







Our thanks go out to our team in Turkey



HAPPY PAWS PUPPY RESCUE

Registered Charity No. 115832

MESSAGE FROM THE FOUNDER

Winter 2020

The Happy Paws journey continues and it's always a nice opportunity to reflect on the last six months..

What a six months we have had!

There sure have been many twists, turns, ups and downs but whatever happens we all stand firm in the name of animal welfare.

This summer we have rescued more golden souls than ever before who were in desperate need of our help. I have to be honest and say the cruelty our dogs experience is simply outrageous but

once they become a Happy Paws dog their life changes and they have a very bright future ahead of them.

We have welcomed more wonderful families to the charity and welcomed them into our family.

More people have offered their help regarding volunteering and fundraising. We are continuing to work with a few animal welfare Trusts and working in partnership with them to improve animal welfare has been incredible - building relationships with other like-minded organisations is a real joy and together I feel we are making a difference.

The charity continues to help the poor souls who struggle every day to survive. To improve their welfare our street dog feeding programme, spay and neuter programme and general vet programme are continuing to do really well. This side of the charity is growing and has helped many dogs in need. Our help is vital as these poor

little souls really struggle to survive and we try to provide as much help as we can to make life a little more bearable.

The charity has experienced new challenges this year with the onset of Co-vid 19 - this was an incredibly difficult time for the charity but in true Happy Paws style, YOU, our wonderful supporters, stepped up to the plate and supported us through a few months of



uncertainty. To have the Happy Paws Barmy Army standing with us in our hour of need was simply incredible.

After experiencing these new challenges I feel the charity is stronger than ever - this strength allows us to continue to fight for the voiceless and make their lives better.

Looking forward into the future the charity

will continue to grow and flourish, it will continue to stand strong for the dogs we rescue and set up programmes to support the little ones we can't rescue but we can make their lives worth living.

You, our amazing supporters, are the backbone of the charity and I would like to send my personal and heartfelt thanks to each and every one of you for joining me on this incredible journey.

Together we have come a long way but there is so much still to do.

Who knows what the next six months will bring but one thing is for sure, I am so grateful that you all are standing with me in the name of animal welfare and together we are rocking it for the rescues.

Lots of love

Lisxxx









Maya was an owned dog who was going to be out in a public pound - we saved her from that fate

Maya

Maya's story was slightly different in that she was an owned dog but the family did not want her any more. They were going to put her in a public pound which would of killed her! We thankfully saved her from that ordeal and she now lives with a simply wonderful family and here is their side of the story.



These two are inseparable

Message from Maya's family

We had tried desperately for most of 2019 to adopt a rescue from basically every single 'mainstream' organisation we could apply to – we weren't too fussy about the breed or the age of the dog and we were welcome to taking on a challenge if need be but sadly not a single one of them got back to us about our applications or calls. Both of us are very experienced dog owners and have had various breeds over the years – both puppies and rescues. Our financial position is very secure, and we own our own home. It was both a sad and infuriating situation to be in.

We have our little girl called Sasha. I'll try to keep it short by saying that she changed our world completely and ultimately introduced us to the amazing team at Happy Paws and therefore instigated us adopting 'Maya' from Turkey later in the year.

Sasha was born special – she's got an underdeveloped front leg and is missing the 'toes' on her foot. She's managed extremely well physically, and unless you really point it out, most people don't notice.

As the months went on, we realised more and more that she was very happy but we could see when we took her out for walks that she loved being around other dogs more than anything and visibly missed their company so much more when we went back home and she was alone. We enrolled her in Doggie Day Care with a wonderful organisation in Belfast, and she thrived.

So, El and I decided then and there to put all our efforts back into revisiting the adoption process and began our hunt for a sibling for her ASAP. We started keenly searching groups on Facebook for recommendations for reliable charities and organisations. We eventually found a group for Golden Retriever owners in NI where someone recommended Happy Paws Rescue and we did our research, dug deep to find out as much about them as possible and we put in an adoption application enquiry



– with the most emotional but completely honest story we could possibly put down on paper – explaining our situation and what we wanted to do for Sasha.

We didn't have very high expectations after the complete lack of interest before, so it was a very exciting surprise when Lisa actually called us! El nearly dropped the phone and I thought she had won the lottery – in truth, it was MUCH BETTER than that.

Lisa phoned us one evening, chatted to us for a couple of hours, interested in knowing about us and more about Sasha – as well as our lives and 'our story'. She explained the whole deal about how the charity was started and how it all worked and where the wonderful dogs came from and by the end of the conversation, we were so eager to get involved but agreed that we should go away and think about it all and Lisa would send us some more information by email to read and consider.

We played it as cool as we could for two over-excited humans and waited impatiently for news. We didn't want to jinx anything but at the same time wanted it perfectly clear that we would love to have one of the kids from Happy Paws join our gang! It wasn't long before Lisa sent us our first picture of 'Maya' – and we fell head-over-heels in love straight away and that was it – hook, line and sinker.

From that moment on, Lisa was constantly in touch with us – talking about Maya, sending

us pictures and videos, feeding us as much information on her background and situation as was possible. We felt 100% comfortable with the open and honest approach she took and the very frank discussions about what we were to expect when Maya arrived. It was the longest 3 or 4 months because we were desperate to meet her. Like a true pair of crazy dog parents, we talked to Sasha about her 'big sister' and repeatedly used her name 'Maya' in the house to hopefully familiarise Sasha with the sound. I think it worked.

The group on Facebook and the support from all the other adoptive parents was incredible. Everyone seemed just completely over the moon to be lucky enough to be part of the process and to have the chance to share the experience with others doing the same. It was comforting and put our minds at ease completely.

The pair met in September this year at the sports grounds in Eastbourne and have been completely inseparable ever since. El says they seem to have developed a 'hive' mind – mirroring each other in everything they do and playing for hours on end. There was no turf war, just a total adoration for each other that makes my heart burst with joy whenever I see them running around in the park or playing on the bed. The retriever smiles are almost permanent fixtures on their faces.

Maya has fitted into the family like a glove – within a day or two she was off lead, running and swimming and doing everything Sasha did! We are completely smitten, and she attracts attention from all the other dog walkers when we are out because she's so affectionate and loves attention.

Maya is a beautiful soul. Gentle, affectionate and incredibly obedient and clever. We don't know her true story, and like all rescue dogs she is in need of a lot of TLC. We expect nothing of her – and just hope we can make sure that she always feels loved and secure with her forever family!

I can't even remember what life before 'Maya' was like – it's as if she's been here all along!











We all cheered when she entered Bulgaria Nearly there Holly x

HOLLY'S JOURNEY

"Our Turkish delight 'Holly' joined us on the 23 August after a marathon 2300 miles from the Mediterranean to Dunfermline, a small town in the Kingdom of Fife, Scotland. Our golden girl soon made herself at home and became very much part of our family, loved by everyone, especially her new best buddy Ozzie. After a few weeks she enrolled with Fife dog training and followed an intense Koehler Dog training course where she successfully graduated on the 31 October. Holly is the perfect golden with a character to match, so much so she has started training as a school therapy dog. In time she will help Ozzie with vulnerable children who require support with behaviour, anxiety, learning and emotional problems. Holly visited the school on the last day of term before the autumn holiday, her training visits will increase over time and, all being well, will become a full time therapy dog visiting Queen Anne High School twice a week. In honour of Holly the school has been inspired and is celebrating this incredible journey with 'Holly's Journey' looking to raise money for Happy Paws Puppy Rescue UK to help fund other dogs in Turkey needing help find new homes here in the UK.





From rescue dog to therapy dog Holly truly is an amazing dog. xx



She was quite scared when we got her to safety







Holly at school with the children









MEET THE FAMILIES



























OUR FAMILIES ARE SIMPLY THE BEST !!

I for one have the upmost respect for each and everyone who adopts one of our precious babies.

As a charity our families mean so much to us they all become very much part of the Happy Paws family xx















ALBIE - BEATEN TO SUPERSTAR



Our dear boy Albie started his Happy Paws journey by being knocked out cold by some cruel individual for daring to beg for food as he was so hungry.

I seriously do not, and never will, understand such nasty behaviour but as soon as we heard about what had happened to him we immediately got him to safety.

Albie soon recovered and he was enjoying all the care that was given to him.

Albie now lives a wonderful life with an Incredible family who simply love him to bits









His smile came back in foster

PURDY-ABUSED TO ADORED



Dear Purdy when rescued



Our girl survived in foster

Our dear, sweet Purdy was one incredibly sad rescue and one I will never forget.

She was being beaten and abused by a vile individual - people could hear her screaming in pain when he was beating her!

We were asked to help and the Happy Paws rescue machine went into overdrive.

We got her straight to the vets where it was discovered she was in a terrible state - she received all the treatment, care and love that we could provide.

Our girl improved every day and she thrived in foster. Today, thanks to an incredible team effort, she is now living the dream with her wonderful family and her sister Netty (who is also a Happy Paws girl)

Purdy's rescue was so challenging but she is now so happy, secure and loved and we could not be happier for her. xx



Purdy with her simply wonderful family



BESSIE – FROM POORLY TO *PRINCESS*





Our girl Bessie (who was named Penny) was in desperate need of help from the charity. She had terrible mange - which must of been so painful - her condition had gone untreated for what looked like months!

She was such a good girl and she accepted her treatment and started to improve. She thrived in foster and now she lives with her mum and her brother and quite simply wants for nothing!

The look she gave to her mum when they met was simply priceless. It was a match made in heaven xx

Bessie now lives the Happy Paws dream and we could not be happier for her.





SADIE - FROM SAD TO SAFE



Our dear Sadie was rescued from a simply awful situation!

She was abandoned at a petrol station and left to starve.

We were asked to help and we got her to safety as soon as possible. She then received the very best vet care and she had a good wash as her coat had never seen a brush!

We sent her to foster where we found she needed to have a hip operation - this was successfully completed and she did really well with her recovery.

Sadie is one of the lucky ones - that's for sure!





Sadie - she was in a real mess



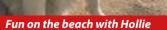












COLDEN MOMENTS













Duncan's walk on the beach

My dear Duncan has had quite a busy old time in the last six months - it's been two years since he came to live with me and my family.

He is continuing to enjoy every moment - takes every new experience in his stride and laps up all of the attention.

He is a truly Happy Paws superstar and we all love him to bits. xx





Proudly displaying his Waggathon medal



Duncan with his Mummy

Dunk's enjoying a walk on the South Downs



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Hamish and the gang



Toby and Lara

DOUBLE TROUBLE!

What is better than one golden? Two or even three or four!

All our goldens enjoy the company of others, but when you have a special friend it is simply wonderful.

Here are just a few of our kids with their special friend!



Kizzy and Daisy





Melody and Leela



Roddy

THE LITTLE KIDS

We are known as a charity for rescuing many gorgeous goldens but we also rescue a few 'little ones' along the way.

Here are just 5 of the lucky ones who we simply could not leave behind.

These little ones really do suffer badly from being cruelly treated. A lot come to us with very badly infected ears which must be so painful - but as soon as they become a Happy Paws dog we start their treatment straight away and get them back to full health.

These little ones are very special to us all at HP HQ and we are so grateful we are in a position to help them find their happy ever after – thank you everyone! xx







Donny

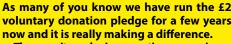


Connie



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The way it works is every time you win an auction we ask if you would like to contribute a voluntary donation of £2 - it is totally optional but what is lovely is that we have raised enough donations to save an extra 4 dogs and that's such an amazing achievement!

Here are the lucky 4:







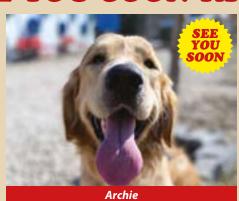
AS A CHARITY WE RESCUE MANY GOLDENS

Here are just some of our precious kids who we have agreed to bring to the UK.

All started their lives being cruelly treated but their lives are going to change for the better now.

SEE YOU SOON KIDS!















VIRTUAL CREAM TEA

The wonder 'virtual cream tea' organised by our good friends at the Golden Get Together.

We all had a great time and raised over £600! xx



Hmmm - that bone has my name on it LOL! xx

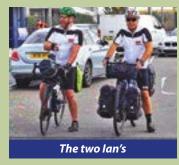


Lucy helping polish off the cake

EPIC BIKE RIDE

The two lan's did an epic bike ride for our rescues - the lads took 3 days and rode many hundreds of miles - they raised an amazing £2000 and their wonderful boss also gave £1000!

We were all so grateful for an incredible effort!!







WAGGATHON

Donna Jones kindly organised a virtual 'waggathon'. All the goldens had to walk 5k and all the goldens who took part received a medal.

Over £300 was raised and everyone had a great time - well done! xx



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Rosie



TERRY ROWS FOR US

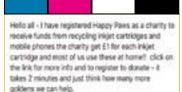
Our good friend Terry Williams decided to get on his rowing machine and 'row for our rescues'.

He raised an amazing £590 for the charity.

Our thanks go out to Terry for all his kind support xxxx







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Anne runs a monthly **Happy Paws Lottery**

lf you would like to take part please contact Anne ajord2000@gmail.com There are three cash prizes to be won every month!



amazonsmile You shop. Amazon gives. Do join amazon smile! You can raise money for the goldens by simply shopping! How cool is that!

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