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**COLLIE RESCUE (Rough & Smooth) UK**

# Summer NEWSLETTER 2020

*Welcome to the  
new, smaller Collie  
Rescue Newsletter*



*Someone is not very  
happy with all this wind  
and rain.*

*Jasmine showing her  
"grumpy" face after a  
walk in the rain - AGAIN*

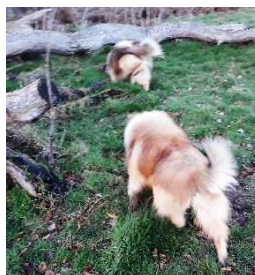
Early in Sept last year we rescued 3 litter brothers from an animal hoarding situation, as the owners were put under pressure from the Authorities to reduce their quantity of animals. These collie brothers were 7 years old, had never lived in a home environment or walked on a lead, in fact never really experienced any of the outside world, having been bred on a smallholding, so we had quite a challenge on our hands.

They were placed in kennels we use in Nottingham and after initially appearing very confused, sad and worried, they soon began to respond to the kindness and nurturing offered by the kennel girls and also our Nottingham representatives Margaret and Lynne who visited regularly to take them on walks and spend time with them. During this time all their medical needs were taken care of and we are pleased to say that things have begun to progress and their future is now looking more positive.



One brother, Ross, was the first to go off to his new permanent home,

this he shares with a rough collie bitch, Rosie, who has made him most welcome.



The other two boys, Jock and Brucie, are enjoying the luxury of now being in a temporary foster home for the time being,



until that special permanent home turns up .....



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## Rescue News

*Hope you and your dogs have kept safe from the*

*floods and horrendous weather.*

*It has been a very busy year since our last newsletter, 23 collies have been dealt with since our AGM in October, 13 of these since Christmas.*

*We also welcomed two new Committee Members, Sheila Yerrell and Lynne Lucas. Some of you will know Sheila who adopted Henry from Ireland. His story has been in previous newsletters. Sadly Henry passed over the rainbow bridge as his deformities were so severe, but he had a happy loving home with the Yerrell family.*

*Good to hear Nette is now on the mend and able to produce this adapted newsletter, hope you all enjoy it*

*Chris*



**SADIE** is a very happy girl and seems as content to be with us as we are to have her. When we lost Riley's brother Harvey so suddenly, we were completely devastated. Then we had heartache and illnesses to overcome and my husband Roy said no more dogs and he meant it. However, I just knew there was the perfect dog out there for us; a dog that just wanted a loving home, company and attention. A dog that didn't need huge long walks or a young family

to keep up with them. A dog that would be happy to just lie at my feet and feel secure and part of the family. Sadie is 100% that dog and more. The irony is, she has ended up being a complete daddy's girl and Roy runs around after her catering to her every whim. We sometimes call her "The Princess" We've said this before, but Sadie has also helped Riley and stopped him from feeling lonely. He's an old man now and I am sure that sometimes she drives him mad but she also helps him feel like a pup again; they get along so well together.

Sadie is funny, fussy, affectionate (she licks everything and everyone. She is partial to feet), loving and sweet. She is prone to being just a little bit naughty though, such as barking at 6am for breakfast, using her bum to knock Riley out of the way and having a little nip when she gets excited and isn't getting enough fuss or attention. When people arrive at the house, she basically blocks them in and jumps up them until she gets a ton of fuss. She also herds people so you can't get around her - she has such a fantastic, mischievous personality and it has really been our privilege watching her come out of her shell and show us who she is. We can't imagine life now without our Sadie Daisy (she has a few nicknames...!). When the time comes to say goodbye to Riley (which we hope it still a few years off yet...), we know she will be there with love, kisses and to lean on us and console us. Sadie's previous owner seemed to think she had landed on her paws when we came to collect her, but I think we are the ones who got lucky.

*Barbara and Roy*

The Secretary, Chris Slater, informed the

## A.G.M. Report

meeting that a lot of time had been wasted chasing forms. People don't seem to realise that as a Registered Charity we have to have rules. Owners probably feel guilty signing a Release Form or just don't care once the dog has gone. It is not always possible to get them signed on the day of transfer as the dog's situation must come first.

We had a call from a Rescue Centre in Scotland about two elderly collies, whose owner had passed away. They had been placed in a foster home with a child who had trodden on the male, causing him to snap. They were then placed in a second home in the same situation with a small child and an Akita puppy. As the lady was also expecting twins, she found she could not cope, so Rescue were called in. A volunteer went to collect them and they are now living in a lovely house in three acres of grounds. It seems that not all Rescues do their homework first.

Another owner in the same area had taken three dogs to the vets to be euthanized as she wanted to move in with her boyfriend who did not like dogs. We were told that she had got the dogs by telling breeders Collie Rescue had recommended her and she was on their waiting list, so breeders had not checked her out. Please, if unsure check with Rescue or do your own home-checking. These are just a few incidents in Rescue. Some we have shed many tears over, but it would take far too long to report everything.

Thankfully, people outside Committee step in to help if needed and for that we are truly grateful.

On a lighter note, we would like to thank the Breed Clubs, Fund-raisers and home-checkers for their support, along with everyone who attended to-day. To date 26 dogs have been re-homed, 7 are waiting and 18 are on permanent foster.

The Chairman, Rod Slater, thanked the Secretary and gave special thanks to Mrs. Sam Hale for all her help and hard work. She had been a big help to Chris. He thanked Annette Rebmann for the work she puts in with the Newsletter and Website and thanked Margaret Birch for her time spent on the Sponsorship Scheme. He said thanks must also go to all the people who have helped with re-homing, transporting, home-checking, fund-raising and everyone else who has helped make Collie Rescue the success it undoubtedly is.

*Rod and Chris Slater*

*Chairman and Secretary,*

*Collie Rescue (Rough and Smooth) UK*

## DIARY DATE

**BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY, 31st August**

Why not come along and support Collie Rescue by entering your collie in a Fun Dog Show in the grounds of Stapleford Park, Stapleford, Nr. Melton Mowbray, LE14 2EF. It is in conjunction with a three day Traction Steam event, so there is lots to do and many stalls and attractions for everyone.

Further details are available from Margaret Birch 07771323722 and there will also be an advert appearing on our Facebook page nearer the time.





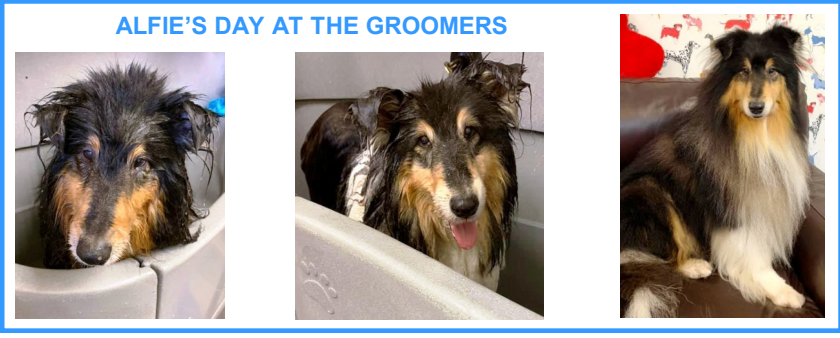
# SPONSOR DOG UPDATES



**ANGEL - the new Sponsor Girl!**  
 Angel is continuing to really enjoy her new life with foster 'Mum' Julie. Last summer she enjoyed sunning herself in the garden for hours, and if she got a bit too hot, had a favourite shady spot behind a garden bench. She has a few arthritic joints but these are eased by medication from the vets.  
 Three days every week Angel has company in the shape of a greyhound, who gets dropped off for doggy day care with Julie, while her daughter goes to work. He spends most of the day in an armchair - they don't call retired greyhounds 'Couch Potatoes' without good reason.



**ALFIE is still enjoying life along with sister, Tassi out in the countryside, but not so happy on grooming day !**



**ALFIE'S DAY AT THE GROOMERS**



**BONNIE-PRINCE is still enjoying his life with mum and dad Margaret and Ernie in Derbyshire. Getting older, he now lives a more sedate life, but still has moments of madness chasing around the orchard and digging up the occasional plant or two.**



Hello everyone, **STORM** here. My winter has not been very exciting, what with the very wet weather since October. Mum keeps me warm and dry therefore most of my time has been in the house. I do chase the occasional squirrel and pigeon in the garden when I go out for a wander round, but I am now nearly eleven and my hips and legs are very brittle and painful, even though I am on many painkillers which through your kind donations Collie Rescue pay for, as they are very expensive.  
 I had a nice two weeks before Christmas when my mum's friend and the lady that rescued me brought her bitch Cassie to stay with us. It made a nice change, although mum was going potty washing 12 paws (including my house mate, Prudence, a posh black Labrador).  
 Well that's all for now. Can't wait for the Spring and Summer, hoping some warm sunshine will warm my bones .. that will be heaven.  
 Love Storm



**TICO** has been with me now for 15 months. He pulled at my heart strings, when I saw him in the kennels and I just had to bring him home with me. And what a wonderful friend he is.  
 His back legs are a bit stiff sometimes, but then he is 13 years old ! He has regular supplements to support his legs and he manages to "poddle" around at a leisurely pace picking up "pee-mails" on the way. He lost his best friend Ellie, when she had to be put to sleep, but I will never forget Tico giving me his paw, as I broke my heart.  
 Tico we all love you.



**STANLEY**  
 Passed away  
 1st July, 2019  
 REST IN  
 PEACE

*Sadly, we had to say goodbye to Stanley in early July last year, following a stroke. He just collapsed and really didn't regain consciousness. The vet was called and we stayed with him, giving him cuddles until the end. He was a lovely, gentle boy and we still miss him dearly.*







MY RAFFLE PRIZE

Well, we did it again! Another fun filled day with 137 stunning Rough and Smooth Collies and numerous sibling dogs. The weather was perfect and all the dogs had great fun running, playing and paddling.

# COLLIE CHAOS July, 2019

Congratulations to Jean Wild and Caesar (Rescue dog) on winning the Best in Show title and trophy.

It amazes me that people travel from so far afield to join us. I think the furthest travelled was from Edinburgh!! Although we did have a lovely



**BEST IN SHOW**

Smooth Collie called Jon and his family, who travelled all the way from Gibraltar on their boat to visit this country and decided to drop in to see us all. Thank you so much to the many companies who donated raffle / tombola prizes, everyone who attended, everyone who could not attend but still donated and not forgetting those who helped set up and dismantle at the end of the day. Collie Chaos has grown tenfold since the first one back in 2015, which proves how popular the event is. Carsington is the perfect location and many people are amazed



**TINKY AND DONATED ITEMS**



that the Rangers do not charge for the use of the field. (This is why they get any leftover cakes at the end of the day). Crowfoot Kennels and Dog Rescue were over the moon with the mountain of donated items left for them by the entrance. I apologise for the fact that the loud speaker let us down on the day (the first time I forgot to check the batteries the day before). Four donated huge teddy bears were re-homed during the event! Collie Rescue committee members joined us and thoroughly enjoyed seeing so many re-homed dogs at the event. We were let down by several professional photographers at the last minute so regretfully we didn't manage to get a huge photo featuring every dog present. Tinky and Asha barely moved the day after which isn't surprising as they were constantly on the go for 12 hours.

Well done to everyone who managed either the 3 or 8 mile sponsored walk and Thank you!! The total amount raised from the event .....£2,365.20!!!!

A huge Thank you to each and every one of you. Without your support we could not help so many dogs in need!  
Pauline and Tinky!



**SPONSORED WALK**



### *A MESSAGE FROM PAULINE, THE ORGANISER OF COLLIE CHAOS*

*I am sorry but there will be no organised Collie Chaos @ Carsington this summer as we cannot find anyone prepared to commit to organising it. I physically cannot do it anymore due to moving so far away. A few people offered, but then declined, to get involved.*

*We explored other venues but one wanted £500 payment and the other, (Elvaston Castle), was fully booked.*

*Thank you to everyone who supported Collie Chaos over the years and helped raise over £10,000 for Collie Rescue.*

**Rod and Chris Slater, and the Collie Rescue Committee would like to thank Pauline and all her helpers over the years for their time and efforts to make Collie Chaos what it turned into and the amount of money it raised.**

*It will be missed by us all.*

**THANK YOU SO MUCH AND GOOD LUCK FOR THE FUTURE**