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Although it's only the beginning of June it already feels like the middle of summer!! Enjoy the sunshine, the greenery and the flowers that are starting to pop up! These trilliums were a lovely surprise at the side of the road during a Hunterwalk.



Thank You to 100+ Women Who Care (Bancroft Region)!!

For those of you who don't know, the 100+ Women Who Care (Bancroft Region) is a group of women who gather together (each pledging \$100), listen to presentations by three local charities, and then cast a secret vote for the local charity they feel should receive the evening's donation.

Home Again was up against fierce competition from the Algonquin Arts Council and North Hastings Public Library, but was the successful recipient of this meetings' donations.

Thank you to the women who participate in this amazing community charity initiative! Remember that Home Again receives no governmental funding; all funds for the charity are derived from fund raising events, donations from groups such as 100+ Women Who Care and from the generosity of donors such as you!

For more information about 100+ Women Who Care (Bancroft Region), look at their Facebook page. We thank these women for their support of our community initiative.

Hunter's Corner



See that face? Anyone with a dog will recognize the “I’m starving—you haven’t fed me in hours—why can’t I have what you’re having?” face. Unfortunately, when Hunter was going through heartworm treatment he got pretty much anything he wanted. Far too much sympathy for the difficult route he was having to take.

The result? Hunter is too heavy—although we try not to fat shame him, we have been known to call him Pogo at times.

Extra weight on a dog creates a much greater strain on both their joints/musculoskeletal system as well as on their internal organs.

Just like people, dogs who are overweight experience health risks such as diabetes, cardiopulmonary disease and renal problems. There’s nothing good about feeding your dog too much except for the brief moment of making them happy. It’s much more of the “more harm than good” behaviour.

How can you tell if your dog is overweight? Try to feel your dog’s ribs. Is there so much tissue over them that you can’t really feel them? If you look at your dog from the side, is there a visible “tuck” at the abdomen? Can you see a waistline if you view your dog from above. Chances are if your dog looks like a loaf of bread from the top he could stand to lose a few pounds. It will make him happier and healthier.

How can you help your dog maintain or reduce weight?

- Feed your dog at structured times during the day. Don’t just fill his bowl and let him graze willy-nilly.
- Use a measuring cup for his food. Your eyes are likely deceiving you, and you’re feeding too much.
- Watch the number of treats you’re giving to your dog. Treats have calories, and just like your junk food treats are not likely the most healthy thing to eat.
- Increase exercise. It will be good for both of you!
- Lastly, make sure you don’t associate food with love. Your dog will be healthier and happier and will likely live a longer life if he’s at a proper weight. And he’ll love you just as much!

Dogs Available for Adoption!!



Tank

Take another look at Tank! He is a 1.5 year old male mastiff who weighs 85 lbs. He wants to be friends with absolutely everyone — if it has legs and maybe a tail, come meet me!!

Tank is an outdoors man. He loves swimming, running off-leash, hiking, playing tug and fetch and with all of his toys, but he's also a marshmallow and loves cuddling with anyone who will give him the time for a snuggle.

Tank has been learning some training skills and knows many basic commands. He is excellent off-leash, but has a tendency to pull when leashed. He's a big boy and will need a strong handler to continue his leash training.

This creampuff is mostly confident and easygoing, but he does have some separation anxiety. When he is in his crate he will bark and cry but eventually settles

down. After an extended period of time he may chew or tear things around his crate.

Tank had a heavy hookworm load upon arrival, and his digestive system has been a bit fussy. He is currently on a gastrointestinal recovery plan involving special food and medication. This plan is soon done, and we hope Tank will be back to normal. If his digestive system is still fussy, he will need to carry on with his food and an inexpensive medication.

Tank's ideal home would be with an active family who will give him lots of exercise and stimulation. He is eager to please, and maybe a tad rambunctious but a quick reminder to calm down helps him to settle.

Tank's foster family said the following about a recent social visit:

"Tank got to attend a bonfire party...and he did AMAZING. He was offleash in a new space, interacting with 30+ people and three new dogs who were all bigger than him and he loved it. He met everyone and quickly figured out how each person was willing to engage with him...he figured out how far away he needed to stay without much input from us. And, during all that, he was still coming when we called and listening to commands from whoever he was hanging out with. I'm beyond impressed."

This dog is an absolute gem. Tank has been neutered, microchipped, and his vaccinations are up to date. The adoption fee for Tank is \$600.



Dogs Available for Adoption

Benny (Courtesy post—please send all requests and questions for Benny to loving-dogs61@gmail.com)



This is Benny, a male Smeagol Beagle who is 8 months old and 15 lbs. Benny is a small sweet soul whose first taste of life was at a puppy mill.

Although Benny is an extremely adaptable puppy, he's still cautious and scared about little things. He's the definition of a pup who was scared of his shadow — now that he knows it's part of him, no more fear! Although cautious, he is not nervous or anxious. He just needs some familiarity.

Benny loves his toys and playing with smaller dogs. And he LOVES his walks. He's just an all-round good dog.

Benny needs a new life and a new family, preferably with a dog friend and a fenced-in yard because, you know, beagle.

Benny is being fostered in Bancroft. He has been vaccinated, dewormed, flea treated, neutered and microchipped. His adoption fee is \$500.



Remember, email lovingdogs61@gmail.com for more information!

Griffin

This is Griffin, a male Australian Shepherd cross who is 62 lbs and 2 years old.

Griffin is one of those dogs who has a confident, engaging personality and therefore his favourite thing is love and affection — he'll choose a belly rub any day over a treat! He is expressive and energetic but not hyper. And he's super smart.

Griffin has great recall, walks well on leash and only really wants to hang out with his people. He is muzzle trained and crate trained, neither of which have been needed.

Griffin is looking for a family who are dog savvy and who will nurture Griffin's new habits — Griffin is an amazing dog when he knows that his humans have his back! He is a loving and easy doggo for experienced dog people who are active and live in a non-urban location. Griffin would love long walks and exploring with his new family. Griffin has been neutered, microchipped, and his vaccinations are up to date. The adoption fee for Griffin is \$600.

Dogs Available for Adoption

Daisy



Look at those ears!!! This is Daisy, the last of shepherd dogs who came to us in the spring, a 22 lb 4 month old Shepherd Cross.

Daisy is learning so much!! She makes great eye contact and is always looking for direction and attention. Because...Daisy is a huge, huge cuddlebug. She is easy to walk, almost housetrained, crate trained and sleeps through the night. Like all puppies she will need consistency and patience as she adjusts to her new home. Daisy will also need ongoing training and socialization.

Daisy has been vet checked and her vaccinations are up to date. Home Again offers an adoption fee rebate upon receipt of proof of spay when Daisy is old enough.

The adoption fee for Daisy is \$650.



Carmen

Meet Carmen, an 11 month old, 35 lb Hound X.

Carmen was abandoned, left tied to a mailbox by well-meaning people who couldn't keep her but knew to reach out for help. This beauty is totally friendly and affectionate, loves people and wants every bit of attention she can get.

Carmen would love to live with another doggo. She is a mid-sized pup who is energetic but not hyper. She would love an active family who have a fenced-in yard where she can roam and play.

Carmen is becoming more and more confident, and as a result has been learning in her foster home. She is crate trained and house-trained. Her leash skills are getting better, but she will continue to need ongoing training to make her the best Carmen she can be.

Carmen has been spayed, microchipped, and her vaccinations are up to date. The adoption fee for Carmen is \$600.

Alphie



This is Alphie, a 1.5 year old male beagle. Alphie displays the classic beagle-bop, and is a happy, busy guy. He is an unclaimed stray, but that hasn't made him the least bit sad!

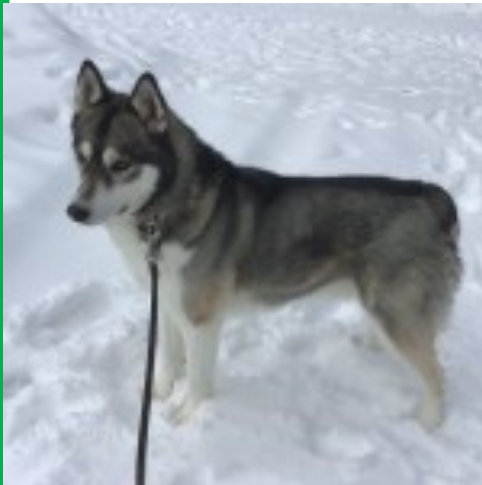
Alphie loves attention, is affectionate and loves to be with his hoomans. He loves his toys, loves to play fetch and has been crate and house trained.

Like most beagles, he has that beaglenose which means he's not the best at obedience training. There are just too many delicious scents to identify and follow! He will need a fenced yard so that he doesn't follow that nose into trouble!

Alphie has been neutered and microchipped and his vaccinations are up to date. The adoption fee for Alphie is \$600.

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Everest



Somewhere in Home Again land is the perfect family for Everest. Please take another look at Everest, a male Husky/Shepherd mix who is 4 years old and 45 pounds. He's the goodest dog who deserves a home and a family to love him.

Everest is a sensitive, expressive boy. He is joyful and exuberant and just living the fun life of a bobtailed pup! His head tilts will melt your heart as he is always trying to understand his humans.

Everest needs gentle introductions and time with new people. He does have a bite history, in two situations with people who he didn't know trying to restrain him.

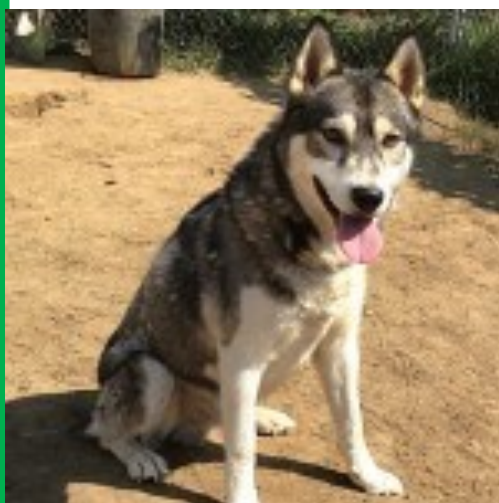
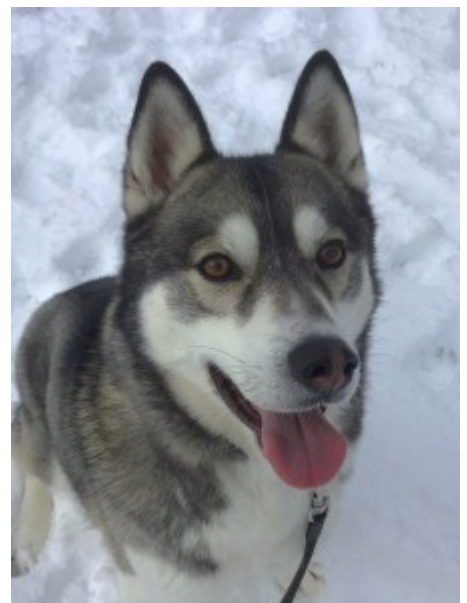
Since that time months ago he has been perfect with the vet, and has not been even the slightest problem with his fosters.

Everest is happy and energetic, but knows when enough is enough. He loves his belly rubs and would be very happy to give you a hug and a kiss if you'd like! Everest plays gently with people, but is rambunctious with other dogs. An only pet home for Everest with adults or dog-savvy teens would be best for this boy.

Everest is obedient and willing to learn. He loves going for walks and is good on either a short or long leash. Although his recall is good, a fenced in yard would be best as he hasn't been tested off-leash.

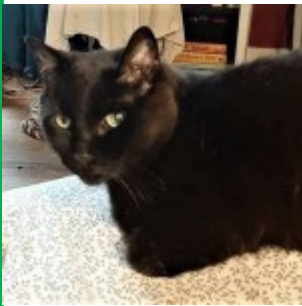
Everest would be absolutely perfect for a Husky-experienced family. There is no doubt that he would be devoted, loving and happy once he had a family to call his own. He truly is the goodest boy.

Everest has been neutered, microchipped, and his vaccinations are up to date. The adoption fee for Everest is \$500.



Cats Available for Adoption

Jasper



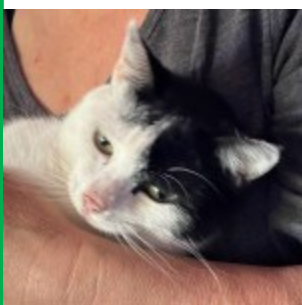
Jasper is a male, black, short-haired cat born in 2019.

Jasper is a total sweetheart. He loves to snooze the day away on your lap—you better not have other plans! He enjoys playing with his toys and comes running to see you when you call.

Jasper is mostly black with white patches on his neck and tummy. He lives with dogs, so would likely be fine in a family with a doggo.

Jasper has been neutered, microchipped and vaccinated. His adoption fee is \$150.

Cleo



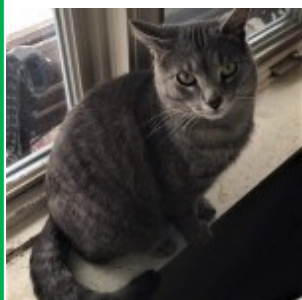
Cleo is a white and black short-haired female kitty who was born in January of 2022.

Cleo loves to be petted and handled—she's a real cuddler! She is friendly and wants to sleep close to her humans.

Cleo is the perfect age—just past the crazy mischievous kitten years but still very playful.

Cleo has been spayed, microchipped and vaccinated. Her adoption fee is \$150.

Nipolean



Nipolean is a male, short-haired grey tabby born in November of 2021. Nipolean is very playful and likes nothing better than having his chin rubbed.

Nipolean would prefer to be the only cat in the home. He is truly an Emperor, and wants all attention on him rather than split with other cats!

Nipolean has been neutered, microchipped and vaccinated. His adoption fee is \$150.

Batman



Meet Batman, searching for his Robin, a male, black short haired cat born in May of 2022.

Batman is the perfect combination of being loving, but also playful. Perhaps he's showing his Bruce Wayne alter ego!! He is like a kitten—curious about everything and plays soooo energetically!!

Batman loves to be petted—he follows his foster around. And he's chatty—he makes little trills of greeting and will hold a conversation! He currently lives with a small dog and other cats and loves everyone! Batman has been neutered, microchipped and vaccinated. His adoption fee is \$150.

Kittens Available for Adoption

Coconut



Look at that face!! Coconut is a female silver tabby who is short haired and born on March 15th.

Coconut is curious and affectionate. She's a sweet kitty who has loads of love to give. Her markings are lovely—she's truly beautiful.

The adoption fee for Coconut is \$200 which includes spaying when she is old enough.

Raisin



No dried up grape here!! Raisin is a male, dark-marked tabby who is short haired and born on March 15th.

Raisin is a cuddle bug — give him a lap and he's there, purring away!! He's also a chatterbox, so if you're looking for someone to have a conversation, he's your kitty!

The adoption fee for Raisin is \$200 which includes neutering when he is old enough.

Chloe

Take another look at Chloe, a female short haired calico who is about 8 months old. Chloe has been spayed.

Chloe is also an indoor cat, raised with other kitties. She is an absolute sweetheart, who is loving and friendly.

The adoption fee for Chloe is \$200.

