactose intolerant)
- Oatmeal (cooked)
- Peas (cooked)
- Potatoes & Pasta (cooked)
- Pumpkin (cooked)
- Salmon (cooked)



#### Unsafe

- Alcohol
- Avocado
- Caffeine
- Chocolate
- Coffee
- Citrus fruits
- Coconut water
- Grapes & Raisins
- Nuts
- Nutmeg & Cinnamon
- Onions, Garlic, Chives & Leeks
- Raw yeast dough
- Salt & salty snack foods
- Soft Drinks
- Spicy Foods
- Xylitol/Birch Sugar/Alcohol Sugar



### Common Houseplants

#### Safe

- African Violet
- Air Plant
- Bamboo
- Boston Fern
- Cast Iron Plant
- Christmas Cactus
- Haworthia
- Herbs (Basil, Sage, Thyme)
- Palms (NOT Sago Palm)
- Phalaenopsis Orchids
- Spider Plant
- Wax Plant



#### Unsafe

- Aloe Vera
- Asparagus Fern
- Corn Plant
- Cyclamen
- Dieffenbachia
- Elephant Ear
- Herbs (Lavender & Oregano)
- Jade
- Lilies
- Philodendron
- Sago Palm



# REMY



Hi Louise,

Just thought I'd send a couple more photos of Remy.  
We invited our first doggy visitor today, and it went very well.  
He loves being out in the fields too.

Best wishes,

Kate



Hello Louise, happy Easter! Here are some photos of Remy for you all.  
Last week he was "helping" in the garden when we cut the hedge.  
Yesterday we introduced him to his doggy "cousins" Chukka and Derby.  
He and Derby got on very well with lots of play fights and chases.

With best wishes,

Kate

# EMBER

(PREVIOUSLY EMMY)



Morning Sue & Louise,

Just to give you an update on Ember - we have changed her name slightly - she seems fairly well settled but still quite nervous, which is to be expected.

None of the sounds in the house have bothered her at all and she was fine overnight, although Ian did sleep downstairs with both dogs. Oscar has growled at her a few times which she hasn't minded. Hopefully, he will settle and accept her as a friend.

She has taken treats from us and certainly seems very enthusiastic about her food. She paced quite a lot yesterday but is much calmer today. She's also really taken to our daughter, although she is only staying with us temporarily.

I've attached a few pics and will keep you updated.

With best wishes,

Margaret



# JENNY



Hi Louise,

Quick update, she's registered at the vet and booked in for health check on Wednesday. She's also booked at the groomers next Sunday for a shampoo and groom. Just setting up her health plan today.

She has mastered the stairs, encouraged by the fact that if she goes down, she can eat the cat's food!

I went to work yesterday and left her home with daughter for 10 hrs. She's been jumpy with me since, think this is ok as she needs to get used to being away from me a bit.

She's loving her food (and the cat's 😂). Loves the fuss she gets when we go out. In the whole, I think she's settling a bit. Slowly, slowly as they say.

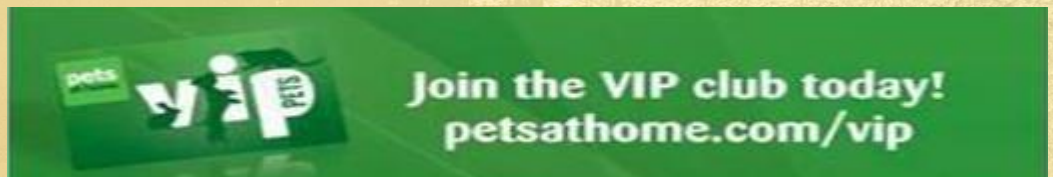
Anyway, here's a pic from after this morning's walk

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# MAY

(PREVIOUSLY POPPY)



Hello Sue,

We received May's paperwork today thank you. As you see May mounded up the bedding, got the toys at arm's length, made herself comfortable and had a good chew.

She is feeling a lot more relaxed, as are we.

Just a few lines to put your mind at rest, paper work received and May is moving along. Update on Vet progress (ears, groin) Monday. We put the appointment back from today to Monday as I dropped the ear cleaning from twice daily to once a day. She was getting sore. She indicated by gentle resistance. No growling or aggressive behaviour. So, it takes a few days longer. We are at the very beginning of a long journey. She needs to trust. If I was cleaning a wound and possibly infection was building, I would push on but it's yeasty ears



Best wishes from all of us, chat soon.



# MONTY

(PREVIOUSLY JINTY)



Good morning Sue,

The car journey was fine. He made loads of eye contact with Carol in the car. Jumped out when we arrived home and explored the front garden. He then went into the house and out into the back garden. Explored everywhere. He's found his favourite spot in the sitting room on the deep pile rug (ignoring his bed 🐾).

He's had all his meds, eaten all his dinner, had his antibiotic and the antiseptic cream rubbed in. He's drinking loads of water as well.

He definitely has abandonment issues as we experimented by both of us going upstairs, we could see him pacing up and down the hall into the kitchen. He was very agitated, and we could hear little whines. We decided to bring him upstairs, but he was very nervous, and I had to carry him. He's made himself very comfortable on our bedroom floor on a fleece rug (he definitely likes a rug). He was wandering between the bedroom, landing and bathroom where we'd placed his water bowl.

At around 1am he was pacing so we both helped him down the stairs. Very nervous again but he managed the last few steps. He went outside, did his business and when Carol went back up the stairs and I started to follow he basically ran up the stairs by himself. He's a very fast learner!

In the next few days, we'll start his training, and teach him to sit, lie down and get back up. We'll also use hand signals so that he'll recognise the commands if he's away from us (when he is allowed off the lead). We'll try making him wait to eat his food as well. We'll also teach him to stop and wait at kerbs. This is all in the lead up to teaching recall for when he's off the lead. Luckily, where we'll be taking him walking has two fully enclosed fields, but I don't think he'll stray far from us. He's become very attached already. And he definitely smiles 😊.

Thank you for the gift of this wonderful addition to our family. He's completed the home.

Another update and pictures soon

Thank you and kind regards,  
Paul & Carol



# EDIE



Edie still doesn't like cows! 🤢  
But does love a run! ❤️



**Ice-cream thief regrets nothing!**



*"Labrador Retrievers at the Museum"*



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!**



# CHEWIE & LEIA



Dear Sue and all the team,  
A quick update to show how Chewie and Leia are bounding along.

They are doing so well with their recall on the beach and in the woods. They love getting wet and muddy.

Leia has mastered the stairs in the house, getting over her fear and have both now been sleeping in our room over the last month. It has made a massive difference to her confidence.

They are so loving and enjoy the fuss everyone makes of them. Chewie is so laid back and has a special trick of turning into an unmovable sous chef when we are cooking in the kitchen.

We are looking forward to warmer weather so we can start camping with them in the van.

Happy equinox, Bill and Lisa x





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