



DAS Dalmatians Newsletter



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Welcome to the latest edition of the DAS
Newsletter

IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE OUR LAST NEWSLETTER

HOW IS EVERYONE?

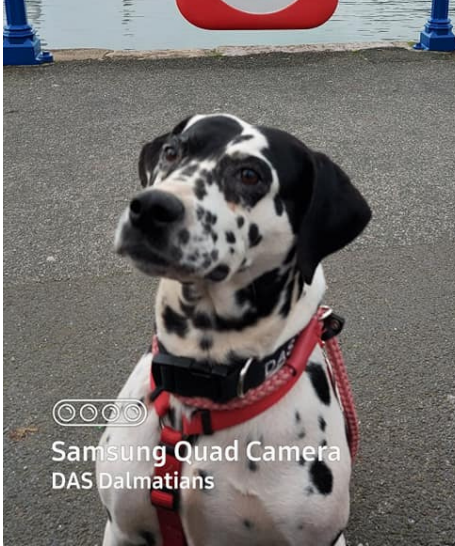
So we have had Bonfire Night, Christmas, New Year and it coming up to Valentine's Day and we are still in Lockdown! It's been a funny old few months/year. How is everyone coping? It's really hard and we can only hope we get back to some kind of normality soon. Keep smiling!

Things here at DASVILLE continue to be eventful to say the least. Since our last newsletter we have lost several sanctuary kids which has been and still is incredibly hard. We have rehomed some spots -all safely within restrictions. The rain is still a pain and the red mud that goes with it and we are STILL looking for somewhere to rent.

Meanwhile we still continue to look after our Sanctuary kids and take those who are in danger or need a place of safety.



New Kids on the Block



Pyg



Biscuit



Minnie

MINNIE IS UP FOR ADOPTION BUT HAS A VERY STRICT CRITERIA

Minnie is approximately 8 years old. She has been used for breeding at some point and has been passed around and sold on. In one of her homes, she was savagely attacked by another dog and that has now left her with problems. She hates anything with fur, bigger or smaller than her and will try to get the first bite in. We have tried all sorts of ways to integrate her and she is the first dog that we can not do that with...

she has met some of our dogs on their own, she ignores them and then 'sharks' them, circling them ready to strike and then she attacks..... sometimes she has just attacked with no warning. With hoomans, she is the softest girl who will spend all day kissing you if she could.... she is just so gentle and loves to play fetch with her tennis ball. Minnie deserves a fabulous home with hoomans who will love her as she is and believe me, it is easy to love her !

Her criteria:

She needs a child free home with a large garden or a few acres to run in. NO visiting children ... she deserves some peace.

NO other animals though she has spent time with horses.

Someone that will not put her life in danger by ignoring what we say.

She CAN NOT mix with other dogs.

Previous applicants need not apply. She will have a life time of RBU and advice

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- As COVID 19 lockdown continues, we hope that you are all still safe and healthy. It's still difficult at times for everyone.
- DAS will no longer be rehoming. An easy decision to make for Dave and Sue who can now spend more time with the kids. DAS will continue to support all DAS adopted dogs for the rest of their lives.
- We will occasionally have dogs available to adopt that are looking for a very specific home. They will be advertised on our Facebook page and also on the website but will have very specific criteria
<https://www.dasdalmatians.co.uk/adoption>
- Thank you to everyone who continues to take part in our raffles and auctions as they are great at helping to keep DAS going, feeding the kids and helping with vet bills. We hope that you enjoy taking part and like your items if you have won anything. Keep an eye out for some more amazing items coming up in the future
- We now have a shop on the website. We are hoping it makes things easier and you will be able to browse products without having to scroll on the page. Postage is included in the price for all things except the roses. So there are no surprises at checkout.
- We have a wish list on the website where you can contribute to the care of your favourite DAS kid. SOSSponsor Our Spots is also available if you have a particular soft spot for any of them and would like to contribute monthly.
- The weekly lucky paw draw continues. If you would like the same number every week and its available please let us know on info@dasdogs.co.uk or message Shirley. You can pay in advance and we will remind you when its next due. 1st Prize is £50
- The hunt for a new home for DAS is still on going. The current one has no drainage and when it rains, the place is flooded. There are other issues too - the postman won't deliver, not even to the top of the lane and the council will not collect rubbish even when they just have to stop by and pick it up in bags. Just a couple of the problems that are encountered. So please keep a look out for suitable places.....Rural, no neighbours, land with or without outbuildings or stables, rental term of 10-20 years.

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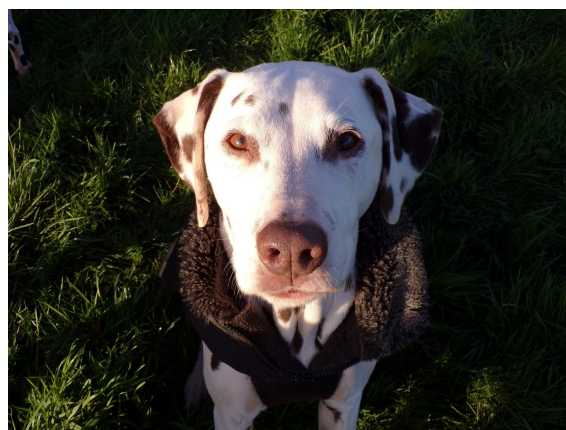
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ADOPTED DAS DOGS

Since the last newsletter and adhering to COVID regulations the following dogs have been adopted



Possum



Penny



Pepper

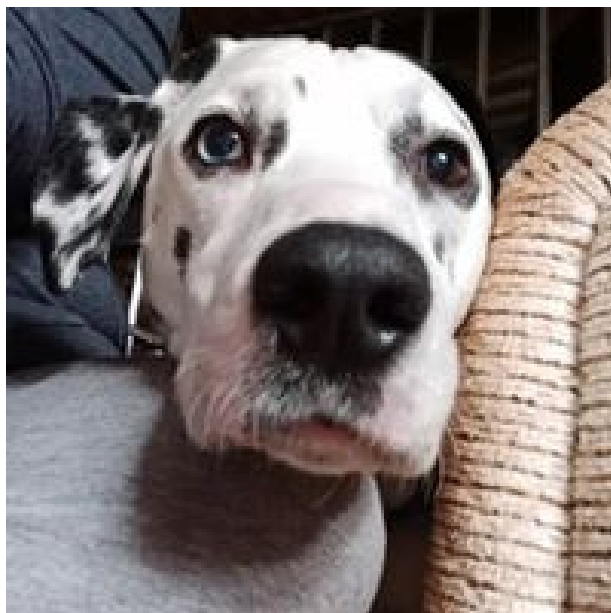


Sophie

Wishing them all and their
new families
a happy ever after

If anyone who has
adopted a DAS dog would
like to share their story,
please send to
info@dasdogs.co.uk

SPOTLIGHT ON PERMANENT DAS DOGS



My name is Louie

I am 10 years old. I am at DAS as I no longer get on with my spotty sister, I don't know why but I hurt her. I am a stone former and had a urethrostomy done when I was 2 years old. I am now fed on Dr John Silver, chicken and veg like my other brothers here who are stone formers. Louie Lou Lou he is one of the cheeky ones who loves to play bow you, tell you off and smile to melt your heart. Unfortunately, he can be unpredictable with other dogs and bite usually with no warning. Getting to know Louie and what makes him tick is challenging but he is settled now and one of the gang

Louie cannot be rehomed
but is available to sponsor from £5 per month

<https://www.dasdalmatians.co.uk/sponsor-a-spot>

Where are we now?

Molly & Lois

Life with the spots...

We moved into our home in Feb 2020 and knew a dog was missing. Our previous dog Bessie sadly died a few months before and I hated coming home and having no wet nose meet me at the door.

DAS then posted on Facebook in May that they needed to rehome two spots. We called the next day and spoke to Sue who shared information about them. We both knew we wanted them. They were both deaf and there was two of them so twice the expense and a deaf dog surely would be harder work than a hearing dog? We decided we could offer them a loving home and made the trip down South the next day to meet them. I cried most of the journey.

Just the journey home was an eye opener. They were so nosey and wanted to be close to us that I had to sit in the back and our clean car was no longer clean. It took us a while to remember they were deaf but I now still speak to them and tell them how much I love them even though they can't hear me.

The first few weeks we were in a honeymoon phase although we were very aware of the amount of patience and training they needed and we needed to learn how to be dog parents again such as not leaving a freshly baked cake on the side to cool.

Lola had that in seconds and Molly had the crumbs!!

Dave was working from home and I was working less hours in school due to the pandemic so it gave us so much more time to spend with them and train them. They soon learnt to sit following a sign when waiting for food or to put their lead on. We spent hours in our local park as it's secure learning recall. Molly was so good at it she was promoted to good girl, she was able to be off her lead when ever we were away from a road. She much prefers to be off the lead sniffing every tree, flower and dog she comes across. Lola is a different story...she is a wild one and she is too adventurous to be off the lead as much as Molly. She knows what the sign is for come but would rather ignore us and continue exploring. She never wants walks to end. Soon as we are home she moans to go back out. Life has changed so much since the spots arrive. One we no longer get lie ins.

Morning walk and breakfast is at 6am and we know about it.

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The house has more muddy paw prints and hair everywhere. Only get a Dalmatian if you are prepared to Hoover everyday and never wear black jeans again. We also realise they are a bit more high maintenance than your average dog. Even when taking a bath or going to the toilet they are with us! We

don't yet feel comfortable leaving them with family so we can't go away for a weekend. We also know they are not yet well enough behaved to come away with us. So for now we know no holidays for us but with Covid we don't really mind that. We hope next summer to go camping and take the spots. They have only been with us for four months (at time of writing) so with more love, treats and training they could surprise us. Four months just doesn't seem long though feels like we have had them forever. I love every spot on them. I love hearing their paws as they plod over the wooden floors, how Lola moans when she wants something and how Molly rest her head on my knee pretending to love me but deep down she just wants me to share my snacks. I may curse more. like when they go crazy over a cat and tangle me in their lead or they find an apple tree and it's a struggle to drag them away but I wouldn't be without them.



Thank you to all our
adoptive families for
sharing their stories

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share their spot's story
please email
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Remembering with Love

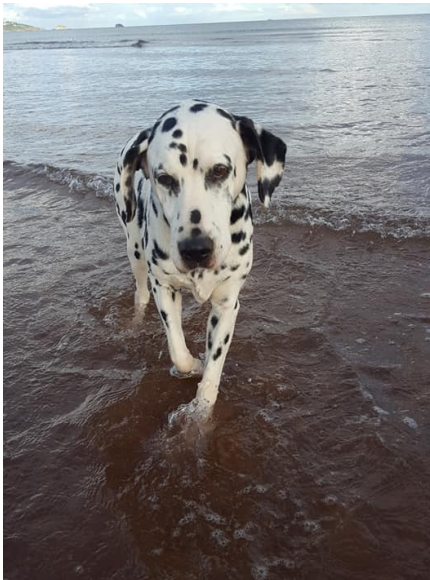
This newsletter would not be complete without remembering the amazing DAS kids that have crossed the bridge since the last newsletter.

Each one had a story and their loss is felt deeply.

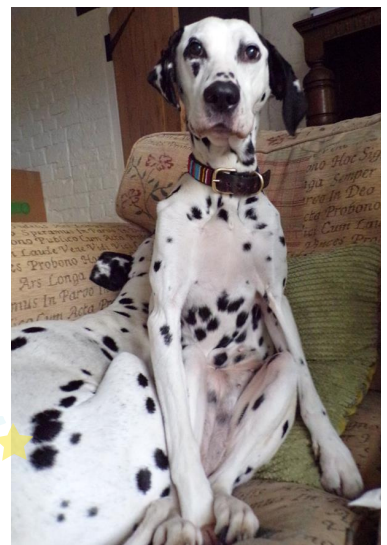
They were all very special and are missed so much.

Its been a difficult time and still is.

They will be missed forever



Charlie aka
Tatty Ted



Tempy

**Somewhere
between
hello and goodbye
There was love
So much love**



Odin



Haribo
Bob Bob

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Can you Help DAS Dalmatians ?

Can you knit, sew, crochet? Can you do anything crafty?
If so, would you like to help raise funds for DAS Dalmatians?

Please contact info@dasdogs.co.uk

Or you could -

Join our fundraising page for raffles and auctions. There are some great things available and not all are spotty related

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/DAS101>

If you would like to donate anything for auction/raffle please email info@dasdogs.co.uk or message Shirley Plummer via fb

Thank you to everyone who has donated, Parcels sometimes arrive without a name of the donor so thank you whoever you are

Join the weekly 'Lucky Paw' Draw.

Numbers are £2 and you can pay in advance if you want a specific number
We will remind you when the money has run out and it is up to you whether you want to continue or not.

70 numbers in the draw per week.

First prize is £50

Second is £20 subject to all numbers being sold.

Please send your old mobiles, stamps, costume jewellery etc and we can send to recycling for extra cash for DAS

Send to Shirley Plummer, 23 Ashlea Ave, Brighouse HD6 1AD

As always THANK YOU for your support

We can't do what we do without YOU

and

HUGE thank you to Shirley for producing the newsletter

STOP PRESS

VERY IMPORTANT MESSAGE

We have received notification from Paypal this morning that we may be contravening their Policies with regard to payments for raffles, draws etc.

In light of this we have decided to change payment methods so that the account is not Frozen...which they can do without notice to us.

Payments must now be made via faster payment method/BACS to Sams account. Details of this will be sent to all LPD regulars over the next few days. Any raffles that are held we would ask that you message Shirley for the details for payment. Auction winners will receive a message when they have won.

We hope that everyone will support us in this and we apologise for the inconvenience.

If anyone has any problem paying in this way please let us know.

We obviously want to continue fundraising and offering you spotty items REGARDLESS of Paypals rules so feel this is the best way.

Thank you

WANT TO ADOPT?

We have just been asked to rehome 2 boys, aged 6 and 4, ideally both to stay together. Please keep an eye out on the website and facebook page for details.

More details to follow when we have them

www.dasdalmatians.co.uk/adoption
www.facebook.com/Dalmatianrescueuk