

Tails of the heart

Spring 2018

THE NEWSLETTER OF ANIMAL RESCUE RHODE ISLAND

- Meet Harley -



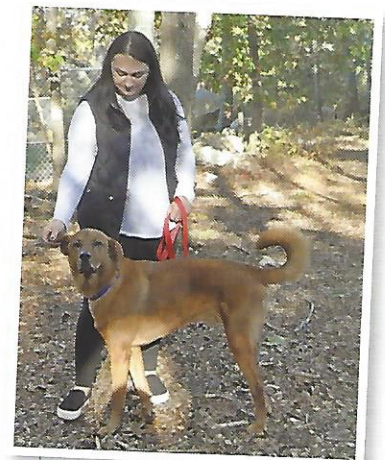
When Harley arrived at our shelter, we had no idea this sweet 3 year golden-hound mix was suffering from a crippling condition called bilateral medial patella luxation (MPL). MPL is a condition where the patella (knee-cap) does not stay in its normal position in the groove on the end of the femur (thigh bone) and will pop-out, or luxate, to the medial (inside) surface of the knee. After being evaluated by orthopedic surgeon Dr. Ralphs, it was determined that Harley was at levels 3/4, which is the most severe and would require surgical repair. The higher luxation is typically progressive over time, as the repeated luxation of the patella leads to wear on the bone and the development of arthritis, as well as other changes to the bones and muscles of the limb. This condition can be crippling for a dog of Harley's size, and he was already showing signs of daily discomfort and pain.



Harley post surgery

Harley was quick to become a staff and volunteer favorite! Word had spread fast about Harley's need for surgery and mounting medical bills, and thanks to so many of you offering to help, we were able to raise enough funds for Harley to undergo his first surgery. He is now recovering with his foster dad and ARRI volunteer David, while receiving weekly physical therapy at Rhode Island Pet Rehab. He will be reevaluated by Dr. Ralphs again in early May, not only to look at his progress thus far, but to determine Harleys need for future medical care. It won't be long before this sweet, goofy guy is ready to find his forever home, which I am sure will not be difficult to find since he continues to win over the hearts of everyone he meets.

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Happy Harley on an afternoon walk with ARRI Intern, Ashley



Here's my guy (Theo), just hanging out in a sunny window. He's a happy cat! Thanks for taking care of him.
-Susan



Wanted to give you an update on Lemmy (formerly known as Mo...also, he didn't do that to my seat covers lol...those are my 11 year old ones we just replaced with new ones yesterday!) He is a happy and social puppy who loves meeting people and other dogs alike. He loves walks and the small dog area at the dog park where he's made friends, and we are going to puppy training. He's growing well and loves food haha! And his chewy toys.

Happy Endings



Maverick (Molan) is fitting in great with our family. He is getting along with the other dog and goes for daily runs or walks with him. We are also working with him on his commands. Thank you again for letting him come into our family.
-Brianna Pedchenko

PET TIPS

A study done the end of 2016 showed that 89% of dogs responded more to human affection than treats as a reward for proper behavior. So the next time your pups do what you ask, give them hugs, kisses and belly rubs. Keep the treats in the cupboard.

Remember...Keep the good energy flowing.

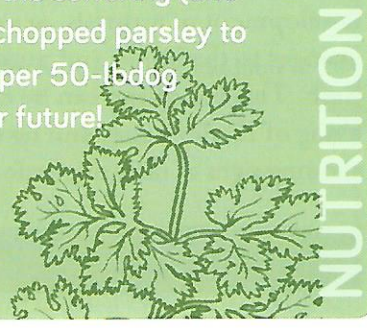
Bob Midwood, Behaviorist
ARRI K-9 Academy
and Golden Dog Training

BEHAVIOR

Does your pup have the "gift" of clearing a room with his offensive flatulence? You may think your dog's gas only impacts those in his/her direct vicinity, but it is actually a signal of distress from your fur covered friend! Often times the underlying cause of excess gas is dietary-related, but it can also be caused by swallowing excess air (think of the dog gobbling down his food too fast) or possibly due to an acute or chronic intestinal ailment.

A quick and effective way to help stop the suffering (and the stink factor) is to add fresh, finely chopped parsley to their meals! Add 1 teaspoon per meal per 50-lb dog and be ready for stink-free days in your future!

Johnna Devereaux,
Canine & Feline Nutritionist
Owner, Fetch RI



NUTRITION



"It's Angus' (formerly Bruce) 1 month Puppyversary!!! 4 weeks ago I came into my new furever home with my new family! I'm now 52lbs and perfectly healthy! I learned my new name in just 2 days! I've also learned to "Sit, Stay, give Paw, Lay Down" (and almost mastered) "Fetch" and now I'm learning to leash walk! I've also learned socks and shoes are not part of my toys, but I LOVE all my ropes, tennis balls and stuffed animals! I even take selfies!!! My mom says I'm a genius and she takes me everywhere and I LOVE CAR RIDES!!! I don't love water so baths are still a challenge but I'm working on it and I don't know what to make of this snow stuff but I like to run short circles in it! My favorite time though is cuddle time and I do that A LOT! It's good to say I've settled in beautifully in my new life and THANK YOU to everyone who took such good care of me!!!!"



Cascade has taken to her new home so well! She is loving all of the cuddles, treats, and great napping spots!



"Arnold has fit in nicely at our home. He immediately made friends with our dog Bodie and seems quite happy."



Saluda celebrates her 2nd birthday in her new home, surrounded by family and loved ones.



UPCOMING CLASSES



Canine Good Citizen (CGC) Class + Canine Life and Social Skills (C.L.A.S.S.)

Instructed by Susan Parker of Dynamic Dog Training & Paws of the Heart

- 6 Week Program for \$135

Puppy Pre-School

For dogs 6 months and under.

Topics include: Housebreaking, leash training, and basic obedience.

- Cost: \$135.00 for 4 classes

Loose Leash Walking

FREE one hour class!

If you are having a hard time teaching your dog to walk properly on a leash, this class is for you!

- Instructors: Bob Midwood and Wanda Loedts

Call ARRI for dates, details or to register!

401-783-7606

Charlie - Hero in Training



Charlie, formerly Gentry, with his new owner, Sandi.

When Patrick and Sandi Musard arrived at our shelter to adopt this past December, they had a very specific request in mind. Both Patrick and Sandi are members of Rhode Island Canine Search and Rescue Inc. (RICSAR), a non-profit volunteer based canine search and rescue group dedicated to saving the lives and providing closure for those whose loved ones have been missing for whatever reason. Specializing in Wilderness Search and Rescue, URBAN Search and Rescue in the event of a natural or man-made disaster, water rescue/recovery and cadaver search and recovery. Currently they have a pitbull named Leila who is aspiring to become certified in wilderness live find with the Rhode Island State Police and they were looking to add to another to their pack. That is when 3-month-old Charlie caught their eye. What they noticed about



him first was his drive. He was fearless, inquisitive and eager to learn, which is exactly what they were looking for. Shortly after his adoption and in his first training session with RICSAR,

Charlie found 2 hidden suspects, one hidden in a dark room in which Charlie barged right in to give him some loving. They knew right then they had a rock star on their hands and this guy was going to go places, all 18 lbs of him! It certainly doesn't come without challenge,

but he continues to make great strides and seeing how much he loves to play the search and rescue "game" at training is very rewarding for his new family. Charlie will go for his certification through the Rhode Island State Police in the spring of 2019 when he is 18 months of age.



John, Allison and Kaitlin



William, Hampton, Bella and Moonlight



Siena, Carol and Roscoe



Noman, Ana and Zander

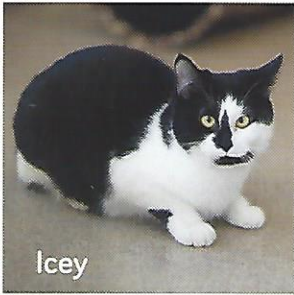


David, Irene, Bo and Emma

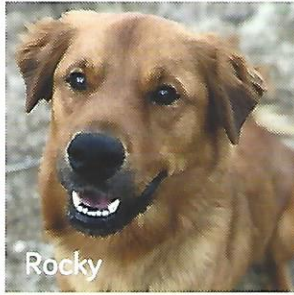


Your support saves homeless pets and brings families together EVERY DAY, enriching lives and making a difference.

Some of our recently adopted friends from Animal Rescue Rhode Island!



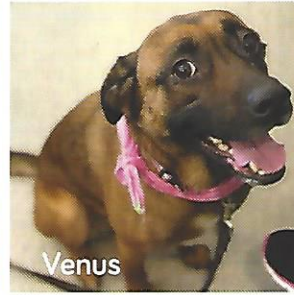
Icey



Rocky



Khan



Venus



Taylor

Susan Parker



ARRI is excited to introduce our partnership with Susan Parker, Certified Pet Therapy Dog Trainer and owner of Dynamic Dog Training.

Susan professionally trains people to train their dogs with her well known, science based positive reinforcement training. Her style of training is fun and upbeat. During her classes, her clients, dog and human alike, play games while listening to music, and learn without even realizing it. She is an AKC Canine Good Citizen instructor and evaluator, as well as an APDT CLASS (Canine Life and Social Skills) instructor and evaluator.

Susan's commitment is to develop professional recognition, communication, education, understanding, and cooperation within the community.

Partnering with Susan, ARRI looks forward to offering AKC Canine Good Citizen (CGC) classes and Certification, as well as Certified Pet Therapy classes to the public.

Upcoming Events

ARRI's Annual Cash Raffle

Now through October 13th

Win up to \$500 cash!!!

2nd prize \$200 cash!!

3rd prize: \$100 cash!

Proceeds benefit Animal Rescue Rhode Island—one of New England's few no-kill animal shelters. Drawing to be held on October 13, 2018!

Call 401-783-7606, or visit the shelter to purchase your tickets! \$1 each; 6/\$5!



BELMONT
MARKET *a better place to shop*

Belmont Dollar Days

From May 26 – 28th at Belmont Market

Donations to support Animal Rescue Rhode Island.

Puppy Dog Fashion Show

June 9, 2018 - From 1:00 to 3:00 pm

Animal Rescue Rhode Island

506B Curtis Corner Rd, Peace Dale RI

- Dress up your K9 to participate or just come and watch
- Free ice cream and prizes
- Donations to support Animal Rescue Rhode Island



Providence Marriott Fundraiser for Animal Rescue Rhode Island

June 2018

Join us at the Aqua Poolside Lounge to help support the lifesaving efforts of Animal Rescue Rhode Island. Date and time will be announced in E-Newsletter.

Hopping into Spring

On January 24th, just 5 days after Ali arrived to ARRI, she gave birth to a healthy litter of 6. Once the babies are fully weened, mom will be spayed and placed into her new home, along with her partner and dad (Blake). This was a new experience for many of us here at ARRI, but it sure has been a fun 8 week adventure watching them grow.

Fun Fact: A male rabbit is called a buck; a female is called a doe. A baby rabbit is called a kit, which is short for kitten.



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