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Chilly, autumnal mornings and ever shortening days, - October is here and it's time for a round-up of the news from the last month. What a mixture too, more pooches coming into rescue, happy endings, Gotcha days, a sunny dog show, and the terrible heartbreak of loss after fighting against the odds.

The happy endings make everything worthwhile.... and when it is a truly happy ending for both parties, then it's doubly heartwarming. A dear elderly gentleman who adopted from us over a year ago sadly lost his old canine friend, who had given him so much companionship. He wanted to fill the huge gap that she had left, and waited earnestly for us to find a new dog to share his life. It wasn't long before Barney came along; they now have each other for company, and we look forward to a long and happy partnership for them. We have no age restrictions on our adopters, unlike some other rescue organisations; each applicant is considered on an individual basis, and this rehoming story illustrates why. Knowing that not just one, but two lives have been enriched as a result of our work is all the reward we need.

And that is what Last Chance Hotel is all about.

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## **New Arrivals**

Rescue is not confined to crossbreeds - in fact a large proportion of the dogs that come in are pedigrees, whether they be from pounds, puppy farms or as private rehomes. September saw the arrival of 6 Chihuahuas, 5 girls and one boy, ex

breeding machines who had never felt grass under their tiny paws before. They all went into foster and some have already found their forever homes.

Little Ollie, a Westie, had to find foster very quickly due to his owner going into sheltered accommodation which did not allow dogs, a very sad and upsetting situation for both of them. Ollie is currently in a lovely foster home and under assessment. Amongst the other incomers was Dobby, a sweet GSD pup with possible neurological



problems, but as playful as any pup could be, safe now in a fab foster home. An elderly Labrador cross joined Carla's pack, and another younger one moved in with regular fosterer Sam S and her lab family for assessment. A sprinkling of private rehomes added to the September mix, and some are ready for their new forever sofas.



Top pic: Chi girl

1st row: Dobby, Ollie 2nd row: Buddy, Old lab boy.

These are just a few of the recent incomers. If you would like to follow their progress, and find out more about all the others, please check out our <u>Facebook</u> <u>page</u> and website <u>lastchancehotel.org</u>. We now have a news section on the Home page; dogs are constantly being assessed in their foster homes and information changes regularly.

# **Happy Departures to New Homes**

Here is Barney meeting his new dad Dave, who sadly lost his Last Chancer Lilly recently. Barney is helping to mend his broken heart and put a smile back on his face, and we wish the two of them many happy years together.





Rosie, one of the Chi breeding girls, went into foster with LCH volunteer Glo and family, which includes Last Chancer Abbie. Almost three years ago Abbie herself came into LCH rescue from a harsh puppy farm, terrified and in a poor physical and mental state. Their first foster, they 'failed' after 4 weeks, where failing means smiles all round.

Rosie, their second foster, bonded immediately with Abbie, and yes, you've guessed, Rosie is now a permanent member of the household which can't seem to get fostering quite right....

### **Fundraisers**

We were lucky to have a beautiful Autumn day and a fabulous turn out for our Fun Dog Show at **Griggs Open Day** on Saturday 29th September. Many thanks to all those who entered their lovely pooches, had a go on our tombola stall, or supported us in any way. It was great to meet so many well behaved dogs and their caring owners.

Best in Show went to the stunning Janice and her handler Fliza.



If you would like to help LCH with a fundraising event, please contact the team with your idea on 01209 281159 or email Louisa on

louisa@lastchancehotel.org.

# Thank you!



#### Roll out the banner...

We have a fab banner for our new gate at the farm, made and donated by Paul and Jules Rollason of mackerelbus.com.

Thank you both so much for getting us noticed!

#### Amazonians.....

This thunder shirt and and special 'Caution' collar arrived in the post this month, two very useful gifts from our <u>Amazon Wishlist</u>.

Grateful thanks to Poppy Scotcher-Lane for thinking of our dogs as we get nearer to Halloween and Bonfire Night.





### Get knitted

Look at this amazing bundle of knitted goodies, made and donated by the very kind Lily Hammond. These will be on sale in our Hub Shop and all our events. Thank you so much Lily, your support is very much

#### Hello from Austria!

We received this charming photo of a well travelled hedgehog, purchased in our Hub Shop recently by a couple on their honeymoon. Laura and Phil fell in love with Cornwall on their 3 week stay in the UK; Mr Hedgehog now resides in Salzburg, Austria, hence the wonderful



view of the Alps in the distance. What a lucky boy!

#### The Last Chance Hotel Hub Shop

The Hub Shop is situated at 83 Fore Street, Redruth, almost opposite Wilko's, and open 10am - 4pm Monday to Saturday. Lots of new and preloved goods on sale and hot drinks in exchange for a donation. Pop in for advice about animal related issues, and a browse around! Our 'Sale' days have been very popular.

**Volunteers** to help man (or woman!) the shop are warmly welcomed, - just a couple of hours a week will help enormously. Please contact the shop on 01209 315547, or drop in for a chat.

Donations for the Hub are always needed, especially ladies clothing in the larger sizes and good quality bric a brac.

# **Rainbow Bridge**



Ollie has left us, onto his next adventure. His foster mum and dad Michelle Douglas, James Thomas and family gave everything they had to keep him well and to make his short life on this path, the best he ever had, and they succeeded. Ollie spent his last few weeks, so loved and so cared for, no one could have done more for him. We are eternally grateful to Michelle, James and their family, whose hearts have been shattered by his passing. He is now trailblazing onto his new adventure, with no pain and no disabilities. There is a mass of beautiful souls waiting for him at the summerlands by the bridge ... he was a baby, a tiny beautiful baby ... and everyone whose lives he touched loved him. To all those who donated to his MRI, we are humbled, and our love goes to you all for helping him. But most of all our love and strength goes to Michelle, James and family ... whose whole life changed when he landed with them.. thank you so much for being there for him..

## **High View Farm Update**

Rosie and Roscoe moved onto the farm and have settled into their sanctuary spaces really well.
Happy horses, who have been greeting our new neighbours as they wander past. They seem very

chilled out and enjoying all the extra attention they get every day.

Our moving in date is approaching fast, as renovations on the farmhouse come to an end.

Exciting times, but so much to do.

As always, if you can lend a hand in any way, please get in touch.



We have a Facebook page dedicated to <u>High View Farm Sanctuary</u>, please take a look and like and follow the page.

## **Happy Gotcha Day!**

"Gotcha Day" is the name given to the day a lucky hound first came into his or her forever home. Here are some tributes of that celebration of love





#### **NELLIE**

Happy Gotcha Day to our darling girl, have you really only been here for a year? *CL* 

#### **JESTER**

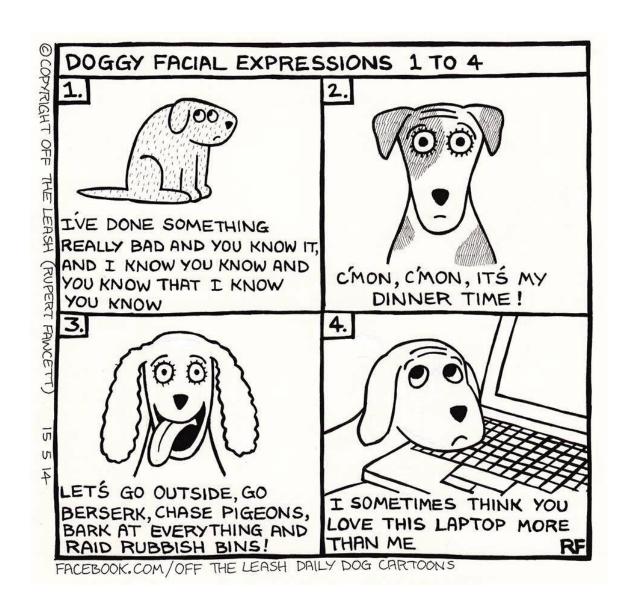
Happy 4th gotcha day to Jester my lovable loony boy  $\times$  *DR* 





#### **PIPER**

Happy Gotcha Day to Piper! 1 year! First pic before we took him home, look at our boy now...  $\it LB$ 



**Dates for your Diary** 



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### Sunday 28th October 10am - 4pm

Crofthandy Village Hall, St Day TR16 5JQ

Last Chance Hotel Autumn Fayre, Companion and Fun and Dog Show.

Crafts, doggy goods and services, tombola, cake and refreshments.

Under cover in the marquee, thanks to Absolute Canvas of Falmouth

Put it in your diary now!

#### Friday 2nd November 7.15pm

Lanivet Parish Community Centre PL30 5HG

Quiz Night in aid of LCH and Russet Greyhound Sanctuary.

Tea/coffee and biscuits at the halfway interval.

Players are welcome to bring a bottle (or 2!).

Do come and support this event, test your grey matter and have a laugh! Would love to see you there.

## **Did you Know?**

We have a <u>NEW LAST CHANCE HOTEL FACEBOOK PAGE</u>, which aims to keep you updated with all the latest news on the dogs and much more. Please click on the link and 'like' our page.

We have other Facebook groups: <u>LAST CHANCE HOTEL AUCTION</u> runs auctions throughout the year, with loads of fab stuff up for grabs, raising vital funds for our vet bill.

Our <u>LCH ONLINE DOG SHOW</u> group allows you to show off your pooches from the comfort of your armchair, and also helps raise funds for our vet bill.

Our Amazon Wishlist, by which you can purchase specific goodies and have them delivered to us, is a lovely way to send a present for our animals! The link will take you straight there for a browse of all sorts of goodies from toys and chews to harnesses, coats and lovely food.

There are also ways to help raise funds for us whilst you're shopping online, which don't cost you a penny. Easyfundraising is a scheme whereby you can shop at many popular retailers such as Amazon, John Lewis, Marks & Spencer, and they will donate a small percentage (usually 1%) of your order to the charity of your choice, with no extra expense to you. Giveasyoulive is a similar scheme, with over 4000 retailers involved.

Like all charities, we depend almost entirely upon the generosity of our wonderful supporters. We have several ways in which monetary donations can be made:

PayPal is easy and convenient for the many people who hold an account.

<u>JustGiving</u> provides another way of donating and also an opportunity for individuals to fundraise for us through sponsorship of a personal challenge. In

addition, it allows us to claim back the Gift Aid part of the donation which can add vital pennies.

If neither of these methods are suitable, then we are more than happy to accept donations via **direct bank transfer** using the following information:

**Barclays** 

Last Chance Hotel Sort code: 20-67-19 Account no: 73797503

(Do drop us a quick email with your details so we can say thanks!)

or **cheques**, if sent to our Treasurer, at the address given at the bottom of this newsletter.

Thank you from Team LCH and all the animals!

Animals are reliable, many full of love, true in their affections, predictable in their actions, grateful and loyal.

Difficult standards for people to live up to.

Alfred A. Montapert





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