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MEET & GREET

Sonny #4297

Hello all you wonderful Golden Rescue folks... my name is Sonny and I came from Cairo where my previous owner called me Simba. He had to go into the military and had to give me to a lovely woman who ran a shelter there. I really miss my old owner but I understand he couldn't take me with him and everyone in Cairo and here in Canada have been so good to me. My new mom and dad, Brittany and Ryan, are fantastic and called me Sonny because their previous Golden, who recently crossed the rainbow bridge was called Cher. Get it? I don't but I don't care because I only care that my life is amazing and I couldn't be happier. I love my mom but I particularly love my new dad and I follow him everywhere. I can sleep in. I get three or four walks a day, my parents love to cuddle with me, and I can even sleep on the bed right between them. I know you call this place Canada but I call it heaven.



THANK YOU... TOGETHER WE PERFORMED A MIRACLE

There has never been a time in Golden Rescue's 33-year history where so much effort has been put in by so many to save misfortunate Golden Retrievers.

As you know, as of September 28th, due to a governmental ban, we no longer can save Golden Retrievers from Egypt and Turkey from a life of misery and death. In response to this travesty, GR mobilized an army to rescue as many as we could. By some miracle, since the ban was announced, we brought 248 Golden Retrievers to Canada to safety and loving arms. There have been years that we didn't rescue that many in 12 months...a monumental task!

Our teams are happy with what we accomplished...but exhausted, and our gratitude to these compassionate and dedicated Golden Retrievers can never be properly expressed.

Despite the placement team's herculean efforts, we could not find forever families for every Golden we brought to our shores, so our wonderful fosters and volunteers stepped up to home these beauties until their forever families could be found. Our airport team rose to the challenge as flight after flight arrived in Toronto,

Montreal, and Vancouver. Our intake, home visit, social media, and transport teams were stretched to the max. Our compassionate and rescue-minded supporting vets provided care and treatment above and beyond.

And last but certainly not least, without the generosity of our sponsors, donors, and foster-to-adopt families, this would not have been possible!

Everyone's tolerance, patience, and understanding when things went wrong and elation when needy Golden after Golden arrived, are testaments to our organization. Our reward was looking into the eyes of these grateful, rescued goofballs as they arrived in Canada into the arms of their excited, loving forever families. We will continue to fight this ban with every ounce of our being so stay tuned for next steps.

Well done everyone!!! Who says miracles don't happen?

With gratitude,

Golden Rescue Board of Directors

Never underestimate the power of a small group of committed people to change the world. In fact, it is the only thing that ever has.

Margaret Mead



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Mission Statement

SECOND CHANCES FOR GOLDENS IN NEED

Our mission is simple and straightforward because that's who we are and that's what we do. Our volunteer-run organization, led by a volunteer, working board of directors, is dedicated to ensuring that each and every rescued Golden receives exceptional care, regardless of the extent of their needs. We provide veterinary care, rehabilitation, behaviour training, and numerous other services to help our Golden Retrievers prepare for their second chance with a loving forever family. We also help educate people about the virtues of rescue as rescue is our favourite breed.

At the root of everything we do are our core values ~ integrity, kindness, compassion ~ all delivered without judgment. These are our guiding principles that drive our purpose and sustain our ability to continually wrap our arms around Golden Retrievers who so desperately need our help.

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Front Cover

Darcy #3523 ~ Darcy is a delightful tornado! She wants to see everything and meet everyone. She is so smart ~ she learns quickly and the hardest puzzles are no problem for her. She loves to play with other dogs, go on adventures, swim, and snuggle in the mornings. Every time her mom looks at Darcy, she can't believe her luck ~ from the streets of Cairo straight into her heart. Darcy lives in Quebec with her mom and Golden sisters, Nicky and Molly.



Hello...It's Nice to Meet You!

Dogs, particularly Golden Retrievers, are highly social animals, which make them such great pets and loving members of the family. For under-socialized dogs, whether it be a dog you got during Covid or a rescue dog, socialization may be more challenging and requires using simple techniques to help facilitate a successful meeting and greeting between two new dogs. The first and a key factor for any new meeting is location. It's best to plan ahead and make sure you use a neutral setting so neither dog is on another's 'territory'. This will immediately put both dogs on equal footing. Also, keep both dogs on a leash during this first meeting so that you are prepared to move your dog away should the meeting not go well.

One of the common issues with introducing dogs is that you often don't know what they've been through. Sometimes you're aware of their history and sometimes not. Some of these dogs have had unfortunate experiences in their past that has led them to be hesitant and even fearful or aggressive when meeting new dogs. All we have to go on is what the dog tells us. This can make it challenging when introducing your dog to one they've never met before. As the human facilitating the meeting, we must rely heavily on body language to help us determine the best way to have our dogs meet. Since dogs live in the present, their body language can change from minute to minute. Reading their body language in real time will help you socialize your dog with others. Observing their body language starts with where you look. Humans will want to look towards the eyes because, for a human, the eyes are the window to one's soul and it's how we most

directly communicate. To a canine, your eyes will tell them what your intentions are for right now, at this moment. Canines use their ears, tail, fur on their haunches and even stiffness in their stance to broadcast to others what they are feeling. What a dog is looking at and its body language will tell you what its intentions are. When first introducing two new dogs to each other, observe their body language carefully. If they are both wagging their tails, mouths open, and ears and body relaxed, then you can safely introduce the two by first approaching the new dog yourself, crouch down, and extend your hand palm up for the dog to sniff. Once that has been done, you can bring your dog forward and allow the two dogs to meet and sniff each other.

Submissive body language, however, means their head and tail is medium to low height, ears are flat and relaxed, mouth is open showing their tongue and their whole body is loose.

Under-socialized submissive dogs may show different body language, like the tail wrapped up under and covering their behinds, ears folded back, and stance curved and tight. This shows fear. This dog would run behind you and hide instead of confidently being out in front when meeting new dogs. For a submissive, fearful dog, it is crucial that you show the dog that it is safe when meeting a new dog. This means you need to step forward in front of your dog to create a barrier and meet the incoming dog first and by extending your hand palm forward for the incoming dog to sniff, it is showing the fearful dog that it is safe to approach the new dog. And, as the new dog is sniffing your hand, your



submissive dog will hopefully become curious and will go around and sniff their bum. This is what we are hoping for in a successful first meeting. I like to stay in the middle of the two dogs as they're meeting for the first time going round and round sniffing each other. It is also important not to over-socialize them so that if your fearful dog has had a little sniff and been sniffed by the other dog and everything is going well you say, "Okay, let's go", pat your hip, and continue your walk. Don't wait too long and let things go bad. Remember, less is more during the first meeting.

A confident under-socialized dog on the other hand will pull the leash tight to get to the other dog...it may even be barking aggressively towards them. This does not necessarily mean aggression... it could mean under-socialization. They need to learn to be less dominant and how to meet a new dog in a non-threatening way. This dog's tail will be up and wagging, its whole body will be stiff, and its ears will be forward and up like satellite dishes. These dogs can be much more difficult to socialize due to their physical strength and the fact that it may be strenuously pulling you toward the other dog. The techniques I use to fix this depend on which body language I determine and how fast I can see the triggers of the dog.

If my dog sees a new dog and its whole body goes stiff right away, I will take the back of my hand and touch the inside of the dogs back leg. Your hand is mimicking a dog's nose going in to sniff the other dogs' groin, and what would you do if you were looking at something intently and then you felt someone snooping around your groin? You would stop and have a look! This maneuver can break your dogs dominant focus on that other dog instantly, if timed right. When the dog looks at you, start moving forward because a dog cannot unlock it state of mind unless its feet are moving, so once you've got its attention, you need to move forward. You literally could do a circle on the spot as long as you get the dog moving forward and break their dominant focus on the other dog.

In dog training, like with children, there isn't just one technique that's going to work all the time. I have a plethora of techniques that I have practised that I'm ready to pull out of my hat at any time...this is just one example.

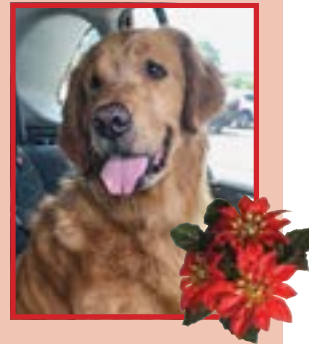
In a worst-case scenario where a dog has been or is showing dominant body language towards

another dog, I gather the leash up in my right hand so that my hand is ten inches away from the dog's nose when the leash is tight. With my left hand I gently, calmly, and smoothly move my arm under the dog's hips or waist to the other side and now calmly, gently, and smoothly lift the dogs back end up slightly, so its back paws just come off the ground. At this point, turn the dogs bum towards whatever dog it was being dominant to. This takes the dominance away and puts the dog in a submissive state and will actually facilitate a dog sniffing another dog's bum in the proper manner.

This technique can also be used when introducing a new dog to your cat. While the general rule for two dogs is to have them meet in a neutral location, this is not going to work

MEET & GREET Hallie #4144

Hi everyone...my name is Hallie. I used to be called Happy and I have to tell you I sure am happy to be in your wonderful country. Everyone has been so kind to me, especially my amazing mom and dad ~ Sheila and Edward. My new brother, Harry, is having a bit of trouble getting used to me but I'll bring him around, I'm sure. I seem to be a hit in the neighbourhood and everyone loves me so I'm sure Harry will too. My family says they are so blessed to have me but I think I'm the lucky one.



for your cat. In this case, you will be bringing your new dog home and introducing them to your cat there. A good tip is to have a tall cat post available or some high area so that your cat has somewhere to go if they feel scared. A cat's natural instinct is to climb, especially when feeling threatened, so this will give them comfort. So, the first thing you want to do when bringing home a new dog is to keep them on the leash for the first little while until you know how the dog is going to react around the cat. When the dog sees the cat for the first time, its body language will tell you how it is going to react. If the ears are up and forward and the tail is down and relaxed then it is just curious. Allow the dog to approach the cat slowly and proceed with the greeting letting both animals sniff each other. If, however, the dog charges at the cat, you will immediately gather up your leash in your right hand so that the leash is tight so the dog's nose is ten inches away from your hand. Then use the technique mentioned above and gently lift the dog's hind end up off the floor and turn them around so that their bum is facing the cat and let the cat sniff the dog, if they so choose. Keep doing this every time the dog goes for the cat until they stop charging them.

Keeping in mind the importance of reading your dog's body language, meeting in a neutral environment, having our dogs on leash, and utilizing the nose to bum technique will make our pets feel safe and secure and promote the best possible success when meeting new furry friends.

By Peter Brown, Owner
and Professional
Dog Trainer at
Alpha Paws
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Honey Moon #3878

Hi all...my name is Honey Moon. That is the name my wonderful forever mom, Diane, gave me. Cool name, right? I love all you Canadians and I actually like your cool weather more than hot weather, even though I came from Istanbul. My mom says I'm a real 'character', whatever that means. I do love everyone I meet and anyone who comes through the front door gets a tail wag. I then lay down and roll on my side as I know everyone is dying to give me a tummy rub. I am what you humans call deaf but I'm pretty good with sign language. My mom says I'm smart because I always lie in the traffic routes. Since I don't hear my mom leaving the room, I certainly have all the vantage points covered, so I can follow her everywhere. Another side benefit of being deaf is that the vacuum cleaner never bothers me (teehee). My mom says I have brought much joy to her life. That may be true, but for me, I have great joy too...but my life has completely changed because I was saved. I may not be alive today had it not been for all you good folks.

MEET & GREET

Kelowna #3648

Kelowna is settling in beautifully with us. This is a cool story about his name change. When our

boy arrived in Canada, his name was Corona. We wanted to change it because to us it either meant the virus or Mexican beer and we weren't fans of either for our boy's name. We chose 'Kelowna' because we could mumble it and it would be very similar to 'Corona' and therefore easier for him to adjust to. BTW, he is clearly 'Kelowna' now with no mumbling! After Covid allowed our employees back into the office, I took Kelowna to meet everyone. I work with a large group of Egyptians and I told them about 'Corona' being the original name. They told me that Covid wasn't a 'thing' when Kelowna was born and Corona beer isn't available in Egypt. Then they told me that 'Corona' is the name of a very popular chocolate in Egypt! How cool is that? He was most likely named after chocolate because he is so sweet. Even though we didn't want to keep that name, it sure made us feel better. Who doesn't love chocolate and who doesn't love our Kelowna???

Judy & Charlie






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"May all your Christmas wishes — be golden."








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Picnic 2022...FINALLY!



After three years of COVID cancellations, we finally had our picnic and what a great day it was! With 200+ people and 100+ dogs (mostly Golden Retrievers, of course), the day got off to a great start as the sun rose and Mother Nature smiled on our day. The picnic was kicked off by our emcee and board member, Dr. Scott Bainbridge, who did a great job setting the stage for the day's events. The fun began with games, Leave It or Steal It, hikes, shopping, photo booth, Ask the Vet and Trainer booths, scavenger hunt, bbq, raffle/auction...all which filled the day to delighted attendees.

We also had a beautiful tribute to our fur-babies who have crossed the Rainbow Bridge.

There are too many highlights to recount but the Best Dressed Contest was a big hit as was the hilarious Leave It or Steal It. A lot of people went on the hike with Ben, Toby, and Cobalt, although Toby preferred to stay by the registration booth. The Golden Turd Bingo was hilariously unsuccessful as only one Golden, one minute before the end of the contest, used square D8 to do his business and out of the 62 squares chosen, D8 wasn't one of them. And the barbeque was especially yummy this year.

There are so many people to thank. Firstly, Ben and Viamede Resort for graciously sponsoring and hosting the picnic. Thank you so much Ben...the picnic has the best 'home' possible and we can't imagine having the picnic anywhere else!

Thank you to **Peter Brown (Ask the Behaviourist)** and **Dr. Scott Bainbridge (Ask the Vet)** for all their sage advice.

A HUGE thank you to our talented and organized Picnic Chair, Julie, for doing such a fabulous job of organizing such a grand event. And to all

our volunteers who helped make the day perfect, thank you for all your hard work. Julie said that to have such a great day “takes a village”...and what a great village we have! Thank you everyone for making our ‘FINALLY’ picnic such a great and golden day.



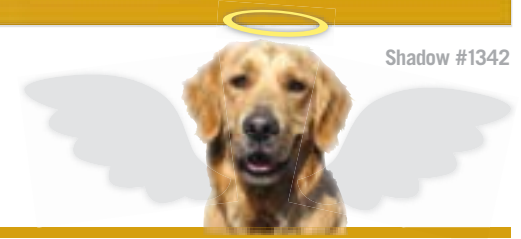
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GOLDEN ANGELS

We'd like to recognize some outstanding volunteers. Meet golden angels with golden hearts.



Shadow #1342

Ian McClelland

Ian and his wife Cindy are long-term supporters of GR. They used to live in Ontario and moved to PEI not long ago. They have adopted multiple times and currently have three amazing Golden Retrievers ~ Prince #2048, Molly #3078, and Ozzy #3773. They have volunteered in literally every area and simply have never said no if they are needed. Not long ago, we had international Golden Retrievers who needed transport from Ontario to New Brunswick. We had a volunteer who took them as far as Riviere du Loup (QC) and Ian graciously offered to do the rest, even though it meant eight hours just to get there, an overnight stay, another eight hours to New Brunswick, and then another long haul back home. If that isn't the absolute definition of a Golden Angel, we don't know what is! Thank you ~ you're the best!



IAN WITH MOLLY, PRINCE & OZZY

Katie McDade

Katie is the loving mom of Barnaby #3469. She started volunteering with Golden Rescue in January 2021, a few months after the loss of her sweet Golden boy, Bennet. She was looking for a way to help heal from his loss so she offered to help where she could and to connect with other Golden lovers during a time of social isolation with Covid-19. Volunteering with Golden Rescue turned out to be the perfect fit! She started as a team of one conducting virtual home visits for all potential fosters and adopters and now coordinates home visits with a team of seven other wonderful volunteers! She is also a member of the education outreach team. Katie is a wonderful supporter ~ warm, positive, and approachable. She even sponsored a recent Cairo pup Bennett #4193. We are so lucky to have Katie in our corner ~ thank you Katie!



KATIE WITH BARNABY #3469

Louis Thouin

Over the years Louis has done everything Golden Rescue has asked of him and more... and he always does everything with such good humour, even in adversity. Louis does many of our Montreal airport arrival greetings and also transports whenever needed. He never says no to long, long drives and if we need overnight holds for our international Golden Retrievers, he is right there and his Golden, Jana, is the perfect hostess too. Louis also volunteers at events and does home visits. What a super star. Merci Louis...nous vous aimons!



LOUIS WITH JANA

WE ARE RUNNING OUT OF TIME & IDEAS & NOW THE SITUATION IS DIRE!



Olaf #3835: My name is Olaf, pronounced by my amazing foster dad/teacher as 'oh laugh' as I am such a happy boy ~ always, always happy to see you. My foster dad has been teaching me how to behave and I'm doing pretty well. I am not well socialized with other dogs so I need to be an only pet and a backyard boy. I'm very sweet and cuddly with people. Please [CLICK HERE](#) to see my in-depth bio.

GOLDEN RESCUE NEVER GIVES UP BUT DESPITE OUR MONUMENTAL EFFORTS TO RE-HOME THESE THREE BEAUTIES, WE HAVE FAILED. FOR OVER A YEAR, WE HAVE BEEN LOOKING FOR ADOPTERS WITH NO SUCCESS.

They are good dogs. Yes, one has a heart murmur and two don't like other dogs but other than that, they are wonderful. We simply don't know what to do from here; however, we know we cannot keep them much longer. Can you open your heart and home to one of them...they really do deserve to live a wonderful life?



Shirley #3484: I'm five and Golden Rescue was told that I'm a Black Golden but in reality, I'm a German Shepherd with a little bit of Border Collie and Rhodesian Ridgeback. Don't ask how this happened ~ even if you do, we have no answers! I love women and I bond extremely close to one person...but I find it hard to trust some men. I need a quiet home with no other pets. I really am sweet and affectionate and I'm great company. On my walks, I am calm and relaxed and when I get home, I love to lie somewhere where it's cool and then I roll over for belly rubs. Please [CLICK HERE](#) to see my in-depth bio.



Ebony #3825: My name is Ebony and I'm a 3-year-old Black Golden (as if you couldn't tell that from the pictures). My amazing foster dad and teacher describes me as a handsome, highly-intelligent boy with tons of energy. I think that's a pretty good report card from a teacher who knows these things. The doc says I'm healthy except I have a grade one heart murmur. It's the mildest murmur and there is no necessary treatment so the doc isn't worried about it. I love people and I tend to bond to one person, preferably with a dominant male. I am not good with other dogs and will bark, growl, and lunge at them, so no small children or cats either. My favourite thing is belly rubs. Please [CLICK HERE](#) to see my in-depth bio.

ALL WE WANT FOR CHRISTMAS IS YOU!!!

If you might be interested in adopting, please email adoption@goldenrescue.ca. And if you're not in a position to adopt, please spread the word far and wide so we can find them families soon.

MEET & GREET



Sasha #4010

I'm Sasha and I want to let all of you know that I am doing beautifully and I love my new life. I arrived in Vancouver in April and I spent my first night with hosts who made me feel so special. They gave me toys I could keep. The next day, my new mom and dad, Frieda & Karl, picked me up and we live on Vancouver Island ~ what a gorgeous place that is. They take me everywhere and I totally enjoy car rides and travelling in our motorhome. I am happy here...meeting other people who all tell me how beautiful I am and meeting lots of other dogs. Pretty soon I will be a year old and I am sure we will have a party...with lots of food and treats. Did I mention that I LOVE food and treats? Well, now you know (just in case you come to my birthday party but don't know what to get me...teehee). Thank you for helping to make this possible (and my parents want to thank you all as well).

GOLDEN FOODIES, GOODIES & BADDIES

As much as we sometimes view our pets as human-like who we happily adore and spoil, it is very important to remember that, in some regards, they have a very different biology than we do. Some things that we enjoy can make them incredibly ill. This is especially true when it comes to foods at Christmas. Foods that we consume may be toxic to your dog.

Perhaps the biggest thing to look out for is over-feeding. Golden Retrievers will eat most anything you give them and are prone to putting on weight if you're not diligent. Extra weight is a major contributor to hip and joint problems. You might think it is kind to give your dog extra treats but the opposite is true. Please keep a close eye on your Golden's weight and don't kill them with kindness.

At Christmas time it is really important to keep your dog away from many things like:

- Raisins, grapes & cherries (fresh or candied)
- Onions (including scallions and leeks)
- Garlic
- Seeds & pits
- Chocolate & cocoa
- Anything containing caffeine
- Salt & spices
- Bones of any kind as they may splinter (especially turkey or chicken)
- Alcohol (although it might be cute to give your dog some of your beer, please resist)
- Christmas ornaments and tinsel

Not only at Christmas but for the rest of the year, many fruits and vegetables make wonderful treats for dogs and many are staples you probably keep handy anyway. Unlike many dog biscuits or similar treats, they are low in calories but everything should be given in moderation. Here are some simple, natural foods you can incorporate into your routine. When trying out new treats for your dog, it's always best to start with small portions to see how your dog's GI tract responds.

Fruits That Are Healthy

Apples: Apples are an excellent source of vitamins A and C, as well as fibre. They are low in protein and fat, making them the perfect snack for senior dogs. Try them fresh or frozen for an icy snack in the summer. Caution: Apple seeds and core contain amygdalin, a form of cyanide, that is poisonous if consumed, so make sure to remove them first.

Bananas: Bananas are low in cholesterol and sodium, relatively high in fibre and contain potassium, vitamins (including vitamin C), and copper, which can contribute to a healthier heart, better digestion, and increased energy. Just be sure not to overdo it. Given their high sugar content, it's best to give bananas to dogs in moderation.

Blueberries: Blueberries are a superfood rich in antioxidants (vitamins C and K), which prevent cell damage in humans and canines alike. They're packed with fibre and phytochemicals as well. Teaching your dog to catch treats in the air? Try blueberries as an alternative to store-bought treats.



Cantaloupe: Filled with beta-carotene, fibre, folate, niacin, potassium, and vitamins A, B-6 and C, this sweet melon is a nutritional powerhouse for your dog. Don't forget to remove the seeds and rind, as they can both cause stomach and digestive issues.

Oranges: Oranges are an excellent source of vitamin C, potassium, and fibre and, in small quantities, the juicy flesh of an orange can be a tasty treat. Remove the peel and only offer your dog the flesh of the orange, minus any seeds. Orange peel is rough on their digestive systems and the oils may make your dog literally turn up their sensitive nose.

Pears: Pears are a great snack because they're high in copper, vitamins C and K, and fibre. It's been suggested that eating the fruit can reduce the risk of having a stroke by 50 percent. Just be sure to cut pears into bite-size chunks and remove the pit and seeds first, as the seeds contain traces of cyanide. Skip canned pears with sugary syrups.

Strawberries: Strawberries are a great source of fibre and vitamin C which boosts immunity. Strawberries also contain a compound, malic acid, that may aid in whitening dogs' teeth. Like bananas, strawberries are high in sugar and need to be given in small portions. Fresh berries only please to avoid syrup and added sugar. If strawberries are a new treat, start out with small amounts to avoid stomach upset.

Watermelon: Watermelon is full of vitamins A, B-6 and C, as well as potassium. Watermelon is 92% water, so it's a great way to help keep your dog hydrated on hot summer days. Be sure

to remove any rind and seeds first, as they can cause intestinal blockages.

Vegetables That Are Healthy

Carrots: Carrots are an excellent low-calorie snack that is high in fibre and beta-carotene, which produces vitamin A. Plus, the texture of carrots may also help remove film from the surface of teeth and do a small part in helping prevent the buildup of plaque.

Cucumbers: Cucumbers are especially good for overweight dogs, as they hold little to no carbohydrates, fats or oils and they can even boost energy levels. They're loaded with vitamins K, C and B1, as well as potassium, copper, magnesium, and biotin. The high-water content in cucumbers will help hydrate your dog, so they're especially good for summer and active days. They also deliver phytonutrients that can help fight the bacteria that contributes to bad breath.

Green Beans: A crunchy source of iron, calcium, fibre, folic acid, niacin, potassium, beta-carotene, and vitamins A, C, and K, green beans are another excellent choice. Chopped, steamed, raw or canned – all types of green beans are safe for dogs to eat, as long as they are plain.

Green Peas: Green peas, snow peas, sugar snap peas, and garden or English peas are all okay for dogs to find in their bowl on occasion. Peas have several vitamins and minerals and are rich in protein and high in fibre. You can feed your dog fresh or frozen peas, but avoid canned peas with added sodium.

Pumpkin: Pumpkin is rich in beta-carotene, the antioxidant responsible for its rich orange color, as well as such powerhouses as fibre, potassium, and vitamin C. Holistic veterinarians also say it may help in some instances of diarrhea and constipation. We recommend canned pumpkin puree since canned pumpkin pie filling may contain ingredients like sugar, spices, and xylitol. Consider subbing in pumpkin for peanut butter ~ it's about five calories per tablespoon versus 100 calories for the same amount of peanut butter.

Squash: Cooked squash is a great natural treat for dogs and since there are several kinds of squash that are safe for dogs, this is a good option year-round. Butternut squash, yellow squash or zucchini are all great. Just be sure to remove seeds and, for the butternut, the rind as well.

Sweet Potatoes: Sweet potatoes are high in beta-carotene and vitamins B-6 and C. They also contain minerals which serve many purposes in a dog's body ~ potassium, for example, helps keep kidneys functioning properly, maintains the right fluid balance in the body, and helps with nerve and muscle function. Their high dietary fibre content also helps digestion. If you're cooking sweet potatoes for your dog, opt for steaming or boiling them. Do not give dogs raw potatoes of any kind.

Happy Holidays and Happy,
Healthy & Safe Eating!



Warbles

Last week, we had a middle-aged Terrier present at the clinic with a three-day history of large, itchy, red lumps all over her body. The dog had recently spent some time at a friend's Kawartha-area cottage.

On the physical exam, I noted four large swellings mainly on the pet's head and neck area. The areas were quite red and infected. The oddest thing was that each swelling had a small hole in the middle. A breathing hole? Immediately, I knew we were dealing with a case of Cuterebriasis or what is more commonly known as 'Warbles'. I gently squeezed each swelling and lo and behold, I expressed a living one-centimeter-long larva from each area ~ four in total.

Are you totally grossed out yet?

Luckily, we put the pet on antibiotics and she recovered beautifully. Warbles is an uncommon disease seen in dogs but we have had more of our share of cases this year than in the past. Warbles is caused when a Botfly lays an egg near the burrowing hole of a rabbit or rodent. If your dog is a hunter and is sniffing around these burrows, the egg can hatch and the mobile larva can then mistakenly enter the dog's body through any type of opening. Three to four weeks later, the larva forms a visible nodule (warble) with an external breathing hole. After completing development, the larva will exit the host and eventually develop into an adult Botfly.

The best way to prevent Warbles is to keep your pets away from rabbit and rodent burrows. If you do live in an area where Botflies are common, I would recommend inspecting your pet's coat



for lumps or swellings on a regular basis. If you do suspect your pet has been infected, book an appointment with your veterinarian but please do not try to remove them on your own.

It's all in a day's work!

**By Dr. Scott Bainbridge,
Dundas West
Animal Hospital**



Upcoming Events

Join us, have fun, and help Golden!

Help us spread the GOLDEN word! We need YOU ~ volunteers and visitors! If you are interested in volunteering with your Golden for a few hours, click here to send an email to our events team. Indicate which event(s) you would like to help with and the hours you are available. Tell your friends, mark your calendars, and hope to see you there!

November 26 ~ 10 am – 7 pm

November 27 ~ 11 am – 3 pm

Muskoka Market: Huntsville Holiday Edition
Downtown Huntsville, ON

December 3 & 4 ~ 10 am – 6 pm

December 10 & 11 ~ 10 am – 6 pm

December 17 & 18 ~ 10 am – 6 pm

Oshawa Markets
555 Simcoe Street South
Oshawa, ON

Holiday Shopping!

The holiday season is coming up quickly so let the Golden Rescue Store help out with all your holiday gift buying. We have a number of fabulous items that you can personalize with any photo of your choice. We have new placemats and coasters (which can be purchased as a set or separately). How great would it be eating at your table and looking down to see your Golden staring up at you! These would make perfect stocking stuffers.

When looking for that gift for your four-legged friend, how about the toy box ~ add their name and they will always know where to put their toys (yah, right!). Our puzzle is a great gift for those family game nights and our mouse pad is also a great stocking stuffer. Also, a fabulous gift is the door mat ~ we have received great feedback on these. Finally, why not keep your flying friends happy over the winter

with our personalized bird houses, which wear amazingly well. Although not personalized, our hoodies, vests, and jackets are also excellent gift ideas. And if none of these suggestions work, don't forget our 2023 calendar or the Golden Reflections Coffee Table Book, which is full of great stories about our rescues. And, gift certificates also make wonderful presents.

Check out the STORE for all your holiday needs! Shop while supporting our Golden.



THE TRAINING CORNER



LET'S TALK GAMES!

Over the summer, I had the opportunity to rent Shari's Playpen. It's a fully fenced 110 x 110-foot field in north Pickering. If you've been reading my previous articles, you'll know that at Who's Walking Who, we use a combination of Positive Reward and Games Based training. I decided to take a leap of faith and offer only games-based classes using games developed by Absolute Dogs in the U.K. and the results were beyond our expectations...so much so that we had to add more classes.

So, why were these so popular? Because the games work on concepts, the struggles that many dogs have in everyday life (i.e. on a walk OR off leash OR reacting to things passing by OR being able to calm down when excited OR someone knocking at the door, and other inappropriate behaviours). Don't get me wrong, we still love Positive Reward Obedience training; however, that type of training is best for teaching your dog what a word means, like 'sit', 'down' or 'stay'. However, that method of training doesn't work on concepts like impulse control and disengagement. It would be like someone telling you "Just be confident" in a situation where you just don't feel confident. You need to change how your brain thinks in order to be confident.

Let me give you an easy example of this. Your dog sees something on the ground they want or you accidentally drop something on the ground that

they want to dive for. You can say 'leave it' but are you always going to notice when there's something on the ground that they shouldn't have? Wouldn't it be better if they saw the thing on the ground and decided that's none of their business and left it alone? That's what concept games-based training is all about ~ changing the way they think.

Games Based Concept training is an innovative approach and considered to be the next evolution in dog training. More and more facilities are starting to offer this method of training. It's not a cookie-cutter approach, which is how obedience training is done. Instead, each dog is looked at as an individual to determine the three main weaknesses in the dog's brain or personality. Then we select games that will grow those concepts to help the dog make more appropriate choices. It's not about telling the dog what to do or teaching an alternative behaviour (such as telling a dog to sit when jumping up). It's neuroscience. It's about building and strengthening neural pathways and re-shaping your dog's brain. You train FOR the situation not IN the situation.

Absolute Dogs has created over 300 games. Each game works on 3 to 7 concepts and there are 14 concepts in all. Here are concepts they work on and a brief explanation of each:

Calmness – being able to remain calm, rather than barking, lunging, jumping up, hiding, shaking, etc.

when someone comes to the door or out in public.

Confidence – are they comfortable in new situations or do they get stressed or react by barking, lunging, etc.?

Disengagement – your dog makes the decision to move away from something rather than engaging or investigating, especially when you call them.

Engagement – your dog chooses to interact with you even when that pesky squirrel is flipping its tail at them.

Flexibility – having the ability to change their behaviour or emotional state in exciting situations like on a walk or calling them to come.

Focus – being much more interested in us rather than the environment and checking in with us to make sure they know where we are, especially off leash.

Grit – when presented with a challenge or something new they've never done, do they step up or give up?

Independence – are they able to spend time away from you or do they struggle with separation anxiety?

Novelty – when they see something new, strange or different, do they see it as a good thing and ignore it or a scary thing and bark or cower?

Optimism – when they see the world as a good



LINDA WITH AUGIE #2623, STAR & TULA

and friendly place when new things or changes happen. Many dogs are pessimistic and we see a lot of this in rescues.

Proximity – you are the best deal and you dog sees value in being close to you. They enjoy being close to you on walks.

Self-Control/Impulse-Control – their ability to control themselves when seeing something they want, like that half-eaten hamburger on the ground or a bunny munching grass.

Thinking in Arousal – can they listen and respond to you when they are excited, worried or scared. Do they have a dimmer switch allowing them to bring their own arousal level down a few notches?

Tolerance of Frustration – do they get frustrated or anxious when things don't happen when they expect them to? Like at mealtime or when you normally go out for a walk.

Here's how it works. If you have a dog that pulls on leash and wants to chase squirrels or barks and lunges at other dogs, we might work on concepts such as disengagement, proximity, and impulse control. If your dog prefers to ignore you when off-leash and not come when called, we might work on thinking in arousal, flexibility, and disengagement. A dog with separation anxiety might best be helped by playing games that work on confidence, independence, and tolerance of frustration. Remember, not all dogs are the same. There may be other concepts that are more applicable to your dog.

The best part...many of our students have told us that these programs have done more for their dog than ALL the obedience training they have done before! They love how much fun it is, how quickly they start to see changes in their dog, and how it transfers into real-life! What we love is that we're hearing this not only from those who got their dog as a pup, but those who have adopted rescues. Who knew training your dog could be so much fun!?

By Lynda Kitson

Lynda Kitson is the owner of Who's Walking Who Dog Training Centres with locations in Ajax and The Beach (Toronto) ~ www.whoswalkingwho.ca. She lives with her husband Vaughan and three Golden Retrievers, Augie #2623, Star, and their newest addition, Tula.

MEET & GREET



Lila #4102

As soon as Lila came out of the crate, we felt an instant bond. She came right to us and let us take her away with no resistance. She was amazing in the car and she made herself right at home when we arrived. The kids have been obsessed with her since she arrived. Lila loves going for walks. She also loves hanging out by the pool. She comes to a cottage with us where she shows us her amazing swimming skills ~ she definitely loves the water. She is so good natured and everyone she meets compliments her on how beautiful and gentle she is. She follows us around the house constantly as she always wants to be in the middle of the action. Despite her having a comfy dog bed, she sneaks onto the couch after we all go to bed, but we pretend we don't notice. She is also quite the lady as whenever she lays down, she always does so with her paws crossed ~ we all smile at that! We are so happy she is part of our family and we are so happy we could give her the home she deserves. She will be forever loved and we can tell she loves being in our family.

Kristen & Bruce



OUR GOLDENS & WILL POWER

Nothing can match the magical day when a wonderful Golden becomes part of a forever family and the fantastic relationship and bond begins. Preparing a special comfortable bed, toys, food, activities, vet care, grooming, and getting to know family and the neighbourhood and even other four-legged creatures in our world...it's all good. Oh, and did we say taking lots a pictures!

A great deal of preparation is required for life's journey with our precious Golden. However, if something unforeseen occurs, which may affect them, we need to have a plan. Throughout the year, we receive inquiries from Golden families regarding:

- care of Golden should an unforeseen life event or death occur
- will planning for care of Golden and financial matters associated with this care
- will/estate planning and charitable giving

Many questions are asked and begin with Golden Rescue as the first point of consideration for what to do and next steps. The following will provide some guidance or direction to frequently asked questions ~ FAQs.

What happens to my Golden if I can no longer take care of my Golden or I pass away suddenly?

Your first discussion should be with family/friends who are likely to step in should an unforeseen event occur. Please review your Will and Power of Attorney (POA) with your lawyer and discuss any arrangements to be made regarding your Golden to provide for care and expenses. If friends and family are not able to support your Golden's care,

then make a plan with your lawyer to have Golden Rescue engaged with provisions provided in your will and POA for care. Golden Rescue will bring your Golden into our program and take great care to match your precious Golden with a new forever family. Provisions for care, expenses, and any tax efficient charitable donation consideration to Golden Rescue instructions can be written into your will and POA.

How can I make a charitable contribution to Golden Rescue today or in my will?

The general question most often asked and those asking usually prefer to contact or to speak with a Golden Rescue Board Member or they are encouraged to visit Golden Rescue's website www.goldenrescue.ca. We recommend that you receive independent planning and tax advice from your financial advisor or your tax preparers. Golden Rescue is a registered charity and provides donation tax receipts.

How does it work if I contribute today?

Contributions can be made monthly, annually or by lump-sum by contacting the Director of Donations, Advisory & Planned Giving at board@goldenrescue.ca

What should I tell my lawyer or put into my will or POA?

Depending on what type of gift

or donation you wish to give, options may include:

- a specific request or an asset, which may include investments, stocks, a dollar amount or percentage from your estate
- naming Golden Rescue as a charity from your estate or a beneficiary of a life insurance policy or other asset
- a residuary gift made from what is left-over in the estate after specific requests, taxes, and expenses been paid

In summary, many options exist for giving today or in the future, which provide that great feeling of knowing you made a difference in the lives of needy Golden. Let us know if we can help you with your offer to help our Golden and contact us today at board@goldenrescue.ca.

THANK YOU!



MEET & GREET MARGO #3976

HERE'S WHAT MARGOT'S MOM SAYS ABOUT THIS LOVELY GIRL:

She has grown to like our other dog and they'll run around together in the yard and play like crazy.

She always carries her little black bear toy around the house when she's excited or when someone visits.

When we picked her up, she was in need of a bath, scared, and very confused. We got home, gave her some love, and when we turned on the water in the bath to see if she would consider a bath, she jumped right in. To our surprise, she loved it and didn't want to get out.

She's really friendly and loves everyone ~ people, other dogs, and she even wanted to play with some cats (though they weren't in favour of it).

She loves to watch the birds at our feeders and will sit for hours if you let her...perfectly content watching birds and squirrels.

She comes to work with me (in a vet clinic) and she loves it there with all the dogs and people ~ I have to carry her out because she never wants to leave.



She has changed our lives in such a positive way...she is our very own ray of sunshine. She's already a part of the family and we can't imagine not having her as part of the family.

Laurie



MEET & GREET



Cooper #3988

Cooper is doing really well! At exactly three weeks, just as you suggested, Cooper really started to settle in and get into a rhythm with us. He fit perfectly into our lives and we couldn't be happier (or more fit from all the walking)! He has quickly become a hit on our street and our neighbours have been full of praise as he has transitioned from taking us for a walk to walking so well beside us (though he does still chase the occasional bunny and squirrel). People are definitely his favourite 'thing'. Close behind would be his iguana plush toy, the car, and tall grasses! He's not a fan of other dogs (some little ones and older dogs are okay) and we're working on it. He has the most adorable 'butt wiggle' when he's excited ~ it's enough to steal just about anyone's heart! Matching Cooper with us was really the perfect pairing and we feel so incredibly lucky to have him in our lives.

Emily, David & Cooper



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Marina Di Pancrazio
Marjorie Emery
Mark Tremblay
Marla Levant-Bornstein
Martin Lutterkort
Martine Brouillet

Mary & Doug Hill
Mary Bellinger
Mary Castonguay
Mary DiSalvo
Mary Jane Reynolds
Mary McMulkin
Mary Upwood
Mary Vanderwerf
Marylee Davies
Matt & Shirley Criger
Mavis Lenhardt
McKenzie Scott
Meaghan
Theophilopoulos
Melanie Coulter
Melissa Guter
Melodee Pollock
Michael Wunder
Professional
Corporation
Michel Thouin
Michelle Buuck
Michelle Kern
Michelle Thompson
Mike Feeley
Monica Bunde
Monica Laane-Fralick
Murray Young
Nancy Sutton
Nancy Beatty
Nancy Buott
Nancy Feisthauer
Nancy Fiorillo
Nancy Wright
Nancy Zowkewych
Natalee Kazor
Natalia Ferdman

Natalie Osika
Natasa Seahra
Nellie Lamb
Nicola Croot
Nicole Collingwood
Nicole Rossi
Nicole Sali
Nikki Jackson
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Pam Erskine
Pamela Allen
Pat Lescinsky
Patricia Bent
Patricia Jacklin
Patricia Maxwell
Patrick Mooney
Patti Enright
Patti Jacobs
Paul Farrell
Paul Riese
Paul Scanlan
Paul Haslam – Haslam
Financial Inc.
Paula Ball
Paula Osmok
Pauline Wey
Peggy Leung
Peter Floro
Peter Malizia
Puangpaka Armstrong
Rachel Rederburg
Rachel Robert
Rachel Scott & family

Randy Woods
Rashmi Ganesh
Renate Lehmann
Renee Brussaard
Renee Kessler
Rex Baum
Riah Townsley
Rick Staniewicz
Robbie Emert
Robert Wilson
Robert Woodrow
Robert Yeung
Robin Barkhouse
Robyn Ahmed
Roger Fielding
Rose Pollock
Rosemary Ayre
Rosemary Toth
Ruth Edward
Samantha Lemperger
Sandra Blaney
Sandra Kelly
Sandra Lindsay
Sandra Lombardi
Sandra Oliver
Sandy Knox
Sara Houstoun-Evoy
Sarah Adams
Sekoiaa Lake
Shannon Scalia
Shannon Landreth
Shannon Leclerc
Shannon O'Leary
Shareeka Nagil
Sharon King
Sharon Allum
Sharon Wrusch

Shawn Richmond
Shelley Rose
Shelly Tosh
Shereen McLeod
Sheri Greenman
Sherry Hudson
Sheryl Chow
Shirley Hurd
Sophie Snell
Stacey Fobear
Stacey Oneal
Stefanie Schone
Stephanie Hasiuk
Stéphanie Leclercq
Susan M Campbell
Susan Houchins
Susan Robertson
Susan Scott
Susan Tullock
Susan, Woody & Bailey
Greenberg
Suzanne Shears
Sylvie Vangeel
Tammy Dawson
Tammy Maruottolo
Tanya Stohmann
Tasker Kelsey
Tayfun Uzun
Teresa Osika
Teri Whiting
Tieny Ho
Tiffany Nofziger
Tim Reynolds
Tom Soltys
Tony Lee
Tracey Blum
Tracey Clausi

Tracey Robertson
Tracy Hicks
Tracy Pfanzelt
Trish Slater
Valerie Keough
Valerie Schwark
Vanessa Lee
Vicki Acres
Vicki Fawcett
Vicky Marshall
Victoria Seip
Viive Tamm
Vivian Lee-Major
Wanetta Doucette-
Goodman
Wendy Elchesyn
Wendy Huntley
Wendy Jurgilas
Whitney Morrison
Winnie Maple Johnston
Yves Labelle
Yvonne Davidson
Yvonne Whalen
Zarine Vogel



THANK YOU!

MEET & GREET



Ross #4127

Wow...are you Canadians ever great. I came flying out of my crate at the airport and literally fell in the arms of my amazing new parents, Trish and Neil, giving them a thousand kisses of appreciation. I enjoyed the car ride to my new home. I have a new sister, Phoebe, who is showing me the ropes and even lets me share her bed. I do love shoes and counter surfing but I'm learning that they are a no-no. That's okay because everything else is yes-yes. Thank you everyone for giving me a second chance...you're the best! Here's what my new family says about me ~ "Ross has been the perfect addition to our family and we love him as much as he loves us. We can't thank all the volunteers at Golden Rescue enough. All were very professional and obviously love Golden Retrievers as much as we do."

Luna #3795

This is Luna. Every time I look at this picture, I cry...tears just roll. I see a sweet sentient being who would never have had this life in Canada if it weren't for Golden Rescue. Luna loves balls, as many dogs do. So, it's no surprise that she loves watching a juggler juggle balls. We went to see a juggler for the children and then he came in Canadian attire and juggled just for her! She was in heaven! To have a life in Canada, where she is loved and is safe, she can bask in delight versus survival. She is so deserving of everything and she lives life with a sparkle in her eyes. Thank you for this gift called Luna!

Cheryl



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GOLDEN MOMENTS®



"They even light it up, so we can see where to go!"

Help Us Help Golden's – CONSIDER VOLUNTEERING!

Golden Rescue continues to grow and evolve...and we're looking for volunteers! Might that be you? We run solely with volunteers ~ a wonderfully dedicated group sharing a common vision to safeguard the well-being of every Golden in our care. Our work is hugely rewarding and we would love to hear from you. We currently have needs in a number of areas.

Foster Families

We continue to have Golden's coming into our care and we need foster homes specifically:

- For the Western Provinces & the Maritimes
- Homes without any pets (throughout Canada)

Fostering a Golden and helping them through a transitional phase is an incredibly rewarding experience because you're the first step in their new life. If you are interested in fostering, please fill out a foster application online at:

www.goldenrescue.ca/foster/

Once you've filled out an application, a volunteer will contact you to clarify any points, answer any questions you might have, and arrange a home visit. You will also be assigned a foster mentor.

Estimated time commitment: Varies by Golden and their circumstances

Transport Drivers

Transport Drivers are needed to move our Golden's from their past to their future new lives especially in the following areas:

- British Columbia
- Alberta

- Northern Ontario
- Maritimes

Drivers pick up our precious cargo from previous homes, shelters, vet offices, etc. and drive them to their foster families. Sometimes this trip is short and can be done by one person and other times the distance is greater, requiring volunteers to work as a relay team, picking up and dropping off at identified locations along the way. Obviously, this is a very important task. Drivers must have a valid driver's license and be willing to use their own car.

Estimated time commitment: Your availability

Event Administrator

This is a vital role within the Events Team and is highly administrative. Some of the key duties include:

- managing RoundCube (email system) and creating required folders, monitoring incoming emails, and filing/saving as required
- Google Drive: creating required folders, completing required forms
- monitoring event processes and advising the event director of any concerns



DAISY #2618

Most of our processes are standard and require minimal editing. You will be provided with all the tools, training, and support you need to achieve these goals. You should have strong organizational and communication skills, a solid working knowledge of Excel Spreadsheets, and experience working in an email environment. Knowledge of Google Drive would be an asset, but not a requirement.

Estimated time commitment: Varies depending on the number of events in a particular month

If you're interested in any of the above roles, please email: teamresources@goldenrescue.ca

THANK YOU FOR COMING TO OUR RESCUE!



Memories in Motion was created last year as a special fun-raising event to honour all our Golden Retrievers, past and present. This year, we had a special challenge for our participants.

To celebrate the expansion of Golden Rescue right across the country, we decided to walk across Canada ~ from coast-to-coast, a distance of 6,165 km over the course of one month with a fundraising goal of \$6,165.

On October 1st, on a beautiful fall day, we held walk-a-thons in multiple locations across the country to help us meet this goal. Our volunteers gathered their families, friends, Golden Retrievers, and other fur-friends to walk together to unite for one common cause ~ rescue. All participants, two-and-four-legged, had a fabulous fur-flying (and sometimes muddy) time! Oh, and did they meet the goal? They sure did! As a matter of fact, they surpassed it, raising \$7,440!

Thank you to all who helped make this happen!

If anyone would like to join our Memories in Motion Fun-Raising Committee to help plan next year's shenanigans, please email: fundraising@goldenrescue.ca.

The Aftermath...



Coast To Coast



VICTORIA, BC



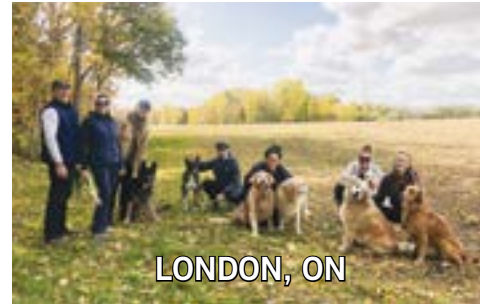
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MONTREAL, QC



ST. LIGUORI, QC



WOLFVILLE, NS



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Farewell to Spencer #1724



It was with the heaviest of hearts that I said good-bye to Spencer #1724 on May 18th. He was surrounded by love as he went to doggie heaven. He didn't have the best beginning, coming from a puppy mill farm where he had to fight for his food; however, under the guidance of Golden Rescue and a wonderful foster family, he was cared for with the love and kindness he deserved until Spencer became part of our home. He was a smart cookie our Spencer. While I wasn't sure about him, he made an immediate connection with my 12-year-old son Daniel and next thing I knew we were on the 401 from Ottawa with a just turned five-year-old Golden in the back seat. Our first year together was bumpy. Spencer was growly, grumpy, and didn't trust us. I called him Mr. Grumbles. He had a fight with a German Shepherd in our neighbourhood. His first dog walker in Oakville could tell stories about how snarly he was. But little by little, with a lot of patience and even more love, he started to trust and became a wonderful member of the family and a bit of an old soul. We shared many adventures together and lots of special occasions whether in Ottawa, Elliot Lake, Montreal, New York or Tennessee. Christmas was always hilarious as he played the 'will the turkey fall on the floor' waiting game and amazingly, despite his food guarding issues at the beginning, he learned patience and impulse control and was always rewarded with some extra treat. I am blessed to have had him for 10 years. Spencer exceeded his breed standard by almost three years, and he missed his 15th birthday by seven days (but oh did he try to get there). He was my best friend for all the good times, and an even more loyal friend through the challenges of the past four years ~ a separation, a new home in

a new location, and a pandemic. As he became a senior, he started breaking down bit by bit until last week, when x-rays showed he had a mass on his lungs, and he struggled with getting up and with breathing. Spencer told me it was time and although I've shed an ocean of tears, letting him go peacefully was the right thing to do. I owe much gratitude to Golden Rescue that Spencer's

second chance would be with me. Spencer loved running in fields of dandelions and I will always think of him that way. Whether you knew him by Spencer, Spenceroo, Spencey or Sir Spencer, he was a wonderful boy and I will miss him. Love you forever Spencer.

Carleen



Our 50/50 CASH LOTTERY HOLIDAY EDITION is back!

Let's make this the biggest jackpot EVER!

Our holidays 50/50 draw starts on Monday, November 21st at 9 am and we are once again featuring '12 Golden Days of Christmas Gift Giving' plus an added Super Early-Bird Draw!

The Early-Bird draws will be held on:

- Friday, November 25th
- Wednesday, December 7th
- Wednesday, December 14th
- Wednesday, December 21st

Our Super Early-Birds will have two prizes and each of the draws in December will have four prizes per draw ~ all gift cards to your favourite places in varying amounts ~ including a \$500 VISA gift card generously donated by one of our sponsors ~ the Oshawa Markets!



All Early-Bird Draws are held at 8 pm. Visit our 50/50 website page for all the prize details. The jackpot draw will be on Friday, December 30th at noon. Sales will close on December 29th at 11:59 pm.

GET YOUR TICKETS NOW!

www.goldenrescue5050.ca

Our Golden retrievers are working hard to collect prizes for the Early-Bird Draws and they really need your help! To find out how, email 5050@goldenrescue.ca. Are you a business and would like to be a sponsor and have your business featured on our 50/50 website and in our eblasts? Email us to find out how!

We are also looking for people to help us spread the word about our Online 50/50 Cash Lottery. Do you have internal mail or newsletters where you work? Or know of (inexpensive) advertising options? Do you have any other marketing or advertising ideas? If so, we need you! Email our 50/50 team.

*Lottery License #RAF1204617
*Open to Ontario residents only**

*Complete rules are posted online at:
www.goldenrescue5050.ca*



**Scan here
TO BUY
TICKETS!**



WELCOME TO THE GOLDEN FAMILY

Abbie #4029

2-year-old female adopted by Gillian & Francis

Abigail #4032

1-year-old female adopted by Denise & Peter

Alex #4318

1-year-old male adopted by Courtney & Sebastian

Amalu #4095

1-year-old male adopted by Keiko & Norman

Amira #4131

4-year-old female adopted by Allison & Steve

Andy #3879

7-year-old male adopted by Diana

Angus #4255

1-year-old male adopted by Mady

Archie #3922

6-year-old male adopted by Diane & Stephen

Archie #4200

6-year-old male adopted by Sherry & Dan

Asta #4109

6-year-old female adopted by Morgan

Atlas #4100

10-month-old male adopted by Ryan

Auggie #3970

1-year-old male adopted by Hannah & Andrew

Augie #4246

1-year-old female adopted by Lori & Steve

Avery #3872

10-month-old male adopted by Kelly

Bailey #4072

1-year-old female adopted by Cathy

Bailey #4087

5-year-old female adopted by Kim & Bob

Bailey #4147

2-year-old female adopted by Ruth & Bill

Bailey #4186

1-year-old female adopted by Annie & Martin

Bailey #4229

2-year-old male adopted by Shelley

Bailey #4249

3-year-old female adopted by Amanda & Joe

Bear #4321

9-year-old male adopted by Devin

Beau #3973

4-year-old male adopted by Nadine & John

Bella #3659

2-year-old female adopted by Laurie

Bella #3986

2-year-old female adopted by Lisa & Jason

Bella #4063

2-year-old female adopted by Lynne

Bella #4156

1-year-old female adopted by Danielle & Matthew

Ben #3916

3-year-old male adopted by Jennifer

Benny #4298

1-year-old male adopted by Karen & Phil

Bentley #4143

2-year-old male adopted by Andrew

Bliss #4226

2-year-old female adopted by Trudy & Yvon

Blues #4105

2-year-old male adopted by Julie

Bobby #4128

1-year-old male adopted by Jane

Bodie #4033

1-year-old male adopted by Hollie & Tom

Bogey #3987

7-year-old male adopted by Colette & Todd

Bowen #4062

4-year-old male adopted by Veronika & Brad

Brinkley #4117

3-year-old male adopted by Penny & Jim

Brodie #4129

2-year-old male adopted by Ida

Brooksy #4031

5-year-old male adopted by Lisa

Bruno #4165

1-year-old male adopted by Christine & Mario

Burrow #4203

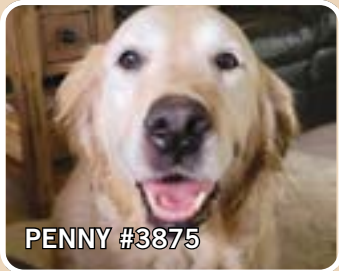
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Buster #4135

3-year-old male adopted by Robin & Adam

Cai #4215

2-year-old male adopted by Andrea & Jason



PENNY #3875



WILLOW #3933 & WINSTON #3932



LOUIS #3982



PHOEBE #3985



DILLON #4000

Cairo #3787
3-year-old male
adopted by Shane

Cairo #4232
2-year-old male
adopted by Brizia

Callie #4307
1-year-old female
adopted by Dianne

Carson #4119
7-year-old male
adopted by Li & Paul

Castiel #4363
6-year-old male
adopted by Marnie & Angelo

Charcoal #4040
3-year-old male
adopted by Shelley

Charlie #4056
5-year-old male
adopted by Elizabeth & David

Charlie #4354
8-year-old male
adopted by Helen & John

Chester #4340
9-month-old male
adopted by Andrea & Ross

Chip #4266
2-year-old male
adopted by Tracy

Claire #4314
5-year-old female
adopted by Lynn

Clarice #4167
1-year-old female
adopted by Jo-Anne & Andrew

Cleo #4051
1-year-old female
adopted by Stephanie & Carter

Cleo #4057
8-month-old female
adopted by Jill & Paul

Cleo #4151
11-month-old
female adopted by Shelley

Cleo #4191
1-year-old female
adopted by Carolyn & John

Cleopatra #4359
1-year-old female
adopted by Paulette & Jonathan

Clyde #3995
2-year-old male
adopted by Moira & Doug

Colby #4355
2-year-old male
adopted by Brianne & Paul

Cooper #3948
2-year-old male
adopted by Ruth & Dale

Cozy #4270
9-month-old female
adopted by Greg

Crosby #4194
1-year-old male
adopted by Andrea & Mark

Cruz #4288
9-month-old male
adopted by Emma

Daisy #4235
1-year-old female
adopted by Kelly & Mike

Deek #3983
2-year-old male
adopted by Jennifer & Sean

Denver #3950
1-year-old male
adopted by Susan & Alan

Dillon #4000
2-year-old male
adopted by Stenette & Ron

Dina #4067
2-year-old female
adopted by Jurgen

Duke #4106
4-year-old male
adopted by Christine & Matt

Ella May #4045
8-year-old female
adopted by Patricia & James

Ellie #4125
2-year-old female
adopted by Ashley & Daryl

Elliott #4174
2-year-old male
adopted by Phyllis & Rudy

Emma #4201
7-year-old female
adopted by Kate & Marc

Emma #4296
2-year-old female
adopted by Debbie & Reed

Emmylou #4323
2-year-old female
adopted by Michelle & Dave

Evie #4139
1-year-old female
adopted by Kaye & Jason

Falah #4037
1-year-old female
adopted by Jane & Paul

Finn #4093
9-month-old male
adopted by Sara & Derek

Fozzie #4218
3-year-old male
adopted by Leanne & Ryan

Fraser #4169
1-year-old male
adopted by Christina & Tom

Frida #4240
3-year-old female
adopted by Kristen

Frankie #4059
1-year-old male
adopted by Stewart

Frankie #4159
2-year-old male
adopted by Joy & Mike

Fred #3642
4-year-old male
adopted by Jennifer & Peter

Gina #4002
2-year-old female
adopted by Jody

Ginger #3974
1-year-old female
adopted by Catherine & Renaud

Ginger #4263
8-month-old female
adopted by Jenny & Juan

Glimmer #4065
9-month-old female
adopted by Lorene & Jim



HARPER #4004



MACK #4039



LUNA #4046



MCKINLEY #4047



MR. CHIPS #4048

Grace #4001

3-year-old female adopted by June & John

Gracie #4230

4-year-old female adopted by Peter

Gretel #4061

1-year-old female adopted by Brittney & Jesse

Hallie #4144

9-year-old female adopted by Sheila & Edward

Harper #4004

2-year-old male adopted by Alanna & Kelly

Harper #4141

2-year-old female adopted by Shauntra & Joe

Harris #4077

1-year-old male adopted by Lori & John

Hazel #4199

7-year-old female adopted by Kim & Craig

Hobbs #3975

4-year-old male adopted by Molly

Honey #4158

8-year-old female adopted by Tanya & Troy

Honey Moon #3878

6-year-old female adopted by Diane Howie #4197

3-year-old male adopted by Sandra & Rob

Hugo #4217

1-year-old male adopted by Kelly

Hunny #4347

1-year-old female adopted by Stephanie & Scott

Hunter #4309

2-year-old male adopted by Karen & Dave

Indie #3944

9-month-old male adopted by Jonathan

Iris #4166

3-year-old female adopted by Nathalie & Norman

Jackson #3949

2-year-old male adopted by Maryann & Chris

Jackson #4254

2-year-old male adopted by Johanna & Rob

Jamie #4064

3-year-old male adopted by Kayla & Mike

Jemma #4055

2-year-old female adopted by Paula & Alex

Jenny #4209

3-year-old female adopted by Diane & David

Jesse #4302

2-year-old female adopted by Jane & Peter

Joey #3994

3-year-old male adopted by Pat & Rob

Joey #4136

6-month-old female adopted by Jim

Jordie #4295

6-year-old male adopted by Phyllis

June #3961 & Johnny #3962

2-year-old female & male adopted by Miranda

Juno #4313

1-year-old female adopted by Karen & Allan

Kairo #4283

1-year-old female adopted by Sue

Kalen #4028

2-year-old male adopted by Mario

Kelly #4253

1-year-old female adopted by Sue & Paul

Kiefer #4304

4-year-old male adopted by Ellen & Mike

Kili #4171

3-year-old female adopted by Viive & Iain

Kismet #4216

3-year-old female adopted by Craig

Kobi #4107

6-year-old male adopted by Christine & Marty

Kody #4371

2-year-old male adopted by Corinne & Dave

Kramer #4227

2-year-old male adopted by Lori & Ken

Kyle #4099

8-year-old male adopted by Megan & Iann

Laszlo #4192

4-year-old male adopted by Lily

Layla #4342

5-year-old female adopted by Mary & Douglas

Lelo #4280

2-year-old female adopted by Neil

Leo #4096

8-month-old male adopted by Andrea & Tyler

Leo #4145

1-year-old male adopted by Bhairavi & Ramnath

Levi #4054

6-month-old male adopted by Julie & Doug

Lexx #4005 & Milo #4006

1-year-old & 9-month-old male adopted by Elizabeth & Craig

Libby #4122

1-year-old female adopted by Vivienne & Mark

Lila #4102

8-month-old female adopted by Kristen

Lila #3951

2-year-old female adopted by Ruth & Joe



CHARLIE #4056



CLEO #4057



TROOPER #4068



ODIN #4069



RAMSES #4070

Lilly #4073

2-year-old female adopted by Kathy & Peter

Lily #4042

8-year-old female adopted by Jean & Norm

Lilypad #4126

1-year-old female adopted by Laura & Dante

Lola #4118

2-year-old female adopted by Kelly

Louie #4058

2-year-old male adopted by Kerry & John

Louie #4089

1-year-old male adopted by Susan & Glen

Louis #3981

6-month-old male adopted by Bridgette & Duane

Lucy #4163

11-month-old female adopted by Erin & Patrick

Luke #4291

2-year-old male adopted by Zainab & Mark

Luna #4046

1-year-old female adopted by Michelle

Luna #4052

4-year-old female adopted by Geneviève & Jean-Sebastien

Mack #4039

1-year-old male adopted by Paul

Maggie #3813

2-year-old female adopted by Kathleen & Tack

Maggie #4011

6-year-old female adopted by Cynthia

Maisie #4160

8-year-old female adopted by Sarah

Margot #3976

2-year-old female adopted by Laurie

Martina #4108

8-year-old female adopted by Brenda & Sam

Matt #3915

3-year-old male adopted by Dave

Maverick #4193

2-year-old male adopted by Judy & Mike

Max #3978

3-year-old male adopted by Anne-Marie & William

Max #4293

2-month-old male adopted by Rebecca & Jordan

Max #4368

1-year-old male adopted by Elizabeth & Bob

McKinley #4047

1-year-old male adopted by Amy & Ian

Midas #4097

9-month-old male adopted by Madeleine

Milly #4088

10-month-old female adopted by Laura & Jordan

Milo #4356

2-year-old male adopted by Liz & Paul

Mitch #4238

2-year-old male adopted by Naki & Len

Mitch #4265

1-year-old male adopted by Deborah & Grant

Mocca #4123

1-year-old female adopted by Brenda

Mollie #4027

3-year-old female adopted by Betty Lou

Molly #4113

8-month-old female adopted by Michelle & Paul

Molly #4157

2-year-old female adopted by Susan

Molly #4219

6-year-old female adopted by Donna-Marie

Mosey #4322

9-month-old male adopted by Ashley & Jared

Molson #3972

2-year-old male adopted by Denisha & Ryan

Mr. Chips #4048

10-year-old male adopted by Cindy & Bob

Murphy #4034

2-year-old male adopted by Sarah

Murphy #4080

8-month-old male adopted by Rebecca

Murphy #4204

1-year-old male adopted by Rosetta & Bill

Murphy #4205

3-year-old male adopted by Emilie & Sebastien

Nahla #3991

4-year-old female adopted by Meredith & Ron

Nala #4146

2-year-old female adopted by Sarah & Stephen

Naya #4225

4-year-old female adopted by Amanda & Mark

Nellie #4038

2-year-old female adopted by Vicky & Dave

Nelson #4196

1-year-old male adopted by Janet & Barry

Nova #4261

1-year-old female adopted by Kerry

Oakley #3969

3-year-old male adopted by Karen

Oakley #4014

2-year-old male adopted by Julie & Stuart



ZIGGY #4075



AMALU #4095



SADIE #4101



TEAGAN #4121



ROSS #4127

Odi #4081

3-year-old male adopted by Kaitlin & Jake

Odin #4069

6-year-old male adopted by Sue & Greg

Olive #4184

4-month-old female adopted by Karen & Anthony

Olive #4237

1-year-old female adopted by Randa & Todd

Oliver #4231

7-year-old male adopted by Brenda & Michael

Ophira #4369

6-month-old female adopted by Carolyn & Alen

Orion #4094

1-year-old male adopted by Amanda & Jeffrey

Oscar #4076

5-year-old male adopted by Heather & Shawn

Ozzy #4150

2-year-old male adopted by Lisa & Dominique

Pamuk #4049

2-year-old male adopted by Julie & Ted

Parry #4208

3-year-old male adopted by Laura & Shawn

Peanut #4284

11-month-old female adopted by Susan

Penny #3875

7-year-old female adopted by Joan

Penny #4241

3-year-old female adopted by Ross, David & Lorraine

Pete #4269

1-year-old male adopted by Melissa & Mark

Pharaoh #4116

1-year-old male adopted by Ramya & Prad

Phoebe #3985

3-year-old female adopted by Jane & Shawn

Phoebe #4185

3-year-old female adopted by Melissa & Brett

Phoebe #4308

1-year-old female adopted by Kathy & David

Piper #4374

1-year-old female adopted by Tamara & Richard

Poppy #4079

7-year-old female adopted by Carol

Poppy #4168

3-year-old female adopted by Lisa & Roland

Poppy #4189

1-year-old female adopted by Maggie

Quinn #4370

2-year-old male adopted by Ruth & Larry

Raeya #4248

1-year-old female adopted by Robin

Ramses #4070

1-year-old male adopted by Bonnie & Dave

Reba #4324 & Marty #4325

2-year-old female & 3-year-old male adopted by Brenda & Lou

Redd #4301

3-year-old male adopted by Jane & John

Remy #4311

3-year-old male adopted by Laurie & Jamie

Riley #4267

1-year-old female adopted by Carri-Lynn & Brad

Rocky #4086

1-year-old male adopted by Christine & Derek

Rory #4187

1-year-old male adopted by Fiona & Simon

Rosey #4137

9-month-old female adopted by Patricia & Rob

Ross #4127

4-year-old male adopted by Trish & Neil

Ruby #4207

3-year-old female adopted by Nancy

Ruby #4377

2-month-old female adopted by Carrington & Matthew

Ruby Tuesday #3992

11-month-old female adopted by Heather & David

Rue #4134

1-year-old female adopted by Tracey & Matt

Rufus #3754

3-year-old male adopted by Dawn

Rufus #3977

1-year-old male Adopted by Sue & Dan

Rumi #4183

8-month-old male adopted by Lori

Sadie #4101

2-year-old female adopted by Karen & William

Sadie #4161

5-year-old female adopted by Gayle

Sadie #4277

1-year-old female adopted by Heather & Doug

Sage #4053

2-year-old female adopted by Madison & Eric



AMIRA #4131



RUE #4134



BUSTER #4135



ROSEY #4137



HARPER #4141

Sailor #4098

1-year-old male adopted by Nancy

Salvo #4114

1-year-old male adopted by Lori

Shaggy #4044

1-year-old male adopted by Joan & Mike

Shay #4036

10-month-old female adopted by Rosilene & Darren

Shie #4082

2-year-old female adopted by Michelle

Shirley #4353

10-month-old female adopted by Susan & Rob

Skipper #4153

2-year-old male adopted by Martin

Skye #4317

2-year-old female adopted by Shruti & Sharath

Sonny #4281

6-year-old female adopted by Elizabeth

Sonny #4297

1-year-old male adopted by Brittany & Ryan

Sonny #4378

1-year-old male adopted by Jen

Sophie #4365

1-year-old female adopted by Tracie & Stephen

Sol #4078

8-month-old female adopted by Leah & Justin

Spencer #4074

8-year-old male adopted by Alison

Stash #4176

3-year-old female adopted by Melanie

Stella #4287

3-year-old female adopted by Linda & Bob

Summer #4025

2-year-old female adopted by Christianne & Gilles

Teagan #4121

2-year-old female adopted by Carla & Tony

Teddy #4112

10-year-old male adopted by Stefani

Teddy #4289

4-month-old male adopted by Courtney & Nick

Theo #4211

1-year-old male adopted by Holly & Sean

Theodore #4273

1-year-old male adopted by Meredith

Tiffany #4202

1-year-old female adopted by Annette & Allan

Trevor #4148

3-year-old male adopted by Crystal & Darren

Trooper #4068

1-year-old male adopted by David

Tulip #3943

2-year-old female adopted by Sarah & Dan

Tut #4152

2-year-old male adopted by Peggy

Twinkle #4242

2-year-old female adopted by Cathie

Vinny #4212

1-year-old male adopted by Annamaria

Violet #4050

1-year old female adopted by Monica & Bob

Waffles #3984

2-year-old male adopted by Irina & Shehan

Wally #4339

2-year-old male adopted by Pat

Whelan #4334

1-year-old male adopted by Whitney

Willow #3724

2-year-old female adopted by Andrea & Steve

Willow #4272

2-year-old female adopted by Heather

Winnie #4043

2-year-old female adopted by Catrina

Winston #3932 & Willow #3933

5-year-old male & female adopted by Katalin & Bruce

Yakko #4228

4-year-old male adopted by Bianca & Maxime

Zak #4239

2-year-old male adopted by Janice & Paul

Ziggy #4075

2-year-old male adopted by Fiona

Zoey #4372

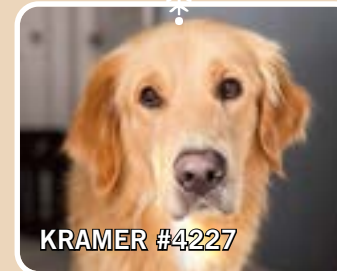
8-month-old female adopted by Anthony

Zorro #4260

1-year-old male adopted by Catherine



BELLA #4156



KRAMER #4227



ANGUS #4255



STELLA #4287



CASTIEL #4363



QUINN #4370

thereafter, we were invited to attend a meeting with the Chief Veterinary Officer of Canada, Dr. Mary Jane Ireland, and some of her colleagues. We felt that meeting was productive and it was a good start. They listened respectfully and asked good questions and we came away with much more information than we had prior to the meeting.

They have four major concerns.

FIRST, how would we ensure that the vaccines that are used are:

- approved by the World Health Organization
- stored and administered properly

SECOND, how would we ensure that the rabies vaccine certificates were not fraudulent. Dr. Ireland told us that the incidence of counterfeit vaccine certificates had risen significantly over the past few years.

THIRD, the minimal amount of time between the administration of a titre test and the time a dog would be allowed to come to Canada would be at least three months and some countries require six months.

FOURTH, in the absence of that waiting period, there would have to be a quarantine period arranged here in Canada for a dog. The quarantine facility would have to be approved by the CFIA, staffed by people who were trained and would wear PPE all the time, and the dogs would not be allowed to come into contact with any other dogs or humans.

We understood from that meeting that the priority for the CFIA right now is to establish protocols for personal dogs and assistance dogs so that they can continue to come to Canada. After that

is accomplished, they will begin to work on the long-term regulatory protocols that would satisfy the four issues mentioned above.

Dr. Scott Bainbridge, who is one of our board members, has reached out to the CFIA offering to consult with them. He has had a favourable response; however, it is unlikely that anything positive will happen anytime soon. Therefore, in the interim, we will continue to work hard on the campaign to keep the pressure on the CFIA and to keep awareness high in the public realm about the issue and about the impact of the ban on the dogs that are waiting to come to Canada. As most of you know, these dogs are living in deplorable conditions and many will die needlessly. Time is of the essence!

Those of us who have been lucky enough to meet the Golden Retrievers coming off the flights from Istanbul and Cairo here in Canada have witnessed how quickly the power of love and compassion can have an impact. That is why we do what we do. We are committed to continue the fight to achieve an amendment to the ban so that we can continue to save Golden Retrievers.

HOW YOU CAN HELP ~ NEXT STEPS

If you want to help immediately, please **[CLICK HERE](#)** to sign the parliamentary petition:

And if you have any other great ideas as to how we can achieve our objective of amending the ban, please share them with us by emailing **board@goldenrescue.ca**.

And obviously, although we are not going to be working internationally for now, we will continue our rescue efforts here in Canada. As always, thank you for your support.

MEET & GREET

Harris #4077

Harris has settled in beautifully. He is sooooo smart. He has already learned 'sit', 'stay', 'come' (unless he's in pursuit of a squirrel), 'paw' and 'leave it'. He's not fond of that last one but he does it anyway...what a trooper. He gives fabulous hugs and he loves car rides...even to the vet. He's an absolute joy and has added so much happiness to our home. Getting Harris has been a match made in heaven. We're hoping for the ban to lift so we can get Harris a brother.

Lori & John





Our Fabulous HOLIDAY AUCTION is coming soon!

November 25th to 27th

Begins on Friday, November 25th at 9 am & closes on Sunday, November 27th at 9 pm

BROWSE, SHOP & BID GENEROUSLY!

[CLICK HERE](#) to access the auction

Also, if you can contribute to the auction, we're looking for items like:

- gift cards
- sports tickets
- gift baskets
- theatre tickets
- golf games/lessons
- vacation/resorts/hotel packages
- restaurant gift certificates
- attraction gift certificates (zoo, aquarium, museums, theme parks, etc.)
- subscription packages
- hot air balloon ride
- staycation package
- concert tickets
- fitness or yoga classes/personal trainer
- custom artwork
- photo shoot
- photography class
- picture frames

- winery or brewery tours
- spa treatments
- pet grooming
- doggie day care
- car detailing
- signed memorabilia
- cooking lessons
- skydiving lessons
- dance lessons
- crafts
- sightseeing flights
- flower delivery
- limo package
- horseback riding
- BBQ grill accessories & spices
- ski/snowboarding passes or lessons
- kitchen appliances
- electronics
- home décor
- jewelry and accessories
- games & puzzles
- garden & outdoor items
- Christmas decorations
- pet gifts
- bath & beauty



If you have anything you can donate or have questions, please email: sa@goldenrescue.ca (Arrangements may be available for pick-up.)
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Happy Howlidays

& THANK YOU!

2022 has been a challenging year! With your help, we rescued 400+ Golden Retrievers ~ many from tragic and deplorable conditions. For them, it was a fortunate and magical year! To our supporters, volunteers, fosters, and adopters, from the bottom of our hearts, we thank you and hope you have a wonderful, fur-filled holiday season!

Have a Merry Christmas & a joyous, healthy & happy 2023!



BENTLEY #2137

Top 10 Reasons...to GIVE this holiday season!

Click [HERE](#) to donate!

Perhaps the best reason is to look into the eyes of any rescued Golden and the reason will become obvious. Here are 10 other reasons:



Although the international ban is in effect, domestic rescues are epidemic and Golden Retrievers are being surrendered to us almost daily.

LIAM #1482



Many Golden Retrievers in our program need expensive medical care.

WOODY #1556



Rescue never sleeps. Although all our volunteers are exhausted from our international rescue efforts, we continue to rescue, rescue, rescue.

RUBY #1619



Some of the Golden Retrievers who come into our care need a little extra time to adjust. Donating to their rehab would be a huge support.

MOLLY #1921



You will receive a tax receipt for your donation.

PERI #3060



A donation in someone's honour is the greatest gift of all.

CODY #2473



We will rescue the 5,000th Golden soon ~ we need to save 5,000 more.

OLLIE #3662



Become a monthly donor and get a copy of our coffee table book ~ 'Golden Reflections' as our way of thanking you.

WALLY #2559



We are postponing our Wishbone Lottery until next fall so your donation will help with the upcoming year's efforts.

ZAHRA #2924 (R) & GENEVIEVE



Donating and giving a Golden a second chance is simply good for the soul.

SHADOW #1342

