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It's that time of year again!! Time for you to get your sweet tooth on and come out to our annual Bake Sale!! There will be loads of goods for you to purchase, and all proceeds go to help our animals in need!

If you're able to donate bake goods for the sale, please drop them off by 9 a.m. at the Village Playhouse, and identify anything that contains nuts. We hope to see you there!!



BAKE SALE

**Saturday, March 23rd,
2024
10a.m. - 2p.m.**

**At THE VILLAGE PLAYHOUSE
5 Hastings St. S, Bancroft**

**Load up for Easter with Baked Goods
Donated by Local Animal Lovers!**

**For those who wish to donate, the doors open for dropping off your
baked goods at 9:00 at The Village Playhouse on March 23rd.
Please, label any items containing nuts.**

**All Proceeds go entirely to help
Home Again's
Rescue Animals.**

Hunter's Corner



Those of you who have been following Hunter's story know that it has had its ups and downs. For families who are considering bringing a rescue dog into their lives, remember that it can take considerable time for a dog or cat to become relaxed and happy.

Hunter started off his life with us in combat mode. He was fine with us, but assertive with other dogs. He was tremendously leash reactive, and distrustful of people, mainly men.

After a year with us, he was much more relaxed but still a bit wary of people he didn't really know. He loved us, loved our neighbours and their dogs, but couldn't really be trusted around anyone else. He heel-nipped, and jumped up on people.

We then found out that our poor boy was really sick. He had heartworm, relatively rare in our region (although incidents of heartworm are rising), and horrible to treat. After a summer of painful injections and a ton of medication, Hunter was pronounced

heartworm free!! Yay!!

Hunter's personality continued to evolve. He was now playing with toys, and playing with the little dogs next door and has turned into a snuggle pup. He has had sleepovers with other dogs, and plays and romps with all of them.

Hunter still experiences mannerisms that we can't explain. If only we could ask him what had happened in his former life! He will rarely turn his back to you—it's comical, but he only ever backs away rather than turning around. And although he loves being in the car, getting him into it can require a lot of cajoling and patience.

We are coming up on three years of having the good fortune to live with this dog. A month ago he developed a growth, and until we received results back thought we might be saying goodbye. Thankfully, just a benign ick that has since disappeared.

Rescue dogs can be challenging. Years after their adoption they may exhibit behaviours that will cause you to scratch your head. Have patience. They deserve their new life!

Hunter's case also highlights the need to make sure that you are giving your dog heartworm prevention. He almost assuredly had not been given prevention before he came to live with us, and the treatment is really difficult for a dog. It consists of a month of antibiotics and steroids, a nasty injection in the back by the tail, another month of steroids, two more of the horrid injections and another month of steroids. And then you wait for 8 months to make sure that the dog is free of the antigens that indicate heartworm. Lastly, your dog needs to have tremendously decreased activity levels to ensure the worms don't break off and cause a pulmonary embolism.

And at the risk of being a nag, please make sure your dog has also been given preventative medication against the bites from fleas/ticks. A tick bite can cause both an infection at the site of the bite, the transmission of a disease such as Lyme disease, and even a paralytic condition that is caused by the tick's saliva entering the bloodstream. If you see a tick on your dog or cat, remove it carefully. You may want to have your pet tested at the vet for illness, and treated if the test returns positive.

A pet is a huge commitment. But look at all the joy they bring into our lives!

Dogs and Puppies for Adoption

The following are new dogs currently being fostered by Home Again. Please see our website at homeagainbancroft.ca to see the complete list of dogs available for adoption!



Meet **Chloe!** Chloe is a female labrador cross who is 10 weeks old and 15 pounds.

Chloe is a beautiful, calm and quiet puppy. She is curious about everything! She loves snuggle time and takes direction well from her humans. She's really smart and interacts well with other dogs and humans.

Chloe was born on a farm to a Lab mom but dad was a wanderer and no-one really knows who he is! We anticipate her to be at least lab sized when she grows up.

Chloe needs consistent training coupled with lots of playtime. She would thrive with some open space and maybe a human puppy as companion.

Chloe has had her first shots, has been vet checked and is microchipped. The adoption fee for Chloe is \$650.



And this is Chloe's sister **Zoey!** Zoey is also a female labrador cross who is 10 weeks old and 15 pounds.

Zoey is a brave curious pup who is the outgoing one of the pair. She is super smart, and interacts well with humans and other dogs. She will see out her humans for attention and cuddle time, and is anticipated, like her sister, to be a dream to train provided it is done consistently.

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And meet **Bea**, a female Aussie Shepherd/Border Collie/Jack Russell mix who is 3 years old and 35 pounds.

Bea is a true mixed breed. Despite the high energy influences of her lineage, Bea is a sweet, gentle soul who is quiet and well behaved.

Bea is also playful and fun—give her something to chase and she's on it, even a laser pointer!! She is a smart girlie who learns quickly and is wonderful with other dogs. She grew up with kids and cats, so she's the entire package.

Bea has been living with her sister Lilu all her life and although she would probably like to be adopted with her, we feel she would also be great adopted separately. She would like a new home with

another dog or child to play with, and someone to walk with her and cuddle.

Bea has some seasonal allergies in the summer that are easily managed.

Bea has been vet check, is up to date with her shots, and has been spayed. The adoption fee for Bea is \$500.

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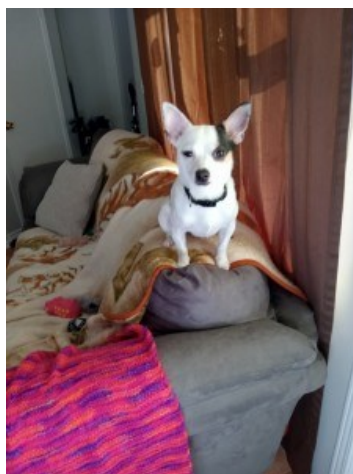
This is **Liliu**, Bea's sister. She too is a female Aussie Shepherd/Border Collie/Jack Russell mix who is 3 years old and 35 pounds. a female Aussie Shepherd/Border Collie/Jack Russell mix who is 3 years old and 35 pounds. a female Aussie Shepherd/Border Collie/Jack Russell mix who is 3 years old and 35 pounds.

Liliu's bio reads very much like Bea's. She is a quiet, sweet and well behaved soul. She loves cuddling with her foster mother and is great with other dogs. She has grown up with children and cats, but prefers not to be hugged by children.

She would likely love to be adopted with Bea, but would probably do fine adopted separately. She would love a home with another dog and a person who loves to couch snuggle with lots of play time too!

Liliu has some easily managed seasonal allergies in the summer. She has been vet checked, is up to date with her shots and has been spayed.

The adoption fee for Liliu is \$500.



Meet **Tucker!** Tucker is a male chihuahua who is 8.5 pounds and 1.5 years old.

Tucker is very playful but also loves to cuddle. He has such a funny habit of hiding his treats — you'll always be able to find them because he constantly checks on them! And he's an organizer—toys are arranged on the bed or on the sofa.

Tucker has been leash and house trained. He has been taken to the local dog park where he played with other dogs. People visiting Tucker's home give him a reason to bark, and bark, kind of a lot. He would do well with older children and in a home with plenty of play and exercise time.

Another Tucker-quirk. He HATES the vacuum cleaner. Actually any noisy household tools, and will complain loudly.

Tucker has been neutered, his vaccinations are up to date and he has been microchipped.

The adoption fee for Tucker is \$600.



This is **Herschel**, a male pure-bred French bulldog who is 6 years old and 35 pounds.

Herschel is a wonderful dog who needs a home with people home most of the time. He also loves to go on outings, but will get carsick on long voyages!

Herschel would benefit from some training on his introductions to new people on whom he jumps to get close! He loves being outside as long as he's close to his humans and loves his stuffies, puzzle toys and bed.

Herschel is good with all kids although perhaps too energetic for smaller ones. He will certainly take time to adjust to a new family.

Herschel has fully recovered from IVDD, and his family should inform themselves about IVDD. He also has bumped his eye and while it doesn't typically bother him, he has eye drops that are very effective if it acts up.

Herschel has been neutered and his vaccinations are up to date. The adoption fee for Herschel is \$300.

Puppies!!



Are you ready for a floof-fest? A floof-o-rama? Plenty o' puppies? A pile o' pooches?

Meet the **Harry Potter Crew**, a litter of 12 Great Pyrenees puppies approximately 10 weeks old. There are 5 male and 7 female puppies, all gorgeous, and all about 15 to 20 pounds.

These puppies were born and raised on a farm to working dog parents. The mother is well loved, protects sheep and fowl and is described as 'the best guardian they have ever had'. Their dad lives next door, a guardian of goats and cows.

These puppies are fun, playful and have boatloads of personality. Although they would make fabulous companions, ideally they would like the best of both worlds, to be companions and working dogs.

The puppies have all been vet checked, microchipped and have had their first set of vaccinations. Home Again offers an adoption fee rebate when the puppy is old enough.

The adoption fee for one of the Harry Potter wizards is \$650. To see individual profiles, please go to homeagainbancroft.ca.

Dogs You've Already Met Still Hoping for a Forever Home

Please take another look at these good boys and girls who can't understand why no-one has made them part of their forever family! Full details on each of them are available on homeagainbancroft.ca.



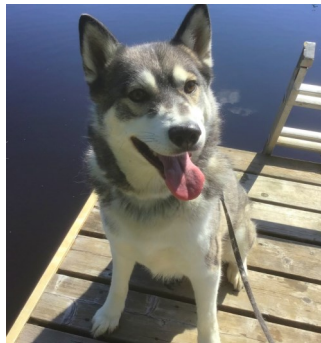
Primrose, female Akbash, 6 months old



Ben (courtesy adoption post), male mixed breed, 5 years old. Please go to brunoproject.org if you're interested in Ben.



Oliver, male hound cross, 6 years old



Everest, male Husky/Australian Shepherd cross, 4 1/2 years old

Cats and Kittens Available for Adoption



Whisky is a male black short-haired cat born in 2021.

Whisky is a very affectionate beastie who loves dogs. A home with other cats or small children is not recommended. He was surrendered from a family with a new baby, and Whisky would get into the crib and swat the baby. He truly just wants to play!

The adoption fee for Whisky is \$150. He is up to date with vaccinations and has been neutered.



Meet **Willow**. Willow is a female tortoiseshell with short hair born in 2016. Willow is with Home Again now because her human had to move into nursing care. Willow is therefore part of our **Cats for Seniors** program meaning Home Again will waive the adoption fee if a senior human adopts her.

Willow is very affectionate and would love to snooze in your lap. She likes the outdoors but will come when called. She does not like other cats, and comes with her own bed and a large cat tree.

Willow is spayed and up to date with vaccinations.



This is **Helen**, a female calico/tabby cross who is brown with orange patches, short haired and born October 3.

Helen is a beautiful kitten who has been socialized in a loving home and looking to give love back to her adopter. She is very playful, and lives with siblings and adult cats.



Meet **Benji**, a male dark tabby with short hair born June 29.

Benji is playful and loves attention. He is a sweet cuddly boy who currently lives with many cats, dogs and even an aquarium for his viewing pleasure!

More Kittens Available for Adoption!



This is **Shadow**, a male with black short hair born June 29.

Shadow playful and would love to be the centre of attention in your home! He is a sweet, cuddly boy who is living with many cats, dogs and an aquarium!



Meet **Stripie**. Stripie is a male brown tabby who has short hair and was born June 29.

Like his littermates Benji and Shadow, Stripie is playful and loves attention. He cuddles to perfection, and is currently living with a bunch of cats, dogs and even an aquarium!



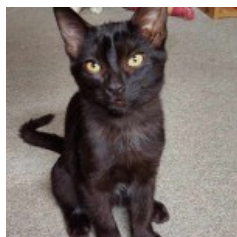
Say hello to **Blossom**. Blossom is a female, black medium haired kitty who was born on June 11.

Blossom is initially cautious with people, and then turns playful and loving. She loves lap cuddles, and is great with other cats. She's very curious about the foster's dogs, but still a little nervous around them.



This is **Canyon**, a male with black short hair born June 11th.

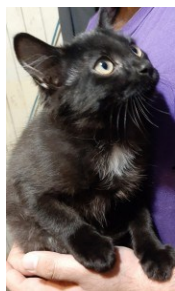
Like his littermates Blossom and Branch, Canyon is tentative with people and his surroundings at first, and then morphs into a playful and loving cat. He loves to be in your lap. Other cats? Fine with Canyon! He is a little cautious around the foster's dogs, but soo curious!



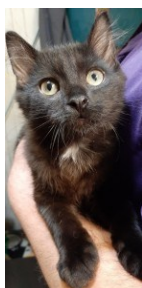
Meet **Branch**. Branch is a black short haired male born June 11th.

Branch is a talker — tell him your secrets and he'll respond!!

Branch loves other cats, is tentative around dogs and is playful and loving. Wouldn't you love to have this kitty snoozing in your lap?



This is **Marley** and his brother **Raven**. They are both male short haired kitties born on May 1. They are both playful and loving and live with many other pets.



Only pack the essentials when going on vacation



Lambs to the left of me. Mutton to the right. Here I am. Stuck in the middle with ewe. 🐏 🐑 😊

