



Welcome to our April Newsletter.

We hope you and your lovely dogs have enjoyed a good Easter. We are being kept busy with lovely dogs coming in from homes and pounds in the UK and are working hard to find them all their perfect forever home.

The China dog situation is at a standstill at the moment, but we are hoping that we may have better news next month. Until then keep following our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/LRRSE

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

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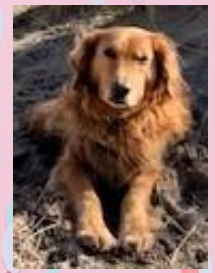
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Please tick for gift aid if you are a UK taxpayer, as we get 25% on top of your donation.

Thank you

JIMMY

(ONE OF OUR CHINA DOGS)



Hello both,

I hope that you are all well.

Jimmy is doing brilliantly! He's lost more weight and recently he's been out with our friend who is a dog walker, so he's made lots more doggie friends.

He's gained confidence in the water, and he had a dog groom in a mobile dog van with a wonderful lady that gave him a good trim! He loves his walks and gets so excited when we get his lead and harness.

Thank you all again, he's amazing! X



BONNIE

(WAS DEENA, ONE OF OUR CHINA DOGS)



Our beautiful Bonnie has been with us since June 2024.

She is now at her ideal weight and a very happy, loving dog.

Companion to Meghan our almost 9-year-old chocolate Labrador. Bonnie has learned to play!

Bonnie loves her walks and has become a firm favourite with other regular walkers. One commented that Bonnie loves humans. She gives so much love and is never happier than with her family.

Bonnie and Meghan like to share the 3-seater sofa for naps. Bonnie takes up two thirds as can be seen!

Bonnie settled very quickly into her forever home. She can often be seen lying on her back just waiting for a tummy tickle.

We are so pleased to have our 'Beautiful Bonnie' and look forward to many happy years with her.

Thank you.

Ann and Clive



JAMIE



Dear Louise,

I hope you are well. If you still remember Jamie from 7 years ago you may like to know he is thriving. Twice a week he attends a local junior school for the children to read to.

Regards,
Martin



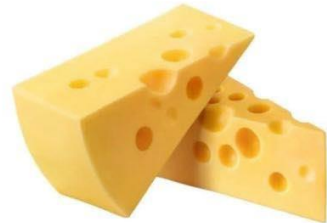
Labrador

[ˈlæbrədɔː] noun

Pure joy wrapped in fur. Happy to fetch a ball until your arm falls off, and then nudge it with their nose just to make sure you're still in the game. These dogs have a knack for squeezing onto couches and beds like they're made of liquid, and they'll give you those "puppy eyes" until you cave and share your biscuits.

Are you storing your cheese in the fridge?

Experts say you should be leaving it on the counter.



The experts:



LUNA

(WAS NUNA)



Hi Sue,

Ten years ago, on 25.04.15, we drove to Chessington to see if a young dog called Nuna, recently arrived from Romania, would be a suitable match for our family. I already had a collar, lead and a name tag, as I was sure that we wouldn't be driving home without her.

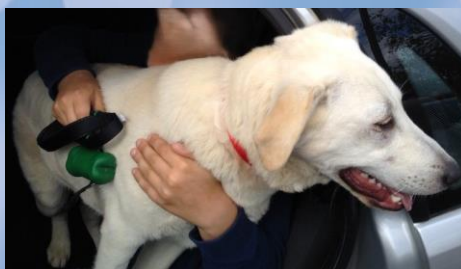
We renamed her Luna, and she has been a wonderful addition to our family. She has a beautiful temperament, and is much loved, not only by the cats at home, but also in the nearby park, where she has a large group of admirers, especially those she has identified who are likely to have a treat for her.

Her appetite is undiminished, as is her capacity to leave a carpet of fur in her wake. Old age means that she is a bit less mobile, with signs of arthritis, which are being managed.

She's shared many of our adventures, including walking the South West Coastal path, swimming in the Mediterranean and visiting Holland, all of which she takes in her stride.

We would like to thank you and the team for the privileged of being allowed to care for her.

Best wishes,
Biense, Erika and Pier



BELLA



Hi Sue,

Over three months now and going strong. She's doing remarkably well - loves a game of tug, meeting up with her friends, going for walks and chilling in the conservatory.

She has the occasional day when she doesn't want to do too much and that's to be expected and absolutely fine. However, she refuses to be left behind on any activity, so we just adapt .

She really is adorable.

Pets at Home VIP Club

By joining the Pets at home VIP club, downloading their app, and ordering online, every time you make a purchase, a donation is made to us.

The donations we receive from Pets at Home buy food, treats, bedding, toys and so much more for our rescue dogs in kennels and foster through this brilliant scheme.

Just make sure you **choose Labrador Retriever Rescue Southern England** as your chosen charity, in the "Lifelines" section of the Pets at Home app. This won't cost you anything and will really help another rescued dog. So, please sign up today and help us, help more beautiful dogs.



Join the VIP club today!
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LuLu



Good Morning Sue,
We can't believe how lucky we have been able to offer LuLu a home, thanks to you & the charity's work.

LuLu travelled home very well, fell asleep on Colin's lap & we were home in just over 2 hours. We took her around the garden to explore her new surroundings, then the house with Harley out of the way at first, so he wasn't a distraction.

Gave her treats in her bed, but she does like the sofas too! She & Harley did have a good game of sofa leaping, they are getting on very well & he seems to have cheered up having a new friend. I'm not sure who is enticing who to play but they are having fun together, she is very agile & keeping Harley on his toes! LuLu ate her dinner & breakfast in true Labrador style! And she settled at night, not sure where she chose to sleep.

We will keep you updated with progress, photos of walks when we start introducing her to the local area in a couple of days as advised in your paperwork, allowing her to settle in the home & garden first.

Please thank everyone involved in bringing LuLu to us. She is a truly lovely girl, just wants affection & we can't understand why anyone would abandon her.

She has had so much change in her first year & now she will have a home forever.

Best wishes,
Chris & Colin

LuLu



Update: Hello Sue & all at LRRSE,
What a joy LuLu is to have! Such a happy, affectionate dog & as per her profile, easy to train which we are doing a bit at a time in-between play. Harley has brightened up since he has a new friend, they love playing together, either Harley or LuLu start the chase game off. There isn't any jealousy with toys or when they had their marrow bones which they have once a week. We've started to get LuLu used to exploring the local walks & she has met other dogs. We took her to the Social Club when it was closed yesterday morning just so she could be used to being there when quiet then took her last night when open. She met other dogs there & made friends with everyone. LuLu has explored every corner of the house, wants to be next to us unless retreating to her bed which she has settled into straight away. We will make sure she stays there, a quiet space of her own to recuperate when the time comes to have her spayed & we are watching out for signs of her coming into season. LuLu is also doing well with her Halti training. She has chosen a spot for her toilet needs & we have only had one piddle by the doorway inside. Many thanks for letting us have LuLu, we couldn't have wished for a better new friend for ourselves & Harley. We will keep you updated with how LuLu is getting on. Best regards from Chris, Colin, LuLu & Harley.

MABEL & BUDDY



Well, good first day. They are definitely happy as a pair. They have not stopped play fighting. He is SO laid back, she is lovely and craves love. She will get that. Buddy is greedy, though. He will wolf his food down and then try to eat hers! There is no nastiness between them over this. Although I will get separate food stations for them.

I took them for a walk this morning. OK, but I will have to teach them to be a right winger and a left winger!

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FINLEY

(WAS BENJI)



Hi Sue,

Well, so far really good. Although very early days, he hasn't really seemed stressed at all, just wants to play and have cuddles. He loves Andrew and he spent most of yesterday evening sitting next to him on his blanket. He then slept at the end of the bed all night and woke us up licking our faces. He also had a wee when we let him out this morning, no accidents. He obviously loves his food but no surprise there, he's a lab.

Went for his early walk this morning. We went via the beach. He was soooo excited. I must admit we were taken by surprise at how bonkers he went and had to calm him down. He just started galloping and going round and round in huge circles. Good job he was on the long lead. We did some a little recall training as well. He also met a couple of other dogs, was submissive with one and very friendly.

We got back, he had his breakfast and then back on the sofa for asleep. We will go out for another longer walk this afternoon.

He seems to be the sweetest boy and hope he will feel secure and fully settled very soon. He is a bit of a sock monster so are having to put some things away out of his reach!

Jane



FINLEY

(WAS BENJI)

Update:

Took Finley out this afternoon. Tide was right out, not a soul in sight, not near any roads, so was confident he would come back to me as long as no other dogs about!

He was so good! I put him on the lead when I spotted a dog far away but baby steps and good recall today for treats.



**‘Sorry I can’t, I have plans’
The plans:**

08:00	Wake up and cuddle the dog ☀ 08:00 – 09:00
09:00	Let the dog out
10:00	Breakfast for the dog
	Clean dog hair
11:00	take cute photos of the dog
	Cuddle the dog again
12:00	Walk the dog ☀ 11:30 – 12:30
13:00	Treat for the dog
	Nap with the dog ☀ 13:00 – 14:00
14:00	Watch squirrels with my dog
15:00	Take cute videos of my dog
	Play fetch with the dog ☀ 15:00 – 16:00
16:00	Cuddle the dog again
17:00	Prepare and serve for the dog
	Update my dog’s social media
18:00	Walk the dog



SUNNY



Sunny has been with us for 4 years now and is so happy.

He loves his 2-hour walks.

At night, he thinks he is a lapdog. At 32kgs, I haven't seen the television for years!

He is living his best life, and we love him!

Thank-you.



LISTEN TO THE WHISPERS... TO PREVENT REACTIVITY

TAKING NOTE OF THE "WHISPERS" -
THE FIRST SIGNS THAT A DOG IS
UNCOMFORTABLE CAN PREVENT
AN ESCALATION TO "SHOUTS"

Changes in body language provide important
clues about how dogs are feeling

Reactivity rarely
happens without
"whispers" - warning
signs that a dog is
uncomfortable

Be aware of an dog's
neutral state - how
they look when calm /
relaxed / without
strong emotions

Neutral features are
often individual / breed
specific - ears / eyes /
mouth / tail carriage /
posture / vocalisation

Changes in a dog's neutral state is the
start of the change in emotional state

Noticing those signs
allows us to intervene/
create distance / space

Space / distance
helps dogs feel safe

Understanding, advocating for our dogs &
preventing reactivity requires learning about
both body language in general & the way in
which an individual dog communicates

Feeling safe is vital to
both avoid & recover
from reactive behaviour

Listen to the subtle whispers before
they become loud shouts

OTTO & GHILLIE



Hi Sue,
Just to let you know that Otto and Ghillie have settled in very well.
In fact, they think they own the place!

Kind regards,
Marilyn & Peter



STAN

(WAS LARRY)



Should I Eat This?

A Flow Chart for Labradors, by Labradors



DOG THIEVES ARE EVERYWHERE



Please **NEVER** leave your pet tied up outside the shop

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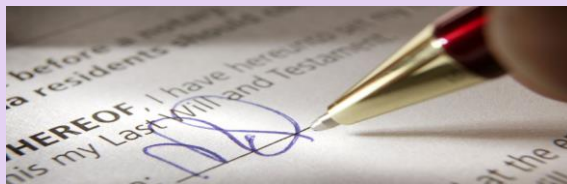


Good Morning Sue,

I am absolutely heartbroken to let you know that on Friday we had to say goodbye to our Romanian girl Pippa, who we adopted through you in January 2017. She was a funny, feisty little minx and I am only comforted in that I believe she is back with our beloved LRRSE Honey who we lost a just over year ago on Christmas Day.

Best Wishes,
Lauren





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

Without a Will government rules decide who inherits it all

The impact of Care Fees, Tax and other issues could also reduce your loved one's inheritance

With the "Right" Will and good planning you CAN help ensure as much as possible goes to your chosen loved ones...not to 'unintended' others

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