



The Kerry Blue Terrier Rescue is Keeping Calm and Korrying On

As we have just passed our first 6 months of our 4th year I thought that it would be nice to let you know how we, and you, continue to make a difference in the lives of many Kerrie's and their owners.

Although times have changed quite significantly, as has our ability to move dogs around, we have continued to work as best as we can.

When lock down came all the dogs that we had on our books were safe in homes, and one in a wonderful kennel, where they can stay until we have more freedom to be able to move them. We have continued to take on dogs, accept Interest Forms from potential fosters and adopters and will be ready to start moving dogs around once the current situation has been lifted.

Just as lock down was happening we even managed a video homecheck and the dog was able to go straight to the home, to ensure continuity in its health and welfare. Of course, a real home check will happen when we are able to. A very special mention goes to Gayle, who, as well as looking after her family and her 3 Kerrie's, is still managing to provide vital aftercare advice to those who need it and sends a full report to us all once a week.

Our Finances and Our Thanks to You

We have had a very busy 6 months with a huge amount of work going on behind the scenes at the Rescue. We had a number of dogs in foster care who required significant veterinary treatment and kennelling whilst we found them the homes that they deserved.

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Our deepest gratitude goes out to all those who have donated funds to us so that we have been able to continue to provide the standard of care that these Kerrie's have needed.

Our donators also include all the wonderful people out there who have donated their skills and expertise to raise funds for us:-

- Aileen at www.k9cleancoats.co.uk
- Peter at www.peterbruce.co.uk
- Cara at www.etsy.com/uk/shop/MaisieandMurphy

Please do have a look at the links and make your order through them. Part of their proceeds will be paid to us.

A special thanks also goes out to Stephanie who donated two beautiful handmade dog coats and a beautiful Christmas collar. One coat was sent to one of our rescue dogs who was in much need of some warmth and the other was won by a lovely lady in the USA. The collar was sent to a very special lady who had fostered and then went on to adopt one of the Kerrie's mentioned below. Stephanie, as well as Hilary, have also been very busy giving talks to the WI along with their Kerrie's. As well as collecting donations from the ladies and passing it on to us, they been out promoting the Kerry Blue. Brilliant work ladies.

I can't leave this thank you until I give a mention all those people who fetch and carry, perform homechecks, attend vets' appointments and pay for the various expenses they incur on our behalf all for the love of the breed and the dogs trusted to their care.

In the first six months of our current year a total of just over £9,300 has been spent on veterinary fees to get various dogs back on their feet.

Many of the vets that we work with also give us good discounts. All expenditure that has been incurred has been necessary and truly, without your help we wouldn't have been able to give the immediate "yes" that was necessary on a few occasions.

A few examples will follow, but they are not by any by no means the only cases that we've had.

Holly and Bonnie

Holly and Bonnie came to us as their owner was elderly and suffered from advanced dementia. Both girls had tumours when they were surrendered into our care and went straight to a couple's home for some much-needed tender loving care.

Sadly, Bonnie's cancer was advanced and her condition quickly deteriorated, upon veterinary recommendation we had to let her go. Holly had a smaller tumour on her toe and the vet felt that removal of the toe would be enough to remove the cancer. She had the operation and was enjoying a full and happy life when after a month or so the tumour returned. The only option to stop the cancer spreading was to have her leg amputated. She had the surgery a couple of months ago and is recovering well.

Bruno

Bruno was picked up on the streets, he had large lumps on his body, an infection in his eyes and his mouth, and was in poor condition. He went into foster care with a super family while he received all the necessary veterinary care he needed. He now has a clean bill of health and we are delighted that the family fell in love with him and he has been adopted.

Smurf

Smurf came into the rescue as her owner had become too ill to care for her. She had a mammary tumour, which had not been detected prior to her being placed with her foster mum. The tumour required removal and following the operation the vet discovered that Smurf had a rare blood clotting disorder. It has taken months of vet visits and medication to get her health under control and we're so happy to say that Smurf waved her magic charm wand and has now been formally adopted.

And finally

As well as these major cases we have had a number of dogs in kennels while waiting on the right home and all these costs really mount up. If you would like a full cash flow of our first 6 months of this accounting year please do let me know, as I'd be happy to pass it on to you. On behalf of all the dogs who pass through us we want to say thank you to each and every person who has supported the Rescue and enabled us to help all of the dogs. You're all amazing.

Have a wonderful long weekend, stay safe, keep calm and kerry on!

With love from the whole team
Emma

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