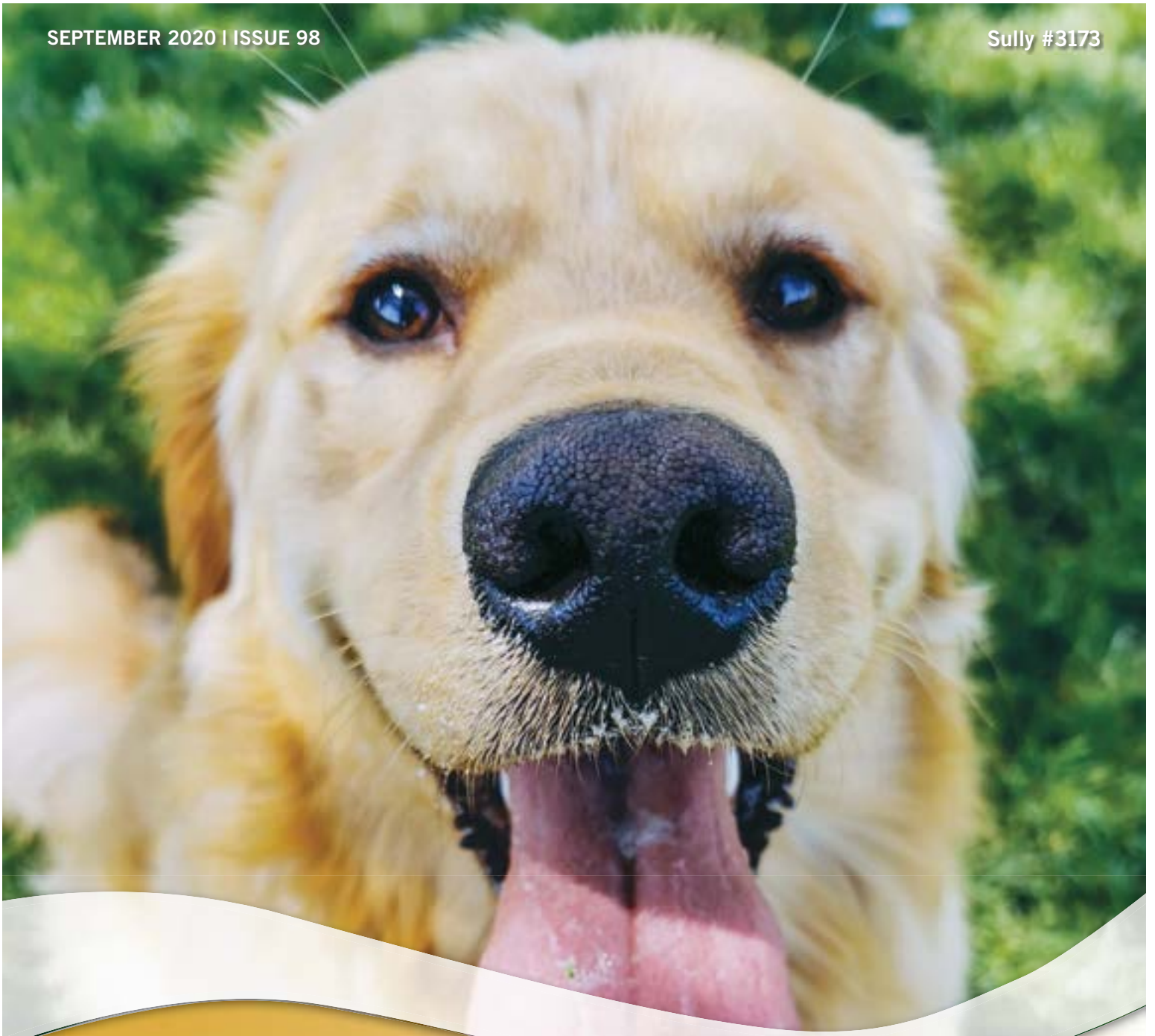


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Sully #3173



ARE YOU A
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Golden Rescue's Online Auction 2020

As you can imagine, this has been a difficult year for organizations such as ours that have been limited in our fundraising efforts by having all our events cancelled, including our precious picnic.

We decided to expand our online auction, usually held exclusively at the picnic, so that we could reach more supporters. Our goal is to raise \$30,000 to celebrate 30 years of Golden Rescue.

The auction is on a dedicated Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/317232495984795>

We expect to have **160+ fabulous and unique items** and we are posting items every few days. Items are divided into 'albums' of 15 items per album (making it easier to keep track of items you are interested in). There is no particular order to the items, so best to keep looking every few days for new items; however, every item will be numbered so it'll be easy to find the item(s) you are interested in.

Our Online Auction OPENS for bids on WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16th at 9 a.m. and will CLOSE on SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19th at 3 p.m.

Bidding will be made by placing your bid in the comment section of the item you are interested in bidding on. Be mindful of the OPENING BID and the BID INCREMENTS for



each item. A complete list of rules are listed on the page. Winning bids can be paid for by e-transfer, credit card or cheque. Arrangements can be made to pick up your item (in Toronto) and if Canada Post or a courier is required, the cost is not included in the cost of the item.

Please bid generously!

If you would like to donate something to the auction, big or small as every bit helps, please email: sa@goldenrescue.ca





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The Front Cover

Sully #3173 ~ We love Mr. Sullivan (aka Sully) so much and he has fit right in with our family. He is sweet and such a cuddler. He follows us around and is Golden sister Lillie's best friend and he is keeping her young. He is pure joy!
Carley & Zachary

In 2019, Golden Rescue rescued five of the sweetest pup siblings in the world ~ Reese #3171, Leo #3172, Sully #3173, Zac #3174 & Hunter #3175. Two (Reese and Zac) appear to be completely blind and the other three have some level of sight. On May 11th, all the boys turned one year old. On the cover is Sully #3173. Read about the other four on page 15.

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Mission Statement

Golden Rescue gives second chances to Golden retrievers 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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We would like to thank all of our contributing writers and photographers... too many to list. Betty, who loves her furkids, has given up many weekends and evenings to design and assemble this newsletter so that we Golden lovers can read all about the golden world we live in.

Betty with Shadow #1342





Masks ~ \$25 each

Shop SAFELY & Support!

The GR store is chock full of quality branded merchandise which not only helps our fundraising efforts but, perhaps more importantly, helps to raise awareness of the organization. T-shirts, jackets, hoodies, rain jackets, windbreakers, all in a variety of colors and sizes, have the GR logo, helping us get our message out there. Other items like fridge magnets, bumper stickers, licence plate holders,

and our NEW MASKS also help tell our story.

Of course the store also has our stunning coffee table book 'Golden Reflections', high-quality notecards, a set of 4 coffee mugs (16oz), umbrellas plus a number of other gift items perfect for a birthday or special occasion for either your two or four-legged friends. The site is easy to navigate and your order is processed immediately.

2021 Golden Rescue Calendar!

Order yours from the GoldenRescueStore or use the enclosed form!



COVER GOLDENS:

- Levi #3232
- Max #3032

MONTH GOLDENS:

- Abby #3093
- Bea #3284
- Daisy #2910
- Finlay #2889
- Fozzie #2601
- Max #2780
- Molly #3078
- Murphy #2724
- Pippen #3267
- Rogue #3208
- Sully #3173
- Winky #3128

ALL OTHER GOLDENS:

- Annie #2111
- Bauer #1297
- Bauer #2796 &
- Echo #2797
- Bentley
- Bibsy
- Buddy #2624
- Charlie #2675
- Chauncey #1132
- Clancy #2056
- Cooper #2224
- Daisy #2910
- Dexter #1802
- Emma #2937
- Fiona #2982
- Fozzie #2601
- Frickle #3163
- Gracie
- Gubs #1849
- Hunter #2897
- Jacey #2529

- Jack #3142
- Jake #424
- Jakey #2445
- Jasper #2426
- Jax #2564
- Jessy #2953
- Jewel #2839
- Laila
- Layla #1137
- Levi #3232
- Luna #1620
- Maggie #1622
- Malik #2643
- Manny
- Marigold
- Marshall #3129
- Max #2312
- Max #2829
- Max #2939
- Molly #3254
- Moose #3227
- Niko #2633
- Oakley #2071
- Phoenix #1569
- Piper Pickles
- Rannoch
- Riley #2666
- Ringo #3213
- Saima Pickles
- Sam #3000
- Shadow #1342
- Simon
- Sonja #2371
- Sophie Tucker #2263
- Suzie #3156
- Treble
- Wrangler #1877
- Zehra #3123
- Zoey #1526
- Zoey #3209

Flyer #3293 ~ Her Safe Return

Many of you know that we had a missing Golden and have been following our updates on social media. Some of you may have seen posters about a lost Golden in the West Elgin area.

Flyer is a rescued Golden from Golden Rescue. We had fosters who worked with the very skittish Flyer for nine weeks. On May 9th, the couple adopting her started to load her in their car when she panicked and bolted, running to the forest at a neighbouring farm. Efforts to get her were complicated by her fear of people. Victoria Spencer with K9 Ground Search Elgin/Middlesex was contacted by Golden Rescue and she took charge of the effort to get Flyer home.

Immediately a search party was formed to no avail. The following day, Victoria headed out and caught sight of Flyer but again she fled. A humane trap was set. For the next few weeks, she stayed within 1,000 yards of the foster's house but would not enter the trap. On May 23rd, she had been seen and we had reports she was spotted in West Lorne. With those sightings, posters went up and flyers were hand delivered to mailboxes. During the next week, several reports were received that Flyer was seen in the area. Then we started getting reports indicating she was on the

move. She was reported north of the 401 and then in the Glanworth area. Finally, she was seen near the Flying J Gas Bar and this was confirmed with pictures. Victoria and her team set up a trap and cameras. Over the next five weeks, K9 Ground Search put in hundreds of hours trying to lure her into the trap, making sure she had water and food. Finally, on Friday, July 31st, with assistance from another search and rescue group, Victoria was able to safely trap Flyer with a net ~ 86 days later and 60 km away!

We are pleased to report that Flyer has no serious medical issues and she is safe and sound.

We cannot say enough about the dedication of Victoria Spencer ~ without her and her team's efforts, we would not have had this wonderful outcome.

We also want to thank everyone in the West Lorne area and the folks at the Flying J Gas Bar for their assistance. And to all of our followers/supporters, we thank you for your concern and positive karma. Flyer is now moving on to the next chapter of her life.



MEET & GREET

Lady Marmalade #3237

Lady Marmalade, previously known as Goldie, is a blind beauty who was rescued from Lebanon. She is the most precious, beautiful, smart, and loving friend and I cherish her greatly. In fact, when I adopted her, I hit the jackpot. Everyone who meets her falls in love. The vet techs go crazy when she visits calling out: "It's Lady Marmalade...it's Lady Marmalade!!!" She is my soul mate and I describe her as 'my amazing gift'.

Wendy



MEET & GREET

Ruby #2996

This is our first Meet & Greet story in French. This poor Egyptian girl arrived in Toronto and was transported to Ottawa where her new forever mom picked her up and took her to her new forever home in Quebec. A challenging black Golden, as she doesn't like other dogs and needed an understanding family to work with her, she found the perfect match. See her story below from Ruby's new mom:

Après un long voyage de l'Égypte jusqu'à Toronto, puis enfin jusqu'au Québec, nous avons fait la connaissance de la magnifique Ruby. Les premières salutations furent assourdies de grognements. Comme j'ai toujours grandi avec des chiens, la réflexion fut de dire que d'ici quelques minutes Ruby serait notre grande amie...

Lors du trajet en voiture à St Liguori, Ruby est restée tellement calme, qu'une fois rendue à domicile, elle ne voulait plus descendre. La langue, le climat, les gens, plus de repère pour cette dame Retriever. Ma mère a tenté de la caresser et Ruby lui a répondu avec rugissements. Et là, le doute s'est installé... Qu'allions nous faire d'elle? La retourner à l'Association Golden Rescue? J'étais à mille lieux du fidèle compagnon canin de mon enfance. Moi qui n'avais jamais eu peur des chiens... je mettais des gants pour la nourrir. Vive l'internet! J'ai trouvé les coordonnées d'un spécialiste en dressage et éducation canine Notre sauveur! Grâce à lui et beaucoup de patience, nous avons réussi à changer, voire à décoder Ruby. Nous avons convenu de donner une chance à Ruby et indirectement, nous nous sommes donné la chance de rehausser notre confiance mutuelle. Il y a encore du travail à faire, mais Ruby est une fidèle accompagnatrice de toutes sortes de balades, une incroyable dépisteuse de gibier, et elle adore sa nouvelle famille. Et, Ruby est maintenant notre amie, notre rayon de soleil!

Frédérique



Remember that bedtime story your parents read to you when you were a kid? Which one was your favourite? How did it make you feel?

Well, now you can relive those warm, fuzzy, feel-good moments with your children, grandchildren, and maybe even with the big kids in your family with one of our newest projects: Goodnight Golden – Tails of Rescue.

Every Thursday around 7pm, our adopters and fosters, together with their rescued Golden Retrievers, read heartwarming rescue 'tails' from our beautiful coffee table book, Golden Reflections ~ a stunning

compilation of photos and stories about the beauty of second chances. And you can watch these videoed stories being read through all of our social media outlets including Instagram, Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube ~ as a way to say goodnight to your busy day. You can visit our website at www.goldenrescue.ca and click on the YouTube icon to view past episodes.

So, get your jammies ready and snuggle in for an evening of uplifting stories of hope, love, and precious Golden moments. You'll be happy you did!

***To purchase your very own copy of Golden Reflections, please visit our online store at www.goldenrescuestore.ca**



JC #2637

JC is a wonderful boy but he sure gave us a run for our money...but we finally found him the perfect forever family. JC loves people but hates other dogs or any other critter for that matter. Very few could deal with an issue like that but we always remain steadfast in our belief that there's always a family out there to give them unconditional love. JC's new family are hopelessly in love with this big 180-pound love-bug. Here's what they're saying...

When we had our meet and greet and decided that JC was for us, JC used his nose to open the car door and he jumped right in. We thought that was an obvious sign that this was a match made in heaven. We had recently lost our beloved Golden and JC filled the large hole left behind ~ and considering his size, one could argue that he actually overfilled the hole. JC is very well mannered and knows all his commands. Our youngest son is already very attached to him and loves working with JC on his training. JC loves car rides and hanging out in his new back-yard watching the boys play... and now and then he even joins in. We couldn't be happier but we suspect that JC thinks he is in heaven.

Dawn, Barry, Braydon & Spencer



MEET & GREET

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Pre-soak and rinse cycle

THE PROPER WAY TO WEAR A MASK



Body Language & Dog Signals

Body language is an effective way that both humans and dogs communicate though there are important distinctions to be made between our two species in how it is used.

Understanding body language in dogs is important because this is their dominant method of communication and they are constantly sending us signals that can tell us so much about them and what they are thinking. Understanding how to communicate with our dogs is therefore really important to create a clear and accurate understanding between us as we live and bond with each other in our family/pack.

Dogs use body language much more in their day-to-day interactions and very little eye contact or verbals. Dog verbals are limited to barking and growling, whereas their posture and body language say so much more. In addition, dogs use their peripheral vision a lot more than direct eye contact, which they perceive as aggressive and intimidating behaviour.

Humans, on the other hand, are much different in that while we do use body language to communicate, it is not the dominant method. We rely much more on eye contact and verbals to communicate with each other than do dogs. For example, if I want to speak to another human, I will first get their attention by saying hello. Then when our eyes meet and we have direct eye contact or they respond with a verbal “yes” or other similar response, then you start expressing your ideas using words. Body language is often how we ‘check’ the accuracy of what the person is saying as sometimes the two don’t match up so the body language helps us confirm what we perceive to be the meaning of what the other person is saying. This is how all humans communicate. Dogs on the other hand do not need direct eye contact and, in fact, rarely use it to send messages or communicate back-and-forth. They do this instead mostly through body language and using their peripheral vision.

Let’s talk about how dogs communicate with us and what we can learn from it. A dog’s dominant form of communication is through body language including posture, stance, use of their tail, tongue, and other body movements. Achieving a clear understanding of this will ensure a closer bond with our dogs and healthier and happier relationship between us both.

There are certain things dogs do to tell us things with their bodies that once we identify them properly, we can respond appropriately. If the dog’s posture is stiff, standing tall with ears perked up and tail held high, this signals

an alert, on-guard response. If the dog’s stance is a calm and easy one with wagging tail and ears relaxed, then we know the dog is feeling happy and is approachable and friendly. If the dog is feeling nervous or threatened, you will observe a stiff posture with head and tail down, along with a closed mouth and tight lip. If severely nervous, a deep growl may follow. This body language is clearly saying, “Stay away, don’t come near. I am feeling nervous and uncomfortable right now.”

On a walk, if your dog hears, sees or smells something that catches their attention, their ears will perk up like satellite dishes. If the tail is down then that is curiosity and if it is up and the dog has gone completely still then that is dominance and you will need to refocus them away from that distraction and back to you.

A dog’s body language can be tricky though because it often changes on a dime and if you’re not watching in that moment, you could miss it. Using your peripheral vision is a great way to watch for changes in your dog’s body language.

A dog does not have to be looking directly at you to be aware of what you are doing or what your intentions are. They can perceive all this using their peripheral vision and reading your body language.

Humans can use their body language to communicate with their dogs with much better results and less miscommunication than by talking to their dog and intimidating them with direct eye contact.

For example, the best way to tell a dog to leave you alone when they are overexcited is to stand up tall with a straight back like a soldier, cross your arms in front of you, and turn your nose up and away from the dog. Hold that position stiff and the dog will get the message and walk away within a few seconds. This is the universal dog signal for go away, leave me alone right now, please. This posture can often de-escalate an overly excited or hyper dog.

Another example of using your body language to communicate with your dog is when you want to get them to drop an item that they shouldn’t have. When a dog has an item in their mouth and you stand directly in front of them looming over them and looking right at them, your body language is signalling a direct challenge. Instead, try standing beside the dog and avoid looking them in the eye.

Humans can also use their body language effectively to get their dog to come to them while off leash. When calling your dog to you, first crouch down, squint your eyes at them or



avoid direct eye contact and wiggle your butt in a happy dog-like fashion. You can also call their name in a happy, high-pitched voice. The dog sees this as an invitation to play and will come right to you anticipating love and positive attention. Do not stand up tall to call them over or stare at them directly in the eye because that’s a dominant stance and the dog will think they are in trouble and will be intimidated by your posture and therefore avoid you.

Another great example is how we pet our dogs. When we feverishly rub them in a fast and excited manner, we think they’re enjoying it because they start wagging their tail and jumping around a lot. Unfortunately, you will also likely see play biting and pawing along with the jumping, or some other rude behaviour caused by this vigorous petting. And this type of petting can actually rile up many dogs who will end up getting too excited and perceive it to be an invitation to play-fight. After all, it’s like us humans having our cheek pinched by an overly enthusiastic grandma. No one likes it but a calm, gentle hug from grandma feels wonderful. So, when you’re petting your dog think of getting a massage and be slow and gentle and your dog will love it and remain a calm and loving member of the family.

By Peter Brown



THE STORY OF Masha's Sign



Masha #2240

*A sign appeared one day on a neighbour's yard
It told a wonderous tale of a life once cruel and hard
A Golden sat beside it ~ quiet, sweet, and free
And so began this rescue story that was told to me.*

*It appears this quiet Golden was dropped at an SPCA
Terrified and shaking ~ eyes sunken, sad, and grey
Cowering in her cage for five days or more
This poor abandoned creature was broken to her core.*

*She lived outside ignored and abused they were told
And only let in winter nights if it was freezing cold
But she could only go as far as one step inside the door
And was beaten if she dared to try to move a meter more.*

*Golden Rescue saved her, put her into foster care
Masha felt a thing called 'love' she never knew was there
In a month she was adopted to my neighbours with the sign
And so began her journey into a world now sweet and kind.*

*Although the rain was teeming, no matter how they tried
Our soaked, bewildered Golden would not step inside
After more than two hours she eventually gave in
And entered a new world where she'd never hurt again.*

*She lived behind the door which became her safety zone
It took her many years until the house became her own
But Masha loved to be outside and loved lying on the lawn
So her family gave her space until her fears were gone.*

*Masha never barked and never played with a toy
She just watched the world go by inside her own secret joy
But now at least she was living with a growing trusting heart
Feeling she and her new family might never be apart.*

*Soon we began to notice this quiet, peaceful soul
And neighbours dropped in to hear her story told
"I have this idea" Masha's mother said one day
And that's how Masha's sign came to our neighbourhood to stay.*

*People stopped to read it and ask if they could pet her
And left a little brighter, so glad that they had met her
She thrived on this attention showing her appreciative smile
If you're in our neighbourhood stop and visit for a while.*

*Believe me, you won't regret it, I feel better every day
I pass by Masha and her sign as I go along my way
I love to tell this story as it was told to me
This forgiving Golden's heart could make a blind man see.*

*So thank you my dear neighbours for sharing Masha's tale
And thank you for reminding us that kindness doesn't fail
You inspire me to be a little kinder every time
I pass your dear sweet girl and re-read 'Masha's Sign'.*



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GOLDEN
 RESCUE'S
 ANNUAL
 GENERAL
 MEETING

As the 2020 Picnic has been cancelled at Viamede Resort, so is the AGM on Thursday, September 17th. It will be rescheduled soon...so stay tuned. We will post the new AGM date on our website and advertise the date on our social media channels.

PLEASE NOTE: The AGM was originally scheduled for June 18th (then September 17th).



ER BELIEVER CLUB



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 Karen Oldfield
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 Karen White
In memory of my beautiful Golden Lucy
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Golden Rescue has created an exceptional keepsake that you can both drink and keep at the same time.

To celebrate our 30th Anniversary, we have bottled 90 bottles of fine 'whine' that will now be available on our online auction on September 16 – 19th. These excellent wines are custom labelled so you can enjoy the grape and then save the bottle as a reminder of our long service saving our beloved Golden Retrievers. Not only that, your purchase will add to the much-needed funds we need to continue our good work. Talk about a win-win. Cheers!!!



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MEET & GREET

Hudson #2463

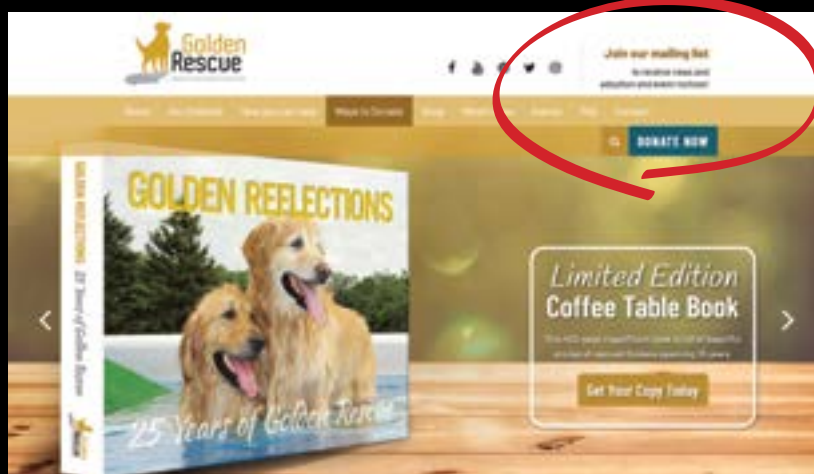
This Istanbul boy who arrived in Canada was originally named McBarker but his name was changed to Hudson because he was SOOO handsome...just like Rock Hudson. When we drove to Kingston to pick him up, he jumped right into our car and our hearts. He is often referred to Wiggly-Bum-Bum as his hind-end rarely is still when he gets excited. Just like his namesake Rock, he starred in his own movie 'Who Let the Dogs Out' ~ a movie classic of Hudson trying to escape through the halls of my school with me dressed as a police officer chasing after him. Siskel and Ebert gave it 'two thumbs up' and recommended Hudson for an Academy Award, who followed his director's instructions to a tee...after many, many cookie bribes.

Lori



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THE TRAINING CORNER



Helping your Golden Adjust to their New Home

Regardless of whether your Golden came from somewhere local or far away, everything is different ~ the people, sounds, sights, smells, and in some cases, even the language is different. Golden Retrievers are often versatile and adaptable, but depending on their previous life, this may not be the case especially if they had to live on the street, were abused or subjected to aversive training methods. Even those with health issues, finding a new home as loving as it may be can be an incredibly stressful event.

It's so important to give your new Golden lots of time to adjust in your new home. Let them run around in your backyard. Don't be in a hurry to get them out on a walk in the neighbourhood as this can be very scary for them. It's often why we hear of rescues running away as they're just trying to get back to their old home. Remember, your neighbourhood looks and smells vastly different from where they came from ~ nothing is familiar. Think back to a time when you might have gotten lost. Even if you weren't really lost but you thought you were, do you remember the surge of adrenalin, the panic, the sinking feeling in your stomach? Just like us, our dogs feel fear and confusion and they don't understand when we tell them they're in a safe place.

When you do take your new rescue out for a walk, keep it short and gradually increase the distance every few days. Every week or so, take them on a new route. This keeps them interested and learning about their environment. If they get worried or concerned about something they see, don't advance, instead create distance, even if you have to change direction or cross the road. Don't make them approach anything they're afraid of. That would be like forcing a young child to go up to the scary clown (I hate clowns). Just because we don't see it as scary, doesn't mean they don't.

There is also absolutely nothing wrong with your Golden not wanting to meet other dogs. New research on this indicates that when a dog

is allowed to meet every new person or dog, they often start to disengage or ignore their owner as the desire to meet the new person or dog is more important than their owner. This can result in the dog becoming hyper-reactive to everyone they see on a walk (also referred to as leash reactivity). Dogs who are not allowed to interact with other dogs or people on their walks, in most cases, walk much better because they ignore the distractions.

This is something I had to teach Star, our two-year-old Golden. She does not read other dogs well and wants to meet everyone. I decided to teach her that she would not be allowed to meet other dogs or people on our walks (including those she knew). After working on this for a couple of months (yes, it does take time), she now walks past all dogs and people and does not try to meet them. An unexpected bonus is that she also doesn't go after squirrels or bunnies either. Do not rush to get them into a training class, even if they really need training. Yes, I own a dog training business and I'm telling you not to rush out and sign them up for a class. Again, they need time to adjust. Play with them instead. Wait at least a month or two before registering them for a class. All dogs can benefit from training, regardless of their age. It doesn't have to be obedience if they already have those skills. It can be something like tricks, scent detection, rally, freestyle or maybe even agility.

When we adopted Augie #2623 at the age of eight, I enrolled him in basic obedience, not because he was badly behaved, but because he came from Quebec and didn't understand English. At the age of 10, we put him in scent detection for something fun and he's achieved all three Designated Odour Tests. You can always teach an old dog new tricks and it keeps their mind and body active.

If you have another dog, it is best to introduce them in an enclosed outdoor area like your backyard or on a walk. Do not force the greeting between the two dogs. The greeting should be a non-event and one that

they wish to make. They meet briefly face-to-face, then have a sniff of each other's rear. Let the new dog enter your home (without your resident dog) so they can check out all the new smells and rooms. Be sure to remove any food or toys beforehand. Supervise your new rescue while they are checking out their new home to make sure they feel comfortable in their new surroundings. Then allow your resident dog into your home and supervise their time together. Be aware of any tight spaces like hallways or spaces between furniture where a conflict could happen if one of the dogs feel trapped.

Feed them well away from each other or maybe in separate rooms initially to make sure there's no resource guarding. The same applies to toys. Introduce them slowly and make sure there are no disputes.

For the first month or so, it's best to put food and toys away whenever you're out, to avoid any issues. Use crates or put up a baby gate to keep the dogs separate while you're away, until you are confident that they are happy together. This is especially important if one of the dogs has more energy than the other. Each dog should have their own space where they can have a break from each other.

Watch for warning signs like hard staring, stalking, pushing the other dog out of a space, growling, showing teeth and of course snapping. You may need the help of a qualified behavioural specialist if any of these things develop.

Your new Golden has embarked on a new journey. Let them take the time they need to adjust to their wonderful new home and life.

By Lynda Kitson

Lynda Kitson is the owner of Who's Walking Who Dog Training Centres with locations in Ajax, the Beaches, and Distillery District in Toronto ~ whoswalkingwho.ca She lives with her husband Vaughan and two Golden Retrievers, Star & Augie #2623.

MEET & GREET

Reese #3171, Leo #3172, Sully #3173, Zac #3174 & Hunter #3175

In 2019, Golden Rescue rescued five of the sweetest pup siblings in the world. Two (Reese and Zac) appear to be completely blind and the other three have some level of sight. On May 11th, all the boys turned one year old:



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Reese #3171

This happy boy is an energetic pup. His fur brother, Mack, takes good care of him and has taught him to play tug-of-war. Recently, he has mastered walking down stairs ~ what a super-star!

Gillian & Craig

Leo #3172

Our boy is absolutely in love with our entire family. He loves bothering his older fur-sister, Chloe, who will put him in his place if he goes too far. What a gem of a boy!

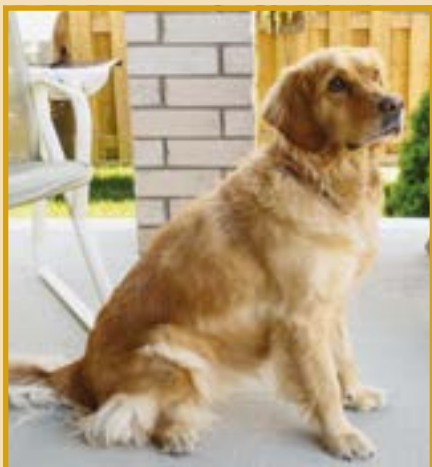
Rebecca & Antonio

MEET & GREET

Emma #2937

We are the classic foster failure. We had the pleasure of fostering this sweet girl from Cairo, who did arrive with some issues. During her seven-month fostering stint, Emma ran away seven times until we installed a six-foot fence. She was never trying to run away from us, she was just after the next adventure. The most challenging episode was her escape to a duck pond. Emma's high prey drive left her chasing ducks until near exhaustion. Although Emma still poses a few challenges, she is a wonderful companion who walks well on the leash, loves all people and dogs, and has made us very happy.

Jean & Warren



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Sully #3173

Sully or Mr. Sullivan, as he is called, is a sweetheart and a real cuddler. He follows us everywhere and is his Golden sister Lillie's best friend. He is pure joy and he's our pride and joy being on the cover of this issue of the Guardian.

Carley & Zachary



4 + 5

Zac #3174 & Hunter #3175

These boys have successfully figured out their new home and even know what cupboard their treats are in. Zac is the shy one and he relies on Hunter as his lead. They are so comfortable and agile that they even forego the steps on the deck and launch themselves off the deck onto the grass as if they were diving into water. We have learned a lot from these boys about overcoming obstacles. We love them dearly.

Krystin & Matt

Happy First Birthday Boys!

MEET & GREET

Teddy #3180

Teddy and I bonded almost immediately ~ it was a meant-to-be connection. Teddy loves me, his dad, but takes time to warm up to new people. He does settle once he is given time and he's also not great with other dogs but together, we are Batman and Robin. I have been very active in my life as a gliding instructor and ski instructor and I ran a gliding program called Freedom Wings Canada giving therapeutic and inspirational flights to the physically disabled. Now retired, I am very dedicated to Teddy and love him dearly.

Douglas



GOLDEN MOMENTS[©]



“Now don’t give me your sad people face ~ I mean it, this is your last toss.”

MEET & GREET

Maxie #3218

Maxie is an amazing pup who is loved by everyone she meets. She has settled into our forever family beautifully and has become so attached to her pup-brother Finn ~ they love each other so much and are inseparable...as if they were together since birth. Finn loves to swim but Maxie not-so-much. She loves paddling in the water but doesn't let her feet leave the bottom. A new dog life jacket, however, is starting to teach her that swimming isn't so bad. Maxie is fabulous and is loved so much by her new family.

Marianne



askSADIE



Sadie #2963

Dear Sadie: I went camping last week and had lots of fun but somehow managed to get sap on my fur. Besides removing it with scissors, is there a way to get sap out? Jax

Hi Jax: Not to worry! There are a few things that your human can try that should help remove it. First, if the sap is hardened, use a hairdryer on the lowest setting to soften it. Test the dryer first to find a safe distance where the air feels warm but not hot. Next, apply an oil-based product such as olive oil or smooth peanut butter to loosen the sap. Massage the product onto the affected area of the fur and let it sit a few minutes. It is important to only use products that are safe if ingested, since you may try to lick it off. Next, using fingers and a wide-tooth comb, carefully and slowly work the sap out of your fur. A pet-friendly shampoo should be used, followed by warm water to wash it off. You may need to shampoo the area more than once to remove all of the oily product. Hope that helps and good luck!

Dear Sadie: Should dogs wear seatbelts in cars? Crosby

Dear Crosby: Although it's not the law, they can be used as an added safety precaution. Moving around freely in a car not only causes a distraction for the driver, but can also pose a danger to you should the car need to brake suddenly. If you decide to get one, choose a system that is compatible with your vehicle and seatbelt receptacle as not all are the same. Some work by clipping onto a harness and others work by looping through the vehicle seatbelt mechanism. Another thing to consider...some systems will not allow you to lay down so if that is important (especially on long road trips), you need to do your homework to ensure that what you are getting works for you!

Another thing that keeps you safe is a wire barrier that goes behind the front seats.

Dear Sadie: My hu-mom says that the top of my head smells good like perfume and her previous dog who was a Golden Retriever does too. Is this a thing? Brinley

Hi Brinley: Could be. Other dog owners have reported finding pleasant fragrant spots on their pets as well and not just on Golden Retrievers. Turns out we secrete pheromones from different areas of our body including our face, ears, and head that our humans are likely picking up on. I say, as long as the smell isn't bad, which may indicate a health problem, then all is good!

Dear Sadie: The fur on my elbows is gone and looks a bit rough and red. Should I be worried? Bailey

Hi Bailey: Sounds to me like you have elbow calluses, which are areas of thickened skin that form to protect parts of the body. A lot of times, these are caused by trauma or friction on pressure points, such as repeatedly laying down on hard surfaces. These are nothing to worry about unless the skin becomes irritated or broken, potentially leading to infection or pressure sores which need to be treated. Make sure you sleep on your bed or at least a carpeted surface to add some cushioning to your pressure points, which should help. If you're lucky

enough, maybe your human will let you sleep in their bed! All the best!

Dear Sadie: I just love chewing on bones and rawhides but my dad says they aren't that good for me. Why not? Dexter

Dear Dexter: Although rawhide bones are a good option for dental care, they can often cause stomach upset if you eat too much. There is also a risk of choking or blockages if you swallow large chunks. If bones are given, a raw option is a better choice over cooked ones as they are less dried out and brittle. Marrow bones should only be given until the marrow has been eaten then the bone should be discarded to prevent splintering of the bone or injury to teeth. Safer and healthier options to bones and rawhides are carrots, celery or nylon chews. And of course, any treat given should be carefully supervised. Chew away!

*Love & woof-woof
Sadie x🐾x*



MEET & GREET

Marshall #3129

Marshall's story is a true rescue miracle. Rescued from Cairo, he was a five-month old tripod. We live together in Upstate New York. Not only does Marshall have three legs, he had other mobility, knee, arthritis, and dysplasia issues. Thanks to a specialist from Cornell, a grant from the Remington Fund, and the love, patience, and tenacity of our family, this young boy flourished. Shock wave therapy, water treadmill exercise routines, supplements and medications, and Marshall's own determination and intensity made a huge impact...so much so that he is actually bounding up the stairs and playing with his German Shepherd sibling. Marshall continues to charm, entertain, and bring smiles to every single person who enters his orbit. He is a gift and an inspiration. When people tell me how lucky he is, I have to smile. Marshall gives me far more than I can ever give him.

Mary



MEET & GREET

Levi #3232

This Egyptian wonder has won the hearts of everyone he meets. When he first came out of his crate at the airport, our hearts melted. We weren't sure he was a pure-bred because he was so small, skinny, and didn't have much fur. As time went on and he settled into his new home and became more confident, he became bigger, stronger, and taller and his luscious fur grew into a beautiful fluffy coat. He has become goofy and calm and when he knows you're talking about him, his face lights up. Levi has changed our lives in the best possible way. We are still wondering 'who rescued who'.

Karley & Brendan



Zoey #1932 & Cali #1933

These two senior citizens are absolutely amazing! Believe it or not, Zoey is 19 and Cali is 13. These two GR superstars were being fostered together by a fabulous couple who really took care of these initially overweight, timid Golden Retrievers. They continued getting comfortable with us and they are two happy-go-lucky, loving, confident souls. Zoey is almost completely deaf these days and has arthritis...all pretty normal for such an aging grand dame. Cali, healthy for her age, looks over Zoey with great care. Cali had a thyroid condition that was treated with medication and her new diet and exercise program. As a result, she has dropped her weight and is flourishing. Over the years, Zoey has had a few serious medical conditions requiring operations and she recovered each time beautifully. We believe our well-planned nutritional changes have helped them thrive and age graciously. Of course, good bloodlines and lots of love have also contributed to their health and happiness.

Katalin & Bruce



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- Pet store staff
- Golden Rescue volunteers

Shadow #1342

You all deserve our eternal gratitude!

WELCOME TO THE GOLDEN FAMILY



Betsy #3258

5-year-old female
Adopted by Beatrice & Robert

Cody #3312

7-year-old male
Adopted by Joan & Richard

Henry #3299

9-month-old male
Adopted by Katherine & John

Jackson #3305

4-year-old male
Adopted by Joan

Jada #3295

10-year-old female
Adopted by Marwa & Mahmoud

Jaxon #3311

8-month-old male
Adopted by Mary & Azaghen

JC #2637

6-year-old male
Adopted by Dawn & Barry

Levi #3309

8-year-old male
Adopted by Edie & Paul

Lily #3302

9-month-old female
Adopted by Monica & Lewis

Max #3303

8-month-old male
Adopted by Sylvie & Jake

Messi #3292

4-year-old male
Adopted by Shiraz

Molly #3265

5-year-old female
Adopted by Deborah & Wayne

Oliver #3304

4-year-old male
Adopted by Joan

Piper #3294

4-year-old female
Adopted by Angela & Jeremy

Pippa #3220

1-year-old female
Adopted by Jessica & Murray

Simba #3307

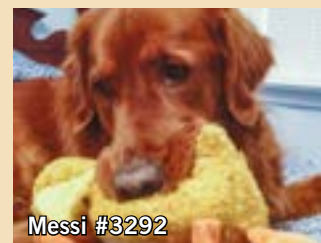
9-year-old male
Adopted by Christine & James

Steffi #2368

6-year-old female
Adopted by Megan & Nathan

Whistler #3308

12-year-old male
Adopted by Deanna



Welcome to your forever homes Golden!