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Our year-end appeal, **Whisker Wonderland**, was a tremendous success, as we raised nearly twice our goal of $45,000! Thank you to all of you who so kindly donated to support the pets at ARRI!  We’re truly humbled by your generosity.  Because you cared, ARRI’s dogs race joyfully around the play yards, while the cats laze in the sun and watch the birds, and your donations will ensure their every need will be met while they wait for loving homes. In 2021, 640 ARRI pets found families of their own – a shelter record! – and we can’t wait to see what 2022 brings. Our work is possible only because of you, and as we begin another year of saving lives, we’re glad you’re with us!  With best wishes for 2022, | | | https://animalrescuerhodeisland.salsalabs.org/january2022/af88ee56-6bf0-4f6f-873f-a3d98d40335f.jpg | | |  | | --- | | Liz Skrobisch, Executive Director | | | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | | https://animalrescuerhodeisland.salsalabs.org/january2022/d2fdfdd8-0c36-43cf-938b-3a159ad245f1.jpg | | |  | | --- | | **Breaking Adoption Records In 2021**  In 2021, we adopted out 640 pets into loving homes, breaking the previous adoption record of 611 from 2020. We're honored to play a role in bringing best friends and families together, as we've done since 1938. Thank you to everyone who adopted a furry friend. Let's see if we can shatter 2021's record in 2022! | | | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | | https://animalrescuerhodeisland.salsalabs.org/january2022/586952e8-8caa-449e-adf4-f70c9bff79ef.png | | |  | | --- | | **ARRI's Animal Scholars Launching In 2022**  This year, we’re looking forward to launching ARRI Animal Scholars, our collection of humane education programs for kids of all ages. The goal of these programs is to share valuable information with the next generation of pet owners and to contribute to lasting relationships between people and animals.  From **Introduction to Pets** or **Pet Responsibility**, to **Playing it Safe with Dogs** and **Careers with Animals**, ARRI will be offering a broad array of presentations. We’re committed to making our state a compassionate and humane community, where pets are appreciated for all the loyalty and love they provide.  If your school, library, or scout troop would like more information, please contact us by emailing [info@animalrescueri.org](https://default.salsalabs.org/T224350f0-af95-47b6-b5ff-b333195202ec/dd7e2e7d-3782-4475-82b8-7c87a1a0934a). We’d love to create a custom program or series of presentations for you! | | | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | | https://animalrescuerhodeisland.salsalabs.org/january2022/65e6e037-fd6a-46c9-b9bb-22be5e3724b3.jpg | | |  | | --- | | **Meet Lexie, ARRI's 2022 Mascot**  We’re so delighted to reveal our fabulous new ARRI Mascot for 2022 – lovely Lexie of Newport County!  According to her DNA test, this 3-year-old beauty is a mix of German Shepherd, Collie, Cattle Dog, Corgi and more! Originally from Tennessee, Lexie was adopted by Christine as a playmate for her six-year-old son Patrick to help counter the loneliness of the COVID lockdown. Lexie now lives a blissful existence with an expansive, scenic yard where she runs and plays to her heart’s content. You can read Lexie's full story [**HERE**](https://default.salsalabs.org/T92c2abd5-6465-429d-97d6-0771a8bb7f8e/703c979f-8e9a-4e71-a0fa-fb6e03a4c965).  We're very grateful to Christine for bidding on the mascot prize during our Go Beyond! auction, and donating $1,000 to ARRI. Here's her reason for making that generous bid: "I received such a warm, helpful welcome from the adoption staff and I wanted to find a way to show my appreciation. When I saw the ARRI 2022 Dog Mascot opportunity during the summer auction I placed my bid and was so thrilled that Lexie won this honor! She has brought so much love to our family. It just breaks my heart that so many pets are cast aside and I wanted to do my bit to support the wonderful work that ARRI does, taking such good care of these sweet animals and finding them loving homes.”  Watch for Lexie's welcome banner in the ARRI driveway next time you visit our shelter. It features a stunning studio shot by gifted photographer Bethany Anna of [**Perfect Pawtraits**](https://default.salsalabs.org/Tb3aea619-496b-451f-b1a7-78eea747ee65/51864bf9-bbe2-4616-bf21-a68a5e803139). | | | https://animalrescuerhodeisland.salsalabs.org/january2022/9d51338d-7c09-47ea-928c-69b5d55b5cd9.jpg | | |  | | --- | |  | | | | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | https://animalrescuerhodeisland.salsalabs.org/january2022/c676ad4b-1b0e-468a-8b5e-f59b47352b18.jpg | | |  | | --- | | **Looking Ahead!**  **2022 Fun ARRI Events and Happenings**  **Please mark your calendars for our 2022 exciting programs and event*s!***   * *Spring Fling Raffle – April 2022  (Tickets go on sale in March)* * *FurBall – June 24, 2022* * *Bark on the Beach – September 24, 2022* * *Humane Education classes* * *Education programs for adopters and volunteers*   *And so much more. Please stay tuned!* | | | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | | https://animalrescuerhodeisland.salsalabs.org/january2022/877cde87-1db2-4dea-9488-95475438880c.jpg | | |  | | --- | | **ARRI Alums Go Viral!**  Last week, Shelter Manager Jen invited ARRI’s Facebook followers to share their “last picture of your pet on your phone!” and the results were amazing! The post reached over 4,500 people and had 200+ comments, including a collection of the most heartwarming pics you could wish to see. Knowing that so many of these pets were once homeless and lonesome, but now had found such comfort and happiness, made us feel so good we wanted to share a couple of our favorite images and invite you to see the post for yourself. If you'd like to add a pic of your pet to the post, please click [**HERE**](https://default.salsalabs.org/T9d77e7e6-33a7-40d2-ab75-bf8dc935cf56/c395c240-9906-4d85-87ef-3d8eef9dccb4). If you'd like to follow or join ARRI's Facebook page for alums, please click [**HERE**](https://default.salsalabs.org/T38053eaf-a010-4dac-a290-8ab55c7d4f39/a824c9ff-b1d2-46d6-bf22-f146ca310f01). | | | | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | | https://animalrescuerhodeisland.salsalabs.org/january2022/4f2dee1b-ed58-4032-9a91-03d6f657b3cb.jpg | | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | | https://animalrescuerhodeisland.salsalabs.org/january2022/6f78848c-9219-49aa-a42d-faf439fc3fcd.jpg | | |  | | --- | | **Meet Gucci!**  Hi, I’m Gucci! I'm a 5-year-old Shepherd mix, and I love everyone I meet! I'm a fast learner and very treat motivated. I've lived with a dog before, walk perfectly on a leash, and I really like my playgroup time at ARRI. Do you like long walks? Me too! I’d make a perfect companion for an active family who'll take me on adventures!  ***If you would like to adopt Gucci, please complete an adoption application by clicking the below button:*** | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [Adoption Application](https://default.salsalabs.org/T5c2d90e6-347f-4842-8183-1e5533c41e5e/5306db16-7efb-4c16-9e98-3eb560244cc2) | | | | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | | | | https://animalrescuerhodeisland.salsalabs.org/january2022/6edc321e-0331-4f19-a864-97f52e39aa23.png | | |  | | --- | | **Happy Endings**  Our goal is to bring best friends and families together, and it's truly gratifying when we're able to find homes for our furry friends! | | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | https://animalrescuerhodeisland.salsalabs.org/january2022/daa8e5ee-fd74-49c0-8809-01611088bcc2.jpg | | |  | | --- | | *Just wanted to give an update on Harley. She seems to be settling in well. She is still a shy girl at heart but also has a silly side that she’ll sometimes let come out.*  *While she has access to all kinds of different toys, her favorite play toy has proved to be hair elastics which she will bat and chase around. A close second is her own tail.*  *She still loves to snuggle up in enclosed places and she has been experimenting different options in her new living space. These have included the laundry basket, my pillowcase, and under the bed covers.*  *She’s so sweet and has brought me so much joy!! Thanks for all you do.*  *Emma* | | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | https://animalrescuerhodeisland.salsalabs.org/january2022/2350aff0-1bf7-4e05-bc7f-84c47c0f8acf.jpg | | |  | | --- | | *Hello all ARRI staff!  Wanted to give you an update on Caramel (top left). She has been with us a month now and we all can barely remember what life was like before her. She is just the perfect addition to our home. Thank you for your help!  Colon family* | | | | | |
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