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## That Newfoundland Place Reunion and Fundraiser a Success



It was another fantastic reunion and fundraiser for That Newfoundland Place on October 13. The rain and clouds that hung around all week in Coventry parted to reveal a sunny, seasonal day, nearly perfect for Newfs and their humans alike.

Laughter and smiles were abundant as old friends greeted one another and new friendships were forged over pasta, salad and pizza and cupcakes. A special guest, Tibetan Buddhist Monk, Gesha-La Ngawang performed a blessing of the dogs, just prior to the raffle. The famous TNP raffle did not disappoint, as tables lined the center of the tent, filled with baskets, blankets & quilts, collectors' plates, and plenty of one-of-a-kind Newfoundland memorabilia. This year's reunion/fundraiser was held in memory of longtime TNP supporter Terry Roach. Terry's daughter, Sue Monroe, presented TNP with a check for \$500 in Terry's memory.



Thank you to Illiano's Grill, Yantic, CT; Maneleey's restaurant, South Windsor CT, Sweet Meg's Creations, N. Windham, CT, Frozen Still Photography, Manchester, CT, Dr. Wendy Ernst of Kirby Veterinarian Hospital, Mansfield Center, CT, TNP volunteers, and the many supporters and local businesses who donated raffle items.



"And a huge thank you to all who attended (and those who were there in spirit)," said Cathy Derench, TNP president. "We couldn't do this work without you."



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## Who's at TNP?

### Zelma and Wally

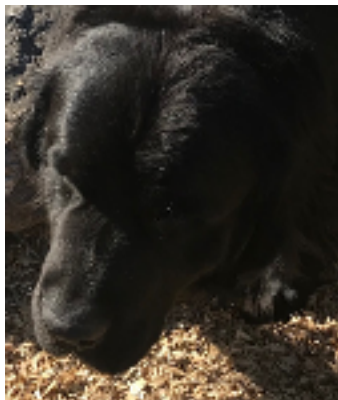


Zelma, also known as "Zee"

Zelma and Wally were rescued from a puppy mill in Ohio and have been together at That Newfoundland Place since July. Although TNP has potential placements for Wally and Zelma separately, the staff has decided to place them together.

When they arrived, these dogs were afraid to walk on grass, ran from a biscuit being handed to them, were horribly afraid of people, and a ringing cell phone would cause them to bolt. Today, Zelma and Wally wag their tails, LOOK for biscuits, love strolling, and seek out pets and hugs. Zelma is a first-class swimmer and Wally likes just sitting in the pond.

The presence of each other has helped these 4 to 5-year-old Newfs build the confidence to focus on kindness and good people. A placement together would allow both dogs to adjust much easier to new



Wally

surroundings, and lean on the strength of each other as they become part of a new home and family. Additionally, Wally has SAS (a heart condition) and although he shows no symptoms, the added stress of removing him from all of the surroundings that comfort him may not do him well.

That Newfoundland Place is seeking a home with traditional fencing, minimal stairs, and no other pets; however, an older dog (9 and up) would probably be okay. As always, That Newfoundland Place is in no rush to place Zelma and Wally until the most suitable home is found, but if you are interested in adopting these two sweet dogs, contact TNP.



### Bear the Akita

Meet Bear! He is an older Akita, about 7, who needs a loving home due to the passing of his owner. Bear loves people and was great with his owner's grandchildren. He loves treats and is good with other dogs, but it would be best if the other dog(s) in the home was female. His history with cats is unknown. Bear does not reside at TNP but if you are interested or know someone who may be, contact Cathy Derench at [cathy@thatnewfoundlandplace.org](mailto:cathy@thatnewfoundlandplace.org)

**Congratulations** to Debbie Deutsch who completed the New York City Marathon on November 3. Debbie raised over \$1,800 for That Newfoundland Place .

**Thank you Debbie!**

## Expert Excerpts

### *Thanksgiving for Newfs*

At Thanksgiving we often gather with family and friends to celebrate and of course our dogs want to be part of that, especially when food is involved!

Much of the traditional Thanksgiving meal is healthy for your Newf – turkey, potatoes, sweet potatoes, peas, pumpkin, and apples, but being savvy about exactly what to give can save you a trip to the veterinary emergency room. Many of the “trimmings” and other ingredients included in the dishes are not healthy for dogs.

Turkey skin, gravy, and side dishes loaded with butter, cream, and spices, are too rich for dogs and can cause pancreatitis and other digestive ailments; and onions and garlic can be toxic. Confirm with the host or whoever brought the dish that the ingredients are safe to give to your furry friend. To include your Newf in the festivities, while still being healthy, consider preparing a small dish of de-skinned turkey and plain, cooked vegetables before anything is added. For dessert, plain cooked pumpkin will be a treat, but pumpkin pie filling often includes Xylitol which is very toxic and potentially deadly for canines.

Source: <https://www.akc.org/expert-advice/vets-corner/can-dogs-eat-thanksgiving-turkey/>

## TNP Alumni

Max (formerly Sinatra) has been part of Michele Ahern’s family for just over a year and has established himself as a playful, lovable member of the family.

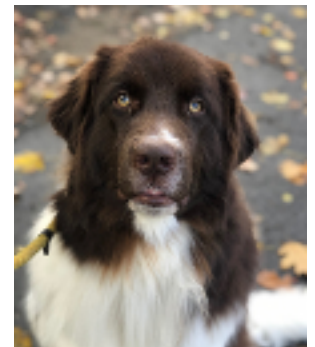


Max was one of the nine puppies born on June 11, 2018 at That Newfoundland Place, just a day after his mom arrived. Michele had recently lost her Landseer Newf of 9 years, Dermott, and was not sure she was ready yet for

another dog. But, her Newfoundland breeder, Kathy Luce of Haydenville, MA, gave Michele’s name to Cathy at That Newfoundland Place and Michele filled out an application and kept in touch with TNP. The process moved along and 9 weeks later, at the end of August, Michele brought Max home.

“Max is great fun for our family,” Michele said. “He’s very outgoing; so friendly and loves meeting people.” Also at home, in East Bridgewater, MA, are Michele’s son Liam, 17, and her mom, Mary, as well as fur sister, Keely, an all-black 4-year-old Newfoundland Michele has had as a puppy, from Kathy Luce.

Michele has always grown up with dogs and Newfoundlands. As an adult she has had 6 Newfoundlands from Luce, and a Newf/Lab mix. Max is her first rescue with TNP.



Max goes to doggy daycare once a week for socialization and spends much of his day with grandma Mary. He also has a dogwalker come in a few times a week to give him some exercise at lunchtime. Michele says, “he’s a big swimmer. He swims in the neighbor’s pool and always finds water.” Max also loves playing with his many toys but his favorite activity is playing with other dogs. As with most Newfs, Max loves his people, and is very in tune with his family, laying at Mary’s feet or wrestling with Liam. “He fits in great with our family,” Michele said.

## Upcoming Events

### Final Rescue Open House of 2019

Sunday, November 10, Noon-3pm  
554 Pucker St., Coventry, CT

*Held Rain or shine , but if it snows, check  
the TNP website for possible cancellation.*

If you are thinking about adopting a rescue, want to know more about Newfoundlands, or the dogs available for adoption, this event is for you. Learn what Newfoundlands are all about, and what TNP is about. Meet the volunteers, ask questions and get answers!

NO DOGS are adopted out on the day of the open house. It is solely a meet and greet event.

That Newfoundland Place is an independent organization, involved mostly with Newfoundlands, but other breeds as well. Applications will be available as well as a copy of TNP's adoption agreement.

Pizza and soft drinks will be served. Dogs are welcome, but must be well behaved and leashed.

For more photos from the 8th Annual TNP Reunion & Fundraiser, see the November 2019 Newsletter attachment PDF on the TNP website

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That Newfoundland Place Inc. is a nonprofit corporation organized and operated exclusively for charitable purposes. Specifically, this organization has been formed to prevent cruelty to animals. Our mission is to offer quality of life to senior dogs of various breeds, to assist in rescue, rehabilitation, and re-homing of dogs in need, with a focus on Newfoundland dogs, and to provide humane education as related to care and life quality. of animals. Cathy Derench, President