

Northumberland Dog Rescue

Welcome to your monthly newsletter

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Introduction

Welcome to the first edition of what will become a monthly newsletter

We'll regularly provide updates on our dogs, our people, our upcoming events, and ways that we can help each other in the never ending rehabilitation and re-homing of unwanted/uncared for dogs in Northumberland.

If you have any comments or suggestions on anything you would like to see in the newsletter please just drop us a line at ndrnewsletter@gmail.com

Spotlight On Our Team



Annie

I am the volunteer lead for NDR which means I meet and do the induction for all volunteers when they join us. I am involved in fundraising and I support the trustees with some of the Charities admin work. I still walk the dogs, often with my own rescues. At some point in a future newsletter I will introduce you to Ted and Jet, our doggy meet and greet volunteers.

I had been aware of the rescue for a long time and had a dog from the charity already, so when I had some time that I could give I volunteered as a kennel volunteer back in 2018.

I would spend half a day a week playing with dogs in the paddock and I still remember many of them, I love it when I see them on Facebook with their dog parents happy and loved.

When lock down hit I switched to taking dogs out of the kennels for walks, I saw how much they benefited from the experience and continued with it.

Late in 2020 I volunteered to support other volunteers and the rest as they say is history.

(carried forward)

Spotlight On Our Team



Annie (part 2)
When I started as a volunteer, life was pretty
stressful, my lovely dad had been diagnosed with
dementia and Wal, my partner and I, became carers.

Being with the dogs gave me a few hours of respite. Like most people who love dogs will tell you, they just make you happy.

There are so many reasons to volunteer with Northumberland Dog Rescue, obviously the amazing dogs and a chance to help them, but also meeting lovely people who are as daft about dogs as you are. No need to hide the fact that 90% of the pics on your phone are of dogs because theirs are too.

If you want to know more about becoming a volunteer with us please email

Northumberlandogrescue@gmail.com with your contact details and we'll be in touch

Spotlight on our supporters



Bamburgh Castle

We're delighted to have been chosen as Bamburgh Castle's Charity of the Year for 2023

As a result we will be hosting several events throughout the year within the grounds and inside the castle itself, full details will be listed nearer the times on our media channels.

In the meantime why not check out everything the 1400+ year old castle has to offer as a destination for a perfect day out:

<u>Website</u> <u>Facebook</u> <u>Instagram</u> Twitter

Success story of the month

Teddy had been much loved by his previous family.

After an incident at a vets he had changed in his behaviour towards the lady in the family

As the family had young children, and the lady was becoming more fearful of Teddy, they felt they had no alternative but to ask us to take him.



Teddy was certainly a challenge when he first arrived and initially showed a lot of aggression towards us. However with a lot of perseverance and patience Teddy started to trust us and show his more playful side. We discovered that Teddy was definitely a man's dog which is quite unusual in rescue.

Teddy was advertised for rehoming for a long time and though people were attracted by his teddy bear looks, his temperament often put them off.

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Enter two lovely guys who originally came to see another dog, and I asked them if they would like to meet Teddy.

It was love at first sight and after putting in boundaries and routine, the happy duo are now a trio, and Teddy is living his best life!!

Rescue of the month



Little Teddy (2) is a 3-4 year old neutered fully vaccinated chihuahua x frenchie.

Teddy was kept in a bedroom and so is scared of everything.

We are looking for someone who is around all the time who can work with Teddy as he reacts when he goes out to other dogs.

Please remember chihuahuas can live to a ripe old age and he needs more than to just be a lap dog.

We are looking for a calm, experienced home with no children and though he has lived with another dog he may be happier alone. If you are interested and fit the criteria for Teddy please email with as much information about yourself as possible to northumberlandogrescue@gmail.com

Homecheck will apply

Ways you can help

Amazon:

The next time you're shopping for your essentials on Amazon, please check out our wish list for our essentials :-)

Amazon wish list

Volunteering:

Are you able to spare a couple of hours either on a regular basis or even just occasionally on an ad-hoc basis?

Volunteering can take many forms:

- Helping care for our rescues at the centre
 - Shaking a collecting bucket at events
 - Helping at our shop in Amble
 - Hosting a coffee morning at home

The volunteering options are endless, if you want to help and/or have any other ideas in how you can help us to help the dogs in our care please contact us on Northumberlandogrescue@gmail.com

Donations

Donations are the lifeblood of every charity and allow us to continue our work rehabilitating and re-homing our dogs. Every donation, great or small helps.

Donate here:

TO MY RESCUE DOG

There's no need to flinch when I lift my hand No need to cower each time I stand No need to run when I come near No need to tremble - I see your fear.

You can sleep with both eyes shut, Don't need to jump when you wake up. Your food is yours to eat in peace No need to fight to keep your feast

You don't need to lie upon a hard floor
The beds and sofas are yours to explore
Don't need to sit out in the rain
The house is your shelter, your new domain.

I cannot erase the memories and fears
I can't compensate for the wasted years
All I have is what you see
But I give you it all and I give you me.

I give you these arms to comfort and hold
I give you this voice for the joys you'll be told
I give you my heart and abundance of love
I give you my soul and I hope its enough.

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