



# DAS Dalmatians Newsletter

January 2024

Welcome to the latest edition of the DAS  
Newsletter

## Happy 2024

**A little belated but we hope everyone had a lovely Christmas and Wish you all a Happy and Healthy 2024**

**The last year has been eventful to say the least.**

If you follow the page you will know that the DAS found a place to move to in May but it turned out to be a nightmare. As if moving all the dogs and all furniture and possessions from the place in Devon wasn't bad enough. What was thought to be the perfect place turned out to have no working heating and a leaking roof which was not repaired despite several requests.

So a new place was found and this seems to be the one. Plenty of space for the spots to run and live. Roof doesn't leak and everyone seems happier



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As with any move, there were problems - moving all the dogs again, packing up the boxes that were not unpacked and moving several hours away. Lots of issues behind the scenes that crop up and test their patience and resolve.

How Sue and Dave keep going sometimes is beyond me. The stress and ongoing battles they have to fight is unbelievable but they keep going and the dogs are cared for, fed and kept safe. There is so much love wherever they are for the dogs in their care.

Of course they would be the first to admit that they cannot do what they do without the help and support of everyone who joins in the fundraising, sponsor the spots and send donations. They are forever grateful to each and every one of you.

We know times are hard for everyone so we try to make the fundraising something that you just don't donate to but have the chance of getting something in return ie win money or an amazing item in our woofs.

Ideas and help is always appreciated

Here are some of the dogs jumping on Sue and a sofa that has been donated  
You can just see Sue if you look closely 😊



## Dogs for Adoption

As rescues are becoming overrun with dogs and are struggling to rehome. DAS is no different and has had multiple requests for help and just like others cannot help them all  
Currently, at the time of writing, there are 2 dogs for adoption Please check out the website for information and how to apply

### This is Blue



I am 7 years old

I have a broken ear but can hear the fridge door open from outside !

I currently live with another male spotty and we had a bit of a 'do' 2 years ago but we have been ok since then, we like to play and cuddle but we now bark and growl at each other so we are kept apart as it is safer for us all

Further information available here

<https://www.dasdalmatians.co.uk/adoption>

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## My Name is Freddie



I am 1 year old and I am deaf

My family advertised me for sale on the internet as they didn't have time for me anymore

I was petrified when I arrived at DAS but my Mummy Sue has worked with me and now I'm a very happy boy and have made friends here with the other furry kids

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# SPOTLIGHT ON A SPOT

## Scooter

I am 11 years young.

Mum says I am a nutter cos I am a little bit unpredictable .... I like to make scary noises and want to eat you when I have food.

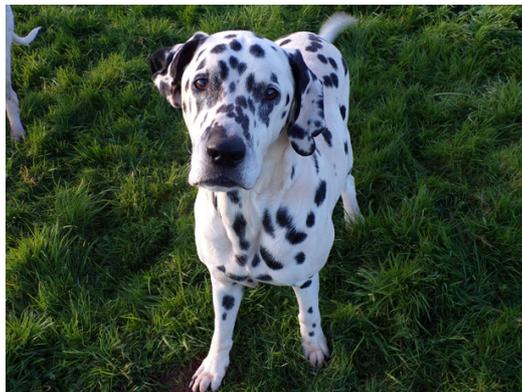
I have an odd shaped skull cos something happened to me when I was a puppy ....a child put it's hand near my food, I didn't bite it though but I got severely beaten and my head was kicked.

My Mum thinks that may be why I am like I am .... Before and after I have my food, I like to tell you to get lost cos it's my food, not yours. My Mum says she understands cos if someone tried to take her food away, she'd growl too !

Mum and Dad still love me though and I love them .... I like to do an Elvis smile when they come home and jump up but I'm very good, I don't jump up with my feet, I shoulder barge you :)

I love to go out to the beach and the woods cos children love me and I get lots of cuddles off them and I can run around

The older Scooter is getting, the more unpredictable he is with his food .... he is such a strange critter but we adore him



DAS Dogs are available for sponsoring to help care for them.

More information at <https://www.dasdalmatians.co.uk/sponsor-our-spots>

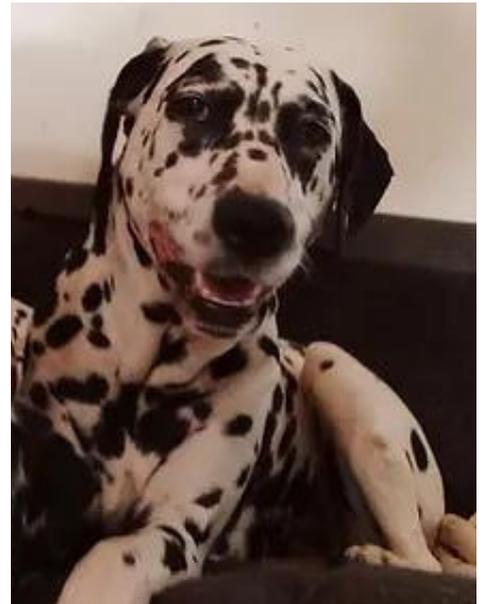
## Not so happy endings



Since the last newsletter several adopted DAS dogs have crossed the bridge. Its always heartbreaking to hear when this happens and our love and thoughts go out to all those who have loved and lost their spotties. We are forever grateful to you for caring and loving these amazing dogs.



Luca  
Our Bahrainian Hooligan  
Died in his sleep  
30th May 2023  
Together forever with his  
best friend Donkey



Lois Age 11yrs  
Died 20 December 2023  
Perforated bowel

We may not be together, in the way we used to be,  
But we are still connected by a cord no eye can see  
So, whenever you need to find me, we're never far  
apart,  
If you look beyond the horizon, and listen with your  
heart

## FUN FACTS

A dog's nose print is as unique as a human fingerprint  
If you thought a dog's nose pattern is irrelevant, think again! Given their uniqueness, countries such as Finland use nose prints to identify dogs instead of microchips.

Dogs noses are wet to help absorb scent chemicals  
This amazing dog fact might answer a long-standing question that dog owners have. Why are dogs' noses wet? Vetstreet says that the answer is that dog's noses are wet to help them absorb scent chemicals! Their nose secretes a special mucus that helps to absorb these chemicals, and then they lick their noses to sample them, helping them understand what the smell is.

Did you know that when a dog drinks, the tongue curls under ?  
I always thought they they kind of scooped it on their tongue and pulled it upwards but in reality it is much different.

Check out this slow motion video

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OteZsLnqWLE>



Maybe that's why some make a real old mess when drinking



## CURRENT FUNDRAISING

and ways you can help



**SUMMER IS COMING!**

£10 donation per number

THE YORKSHIRE DALES FOOD & DRINK FESTIVAL

£10 donation per number

Payment to Susan Bell,  
TSB bank sort code 77-26-17 account 00006242

**Enter to Win!**

FOOD & DRINK

This is for 2 VIP tickets to see James Martin Cookery Show on Sat 20 July

Also included is a 2 night getaway (use by 21 August 2024)

Use for this event or at another time

Visit our facebook page for more details .  
The Food Festival is a one off - fab prize  
Saturday Spot is run weekly -you could win £65



**SATURDAY SPOT**

**100**

NUMBERS

£2 A GO.  
£65 FOR FIRST ONE OUT  
2ND ONE OUT UP TO £35  
(DEPENDANT HOW MANY SOLD)  
MEANING UP TO £100 FOR DAS

If you would like the same choice every week, please let either Sue or Shirley know or comment below. If you would like to send money in monthly blocks that can be arranged too.(We can send you a reminder when next due)

Bank details are Susan Bell, TSB bank sort code 77-26-17 account 00006242

International codes are available if required - please ask

Thank you so much for helping DAS

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**Recycle Your  
Ink Cartridges**

*and help us raise money!*

Recycle 4 Charity



**ARE YOU UP FOR A CHALLENGE!?**  
**DO YOU WORK IN AN OFFICE?**  
**DO YOU USE INJET CARTRIDGES?**

**NICOLA JAMES HAS THROWN DOWN THE GAUNTLET!  
SHE HAS ASKED FOR A BOX FOR WORK TO RECYCLE  
CARTRIDGES AND THE PROCEEDS WILL GO TO DAS  
DALMATIANS  
SHE WANTS TO KNOW IF YOU CAN BEAT HER BY RAISING  
MORE MONEY  
CARTRIDGES MUST BE GENUINE IE HP, EPSON, BROTHER  
ETC  
CONTACT DETAILS FOR BOX DETAILED IN POST ABOVE**

You can request a box for collection from  
[www.recycle4charity.co.uk](http://www.recycle4charity.co.uk) mentioning DAS and start your haul.

Cartridges can earn DAS upwards of £1 each!

You can also send them as an individual by following instructions on  
their website as above and using the freepost address  
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Thank you very much.

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