Alberta Dachshund Rescue Newsletter

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We need your help!!

Many of you will recognize sweet, shy little Aftan who was up for adoption in our last newsletter. The good news is that she went to a great family in Calgary who sadly just lost two doxies (Toby and Truffles) only five weeks before she went to them. Aftan has been renamed Charlotte, but unfortunately, six days after she was adopted she went weak in the rear, was referred to the CARE center and required surgery. She came through the surgery ok, and her recovery is going well. However, as some of you may know, the surgery is quite costly. Since she was such a recent adoption from us, ADR is helping to cover the vet bills.

So how can you help? Please consider donating through one of these fundraisers:

- <u>Gofundme</u> set up specifically for Charlotte. Please note that unfortunately, tax receipts cannot be issued for Gofundme donations
- Bottle drive we posted this on Facebook and to date, have collected almost \$300!! For this one, you can either return the bottles yourself & send us the funds OR if you like, send an email to <u>adrpresident@gmail.com</u> and Tom will come pick them up (Calgary only)
- Direct donation to ADR Email transfers are the easiest method and have no fees. ADR is a registered charity we can issue tax receipts for any donation over \$10; please let us know if you'd like a receipt.



Charlotte after surgery

Charlotte with her new brother Zeke, adopted last year

If you are unaware of IVDD, please visit <u>https://youdidwhatwithyourweiner.com/the-truth-about-dachshunds-and-back-problems/</u> to learn more. It is a common problem with dachshunds as their long length puts extra strain on their backs.

Dashing dachshund grooming fundraiser

Homes aren't the only thing that need a spring cleaning. How about one for your pooch that cleans them up AND raises funds for ADR? This offer is good until the end of the year. So, book now and book often!



(Dog) Mother's Day Shopping

For those of you looking for the dog mom in your life (or just for yourself!), don't forget that our very own Tom Edwards launched the Dachsing Doggfather on Etsy at https://www.etsy.com/ca/shop/DachshingDoggfather. Mention you heard about him in this newsletter – he's donating a portion of all ADR referrals back to ADR! Some of the items for sale include dog tags, pet memorial stones, medical tags and laser tags.

In addition, Tom has a supply of purse charms, doxie necklaces and rings. Quantities are VERY limited – so limited in fact, they're not on his store as they've been selling on the <u>ADR Facebook page</u> so quickly! Check out the items below and if interested, email Tom at <u>adrpresident@gmail.com</u> to find out what's left and place an order. As always, a portion of sales goes directly to ADR.



Purse charms in gold/silver/black colour - \$12.50

Necklace - \$12.50

Adjustable doxie ring - \$10.00

Waiting tails

Crystal is a seizure-sending dog who was posted online in Calgary on Kijiji after her mom passed away, and unfortunately, she's not able to stay where she is. She will be coming in as quickly as we can facilitate. Crystal is a 5-year-old (as far as we know) cream female. She's had previous back issues and is fragile. She has pancreatitis that is under control with a proper diet. She's never been alone and gets highly stressed when left alone, so will likely need someone who is home most of time. Another dog in the house may be a large help. She also requires pee pads for training. Because of her issues, she may be a longer-term foster as we work with her.

Think she looks familiar? That's because she's currently starring as the Doxie Bunny on our Facebook page thanks to a wonderful session with our own groomer extraordinaire Lori Smashnuk Leduc!



Happy Tails

We're so happy to say that little Phoenix has found a home! Her new dad has experience with difficult dogs, and Phoenix took to him quickly. After one day he sent an update saying she's settled in very well. I'd say she's looking pretty settled on the sofa!!



Jackson and Tucker have also gone to a new home. They stayed together and went to a family in Calgary. They were so easy going and seemed to have made themselves comfortable very quickly!



Rainbow bridge

With a heavy heart we say good bye to an ADR alumnus. Jeeter came into ADR two times in life after outliving two owners. He touched the lives of many in his life, living 12 to 13 full years.

His latest adoption was a special experience for many of us at ADR who witnessed the first time he made eye contact with his mom. It took less than a second to establish love at first sight, and he joined her family in two days. Many of you would remember him with his standard sized brother Scooby, who is still living his legacy.

A HUGE thank you to his family for giving him the best home he could ask for in his last years.



Jeeter dressed as a handsome cowboy

Pet Expo is coming....

The 18th annual Calgary Pet Expo will take place this year on April 21st & 22nd at Spruce Meadows. ADR will be putting on wiener races, as well as having a booth set up selling merchandise and raising awareness about the breed, what the rescue does, etc. Stay tuned to our <u>Facebook page</u> for more details as they become available. Anyone interested in volunteering can email Tom at <u>adrpresident@gmail.com</u> and let him know you'd like to help!

Are you up to the challenge?

Do you love the little short legged Doxie? Are you familiar with their quirky traits and stubbornness? Do you have experience training and working with dogs with issues? Then we are looking for you!!!

ADR is looking for foster homes that are able and willing to take on the challenges faced with surrendered dachshunds. Typical issues we deal with are house training, resource guarding, aggression, and whatever else they throw at us. Things have been getting busier and we would love a little help with these guys. One of the most rewarding things about rescue is working with these guys to overcome their fears and challenges. Come reap the rewards with us. Applications can be filled out online at our website or send an email to adrpresident@gmail.com.

Please note – we are specifically looking for those willing to work with challenging dogs who have issues. You must be willing and able help these guys with issues and house training. We will be screening applicants and going through our usual checks to make sure you fit the bill we are looking for. We have a "waiting list" of people to foster dogs with no issues and do not have enough dogs in our care to fill those foster homes, so please make sure to understand what we are looking for!