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Landseer Litter Celebrate 4th Birthdays



Pregnant mom
Riley

That Newfoundland Place rescues dogs of all ages and all types of medical conditions, but it is rare that a pregnant female comes in and gives birth at TNP. But that's exactly what happened four years ago this month – June 11, 2018.

Landseer Riley was surrendered to TNP due to family hardship. At the time of surrender she was about 2 years old, pregnant, and very close to delivery. After a check-up, progesterone testing, and an x-ray at the vet, a Cesarean section was scheduled to make the birth easier on Riley. Nine healthy Landseer puppies were born at Kirby Veterinary Hospital and reared by the TNP staff. Nine weeks later, after vaccinations, normal adoption testing, and heart checks, the puppies were placed with nine different families. Riley was placed with a family in NY.

Today, the dogs are scattered all across the country, from east to west coast. Their personalities are as different as the patterns of their coats, but they all share the same commonality...delighting their families!

Let's meet the puppies (now dogs).



Incubated pups



Mom nuzzles baby

Nova



Nova was adopted by Mike & Karen Moorehead of Warwick, RI.

"She's very sweet," Karen said. "'She's friendly with other dogs and strangers.'" Karen also reported that Nova can be lazy, but doesn't pass up an opportunity to play with other dogs. "She likes to play more with dogs than people," Karen said.

The Mooreheads have two adult sons living on their own and one daughter still at home. Nova especially likes to play with their son's 1-year-old German

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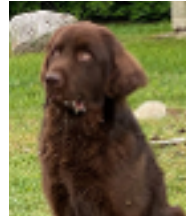
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Who's at TNP?



Two-year-old **Sully** continues to recuperate from his ACL surgery in April and is scheduled for his second ACL surgery in June. He has lots of company with Newf friends at his Long Island, NY foster home and will continue to heal throughout the summer. Watch for updates about Sully on the TNP Facebook page and future newsletters.

Hagrid will be heading to his new home on June 11, where he will be called Atlas. At just one year old, Hagrid is energetic and will need training, but he is eager to learn. He is especially fond of cookies, as evidenced by the photo of him drooling while waiting for his treat. Watch for adoption updates on the TNP Facebook page and future issues of the newsletter.



Kobe is a healthy boy currently in foster care in NJ. This 18-month-old was surrendered because he did not get along with the other male dog in the house. Kobe is scheduled to be adopted on June 7. Watch for adoption updates on the TNP Facebook page and future issues of the newsletter.

Daisy Mae is a Bloodhound puppy that will be 6-month-old on June 16. She arrived at TNP on May 19, surrendered due to family hardship. Daisy Mae is a ball of energy but is very sweet and wants to please. She gets along with dogs and showers people with kisses. Daisy Mae knows some commands but will need lots of training with a fenced in yard so she can run and keep her nose to the ground. She is excellent on car rides.



Interested in adopting from TNP?

All dogs are placed only in APPROVED homes. Email Nancy for an application: nancy@thatnewfoundlandplace.org. Home checks are also required (virtual or in person). Keep in mind that TNP places dogs in homes that are in the best interest of the dog, but welcomes applicants to express interest in dogs through TNP Facebook posts.

Recently Adopted



Baxter (l) & Brie (r)
their first night
together

Diane Provost of White Sulphur Springs, NY adopted **Brittany**, or Brie, on March 10. Brie had never been inside the house and was fearful and struggled a bit. Diane spoke with Cathy at TNP who thought another dog that Brie was rescued with would help her feel more comfortable; **Baxter** was adopted on April 3. Diane reported, "He's made a world of difference for Brie."

"It hasn't been easy [for Brie]," Diane said. "But she's getting better. She's come so far." Brie has recently started wagging her tail.

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Diane lives alone but her friend Colette accompanied her when she picked up Brie and has been staying with her to help with the dogs. It's been a bit of a handful managing both of them during the adjustment period.

Brie still gets into mischief inside the home with stealing and eating things. Baxter defers to Brie unless she has been very bad. "Then he wants no part of it," Diane said. Brie has found some comfort in lying on the futon and loves squeak toys. In fact, Diane has to remove them at night or she will be woken in the middle of the night. Outside, Brie is very happy. "She loves the car," Diane said. "She loves to stick her head out the window and watch people."

Conversely, Diane report that "Baxter has fit in like he has always been here." He loves everyone and Diane calls him very relaxed. "He's just a joy," she said. "He's very sweet and loving.: She's been calling him Tank due to his solid, stocky shape.



Baxter (l) & Brie (r)

Brie and Baxter are Diane's only pets and second and third Newfs. She adopted Mona, who passed away last summer, from TNP in 2016. Still, Diane has had considerable experience with big dogs; she has owned Leonbergers since 1992.

Diane is dedicated to Brie and Baxter. She has exhibited patience and understanding and is committed to earning Brie's trust. Diane has already seen some improvement and the extra effort on her part will undoubtedly pay off.



Seven-year-old **Sampson** is now healthy after a bout of heartworm and recovering from his neuter surgery. He was adopted by Laura and Craig Ogden on May 6, who adopted Peaches from TNP almost two years ago. Laura reports that "Sampson has settled in wonderfully and Peaches is learning how much fun a big brother is."

Watch for more updates on Sampson and Peaches on the TNP Facebook page and in a future issue of the TNP newsletter.

Expert Excerpts

Giving Puppies a Healthy Start

*With Dr. Lauren Flanagan of
Pepperell (MA)
Veterinary Hospital*

Everyone loves a puppy! While they are cute and a lot of fun, they are also a lot of responsibility. Proper feeding, exercise, socialization, training, and veterinary care are critical for the physical and emotional health of our four legged friends. This article will focus on veterinary care.

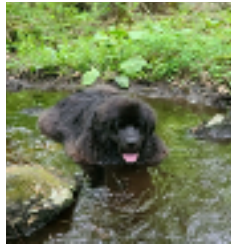
Most breeders allow their puppies to leave somewhere between 8 and 12 weeks of age. Basic vaccinations should begin at eight weeks. If your breeder/rescue group has held the puppy until 12 weeks, most likely it has had its first set of vaccinations. If you adopt a puppy with no vaccination history my recommendation is to see a veterinarian within the first 72 hours to begin the vaccine series. Core vaccinations for puppies include distemper/parvovirus vaccine (commonly referred to as distemper vaccine) and rabies. Distemper vaccines are given every 3 to 4 weeks until the puppy is 16 weeks of age or older. Rabies vaccines can be given as early as 12 weeks but we often delay that vaccine until after the puppy has finished the distemper series. Depending on where you live, and your dog's lifestyle, your

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Six-year-old **Grizzly** went home with Linda Clark of Chepachet, RI on May 18 and is doing great.

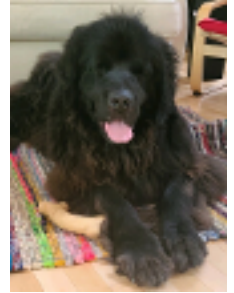
Linda lives alone and doesn't have any children or other pets, so Grizzly gets all her attention, which he doesn't mind a bit; he enjoys romping around outside with Linda, then will drop and roll on his back to get petted.

"He's really extroverted," Linda said. Grizzly went into the office with Linda and he "disrupted the whole floor," she said. "He walked out of my office and into someone else's who had been petting him."



At 170 pounds, Linda is working on slimming Grizzly down, so they go on lots of walks, including by a stream, where Grizzly likes to stand and cool off.

Grizzly is Linda's second Newf, and second from TNP. She adopted Kato at age 6 and lost him just a month or so ago at age 12 and a half. "Kato was awesome, but in a different way," Linda said. "Grizzly is awesome, too."



Linda had always had cats and thought about getting a dog several years ago. She did her research as she is very active with running and biking so she didn't need a dog that needed a lot of exercise. She also didn't want a dog that barked a lot. She was looking for a companion. A Newfoundland was the perfect choice. And it's worked out well for Linda. "I will never not have a Newf," Linda said.

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Shepard puppy, Allister, whom the Mooreheads babysit quite a bit.

Nova also likes to visit a nearby park with a beach where she likes to wade in the water. Of course, her favorite activity at the beach is playing with the other dogs. "She's a greeter," Karen said.

The Mooreheads first Newf, Dixie, was adopted from the Newfoundland Club of New England. She was almost 5-years-old at the time of the adoption and they had her for about 3 years, until she passed away from cancer. In early 2018, they adopted a 2-year-old male Landseer from TNP, but he was too big to handle and didn't get along well with the Moorhead's cat Babbles, so he was re-homed.

They weren't necessarily looking for a puppy, but Cathy reached out a few months later about the litter and offered them a girl. Nova came home on August 11.

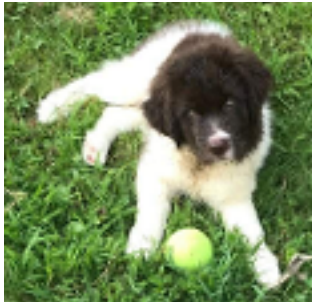
Max

Michele Ahern and son Liam of East Bridgewater, MA adopted Max (formerly Sinatra) on August 11. "He's so chill," Michele said. "He still acts like a puppy."

Max enjoys spending time outside and loves to swim. He is often in the swimming pool in the summer and when the temperatures are still too cool for humans to swim, Max stands on the pool cover to get a drink, despite Michele's efforts to dissuade him.



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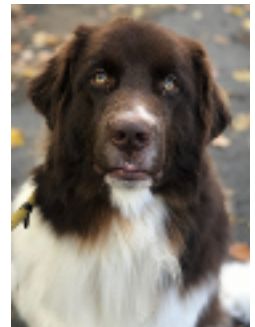


Max has two best friends – yellow labs - that live across the street; he loves playing with them and is welcome in their home. Max stays over there when Michele's family is out of town. Max is very social and doesn't do well as the only dog, but the time is not right in Michele's personal life for another dog so he'll have to be content with play dates for now.

Max's only flaw is that he is a thief. "He'll steal anything," Michele said. "He'll steal from the garbage." The Aherns are constantly having to put things out of Max's reach.

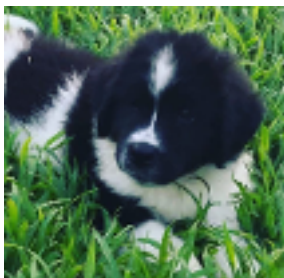
Michele grew up with Newfoundlands. Max is her 5th Newfie as an adult and her first rescue. Michele often has two Newfies at a time and lost female Keely last summer. Michele would eventually like to adopt another Newf from TNP; she'd especially love a black female, like Keely.

Michele wasn't specifically looking for a puppy but it seemed fate intervened. After she lost 9-year-old Newf Dermott in Spring 2018, Michele spoke with friend Kathy Luce and learned Kathy had put Michele's name in to adopt one of the puppies. Michele wasn't sure about moving forward but filled out the application and kept in touch with TNP. "Cathy [Derench] reached out and said, 'how about a brown and white male,'" Michele said. "Whatever she picked out and decided was fine." Michele has zero regrets. "The best thing I ever did was put in an application," she said.



Grace O'Malley

"Very smart and sensitive" is how Karen Smith describes Grace O'Malley, whom she and husband Tom adopted on August 11.

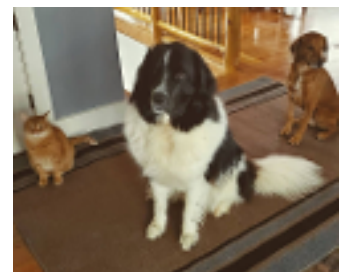


"She's amazing," Karen said. Grace O'Malley was born blind in one eye, but Karen noted that "You'd never know it. She's enjoying life." She is named after The Pirate Queen of Ireland, Grace O'Malley.

Grace O'Malley has a lot to enjoy. She has an in ground pool at her Columbia, CT home that she goes in whenever she wants. She's also a terrific lifeguard, circling the circumference if there are any children in the pool. Grace O'Malley has a couple of built-in best friends in 40-pound hound mix Quinn, who is almost 7, and Richie, a 5-year-old orange tabby. "They get along very well," Karen said. "They like to chase each other around."

Both dogs like car rides and visiting with the Smith's daughter, son-in-law, and two grandchildren, who live nearby. They also both love vegetables, and Grace O'Malley will bring Karen and Tom to the refrigerator when it's time for a snack.

Karen reported that Grace O'Malley is very in tune with people's feelings. "She's nurturing and lovable if you're upset," Karen said. After Tom got a pacemaker, Grace O'Malley sniffed the instrument and continues to check on it – and him – to make sure he's okay.



Richie, Grace O'Malley & Quinn

Grace O'Malley is the Smith's first Newf, although both Karen and Tom have had large dogs in the past. They weren't looking for a Newf; it was serendipity. Karen worked at Kirby Veterinary Hospital and was working when mom Riley came in for her Cesarean section. A few weeks later, Grace O'Malley was brought in by herself for a check on her eye. "Cathy asked if I wanted to hold her," Karen said. At home that evening she told Tom about the blind puppy and they knew they had to take her.

Typical of most Newfs, Grace O'Malley demands attention from Karen and Tom, and any visitors, nudging her head until she's petted. But no one seems to mind. "You can't help but love this dog," Karen said.

Frisco



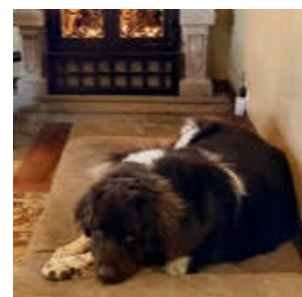
Eileen & Greg Milczik adopted Frisco on August 12. Like most Newfs he is very loveable. "Everyone loves him and he loves everyone," Eileen said. "He's a good companion; very good natured."

The Milcziks were not looking to adopt when Cathy contacted them. They had just lost their male Newf Corby to osteosarcoma less than a week prior. They still had 7-year-old Newf Sierra. "I told Cathy, 'Let me think about it,'" Eileen said. "Then two weeks later I called and said 'give me the calmest one.'" Cathy picked out Frisco.

Cathy was true to her word in selecting the calmest pup. "He's a really lazy dog," Eileen commented. "He's always sleeping. And he doesn't always like to go on walks." Frisco gets lots of nap time with 5 indoor beds and 2 outdoor beds. But he does get socialized at doggie daycare a couple of times a month, likes swimming in the pool, and going out for ice cream and around town. Frisco LOVES car rides and is well traveled from Colorado to Arizona to Utah.

The Milcziks were living in Colorado on 20 plus acres of land when they adopted Frisco. Some of the land was sectioned off for horses and they adapted it for Newfs. Frisco loved the cold weather of Colorado.

About a year and a half ago, they all moved to North Scottsdale, AZ. The Milcziks have 11 acres, but it's mostly desert landscape. Frisco has a shaded enclosure with a door that is controlled with his collar, so the desert critters don't get in his area.



Frisco on one of his 7 beds

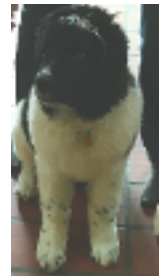
Frisco is the only dog now but Eileen is considering rescuing a medium size dog for a playmate for Frisco. Eileen said they would not seek out another Newfie due to the weather, their size, and the Milczik's age.

Since becoming involved with TNP Eileen has gotten involved with rescues in general and the Humane Society of the United States. She is on the Legislative Board (and the Humane Society Legislative Fund) out of Washington, DC, whose goal is to pass animal protection laws both federally and by state. She has a good role model in Cathy Derench. "Cathy is compassionate not only to animals, but to people," Eileen said. "That's what makes her successful."

Riley

Riley went home with Carolyn & Roy Arnold on August 10 to his new home in Eastborough, KS.

"He's doing really well," Carolyn said. "He's very social. He rarely meets a person or another dog he doesn't like." Riley goes to doggie daycare a couple of days a week to socialize. "He lives for social interaction," Carolyn said. And, Riley thinks everyone else does, too.



Riley with a crown he found at the park

The Arnolds live next door to a popular local park, which Riley think is part of his territory and where everyone should pay attention to him. He has even photo bombed events. "If people are taking pictures, he will go lay down and get in the picture," Carolyn said. Riley has been captured by the camera as part of quinceañeras, weddings and prom memories.

Carolyn wasn't looking for a puppy when she messaged Cathy in June 2018 that she and Roy were just getting over the unexpected loss of their prior Newf Bearie. They had moved from Connecticut to Kansas and Carolyn was checking in to see if Cathy could make a local referral. Carolyn quickly got a response in return asking "want a puppy?" Carolyn's immediate response was no, since she had never had a puppy and was in her 60s. Yet, a couple of months later she and Roy found themselves driving to Connecticut from Kansas and returning with Riley.

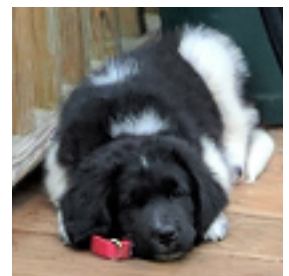


It turned out to be the right decision and they are enjoying Riley and his quirks. Riley has managed to escape from three versions of dog car harnesses and they've discovered that he loves going to the vet. "If we are walking in the direction of the vet, he wants to go in," Carolyn said. Riley is not interested in swimming despite having access to ponds and rivers and in fact his favorite thing about going out in the rain is coming in and getting to toweled off.

Rain or shine, Riley keeps the Arnolds smiling. "He's a wonderful dog," Carolyn said. "We're very blessed."

Stella Swan

Paul and Paula Bourassa welcomed Stella Swan to their family in on August 10. Paul and Paula were in Knoxville, TN at the time with plans to relocate there the following year, when Paul checked the TNP website and saw the posting of mom Riley and her puppies. They already had two Newfs at the time - Rosie and Teddy - but Paul couldn't resist a puppy and approached Paula with the idea. Despite Paula's hesitation and the fact that they would be moving soon, Paul contacted Cathy and said he would love to take a little girl. "I was so honored to get a puppy," he said.



"She's the most normal Newfie I've ever had," Paul said. "She's calm and loves everybody; two legs, four legs, eight legs. She's a wonderful dog. She's very smart."

The Bourassas have had a total of 6 Newfs in the last 20 years, all rescues, from the Newfoundland Club of New England, TNP, and one from personal rescue/Craigslist ad. Paul volunteers with the South Central Newf Rescue and was asked to foster Bentley in January. Just a few days after being in the home, The Bourassa's daughter Paige declared Bentley for

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her own and adopted him. He's become part of the family, at least temporarily until Paige buys a home of her own.

Stella loves to be outdoors and has access to a fenced in yard through a doggie door. The dogs have a one acre fenced in yard as well as their own room, with a rubber floor and 3 beds. There is also a large park nearby with trails and paths, where they love to walk.

Simon

Simon lives in Maryland with his family, Miriam & Mark Resnick.

Simon is the Resnick's second Newf and first rescue. They have also had a Pug, Bassett Hound, and Old English Sheep dog during their fifty plus years of marriage. They lost their first Newf, Wilson, at age 11 in 2017. After a year had passed, the emptiness seemed too great and they wanted another Newfoundland. Their breeder Angela told them about TNP and the puppies that would soon be available. Miriam put in an application and Simon came home on August 10. "I thank Cathy every day," Miriam said.



The Resnicks moved from Germantown, MD to The Kentlands, in Gaithersburg county, MD when Simon was a year old. As soon as they saw the house with the big front porch, they knew Simon would love it and it is his favorite spot. The porch is "very visible," Miriam said. "Simon is extremely friendly and outgoing. He's high up and he likes to watch over everyone." Simon also loves car rides and accompanies Miriam and Mark around town on errands. He's part of what Miriam refers to as "the three amigos" – Miriam, Mark and Simon.



Simon with Miriam on his porch

When he's not on neighborhood watch Simon loves to go on walks and hikes, especially around the two lakes in his neighborhood. He also loves children and spending time with Miriam and Mark. Miriam calls Simon "very intelligent and extremely alert; very interactive and connected. He's a pistol." She may need to call him "The Honorable Simon" in the near future. Simon is so popular in town, there is talk of adding him to the ballot for mayor. With his personality, he may just win.

Gracie

Gracie did not have to travel far to her new home in Farmington, CT when she was adopted by Jan & John LaForest-Roys.

Jan reports that Gracie was a pretty easy puppy with the only issue being teething; Gracie used Jan and John as chew toys during that period. That stage has passed and Jan describes Gracie as "mellow."



Gracie is the LaForest-Roys' second Newf, and their second rescue from TNP. Bella was adopted at 14-months-old and was Jan's shadow. "She was my Velcro dog," Jan said. "She was very, very, very attached. She followed me everywhere."

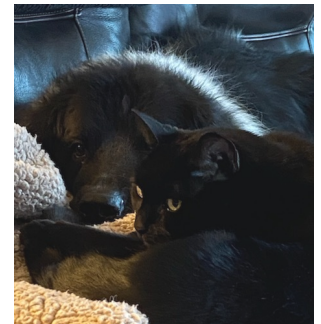
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Jan knew that Bella was getting older and didn't want to be without a Newf so when she saw the puppies on the TNP Facebook page, she reached out the Cathy and asked if they were still available. Cathy asked her preference of gender and Jan indicated she wanted a girl. Gracie was adopted on August 10. Just nine months later, in March of 2019, Bella passed away at nearly 13 years old.

Gracie has a very different personality than Bella; Jan describes her as "Miss Independent." Gracie is not as attached to Jan as Bella was and Jan reported she is much more bonded to her two sons, who are in their 20s and visit a couple times a week, despite Jan sleeping with Gracie in the family room when she first came home.

Gracie does have a strong connection with her best canine friend, Lucy, who lives just three doors down. They visit with each other at least once a day. Gracie also adores her black cat, Piper. Piper hops up on the coffee table so she can rub Gracie's face. Max the orange cat also shares the home, but he and Gracie just tolerate each other. Gracie is also fond of playing with her giant tennis ball in the yard.

"She's a lazy girl," Jan said. But Gracie might refer to herself as privileged, enjoying the comforts of life and being waited on. "She's a big sweetheart, but things are on her terms. We serve her," Jan said. Sounds like Gracie has her family well-trained.



Gracie & Piper

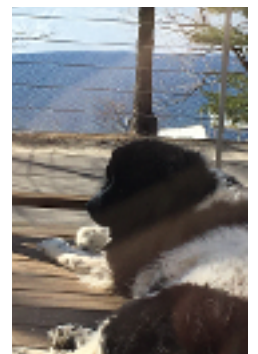
Lyla



Lyla was the last puppy to go home, on August 19. She joined Catherine L'Heureux and her 8-year-old Newf sister Callie, who Cathy got as a puppy from a breeder. Lyla is Cathy's 4th Newfoundland, and second rescue. In 2006 she adopted Wrigley from the Newfoundland Club of New England.

Lyla is healthy and has been Cathy's most active Newf, enjoying spending time outside and especially walks. Cathy recently moved to a house on Maranacook Lake in Maine from Kennebunk, so Lyla now has the beach as her backyard. In warmer weather she will likely take advantage of going to the beach and cooling off in the water. Cathy has made sure Lyla is comfortable at home too. "Lyla is sensitive to high temperatures, so I put air conditioning in this house we moved into," Cathy said. "I am actually looking forward to THAT switch."

Callie passed away in fall 2020 from bone cancer, so Lyla is now the only Newf, but she does have two cat brothers. With her children grown and out of the house, Cathy devotes much of her time to Lyla, spending time brushing her – which Lyla loves – and exploring their local waterways. Newfs will always be part of Cathy's life. "I wouldn't have any other breed," she said.



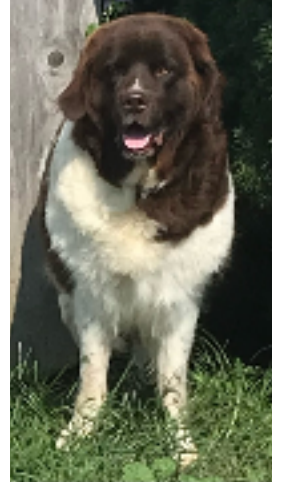
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Nursing puppies



Mealtime lineup



Mom Riley



Frisco



Grace O'Malley



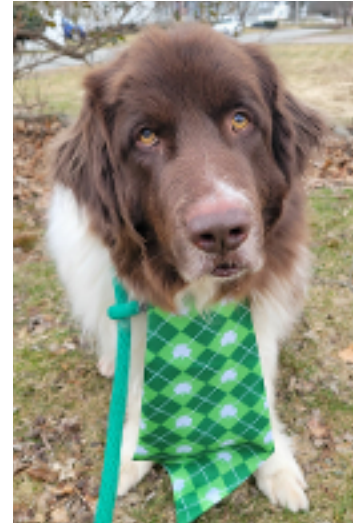
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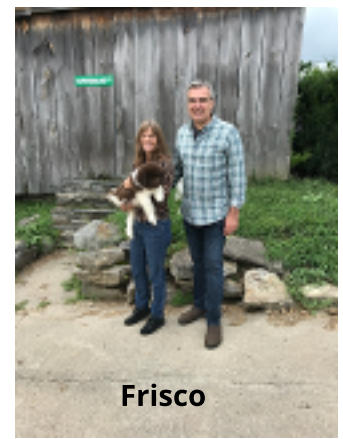
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TNP Open House in June

If you weren't able to attend the April Open House, you have two more opportunities on *Sunday, June 12* and *Sunday, August 21*.

All Open Houses are:
Noon to 3 pm
554 Pucker Street, Coventry, CT
Pizza and soft drinks will be served.

The purposes of the Open House is to allow people interested in the breed and rescue to meet some of the dogs and see what they are about, and to see what TNP is all about!

No dogs are adopted out on the day of the Open House. It is solely a meet and greet event. Applications will be available as well as a copy of TNP's adoption agreement.

Well-behaved, leashed dogs are welcome!

If the weather is excessively hot and humid, do not feel that you must bring your dog, especially older or health-compromised dogs. Shady grounds, kiddie pools, and air conditioning is available, but please do not put undue stress on your dog. Of course, no dogs can be left in cars during hot weather.

All events are open to the public, held outside, and are subject to COVID protocols.

veterinarian may also recommend vaccinations against Lyme disease, leptospirosis, canine influenza, and Bordetella (also called kennel cough).

Puppies come with parasites. It is not a reflection on the hygiene or poor husbandry, it's just a fact of nature. We recommend routine deworming as well as routine fecal checks. Even if a puppy has normal stool and you're not seeing parasites in the stool, they can have intestinal parasites. This is not to be confused with heartworm, which is a parasite that lives in the blood vessels, not a gastrointestinal parasite. To check for heartworm we need a blood sample. Puppies are started on heartworm prevention as early as eight weeks. Heartworm, and its vector, the mosquito, do not discriminate with age so even 8 week old puppies are susceptible to infection. We don't routinely test puppies before starting prevention because it can take up to nine months after exposure for the test to turn positive. Annual heartworm testing usually begins after the first year of a puppy's life. Of course, we can't forget the external parasites, fleas and ticks. There are many safe options for flea and tick control that can be started as young as eight weeks.

As long as your puppy is happy and healthy, veterinarians do not run routine bloodwork until it's time for your puppy spay or neuter. Most veterinarians strongly encourage pre-surgical bloodwork to be sure there's no underlying condition that we cannot identify on physical exam that may affect anesthetic choices and post-surgical pain management. If you don't plan to spay or neuter your pet, it's a good idea to have some baseline blood work done within the first year of your puppy's life to establish normals. The decision to spay or neuter and the timing of the procedure is a good conversation to have with your veterinarian.

Diet and exercise are important factors in the growth of all breeds of dogs but in particular can have significant effects on large breed dogs. Feeding a diet that causes a large breed dog to grow too fast or get too heavy at a young age can contribute to orthopedic problems later in life, and generally speaking an overweight puppy becomes an overweight dog. Be sure you have chosen an appropriate diet and feed an appropriate volume for your breed. Puppies do need to play and exercise for proper development but you want to avoid high impact activity while their bones are developing, as well as activities that may put too much stress on their developing bones and joints, such as strenuous hikes and long runs.

Go out and have fun with your puppy but keep them safe and healthy with solid preventative care!

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