



SAVE A LIFE.....ADOPT

Love UnderDogs Newsletter

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Welcome to Love UnderDogs

Welcome to Love UnderDogs and our first Newsletter.

Love UnderDogs was set up by animal lovers who wanted to make the world a better place by helping and supporting some of the most unwanted, abused, neglected and voiceless dogs.

The journey started with a dog shelter we visited in Romania. Having seen the conditions locally, we had to help... Love UnderDogs was born and we have never looked back!

With the help of many caring people in the UK and some amazing organisations, we started rehoming these poor souls whose lives had been nothing but pain and suffering when all they wanted was love. Seeing their destiny change and their eyes, previously filled with sadness and despair, suddenly come alive was just magical. What could be more wonderful than to see those faces light up at the thought of life taking a turn for the better.

We are making a huge difference to many dogs lives and with your help we can help even more.

**TO DATE WE HAVE RESCUED AND
REHOMED OVER 160 DOGS AND
COUNTING.....**

Ralph is looking for his forever home



Ralph is a 6 year old floppy-eared German Shepherd. He was found totally emaciated and there was huge concern that he would not survive. Now he is just a big soffie and has so much to say for himself, he talks to you all the time!

Ralph wants to be the first to do everything: first to be taken out of the kennels, first to have his breakfast! There is no time like the present as far as he is concerned. Ralph is good with dogs, people and is not bothered by cats; he would make a perfect bed warmer for a caring person. Ralph would be better suited to a family with older children, but only because of his size. **Contact info@loveunderdogs to learn more about Ralph**

Sasha's Story



When Sasha was a puppy his front left leg was crushed in a car accident, he was rescued and taken to the AMP shelter. He spent the next 9 years there until he was identified by LU as one of the dogs that urgently needed to come to the UK.

We knew that Sasha was suffering from severe arthritis in his 'good' front leg but it was only when he was examined by our vet that we found out how much pain he was in.

Within no time at all he found his forever home with Jocelyn. She was a huge fan of 'Fish for Dogs' food and supplements and so contacted them and they have been sponsoring his food ever since.



Sasha can be seen in Jocelyn's beautiful Hampshire garden chasing her other 2 dogs.

Fish4Dogs is made from fish - gluten free, hypo-allergenic and packed with naturally occurring Omega 3. www.fish4dogs.com/

Regan Skinner our expert Dog Trainer



Over the next few months we want to introduce you to some amazing people who have proved to be invaluable to Love UnderDogs.

This month it is Regan Skinner whose experience and expertise as a Dog Trainer has made a huge difference to the rehabilitation and well being of our dogs.

He started working with dogs professionally in 1976 when he joined the Royal Army Veterinary Corps. He served with the Army for over 10 years and qualified as a dog handler, riding instructor and veterinary assistant.

In 1987 Regan joined the Metropolitan Police Force and in 1991 transferred to the 'Dog Section' serving there until he retired.

Regan tells us that he is constantly amazed at how resilient and forgiving our Romanian dogs are and what wonderful companions they make.

During his 21 years in the dog section he trained and worked 'general purpose' police dogs teaching a variety of skills.

He was also involved in criminal work, firearms recovery, firearms support and human remains detection.

He went on to qualify as a team trainer – training handlers and their dogs and since 2003 he has been a member of the 'British Institute of Professional Dog Trainers'.

Prior to leaving the Police he started 'Regan's Dog Training' and it was in that capacity that he met a member of the Love UnderDogs team and learnt about the work we do.



Regan has become a valuable member of the team and gives so much of his time to travel to Glebe Farm and work with our dogs. This expert training is so important to ensure they are ready to settle with their forever family.

Regan's Top Tip for April

When using a Kong with your dog, coat the inside with honey. It has anti-bacterial properties and will certainly be more interesting. Regan pointed us to a really interesting article in the Daily Mail. It quoted studies that have shown that Manuka honey can control 'superbugs'.

See websites below for more information:

<http://www.kongcompany.com/en-uk/recipes/>

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/health/article-2294229>



Our Romanian partners AMP are running out of collars and leads. There are over 600 dogs in the shelter now and so we are asking if you could help please

We would be so grateful if you could send us send old or new collars and leads please.

The next transport from Romania is coming in mid May so we will be able to send them back with the other supplies we have collected.



APPEAL FOR COLLARS & LEADS



PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN AT THE SHELTER IN ROMANIA. Courtesy of AMP



LOVE UNDERDOGS OPEN DAY AND REUNION

**Saturday, 4th May 2013
10 am to 3 pm**

**GLEBE FARM, BIRCHLEY HEATH ROAD
BIRCHLEY HEATH, NUNEATON, CV10 0QY**

**12 novelty classes fun dog show, all entry £1 each
(including Best eyes, Waggiest tail, Best Rescue dog)**

Rescue dogs needing home Parade

Tombola, dog treats and accessories stalls

**Expert dog trainer Q & A, Grooming Salon
and holistic dog therapy stall**

BBQ, Cakes and Hot and Cold drinks available

And much more!

**A Fun day out in support of Love Underdogs
We look forward to seeing you all there!**



For more information or directions to the show, please
email us at info@loveunderdogs.org
or call Glebe Farm Kennels on 01827 712812

www.loveunderdogs.org



We are thrilled to invite you to our second Open day and Reunion.

Our first was held on a very cold February day and we were a little unsure as to how many people would turn up.

We need not have worried because the day was a huge success. So many friends of Love UnderDogs came with their adopted Romanian dogs. We were able to introduce visitors to our dogs at the kennels who are seeking forever home and this proved to be so successful in placing dogs in wonderful homes.

We were inundated with cakes sell and gifts to raffle; we also were given many items for us to take to Romania on the next Transport.

This time we are introducing our Novelty Fun Dog Show, so if you have a pooch with the waggiest tail or the most beautiful eyes this is the event for you.

**If you have any queries please call Pat
0121449 0863**



One of many 'Happy Ever After' stories...

Gizmo arrived in the UK on the 18 December 2012 bedraggled and in need of some tender, loving care.



Once he had settled at Glebe Farm we introduced him to Sarah another member of the Team. Sarah is a fully qualified Dog Groomer and has many years experience. She certainly had her work cut out with this shaggy dog.



Sarah worked her magic and behold this gorgeous boy emerged!



Gizmo found his forever home early this year and now lives happily ever after in Kent.

If you think you could give one of our wonderful dogs a Forever Home why not come along to our Open day on 4th May and see for yourself just how amazing they are.

For more information adoption please go to our website, our Facebook page or contact Deb:

deb@loveunderdogs.org

Love UnderDogs would like to say a huge thank you.....

To all of our supporters who send us blankets and food, toys and medical supplies. To everyone who responds to an appeal or donates on a regular basis, to those who have bought calendars and Christmas cards – the list is endless. We want to say thank you.

Without our incredible supporters we could not continue to grow and rehome these beautiful dogs.

THANK YOU

Newsflash

The latest fashion accessory is coming to Love UnderDogs - the very stylish Bandana! They are being modelled so professionally by 3 of our lovely dogs who have been very successfully adopted.

The Bandanas will be on sale in very soon at £4.99



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