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s your dog an athlete at heart? Does he/she just leap at the opportunity to play fetch or wrestle with a stuffed animal? Then maybe you and your dog could explore some new activities to do together such as dock diving for instance. You'll never know if you don't try it. Also, Wisconsin offers quite a few wonderful summer events for dogs & dog lovers. Our guide should help entice you, and our events page is also a fantastic resource for locals to explore. Especially on hot summer days. Background Photo By IN-FOCUS Photography

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ETCH Magazine has been part of my professional life since 2011. For years I wanted to work at a magazine, so I was thrilled to combine

that with another life-long passion: all things dogs. So for a number of years, I was a freelance writer for the magazine. Last fall, my role expanded. Now I'm one of our copy editors. Getting that quarterly sneak peek at FETCH is exciting! On this side of the magazine, I get to read through all the articles before they go to print, proofreading the great stories before readers see them finalized, and scouting the magazine's layout to make sure it's polished and we're not overlooking missing elements, such as page numbers or an author's name.

Like many of you, dogs have always been a part of my life. In fact, I shared my crib with one of the German Shepherds—my first sibling—my parents had when I was born. Bear and I were comrades, and she cemented in me an "I love dogs!" mantra. Bear taught me how dogs are the coolest animals we should be pleased to have in our lives, through good times and bad. Life truly is better with a dog!

Many dogs have shared my life over the years, and they've all left their paw prints on me. That includes those I've helped through volunteering. After adopting my first rescue, Lucky, I learned how awesome rescues are, and I was introduced to Best Friends Animal Society in Utah via the TV show "DogTown." Since then, my husband and I have been to Utah to volunteer and have volunteered locally, too, most often participating in transports that bring dogs from Alabama up to Wisconsin.

Today, I live with my husband Paul and our two loving, silly rescues, Lucky and Taco, in Waukesha.

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o be perfectly honest, I have never been a person motivated by sports. I'm sure my father is rolling his eyes right now at that statement. But it's true. I've always liked art and writing much more. I can't even remember the last time I played a sport. Does throwing a pen across the room count? LOL!

This issue is dedicated to all of you sports fans out there. I hope you and your dogs gain some insight into something fun and new to try. Our summers don't last long enough, if you ask me, so if the days are sunny and blue, it's time to take your dog out for a game of fetch, a run, a swim or just a nice long walk. The trails are calling your name.

And let's not forget all of the wonderful fairs and other events that allow us to bring and/or spoil our pets: Ride To End Dogfighting (June 24), Thank

Dog It's Friday (June 25), Walk, Run, Wag (July 8) and HAWS' Pet Fair (August 19) for instance. It's that fantastic time of year where we can all really gather outside to celebrate our 4-legged friends. Take advantage!

To Fun in the Sun, Playing Sports & Going to Awesome Events,





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AROUND THE WATER BOWL With Summer on the Way, Keep These Tips in Mind If You Are Taking Your Pet with You on Vacation

ccording to MarketResearch.com, nearly one third of dog owners take their pets with them if they are going away for two or more nights. GoPetFriendly.com puts that number even higher at 51% and three quarters of those respondents will travel by car.

So how can you ensure the safest trip possible with your pet? Here are a few tips from **Dr. Jessica Downing of Valley Cottage Animal Hospital**.

Hitting the Road

First and foremost, pets, including dogs, cats or other animals, should never be allowed to roam freely in a moving vehicle. We wear our seatbelts and secure our children with seatbelts and our pets should be secured the same way. They can be placed inside a carrier, which is then secured with a seatbelt to ensure it won't get tossed around in an accident. Pets can also be restrained with a pet-friendly harness. It is



important that the restraint be the proper size, secured appropriately when your dog is in your car. Even if your dog falls asleep during the ride, stopping short can send your furry friend hurdling forward, causing injury. Another tip is to keep your pet restrained in the backseat as airbag systems can be deadly to a dog during a crash if they are in the front seat.

Knowing that your dog or cat is safely secured in the vehicle will also reduce your desire to turn around and check on them, thus taking your eyes and attention off the road.

Air Travel

If you are travelling by air, consider a pet-friendly airline. According to the Federal Aviation Administration, each airline is able to decide their own policies and procedures and some do not allow pets to travel in the cabin. Call the airline ahead of time to ask for their specific policies and requirements. Keep in mind that service animals are not pets, they are working animals that assist people with disabilities and, therefore, they do not need any health certificates to travel and do not need to be confined in a container or crate.

Avoid placing your pet underneath the plane and instead find out if they can be in the cabin with you. Poor ventilation, extreme temperatures and loud engine noise can have devastating, sometimes deadly consequences for pets placed in the cargo area. Remember that pet containers must be small enough to fit underneath the seat without blocking anyone and must remain properly stowed the entire time the plane is moving. Keep in mind that each airline will have a list of types of pets that can be brought into the cabin as well as a limit on the number that can be on each flight. They may also have requirements that your pet be harmless, odorless and more. There may be an additional charge for the pet to fly with you even if they are safely stowed underneath your seat.

Ensuring Anxious-Free Travel

If you know that your pet becomes anxious while travelling, consult your veterinarian about anti-anxiety medication to make the experience less stressful for both you and your pet. Always bring your pet's regular food with you to avoid digestive upset. It is also a good idea to carry an extra supply of your pet's medication and a copy of your pet's medical records. Lastly, for all interstate and international travel, whether by land or air, a health certificate, provided by your veterinarian, is required. This certificate serves as your pet's vaccination record and states that your pet is free of all contagious diseases.

What If....

If your furry family member can't go with you, consider leaving them at home with a pet sitter or in a local boarding facil-



ity. Young, active pets may benefit from staying at a kennel that offers playtime with other pets that are boarding. Anxious pets may be most content if left at home with a pet sitter, where their daily routine can be closely adhered to. Elderly pets or those with serious medical needs may be safest if they board at their veterinarian's clinic/hospital. Ask your veterinarian for reliable pet sitters or kennels in your area.

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r d - Wherever you choose to board your pet, make sure that they are fully up-to-date on their vaccinations. Respiratory infections, such as infectious tracheobronchitis (a.k.a. kennel cough) and canine influenza, have been widespread among the canine population this season. Upper respiratory viruses, such as herpesvirus and calicivirus, have also been particularly virulent amongst felines over the past several months. In order to provide maximum protection against these respiratory diseases, have your pets vaccinated by your veterinarian 1-2 months prior to boarding. This will allow your pet's immune system to mount an adequate protective response against these diseases. Vaccines administered immediately prior to your pet's stay at a kennel provide little protection.

Lastly, always provide your pet sitter or kennel staff with a permission letter should they need to seek medical care for your pet while you are away. Alert your veterinarian of your wishes for your pet's medical care should they need to provide medical assistance/advice in your absence.

UPCOMING DOGGY DATES

June 11: World Pet Memorial Day June 23: Take Your Dog to Work Day July 15: National Pet Fire Safety Day July 31: National Mutt Day August 1: Universal Birthday for Shelter Dogs August 10: Spoil Your Dog Day August 19: National Homeless Animals Day August 26: National Dog Day August 28: Rainbow Bridge Remembrance Day August 30: National Holistic Pet Day

Dates From Dogtipper.com

BREED PROFILE

A Ray of Sunshine: Golden Retrievers

BY PAMELA STACE, FREELANCE WRITER

"Happy go lucky" is how Lisa Peterson, owner of Hounds Around Town in Whitefish Bay describes her Golden Retriever Lars.

"A Golden is just a really nice dog," she adds.

I looked down at Lars and smiled (an inevitable reaction to seeing a Golden Retriever). Sound asleep, he was taking a little break from being the store greeter and mascot.



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History

In 1864, dog lover and sportsman Sir Dudley Marjoribanks, (later known as Lord Tweedmouth) purchased his foundation sire, Nous, from a man in Brighton, England. Nous was the only yellow puppy out of a litter of black, wavy-coated dogs. Sir Dudley mated Nous to Belle, a light-colored Tweed Water Spaniel (a now extinct breed). From his estate in the Scottish Highlands, Lord Tweedmouth began breeding his yellow retrievers for character, temperament, intelligence and aquatic ability. Being a practical man, he also wanted his dogs to be loyal and willing to work. Several yellow puppies were the basis for Sir Dudley's yellow retriever line.

In the late 19th century, waterfowl hunting was very popular in Great Britain, and lots of retrievers were being bred. However, it wasn't until the first dog shows there that body type and color consistency began to be standardized. Golden Retrievers as we know them today were first shown in England in 1908 and were officially recognized as a breed by the UK Kennel club in 1911. In 1920, the breed name was officially changed from Yellow Retriever to Golden Retriever. Some of Marjoribanks' dogs were brought to this country as early as the 1890s, and Americans took to them immediately. In 1925, the Golden Retriever was officially recognized by the AKC.

"They were the first obedience champions in the AKC."

There are some differences between British, American and Canadian Golden Retrievers. The British Golden has a wider muzzle, shorter legs and a deeper chest than its American cousin. The coat color should be gold or cream, and never red or mahogany. American Goldens are less stocky with a thicker, darker gold to reddish coat. Canadian Goldens are taller than the Americans with thinner, darker coats. Peterson told me that American Goldens are often bred for hunting ability, while British Goldens are bred more for temperament.

Personality

Intelligent, affectionate and versatile. Goldens were bred to please, and for them, everything is fun and exciting! They can actually become depressed if left alone! Highly intelligent, they are easy to train and are good listeners, but like all dogs, they do their best with a firm leader. They are very adaptable, and although they love to run and play outside, they can be happy anywhere! Recognized as good swimmers, they are great in the water. They have webbed feet, a water-repellent undercoat, and a thick neck ruff that keeps them com-



11 SURF'S UP, SPORTS LOVERS! fortable in both warm and cold conditions. Famously, Goldens have a "soft" mouth in order not to damage their prey when retrieving it. A variety of media outlets say they can hold raw eggs in their mouths without breaking them. The down side of this is that they love to chew and can sometimes be too "mouthy". Again, training is important. Goldens are not barkers. They are so friendly, gentle and trusting, they do not make good guard dogs.

Golden Retrievers are great hunting dogs but are also very good at other activities such as obedience—they were the first obedience champions in the AKC—rally, conformation, search and rescue and tracking. Goldens take beautifully to service work because they are so adaptable and tolerant. They are also very affectionate and are sensitive to different emotional states, which makes them ideal for therapy and assistance work. Some Goldens can also detect seizures.

Other Animals & Kids

A Golden Retriever is the perfect family pet. They get along well with everyone! Whether around other dogs, cats, kids or livestock, they keep their cool and even care for other animals. Peterson told me that Lars actually has a sense for a child's safety. He is always careful and gentle and knows his own strength when he is around children.

Health Concerns

Goldens can have hip and elbow dysplasia, other joint problems, cancer and obesity but are generally healthy dogs.

You Can't Go Wrong With a Golden

Goldens can fit in anywhere and love everybody! In 2016 they were the third most-registered breed with the AKC, and ,of course, we see them everywhere! Well-represented in commercials, on TV and in the movies, Goldens are also celebrity favorites. Both Oprah and Jimmy Fallon have Goldens, and they lived in the White House with Presidents Ford and Reagan.

Whether you want to go on a long walk, go to a lake, play in the yard or just snuggle at home, you can't go wrong with a Golden!

Check out their stats!

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size Male: 24" at shoulder 75lbs Female: 21.5" at shoulder 55-65lbs

coat colors Golden, but can be darker. Coat darkens with age.

original job To retrieve waterfowl from water & land.

grooming Bathing and brushing, with seasonal shedding, tooth brushing, nail trimming, ear cleaning

> life span 10-12 years





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SPORTS TO HELP KEEP YOUR DOG IN TOP SHAPE

BY LUCIE WINBORNE, FREELANCE WRITER

t's summertime, and the outdoors beckons for man and beast alike. What better time to engage your pet in a new sport? Not only is it a fun and healthy way to enhance the loving relationship you share, it's also a great means of enhancing mental stimulation and communication. Here are five cool activities to consider this season.

CANINE AGILITY

While just about any breed can participate, canine agility is terrific for high-energy dogs such as Border Collies and Australian Shepherds. Owners direct their pals on an obstacle course consisting of jumps, tunnels and walkways, all within a specific order, and course intensity and difficulty can be adapted to your pet's particular health needs.

All the running and jumping in this sport can be a little rough on the joints, so it's wise to be sure he's in good shape before beginning. Also, consider his temperament: Does he enjoy a good run? Play well with others? Is he the lone wolf type, or does he typically look to his human for guidance?

Don't forget to consider your own general activity level as well. Whether you're a couch potato or star athlete, this sport provides a great bonding experience, but if you're not able or willing to run, look for an instructor who can teach you agility distance control in which you'll be able to direct from the sidelines.

CANINE FREESTYLE

As its name implies, just about anything goes in this choreographed musical performance, as long as neither party is at risk of harm. A typical routine will have your pet doing twists and turns, jumping, walking backwards, weaving through your legs, and moving in sync with you. And even if you have two left feet, a mastery of basic commands (particularly "heel"), lots of patience and a loving, deep connection with your pet will have you "dancing" like Fred and Ginger.

Okay, maybe that's a bit of an exaggeration, but fans of this sport love putting together programs to music they love and encouraging their pet during a performance.

"The handler chooses what they want to convey in their routine performance ... funny, dramatic, tell a story," says Michele Pouliot, a freestyle trainer and Director of Research & Development at Guide Dogs for the Blind, Inc. "Unlike other dog sports, everyone competing is doing something different. Even if two competitors use the same music, their performances will be unique. The cool thing about canine freestyle is that you and your dog create your own 'artistic performance' that you will cherish forever."

DISC DOGS

Have a good throwing arm? Think your canine pal can catch a Frisbee like nobody's business? Why not show them both off by entering a disc dog competition?

The idea is simple—throw, catch and return—with two main types, Distance/Accuracy and Freestyle. In the former, playing fields are divided into zones by yard and scoring is based on the zone in which a disc is caught. Freestyling, which is scored according to a preset point system on artistry, agility, accuracy, difficulty, and more, can be much fancier and include such moves as launching off the handler's body and throwing multiple discs. Rules vary among clubs or associations, but any breed can participate.

An important aspect of this sport is the type of disc used. There are a variety of sizes and weights to choose from, and the disc shouldn't be hard or brittle. It should also be easy to clean, since accumulated dirt and grit can actually wear down your pet's teeth over time. Check it regularly for tooth marks that can cut his mouth as well.

DOCK JUMPING

Remember summertime flying leaps from a wooden dock into a cool lake? Fun, wasn't it? And it's not just for humans.

In Ultimate Air, or distance jumping, handlers throw a toy off a dock to entice their

dogs to leap as far as they can, with distance measured where the tail meets water. Ultimate Vertical places a bumper at a preset height. Each time a dog reaches it, the height is noted and the bumper moved up. The winning canine is the one who can touch the bumper at its highest position.

According to Nick and Tiffany Ludwig of Wisconsin DockDogs, "Most competitors spend the whole summer traveling around the state, or even country, with their dogs to attend different events." While some are in it purely for the competition aspect, others "do it because it's become a way of life-a way to enjoy petfriendly traveling and catch up with friends that many only see during the season."

If your buddy's not overly familiar with swimming, he should spend time in the water beforehand, as the dock jumping environment, which is typically a swimming pool, isn't just surrounded by people, but its clear water is more difficult for a dog to see than the surface of a pond or lake. Start with a favorite toy on land and proceed gradually to shallow water, then throw the toy into deep enough water that a little swimming will be required to retrieve it.

FLYBALL

In this relay race involving teams of four dogs, one dog from each team runs down a course, jumping hurdles along the way, to a flyball box and steps on a panel that triggers the box to release a tennis ball. The dog then returns the ball to its handler. Once it completes the course, the next dog on the team is released, and the first team with all four dogs to complete the course is the winner. Dogs earn points toward titles based on their teams' time, e.g., one point for less than 32 seconds, five points for less than 28 seconds, and so on.

If flyball sounds like your game but your pet has a penchant for chasing moving balls, start your training

by teaching him to fetch a stationary one. Roll it a short distance and don't release the dog to get it until it has stopped, or put the ball on the ground, walk a few steps away, and send him after it. He doesn't have to actually deposit it in your hand, but you don't want him to drop it too early, either, since in a competition he'll have to make it past four jumps and the finish line before letting go. Also, since there can be a good bit of idle time between heats at a competition, it's wise to ensure that your pet is comfortable with resting in a crate between runs. Here's wishing you and your pet a sporting-good summer!

Photo By Mike Salem





Big dogs swim; small dogs jump; there are professional surfing dogs; all manner of dogs play fetch with Frisbees. The dogs do not have to be let out; they take over the beach."

"This year," Pops continues, "the Old Dogs and New Tricks Surf Tour will bring the summer of love and all of our attention and focus to the understanding and raising awareness of autism in children. "

Coming out of retirement,

Ithough dog surfing started in the 1920s, Adam "Pops" Steinberg is one of the people who popularized the sport in our time. Stein

> Booker D. has surfing since she was a puppy. Pops states, "For me, it's all about Booker. She is a born natural. She was meant to surf, as Jimi Hendrix was to the guitar or Roger Staubach to a football."

> So if you're on the east coast this summer, check out the Old Dogs and New Tricks Surf Tour. Be there or be square. Paw-A-Bunga, dudes!



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Pops describes the surf tour like this: "It's the ultimate water dog sports extravaganza. Amazing athletic canines compete in all manner of outside and beachside activities.



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Going Viral with Your Dog!

BY JEAN M. JAHNKE, CPDT-KA, FREELANCE WRITER

ou've been practicing with your dog—going to classes and doing all your homework. Your dog is ready to strut her stuff, but you're a wallflower. Or maybe it's your dog that's shy. Nevertheless, did you know that there are virtual opportunities in today's online world for you to showcase your dog and earn titles? And, in some cases, you can even do it in your own home!

Virtual venues exist for rally obedience, tricks, freestyle dance, agility and Dog Parkour[™]. These venues allow you to videotape your entry and submit it for judging. Each venue has recommendations and tips on how to best videotape your submission.

Obedience

Does your dog excel in obedience? If so, Cyber Rally-O is a virtual experience you may want to investigate. Rally obedience involves moving from sign to sign and completing specific obedience skills at each. For instance, at Level 1 in this venue, one sign is to "Stop and Down" your dog.

According to the Cyber Rally-O website (cyberrally-o.com), "All teams are welcome to enjoy this experience. Dogs and/or handlers with physical challenges will find Cyber Rally-O to be very accommodating." Cyber Rally-O offers five levels of rally, a Junior Division, and even has a Dance Division.

Tricks

Been working on tricks with your dog? Do More With Your Dog![®] is the world's leading Trick Dog program. Per their website (domorewithyourdog.com), they have awarded over 15,000 Trick Dog titles. And earlier this year, Do More With Your Dog![®] joined with the American Kennel Club[®] to have their titles recognized.

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To earn a Trick Dog title (five levels are possible, including a championship title), you select from a list of 101 tricks. Since this is a team sport, the variety of tricks enables success for both you and your dog.

Janna Light, KA-CPT, owner of Paws & Effect Pet Care and Training, has competed in this venue. She says, "I would definitely recommend it to my clients! I love that it gives dogs that might not do well in crowds or around other dogs the chance to earn titles too."

Dancing

Want to take your trick training to another level? If you like music, freestyle dance may be just the thing for you and your dog. Patie Ventre, founder of The World Canine Freestyle Organization, explains, "The object of musical freestyle is to display the dog and handler in a creative, innovative and original dance, using music and intricate movements to showcase teamwork, artistry, costuming, athleticism and style in interpreting the theme of the music."

The WCFO website (worldcaninefreestyle. org), lists a multitude of titles that can be earned "virtually" as well as through in-person events. They have a Junior Division and within their Adult Division, they have a "Sassy Seniors" for dogs over 9 years of age and/or handlers over 65 years.

Debbie Lynch has achieved both trick and freestyle dance titles with her Corgi Tinkerbelle. She says, "It is nice for shy and fearful

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dogs to have the opportunity to title without the stress of a show. But, she adds that unless you belong to a club, "It can be hard to find someone with the time and ability to take videos of your performance. It can also be hard to find a good location to do the filming."

Agility

Do you like the sport of agility but your dog is fearful of crowds, reactive to dogs or highly distracted? You can demonstrate the agility skills you've been practicing in a virtual environment.

Michele Godlevski, CBCC-KA, CPDT-KA, founder of VALOR, explains, "The Virtual Agility League[™] (VALOR) provides people and dogs an opportunity to play agility in a stress-free environment, while still showcasing their skills for all to see. The VALOR program gives people and dogs a set of goals to achieve and rewards those achievements with the same accolades as a regular venue. In short, it's all of the fun of agility without all of the stress!"

VALOR does vary from other virtual opportunities in that you must videotape your dog running at a pre-approved agility facility. According to their website (virtualagilityleague. com), you then enter a monthly Virtual Agility League test online and receive a course map. Three levels are available.

So don't hesitate! If you're curious what your dog team can accomplish, check out the virtual wide world of dog sports.



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OUR GREAT CITY OF FESTIVALS

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BY CHERESE COBB, FREELANCE WRITER

ilwaukee is a "City of Festivals." From summer to winter, ethnic and cultural events act as portals into the world, inviting Wisconsinites to entertain their inner wanderlust as they enjoy the entertainment, art, culture and cuisine of foreign lands. Moreover, the Great Place on a Great Lake reminds us that we're all connected by a single thread—a leash! Milwaukee and its surrounding cities are dog-friendly. Proof? We've rounded up eight canine-approved festivals that'll allow your whole family (two-legged and four-legged!) to have a tail-waggin' good time from now until the New Year.

Fido Fest, Wauwatosa June 17, 11am-4pm, Free Admission

Dog lovers, grab your leashes and head to Central Bark's Fido Fest in Hart Park. Held at the same time as Wauwatosa's annual HartFest, visitors can jam out to the Wauwatosa School of Music and The Playlist while watching the Rescue Parade or perusing Rescue Roe where dogs from the Wisconsin Humane Society and JR's Pups-N-Stuff are hoping to fetch forever homes. Looking to stay cool for the summer? Hit up the Splash Zone where your dogs can wade through pools of all sizes. Need a little R&R? Cool down with cups of Kealoha's Hawaiian Shaved Ice in the Relaxation Zone. Then let the fur fly at Barkley's Salon and Spa. Allow your dogs to answer the call of the wild as they chase zigzagging lures in the Lure Coursing Contest. Run, Fido, run! You can also clock your canines with a radar gun as they zoom down the speedway. And don't forget to buy a \$2 ticket for the Ulti-Mutt Prize Package. It's stuffed with \$250 worth of doggie goodies, from SpaMist's Ultrasonic Mister to Zuke's Mini Natural Roasted Chicken Dog Treats. All proceeds go to Barkley's Forever Friends, a nonprofit that builds foster care facilities for homeless dogs in Greater Milwaukee.

German Fest, Milwaukee July 30, 1-3pm, General Admission - \$15

Welcome to German Fest's Dachshund Derby: pint-sized pups dash schnozto-schnoz, and sometimes schnoz-totail, for the chance to be crowned the "Champion of the Dachshund Nation." Split into six divisions by age and special needs, the doxies are held by their owners at one end of the small field while another person waits at the finish line, frantically squeaking toys, tossing treats and bouncing balls. Wiener dogs were bred to hunt, says Gail Pikpe, the derby's co-chairwoman, so when a heat starts, some sausage dogs collide into each other. Others stop dead in the middle of the field with a "why are a bunch of strangers staring at me" look.



The winners, who receive ribbons and bags of dog food, beeline to their owners, rearing up on their stubby legs for high fives. Afterward, there's a costume contest—which includes dogs dressed up like a hot dog stand, a beer stein and a German maiden, complete with Dirndl dress and blonde pigtails.

Irish Fest, Milwaukee August 17-20, Varies General Admission - \$20

Irish Fest, the world's largest celebration of Celtic music and culture, will be more Irish than Ireland on the third weekend of August when the 37th Annual Irish Fest is on tap. The four-day festival headlines 100 entertainment acts, from 3 Pints Gone to the Beglan Academy of Irish Dance, on 17 different stages. Enjoy hurling and currach races, where teams of three row traditional wooden boats covered in animal skin across a lagoon. Then walk across the rainbow bridge, literally, to the Celtic Canine Exhibit. Paddy, hold your kilt! All nine of the Irish breeds have cold noses. Pet them, they're Irish, says Patrick Boyle, the executive director of Irish Fest. You can also rub noses with

AKC-certified breeders; attend grooming, training and general care seminars; or watch hourly obedience, hunting and agility demonstrations. Trivia lover? Make a pit stop at their display area that features a mix of historic and modern photos, prints and descriptions.

Fall Aire Frolic, Ixonia September 9, 11am- 4pm, General Admission - \$15

What do President Woodrow Wilson, hall-of-famer Ty Cobb and author John Steinbeck have in common? Answer: The "King of Terriers" otherwise known as Airedales. Spark an interest? Then bark your calendar for the Fall Aire Frolic, sponsored by Airedale Terrier Rescue & Adoption. You'll be able to trade "tags" with hundreds of Americans and Canadians that truly heart Airedales. Buy hand-embroidered FAF t-shirts while snacking on home-baked sweets at Alma's Sweet Sensation Table. Sniff-'n-greet: Take your 'dales outside for a water-romping good time. Then attend FAF's silent auction. From Airedale-patterned quilts to "aireloom" statues, there's sure to be a knick knack that you'll want to bark about. Happily wag

that tail! Proceeds buy beds, coats, towels and toys for ATRA's foster Airedales. Bonus: You'll get a goody bag filled with Airedale-themed swag and treats for your four-legged friends.

Boxer Bash, Columbus September 23, 10am-3pm, General Admission - \$5

The Boxer is the tenth most popular dog in the U.S., according to the AKC. And it's easy to see why. They're "handsy" and comical. Plus, they keep going and going just like the Energizer bunny. Want a little face time with this German breed? Visit the 17th Annual Boxer Bash, sponsored by Green Acres Boxer Rescue. It's like a big party for Wisconsin's dog lovers, says Carl Fritscher, a rescue volunteer. You can enter your Boxers into the "Best Kiss" and "Best Trick" contests. Or, let them unleash their inner fast and furious as they hit top speeds during the Radar Run. Looking to get in touch with your inner Dr. Doolittle? Attend holistic veterinary care seminars on acupuncture, chiropractic care and herbal medicine. Shopaholics, pull out your wallets and

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- 1. The use of one or more dogs to pull a sled on snow or a rig on dry land
- 6. Rally-O is a dog sport based on
- 12. Some dogs are trained to _____ on bodyboards and more
- 14. Certain car gp.
- 15. Like some advice or a spice
- 16. Oolong or chamomile
- 17. Sled dog ____
- 18. Yeah, fine
- 19. Command learned early on
- 20. Particular day of the wk.
- 22. Good for the pup's teeth: _____ toy
- 26. Associated Press, shortened
- 27. Popeye's Olive
- 28. Also
- 29. Search and _
- 31. Breeds with a wrinkled, short-muzzled face and curled tail
- 33. Ques. result, hopefully
- 34. Scent trail trial
- 37. Signals can be a motion or just a ____
- 40. Spanish agreement
- 41. ____ and behold!
- 42. Spot for a doggie bed
- 43. (see 1 down)
- 45. Short for independent
- 47. You can email or ____ your entry form
- 48. Daisy-like perennial
- 50. In this sport, dogs are attached to a towline and they pull, and run ahead of, a cyclist
- 54. Plaything
- 55. A place to curl up, if you're not too big
- 56. Zion National Park state (abbr)
- 57. Precedes Capitan or Dorado
- 58. Getting and bringing back
- 61. Bulk beer amt.
- 62. Pet food brand
- 64. Radium symbol
- 65. Apiece (abbr)
- 66. Cleaning cloth
- 68. Relax
- 71. Three ____ Night
- 72. _____ Trials show the dog's ability to properly control livestock
- 73. This type of dog can assist the disabled

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- 1. (with 43 across) A mixture of
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 - dance: _____ Freestyle
- 2. _____ dogs help the blind
- 3. Exists
- 4. Pecan, pistachio, or crazy person
- 5. Tall, slender short-haired dog known for its keen sight and swiftness
- 7. Hopefully it's bigger than it's bite
- 8. Like the human long jump or high jump, but with water: _____ Jumping
- 9. Old racehorses, for example
- 10. Calcium or California, shortened
- 11. _____ Trials show the working ability and instinct of dogs bred to hunt vermin
- 13. Comes before "la la"
- 18. Barn or Great Horned
- 21. Where a dog performs maneuvers
- while remaining close to the trainer's side 23. Focus; look at my
- 24. Dogs chase an artificial animal: Lure
- 25. Frisbee, or Dogs
- 28. Competitive dog sport which takes place inside an obstacle course:
- Trials

- 30. Auto
- 31. Physical Training, shortened
- 32. Givers _
- 35. Not any
- Relay race consisting of hurdles and a tennis ball release
- 38. Either partner
- 39. Cab
- 43. A.k.a. Sulky Driving
- 44. Devour the kibble
- 46. Training a dog in precision of move ment -- much like a horse: Canine
- 47. Relay team number, often
- 49. Male child
- 51. Intellectual Property, for short
- 52. Night before
- 53. Not even once
- 55. Lead for Rover
- 58. Paved pathway
- 59. Switchback, for one
- 60. Quite a sense
- 61. Not a gator
- 63. Word before diem or cent
- 67. Silver symbol
- 69. Symbol for einsteinium
- 70. Short for trace or train
- 71. Prefix for sect



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TOP UNPLANNED SUMMER EXCURSIONS TO THE **ER**

BY MEGAN TREMELLING, DVM, LVS

ummer is for ice cream, music festivals and playing outside with your dog. After months of dealing with ice and snow, we've got a lot of ball fetching to catch up on. But most good things come with caveats, and summer dog sports are no exception. Here are a few of the injuries that show up in the ER every summer.

Cranial cruciate ligament (CCL) injuries. The cranial cruciate ligament is part of a dog's knee. Technically, CCL disease in dogs is mostly a chronic degenerative change, related to long-term factors like conformation and body condition. But, for many dogs, active play can be what makes the not-quiteperfect ligament actually stretch or tear.

Ligaments don't heal as well as some other tissues do, so once the ligament has torn, the knee will never be quite normal. In some cases, scar tissue forms, serving to keep the knee stable enough to get by. Unfortunately, these knees will inevitably develop arthritis. For young, large, or active dogs, a surgical repair of the knee is recommended to reduce the progression of arthritis. There are several different methods of repairing a torn CCL, varying in their effectiveness, their cost and their technical difficulty to perform. Unfortunately, a dog that has torn one CCL is at risk of tearing the one on the other side.

Stick injuries. Lots of dogs love to play variations on the game of fetch. They love to retrieve things or just to carry them around. Unfortunately, some dogs choose sticks as toys. Sticks come in awkward sizes and shapes, with rough ends and sharp corners. Many a veterinarian has been faced with the miserable spectacle of a dog who has managed to get a stick jammed into its mouth or,

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worse yet, down its throat. The resulting injuries can be life-threatening.

Your mother probably told you, "No running with scissors!" The equivalent for your dog is, "No running with sticks!" While there is no such thing as a 100 percent safe toy, sticks are one of the worst possible choices. If your dog loves to fetch or carry objects, choose a tennis ball or a toy designed for the purpose.

Footpad injuries. Footpad injuries are common in the summer. Sharp objects hidden in grass can cause serious lacerations. Increased hours of daylight and fair weather can mean increased time playing outdoors, and if that play includes running on concrete, asphalt, or rocks, the footpads can become blistered. The searing heat of summer adds to the simple abrasion from rough surfaces to make a recipe for very painful feet. Footpad injuries are very slow to heal and so some caution is recommended to prevent them. Most dogs are not fans of wearing booties to protect their feet, but some will tolerate it. All dogs benefit from a gradual increase in outdoor exercise giving their footpads time to toughen up before a long hike or a day-long session of roughhousing around a concrete pool.

Shoulder injuries. Agility dogs, and any others who do a lot of jumping, frequently undergo shoulder injuries affecting the biceps or supraspinatus tendons. These may be due to repeated movements or to a single traumatic injury. Tendon injuries can be challenging to diagnose because, when they are recent, X-rays may look completely normal. But over time, some mineralization or other changes in the tendon may become visible. Some dogs recover with strict rest and anti-inflammatories. Injections of steroids into the shoulder joint are sometimes appropriate, and sometimes surgery is necessary.

Back pain. The number of bones in the average dog's spine is 50. The number of ways that dogs have of injuring their spines, on the other hand, seems to be limitless. Dachshunds, along with some other breeds, have a high incidence of genetic flaws in the structure of the intervertebral discs that increase

the risk of back pain, no matter what the dog may do. However, even a dog with a perfectly healthy spine can run into problems when sports don't go as planned. Trauma can cause muscle strain, intervertebral disc herniation, or even bone fractures. Dogs that train or compete in agility, with its jumping and dodging movements, may have more problems than others. However, it doesn't take a specialized sport to cause back pain. I once knew a dog that had to be treated for a broken back after a Pit Bull-type dog collided with her. Another form of spinal pain is a syndrome called "cold tail" or "limber tail" that is seen most often in Labradors, usually after an episode of vigorous swimming. A painful injury to the tail muscles is present, and the dog is unwilling to move its tail. Fortunately, the condition usually resolves within a few days. Other spinal conditions may benefit from rest, anti-inflammatories, rehabilitation exercises, or surgery.

It can be worrisome to think about all the things that can go wrong with your summer fun. It's tempting to wrap your dog in bubble wrap and keep him in his kennel where he's safe! However, against the risk of injuries we have to weigh the risk of missing out on what is likely to be your dog's happiest moments ever as he enjoys fun in the sun with his favorite person-you. Keep your dog at a healthy weight, stay away from sticks, watch carefully for problems and carry the phone number of your friendly neighborhood veterinarian, but don't miss the chance to enjoy the summer while it lasts.





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hat is acupuncture? Acupuncture is one aspect of Eastern Medicine that has been around for thousands of years. Unlike traditional Western Medicine, which is based on the scientific method, Eastern Medicine was developed by trial and error. In other words, it was developed through trial and error and what worked. Acupuncture needles are placed in special points along the body. These points are called acupoints and are located within several channels or meridians running through the body. An energy called Qi (pronounced "chee") runs throughout the body to keep the animal healthy.

According to Traditional Chinese Veterinary Medicine, when the Qi is of balance through blockage (stagnation) or depletion, that is when our pets become ill. There are 12 meridians that are typically used. Each meridian is associated with an organ. The organ systems are very complicated and represent more than just one organ. For example, the liver also governs the eyes, tendons and ligaments. The heart also controls the mind. The spleen controls muscles. The lung also governs the skin. The kidney controls bone.

The veterinary profession has caught on to the benefits of TCVM, and it is becoming a more common modality of treatment for our pets. It can be used on many species including, dogs, cats, horses, rabbits, birds, reptiles, and rodents. It can be used in zoos on wild animals like elephants, lions, and camels. It is even used in marine animals like dolphins. What happens when you go to a TCVM practitioner? The TCVM practitioner will examine your pet just as your Western veterinary practitioner. In addition to the routine examination, this practitioner will pay special attention your pet's tongue and pulses to help diagnose a pattern. He or she will also take into consideration your pet's constitution and will formulate a treatment plan consisting of certain acupoints to help your pet's condition.

What is a constitution? A TCVM constitution is a personality that is associated with one of the five elements. The five elements are Wood, Fire, Earth, Metal, and Water. Each element is associated with an organ system. Wood is associated with the liver/gallbladder. Fire is associated with the heart/small intestine. Earth is associated with the spleen/ stomach. Metal is associated with the lung/large intestine. Water is associated with the kidney/bladder.

Each element has a personality

- Wood animals tend to be dominant & assertive.
- Fire animals are very social & love attention.
- Earth animals are content & laid back.
- Metal animals tend to be aloof & indifferent.
- Water animals tend to be timid & fearful.

Each constitution can be more prone to certain patterns of illness associated with their corresponding organ system. This means that wood animals may be more prone to illness of the liver and eyes, fire animals may be more prone to heart disease and anxiety, and water animals may be more prone to kidney issues and arthritis.

How much does acupuncture cost? How many treatments will my pet need? Well, it depends on the problem. Early superficial problems can take just a few treatments. Chronic deep problems usually take multiple visits and may require maintenance sessions. It depends on your pet's constitution. Earth animals are usually very amenable to acupuncture while wood and fire animals may be somewhat resistant. Because earth animals are more laid back and easy going, they tolerate more needles in one session than a wood animal. That is not to say that if your pet has a wood constitution, they cannot have acupuncture. It may mean that the wood pet may do better if the treatments are more spread out with gradual increase in the number of acupoints.

Acupuncture is very helpful in the treatment of many disease processes. Maladies involving bones like orthopedic injuries and arthritis respond quite well to acupuncture. Acupuncture helps to control pain associated with these conditions. It can treat digestive disorders like chronic diarrhea, constipation, and vomiting. Animals with behavioral problems like separation anxiety, house soiling, and thunderstorm anxiety can benefit from acupuncture and TCVM. There are even acupoints to help skin conditions and allergies.

In addition to acupuncture, your TCVM practitioner may also use herbal therapy. Herbal therapy is another branch of TCVM that would require another article to fully explain.

Acupuncture and traditional Chinese veterinary medicine are other tools to use in conjunction with western veterinary medicine to help give your pet the best quality of life. If you are interested, your veterinarian may know of a TCVM practitioner that can do a consultation on your pet. The TCVM practitioner will likely use the Eastern method of treatment while your regular veterinarian will use a Western method. The two types of medicine are not meant to compete but work together for optimum health and balance.

MAIL CARRIER SAFETY

BEWARE OF DOG: Keeping Our Letter Carriers Safe

BY PATTI MURACZEWSKI, APDT

s a dog owner, you never want to hear dog bites are on the rise. Rising bite statistics influence insurance coverage, community laws, and the non-dog lovers' perception of our canine friends. But the truth is, for U.S. letter carriers, dog bites are on the rise and summer is the peak season for bites on the job to occur.

Historically, mail carriers and dogs have been at odds. Just look at the number of jokes that appear on the Internet about dogs and mail carriers.

And even though I have found one or two dog toys that are made to the image of a veterinarian, I have found far more designed to look like a mail carrier.

So why do dogs present such a danger to carriers? The reason makes perfect sense to any one dog knowledgeable: when a stranger walks onto the dog's territory, the dog will become protective of their territory. This is further fueled by the fact this person comes six days a week.

When I work with carriers on bite prevention, I ask them if they are aware they tease the household pet. Their response is, "I don't tease the dog." But in the dog's mind they do. The carrier comes almost every day, the dog barks, and the carrier leaves as the dog scares them off. Right? The dog doesn't know that the person is leaving because they have just finished delivering the mail. The dog's level of irritation, confidence and aggression rises to the point that even a friendly dog could become a biter.

As dog owners, we can take a few steps to keep our dogs and carriers safe.

• Be respectful that any dog can bite and don't assume your dog never will.

• When a carrier or a delivery person is arriving, put your dog in the house or in a room in the house. If your dog is reliably trained, do a sit stay or go to spot, but be aware the new policy for carriers is for them to request that you put the dog away. Statistics show dogs are more likely to bite when their owner(s), children or possessions are present.



• Bites are not the only costly injuries. I had a friend whose dog pushed through the door to get to the carrier, and the postal worker fell down the stairs and was injured. The homeowner was held responsible.

• Before the hot weather arrives, make sure your door and window screens are not damaged, which could make it possible for the dog to escape. The postal policy is that if the situation isn't deemed safe, the mail does not have to be delivered.

• Small dogs should follow the same rules as big dogs as all bites can be damaging.

• If you are holding your dog in your arms, you should reach out to take the package or the mail, as you don't want the stranger to reach into your dog's space.

• Put a sign up which makes everyone (including a criminal) aware of a dog on the property. Some states provide sign coverage, that means posting a sign of a dog exempts the owners from liability, but Wisconsin doesn't. I suggest "Dog on Premise" verbiage as opposed to "Beware of Dog" as it implies your dog could be considered dangerous. Wisconsin case law holds that negligence is based upon the foreseeability of an injury. A person is negligent when he or she commits an act where some harm to someone is foreseeable, according to Attorney Ken Phillips, who is a national expert on dog bites cases.

As a canine behavior consultant, I see many dogs that have bitten for the first time. Unfortunately, in the world we live in, laws and insurance policies are often set up for zero aggression tolerance in our dogs.

Whether fair or not, we need to be proactive in following the above tips to keep everyone, including our dogs, safe.

CABIN CAMPING

Chloe Goes Camping

BY LAURA YEAGER, FREELANCE WRITER

hen my husband Steve told me that we were taking our new puppy Chloe cabin camping with us, I have to admit, I got a little nervous. We'd never traveled overnight with her before, and I didn't know how she'd react. For one thing, I was afraid she'd wiggle out of her leash and we'd lose her in the woods. But I have to say that Chloe was a pure joy to have around and that I'd take that dog camping again in a heartbeat.

One Friday in late March of this year, we set off for Hocking Hills in southern Ohio. Hocking Hills is a beautiful vacation area for Ohioans, full of nature and plenty of the great outdoors.

Since Steve had recently purchased a new car, we covered the back seat with towels. We'd taken Chloe on short rides before, and she'd gotten carsick and threw up, so we were taking the necessary precautions.

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The trip down to Hocking Hills took about three hours. When we got there, we stopped at Walmart and picked up groceries for our three-day stay. While my son Tommy and I shopped, Steve walked Chloe around the outside of the big store. Of course, exercise is good for dogs that have been cooped up in a car. Soon, we were set to drive to our cabin in the woods.

The cabin was adorable, a tiny place with one bedroom and a living room with a pullout couch. On the wall hung an embroidered sign that read, "May the peace of the cabin be with you." How welcoming!

"What do you want to do first?" Steve asked me after we'd put away the groceries and explored the cabin and our surroundings, allowing Chloe to take another bathroom break.

"How about the hot tub?"

"I thought you'd never ask."

Chloe loved watching us soak in the hot water from the safety of the wooden porch. The mist rose off the hot water and tickled our faces. Chloe was mesmerized.

Highlights

Chloe loved to lie on the foldout couch in the mornings with Tommy while he drank hot cocoa. Steve and I, still in our jammies, sat in rocking chairs and communed with each other—our whole pack in one place, which Chloe seemed to adore.

Chloe enjoyed going on a hike with us to see Cascade Falls, a beautiful natural waterfall. Strangers stopped and petted her head and said how cute she was. She relished the attention.

On the last day, Chloe did escape into the woods; my worst fears were realized, but we did manage to catch her. Steve lured her back with dog treats.

Most importantly, Chloe did not pee or poop in the cabin. Hooray! She was the perfect houseguest.

Having gone cabin camping with our dog, I've learned a few things I'd like to share. Some tips are below.

Your dog may not like the water. In short, if the camping site has well water, it could have a funny taste. Be sure to have enough bottled water for the pooch. Buy it in gallons.

It's a big wood out there. Your dog will probably want to bolt, as Chloe did with us. Be sure to have a good hold on him.

This may seem like a no-brainer, but bring their crate. This will make them feel safe and at home. And when you go out and have to leave the dog, they won't destroy the digs. (It was obvious that a previous guest of the cabin where we stayed did not bring a crate because the bathroom door had been damaged by what could have been a dog that wanted out of his temporary prison.

Your dog may not be interested in eating. All of the new sights and sounds of the forest are captivating and may take his mind off food. Be aware of this and don't panic. He's probably not sick, but just fascinated by his new environment. Know that taking your dog along is a bit of work, but very worth the effort.

Again, that warm feeling you get from the whole pack being together in the woods is simply priceless.

Destinations

For wonderful cabin/cottage camping in Wisconsin, head up to the Northwoods, a locale of over 15,000 lakes & many thousands of acres of forest.

In the northeast, investigate Vilas County. Two spectacular resort areas in this neck of the woods are Eagle River & St. Germain. Finding a place to stay is simple if you've got an Internet connection, & if you don't, head on over to your local library & use theirs.

The easiest way to find a decent place to vacation is to google, for instance, "cabins Eagle River." Many hits will come up. I've had good luck with the VRBO. com website. This is "Vacation Rental by Owner." You're sure to find a terrific cabin or cottage with this method.

In the northwest, look into the Cable/ Hayward area. Again, cabins and cottages can be found by googling, using the method described above.

And for people who are disabled, be aware that some of the Wisconsin State Parks have accessible cabins. Some of these parks include Mirror Lake, Buckhorn & High Cliff. Please note: Only certified service animals are allowed in these cabins.

Finally, when choosing a cabin or a cottage, of course, be sure the owners allow dogs. It's amazing how many cabins are pet friendly these days.

Gather up Fido, pack the car & go cabin camping.

And don't forget to get them treated for fleas & ticks before you leave. Happy trails!



FESTIVALS CONTINUED FROM PAGE 19

scour tables for canine accessories or bid on Boxer-themed items during the silent auction. Finally, commemorate the event with a fall-themed portrait at the Boxer Rescue Photo Studio.

Fromm PetFest, Milwaukee September 23, 10am-6pm, Free Admission

Pet lovers, you are officially on notice. Fromm PetFest, in partnership with Milwaukee World Festival, Inc., thenonprofit that produces Summerfest is returning for the fourth year. "Pet parents are encouraged to bring their dogs and cats down to the Summerfest Grounds," says John Graham, manager of trade and consumer communication for Fromm Family Foods. So listen to 99.1 The Mix and 103.7 Kiss FM while enjoying dog disc demos. Sign your dog up for the everpopular costume contest. (Last year's winner was decked out like Cinderella, riding in her very own silk-covered carriage.) Let your pooches participate in dock diving, agility, lure courses and the doggie dash. In need of some green time? Throw back a pint or two in the Bier Garden while your dogs enjoy some supervised off-leash play. Find your next pet at Adoption Avenue; rub elbows with vet professionals at PetFest University; or drop your tots off at the Kid's Zone, where they'll be able to compete in obstacle courses, jump in bounce houses, and get their faces painted by Suzie Sparkles.

Barktoberfest, Middleton September 24, 11am-3pm, Free Admission

Bury the dog days of summer at the 6th Annual Barktoberfest. Start by pouring yourself a mug of beer imported from Munich Hofbräuhaus, and saying, "Prost!" Cha-ching! When you buy a Residents for Off-leash Milwaukee Parks stein for \$10, you can also get \$1 off your beer purchases at Estabrook Beer Garden for an entire year! Purchase ROMP or Kensington Liquor store raffle tickets: 1 for \$1, 6 for \$5 or an arm's length for \$20. The Milwaukee Dog Training Club will also allow your dogs to run a short "trial" run on the agility course for \$1 or two runs on the full course for \$5. Watch Officer Pawlak and her German Shepherd K9, Usher, locate narcotics and track missing persons. With live music, a costume contest, a lure course and good eats like chicken schnitzel with french fries, you're sure to experience Gemütlichkeit, rain or shine.

Can't Depend on Snow, Fond Du Lac December 2, 10am-3:30pm, Free Admission

Grab your hats, gloves, and your dog's winter jacket, of course, and get ready to meet The Big Dog himself — Santa Claus. Bow-wow! You can even snap pictures of Rover sitting on Kris Kringle's lap. Deep snow or no snow, watch local celebrities or Siberian Huskies, Malamutes and St. Bernards fly down Rolling Meadows Golf Course. With temperatures diving below 29 degrees, roast your mitts over the outdoor fire pit, or warm up inside with a cup of chili and dog-shaped cookies. Want to jump-start your Christmas shopping? Buy tickets for the kids' basket raffle, or bid on Christmas-themed items during the silent auction. You can also catch stuffed animals at the Siberian Husky Toss. Get your dogs a gift that you can keep on giving. There will be an animal massage therapist on hands to teach you techniques, says Mike Schwandt, the event's founder. Here's something else that'll make you feel merry and bright. Part of the proceeds will go to the Make-a-Wish Foundation.

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RUNNING 101

The Story ...

he wind blowing around you, the ground beneath your feet, and your four-legged friend by your side: There's nothing better than a summer run with man's best friend. After a long winter around here and our unpredictable spring weather (suddenly hot, then cold, then snow, sometimes all in one week!), we welcome summer with open arms.

Running with your dog not only provides great exercise, but a chance to bond and explore nature together. Whether you take it to the pavement or to the trails, adventure is out there!

Dr. Aprill Rykal from Menasha runs with her German Shorthaired Pointer/Lab Mix Rascall. Her advice is, "Start slow and be consistent." For example, she always runs with her dog on the left side. Verbal commands such as "over" also help keep the two from running into one another.

The best part about running with her dog is the companionship and having someone to hold her accountable to get the runs in. Rykal says that Rascall sometimes pushes her more than she really wants to go!

Maybe you are a runner looking to start running with your dog, or maybe you and your pooch are starting your running journey together (or somewhere in between). Whatever the case, congrats to taking those steps! If you are training for an upcoming race, check the race details! Many events allow dogs to run with you. Imagine your brow dripping with sweat and your dog panting as you cross the finish line together in celebration. Sound splendid?

Tips

If you have your run gear, sunscreen, the drive, & you're ready to hit the ground running (figuratively & literally!), what are some other factors to think about? American Kennel Club Vice President Gina DiNardo provides the following tips to consider before logging those miles.

1. Get clearance from your veterinarian. Your dog must be old enough he can suffer serious injury if overly-vigorous exercise takes place before growth plates are closed. The age at which this occurs varies with breeds. For young puppies & very large, heavy breeds of any age, sustained running is hard on the joints. Your veterinarian can also give your dog a general health check to make sure she is good enough condition to start an exercise program. So keep your dog's age in mind as he enters the senior years. Just like humans, dogs begin to suffer from age-related conditions, such as reduced mobility, decline in vision & hearing loss. You don't want to overexert a senior dog, especially if he's not in good condition.

See Spot Run Hitting the Pavement or Trail with Your Pooch

BY AMY BEHRENDT, FREELANCE WRITER

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2. Consider the breed. Just because your dog is a running breed like a Greyhound or Whippet doesn't mean that he can run long distances. These are bred to be sprinters. Anything more than a mile is a long distance for a Greyhound, but with proper conditioning he can certainly do more. After all, a pretty fast run for you is just trotting for him—not a full-out 35 mph run. Dogs bred for stamina to handle distance include Dalmations, Siberian Huskies & many sporting breeds. Dogs where the face & nose are shortened (brachycephalic faces), including Pugs, Bulldogs & Boxers, may have trouble breathing when exerted heavily & should be exercised with great care.

3. **Build up.** Once your veterinarian has given the go-ahead, start off slowly to build up endurance. You would not start your running career with a marathon on the first day & neither should your dog. Half a mile every other day is a good start. It's important to condition her slowly—just as you would yourself.

4. Humans are suited to long-distance running. We sweat all over & know how to pace ourselves. Dogs, not so much. A Labrador Retriever in excellent condition has a lot of stamina, but his enthusiasm can get the best of him—he might run until he drops. It's your job to be the one who knows best. Know the signs of heat exhaustion & know what to do if this happens. Take water for your dog and/or a collapsible bowl.

5. Run early in the morning or in the evening, not during the hottest part of the day. Pavement can get very hot & can hurt your dog's paws. It's also just plain hotter closer to the ground, where your dog is. In the winter, snow can accumulate between the dog's toes, & salt on the road or sidewalk can be harmful. You'll need to wash your dog's feet after the run. You can also try booties that are made to protect dogs' feet.

6. Training. Your dog needs to know the basics of loose-leash walking by your side before starting jogging. It is dangerous to have a dog that crosses in front of you or lunges to the side or ahead while you are jogging. Your dog also should be socialized & able to handle anything or anyone she sees on a run, just as she would be for any activity that she participates in with you. Use a special leash—one that is different than the one used for other walks. Your dog will learn the difference & will know that this is a run, & not an amble to the park or a potty walk. And by the way, take your dog on a potty & sniff walk before the run & afterwards. This will eliminate the need for frequent stops on your run.

7. Something to consider for yourself: a hands-free leash. Holding a leash in your hand while you run doesn't allow you to use your arms properly; you might end up with shoulder or back pain.

Breeds Made for the Run

So, if you aren't sure if your dog is a good choice to run with, DiNardo shared the breeds that can go the distance.

Australian Shepherd: Bred to herd livestock, the Australian Shepherd needs a lot of activity and a sense of purpose to be content. Due to the breed's intelligence, versatility, and endurance, Aussies excel in many AKC sports and can make excellent jogging partners.

Whippet: If you're looking for a speed runner, look no further than the Whippet. Whippets are known for their speed and power, and are capable of reaching 35 mph.

Greyhound: A fantastic race companion, the Greyhound is the fastest breed of dog and has a natural tendency to run. They're extremely athletic and will make a great workout buddy.

Border Collie: The Border Collie would be perfect to join an active person on a long run. These dogs are extremely energetic and need lots of exercise.

Siberian Husky: Another good long-distance runner is the Siberian Husky. These dogs would be perfect for a winter run, since their thick double coat keeps them insulated in cold weather.

German Wirehaired Pointer: The German Wirehaired Pointer has a ton of energy and a weather-resistant and water-repellant wiry coat, making it a great running partner no matter the weather conditions.

Rhodesian Ridgeback: If you're a moderatespeed runner, the Rhodesian Ridgeback is a great companion. This breed is active with a lot of stamina, capable of running at a fair speed.

Vizsla: Vizslas are extremely athletic, thriving on hard exercise and being a part of an active family.

Dalmatian: The Dalmatian would make a great partner for fast, long-distance runners. They're known for their endurance and speed.

Labrador Retriever: Labrador Retrievers are fantastic high energy running buddies. Their happy attitude will keep you going no matter what!

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n late February, Canine Cupids welcomed a brand new foster mom, Kristie Ruhland, who was supposed to be participating in a 50K cross-country ski race in Hayward, Wisconsin, called the Birkebeiner, or Birkie for short. While Mother Nature did not come through with the snow, fate delivered a skinny and frightened brindle and white dog into her care.

Most of Birkie's previous life is unknown, but there is evidence that she was bred and then discarded. She was emaciated, had double ear infections and tons of skin issues. She shrank and crouched when presented with a leash. All of that is heartbreaking, but is pretty normal for a dog entering foster care.

As it turns out, Birkie's needs were far from normal. At her vet appointment, she tested positive for heartworm. Her foster mom, Kristie, agreed to the extensive care needed and Canine Cupids agreed to cover her medical expenses.

You would think that would be enough for this sweet girl to deal with, but during one of her visits to the vet, she had some mammary tumors aspirated, and the results were suspicious. Berkie went back to the vet to undergo a biopsy. They were cancerous.

A decision had to be made on what to treat first, the heartworm or the cancer. Anesthesia is risky being infected with heartworm. However, if the cancer metastasized, then her life expectancy would be less than a year. The decision was made to have Birkie undergo a full mastectomy. Birkie is healed from her mastectomy surgery and all is well so far. She had three drains and multiple staples and stitches forming a 19-inch incision. In addition to the tumors, three of her body lumps were also removed.

Birkie had her first heartworm shot on May 1, 2017, and had her second shot at the end of the month, with the third one on the following day. The hardest part will be keeping her calm for six weeks after that last shot, according to her foster mom.

Despite all of the pain, uncertainty and medical issues, Birkie remains a bright and happy girl and flourishes under the love and care of her foster mom. She continues to heal while learning to be someone's pet and likes to play with her foster brother. Birkie loves to snuggle and curl up in the bed. Her foster mom says, "She has been so resilient through this all and has taught me a lot about being happy."

Update from Foster Mom: It's PJ time again. We are trying our best to be lazy per the doctor's order. Birkie is being such a trooper with the heartworm treatment, but when you look in her eyes and the way she holds her ears, it's obvious that she's not quite feeling like herself. She still wags her tail, though, because she has a lot to be happy about.

To date, her treatment has come in over \$3,000 with more vet expenses to come!

BY ANNA OLSON-SAJDAK



s we approach the warm weather, baking with a hot oven isn't so inviting. Using the waffle iron is a fun alternative.

Ingredients:

- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 4 teaspoons baking powder
- 2 eggs

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- 1 3/4 cups unsweetened coconut/ almond milk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- sprinkles of ground cinnamon

Add one of the following: (You may need to adjust the flour or liquids, depending on what you select to add in.)

- 1/2 cup of peanut butter
 8 oz can of salmon (reduce the
- milk if you use the salmon juice)
- ³/₄ cup of finely shredded cheese
- ³/₄ cup of bacon bits
- jar of organic baby food meat

Other Options for Sprinkles:

- ground ginger
- ground nutmeg
- parmesan cheese
- powdered carob

Directions:

1. In a large bowl, mix together flour and baking powder; set aside. Preheat waffle iron to desired temperature.

2. In a separate bowl, beat the eggs. Stir in the milk and vanilla. Pour the milk mixture into the flour mixture; beat until blended.

3. Ladle the batter onto a preheated waffle iron. Cook the waffles until golden and crisp. I don't let mine get too crisp as I think the dogs enjoy them a bit doughy in the middle.

4. Sprinkle ground cinnamon on them when they first come out.

5. Since I have small dogs, I cut the waffles into small squares with a scissors. You can leave them larger for the bigger dogs.

Tip: I get cheap waffle irons from second hand stores. I have found some of the cutest irons shaped as bones and fire hydrants. This is especially great when you are baking with kids as they can have their own waffle iron and can select their own ingredients. Think up some additional ingredients and toppings ideas. Have fun!







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CELEB PAW PROFILE



BY MANETTE KOHLER, DVM

aying that Leine had a rough start in life would be a gross understatement. Despite his deplorable past, his story is one of love, patience and healing, beyond anything his rescuers would have ever imagined. Leine, a male Miniature Pinscher, spent his first two years in an Amish puppy mill in northern Wisconsin. Scarred over one-fourth of his body, a terrified Leine found himself at an auction where his life would make a drastic change for the better.

Leine was purchased that day by Elmbrook Humane Society for \$45, a small price to pay to literally save a life. He spent a few weeks at the shelter for medical care, including healing his skin issues. "He was not just afraid at the shelter, he was truly petrified of his new surroundings," says Carol Sumbry, Associate Certified Dog Behavior Consultant, Certified Professional Dog Trainer and the Dog Training and Behavior Coordinator for Elmbrook Humane Society. She remembers giving him a bed with a high back that she thought would make him feel more secure, but he only hid behind it. She decided to foster Leine since he was so afraid at the shelter.

"Leine was not just shy," says Sumbry. "He was terrified of life and people, especially men." For months he would lose bladder and bowel control at the very sight of people. He also struggled with bouts of stress-related bowel issues. Sumbry kept a journal and during these early days and weeks with Leine she wrote the following: "This is the longest I have seen a mill dog remain so fearful. The whole world is scary for him. I sometimes worry if we are doing the right thing by saving him...he is so afraid."

Sumbry focused on helping Leine feel safe. For Leine, having a covered crate with lots of bedding to burrow into provided this sense of safety, allowing him to begin the emotional and mental healing process. "Slowly, bit by bit, Leine moved away from his fears and moved forward to a life outside those kennel walls that terrified him and scarred him physically and emotionally," says Sumbry. She was able to help him grow into a happy dog that enjoys life. She did this by having a lot of patience, making sure he felt safe, confidence boosting, trick training and slow socialization to the outside world, but there were many baby steps to get there.

"I eventually started moving him to other places in the house and in the car by using his comfort zone—his crate," explains Sumbry. She also slowly taught him to use his brain with Kongs, food toys and enrichment. Slow handling and trust building, gentle massage, and tricks were slowly added. "I never did much trick training but he LOVED it and loved to learn," Sumbry adds.

Along with the crucial need for safety, dogs need to be able to make choices and Sumbry allowed him to decide when he'd had enough interaction by allowing him access to his safe haven—his crate—which he still loves to this day.

"It was a long road but Leine came out of his shell and kept going!" shares Sumbry. Now 11 years old, Leine has moved beyond his sad past life and beyond Sumbry's wildest dreams. "This breed," adds Sumbry, "Is often referred to as the 'King of the toys' and now Leine sure takes that title seriously." She now describes him as a spirited, feisty boy who enjoys biking, walking, playing, and, until recently, lure coursing, which he loved but had to give up due to his age and knee and back issues.

After five years of just learning to be a dog in our human world, Leine became a therapy dog. He visits senior homes, schools and camps and his is also a demo dog for classes Sumbry teaches. That's not to say he doesn't have some lasting negative effects of his life in the Amish puppy mill. According the Sumbry, "Sadly, to this day he can pick out a man wearing a hat and dark clothes in a crowd of many." He is also afraid to be left outside alone so Sumbry accompanies him outside and, despite counterconditioning, he still has some issues.

"Although some of the 'scars', both physical and emotional, remain from the mill, Leine has come further than I ever imagined and he continues to teach me about life, dogs and their strength and resiliency," says Sumbry. Hats off to the empathetic and giving souls, like Sumbry and Elmbrook Humane Society, who change the lives of innocent, damaged animals like Leine.
nimals come to us for healing and teaching just as much as we come to them, however it's on a much deeper scale than we know or can imagine. These animals are able to reach us at a depth that most humans are unable to access. Why? Because we feel safe with animals—safe to love them and safe to be loved back. This is an unconditional love that is very challenging to find and keep between human beings. That's why when we lose our animal friends it is such a devastating loss and can be even more painful than losing a human family member.

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Many of us have closed off our hearts due to hurt or betrayal caused by another. Sometimes even a devastating loss of a beloved animal or family member can cause us to "shut down" and deter us from wanting to love again.

However, when a new fur friend comes to us or we go out seeking one again, we slowly begin to open ourselves up. And depending on the demands of our new furry friend, we may need to stop what we're doing and squat, sit, lay down or figure out what they're trying to tell us. That's when the magic begins to happen.

Not only do they look at us in our eyes, but also into the depths of our soul. No matter if you think you're intuitive or not, it doesn't matter because anyone who shares their life with an animal companion is already communicating with their animals subconsciously. It's the energy you feel when you look into their eyes and your heart overflows with love. It's the animal's smirk that makes you laugh. That's the magic.

First, make yourself open and ready to receive the message. Our animal friends are constantly trying to help us and heal us simultaneously. Other times, we are doing that for them. For instance, if they're sick or not feeling well, we try to cater and baby them back to health. If they're mad at us, and we all know when they're mad at us, we try to sweet talk them by promising extra walks, treats, etc. The connection is so deep and so important to us that we don't always realize what exactly we're doing for them, but if we slowly begin to observe how we're responding and/or behaving towards our fur babies, that opens up the door allowing the magic to seep in.

When it's our animal friends' turn to heal their humans, they turn on the healing magic when they lay by us while we're sick or happily greeting us at the door if we've had a bad day. For example, a cat may lay on someone's chest purring away day after day until their human is up and moving. Or a dog may lay by their person's feet on the bed until they feel better. Some animals may lick the tears rolling down their humans face. Animals just know how their humans are feeling, physically and emotionally, so it's no secret. They always know!

And we usually always feel better once we see, hug and kiss our fur friends. That's more magic! Every little instance and interaction has a touch of magic for you both. You may not even see it at the time. Even when they chew up your shoes or get into the garbage, they're trying to speak to you. So just



BY STACY KRAFCYZK, ANIMAL COMMUNICATOR

sit down, breathe, close your eyes and take a second to pull yourself together so you may calmly figure it out. I'm not saying it's easy, but it will help you to observe, reflect and possibly understand the animal's message in the good and or uncomfortable situations that may arise.

Secondly, accept the message. Animals are great at pushing us to change. If you're a hermit and don't like to socialize but then get a very active and social pup, the pup is helping you to get out and mingle. Or if you're an uptight person and you get a funny, comical and humorous animal that makes you laugh a lot, it's for your own good. Maybe you have sworn off all animals and even people, but this little critter shows up at your door and slowly weasels its way into your heart forcing you to open it up again. Our journey here on the earth is to love and be loved, and our animal companions are able to assist us with that.

Keep in mind that if you have multiple animals around you, each one will have a different lesson it's teaching you or will be helping you to heal differently. Most of the time, it's going back to heal your heart and soul on many different layers. Take a few moments to observe, not judge, your animal friends, and begin to think of what that particular animal companion has taught you or helped you with.

You may know immediately their purpose on why they came to you, and with other animals it may take a few days to reveal itself, especially if you have intense and nervous critters. So be patient and allow the universe to bring you and your furry friends together in time. There may be a lot to learn and much to heal.

A DOG'S LIFE

Friends of HAWS Monthly Meeting 2nd Wed. each month: 7-8pm Waukesha,hawspets.org, 262-542-8851

And Baby Makes Five Class June 19: 6-8pm

Humane Society of Jefferson County W6127 Kiesling Rd., Jefferson Hsjc-wis.com, 920-674-2048

Foster Seminar

June 24: 12:30-4:30pm Elmbrook Humane Society 20950 Enterprise Ave., Brookfield 262-782-9261 to register

Let's Go for a Walk Leash Lessons

July 8: 10am-2pm Jefferson County Dog Park W5098 Canine Drive, Johnson Creek Hsjc-wi.com, 920-674-2048

Polka for the Pets

June 10: 5-9pm Humane Society of Jefferson County W6127 Kiesling Rd., Jefferson Hsjc-wis.com, 920-674-2048

Spay-ghetti Dinner Shelter from the Storm

June 16: 4:30-7pm 4475 Robertson Rd., Madison Sftsrescue.org, 608-224-1400

PAWS Pledge Walk & Fun Festival for

the Sauk Co HS June 17: 9am-1pm Sauk County Fair Grounds, Baraboo saukhumane.org, 608-356-2520

Thank Dog It's Friday June 23: 5:30-8pm Elmbrook Humane Society 20950 Enterprise Ave., Brookfield Ebhs.org, 262-782-9261

8th Annual Ride To End Dogfighting

June 24: 8:30am-6pm Brew City Bully Club House of Harley, Milwaukee

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Society of Jefferson County June 24: Noon-3pm Tyranena Brewing Company 1025 Owen ST, Lake Mills Hsjc-wi.com, 920-674-2048

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6th Annual Walk, Run, Wag

July 8: 9am MÁDACC Hart Park, Wauwatosa, madaccwalkrun.org

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July 15: 10am-3pm 3670 S. 108th, Greenfield mecafoundation.org

Madison Mallard Games

July 23: 1-5pm The Duck Pond at Warner Park, 2920 N. Sherman Ave, Madison Hsjc-wis.com, 920-674-2048

Night at the Duck Pond for Dane Co HS

Aug 5: 6:35pm The Duck Pond at Warner Park Madison, WI Giveshelter.org, 608-838-0413

WAAGR Annual Golf Outing

Aug 12 Scenic View Country Club 4415 Club Dr, Slinger Waagr.org

4th Annual Cruisin for Critters for **Dane Co HS** Aug 13

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Feasting for Felix

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Aug 19: 9am-4pm Rotary Park, Lilly Road & Fond du Lac Ave, Menomonee Falls hawspets.org, 262-542-8851

Friends of HAWS Clothing/Textile Drive

Aug 26: 10am-3pm 701 Northview Rd., Waukesha hawspets.org, 262-542-8851

Walk for Paws for Safe Harbor **Humane Society**

Aug 27: 2-5pm Anderson Park 8730 22nd Ave, Kenosha safeharborhumanesociety.org 262-694-4047

Adoption Events

Shelter from the Storm Every Saturday, 10am-2pm

PetSmart Madison East Sftsrescue.org, 608-284-7447

Greyhound Meet 'n' Greet

4th Saturday of each month 1-3pm HAWS, hawspet.org, 262-542-8851

Culver's Adoption Event for Safe Harbor HS

Aug 14: 4-8pm Safeharborhumanesociety.org 262-694-4047

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Puppy & Small Dog Party Saturdays 11:30am-12:30pm For Pet's Sake, Mukwonago 800-581-9070, forpetssake.cc

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This little hunny of a girl is all about having fun! Angelina enjoys getting out and about—walks, runs, hikes.... she is up for just about anything. She loves to meet new people, learn new ways to communicate with you and certainly does not mind being rewarded with a treat. This cute little girl has a heart full of love to give—all she needs is someone to give it to and someone who will return it to her!



Lovely, mellow and affectionate sum up this beautiful girl. Blanca found her way to us after leaving a situation that was not so great for her and finding herself at another organization who asked for our help. Blanca is laid back and enjoys spending time in your space while you complete your tasks at hand and of course enjoys one on one time with you.



This sweet, smart, independent girl recently celebrated one year of being with us with her kitty cupcake but wants you to know she really hopes that she does not celebrate another anniversary. She'd like to be in her own home with her own family. She is independent, smart, low maintenance, and simply wants to be in your space (no lap time for this girl!). Shawna will do best in a quieter home. We believe she will thrive best in a home without children and where she can live with other laid back pets.



Charlie is a sweet, handsome, smart and active senior Beagle. He certainly does not "act his age;" he has plenty of spunk and energy! Charlie is 8 years young and would like an adults-only home. He is good with some dogs and some cats, too! Charlie is a great example of why they call dogs our "best friends!"

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Floyd is an active, energetic youngster. He loves to take walks, explore and play with toys. He would make a great hiking companion for an active family that is ready to share their home and lifestyle with this eager guy! Floyd is wonderful on a leash and harness, as long as he can stop and sniff often, as he has a great hound nose!



This 12-years-young Pomeranian mix is looking for a home that will give her lots of attention! Missy gets along well with other dogs and cats and likes dog-savvy children, too! Missy is a finicky eater. She will need a household that makes sure she remains part of the "Clean Plate Club."



Hello world, this is Lyla. She is a bashful girl with lots of love to give. She enjoys nothing more than spending quiet time with her human buds, except maybe playing fetch! When Lyla can't be with her human friends, she likes to romp around with other dogs. It won't take long for you both to be attached at the hip!



"Mamma mia, here I go again. My my, how can I resist you?" The answer is you can't. Mia is a sweet girl who loves to take in the great outdoors and playing tug-o-war with her human pals. Mia is a treat-motivated little lady and can learn anything if you have a treat in your hand. She already knows sit, lay down, shake and high five, but I'm sure she wants to learn more!



This Pinkie is searching for a Brain to be his partner in crime ... and love. Ready to help take over the world with you, one heart at a time, Pinkie wants you to be his forever family. He is very friendly once he gets to know someone but is a little shy around new voices and strangers. Through Pinkie's foster, we learned that Pinkie loves to play with toys, wands and other cats.

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Hi, I'm Honey! I'm 3 years old! I will keep you entertained with my smarts, playful nature and need to always be next to you! My favorite place to cuddle is on the couch, and my favorite place to get scratched is on my belly. Kids, you ask? Yes please! I'll gladly share my home with little ones, and I'll even rock a tutu during tea time!



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Beau is a handsome, photogenic 1 ¹/₂-year-old Lab/Bulldog Mix! He is very energetic but satisfied with a nice hike or long walk! He walks well on leash and came in knowing several commands such as sit, down, stay, look and he also takes treats respectfully! All Beau needs is a home and family to call his own—maybe that family could be you!



Romeo came to us after being severely neglected! He was underweight and needed a lot of TLC to blossom into the handsome & healthy boy he is today. Despite the difficult life he had, he is the sweetest, gentlest dog. He is good with older children, adults and cats. He loves to play with toys and is overall a wonderful dog. He can be a little pickier with his dog friends, particularly other males. Come Meet Him Today!

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Kelsey is a sassy, sweet girl. She enjoys being around people and getting snuggles. Her favorite game is playing fetch. She would do best in a home as the only dog so she can get all your love and affection.



Meet Charlie! Charlie came in as a big, tough 'feral' cat, but really he was just scared. Once he had time to relax and get comfortable with the help of some TLC, he became a new cat! Now he will be happy to sit in your lap all day as long as you give his chin a scratch. Give him a chance to be your new best friend.



Frost is a big, sweet guy who was surrendered when his owner's life became too busy. He loves to go on walks, play fetch, and he knows many commands. He is learning to 'drop' and not tug on toys. He loves belly rubs and to give kisses. While Frost needs to be the only pet in the home, he loves to be with people. Because of his size and strength, he should be in a home with older children.



Rowdy came to the shelter when her owner did not have space and Rowdy was living up to her name. Since being at the shelter, she has learned to walk great on a leash, loves to have alone time with you and is no longer 'rowdy'. She gives the BEST kisses EVER! Rowdy needs to be the only pet in the home and would love to share the sofa or lap with you. Given a chance, she would be your best friend ever.



Precious Pup has had many homes, through no fault of her own. Her Beagle nose is fond of chasing rabbits so an unattended and opened door is an invitation to go! She has done many nursing home visits and other events. She gets along with other dogs and is great with children. She loves to go on walks and have your undivided attention. Her home should have a fencedin yard and a family committed to keeping her at home.

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Allegra is a 3-year-old Lhasa Apso mix. She is a loyal, playful and sweet girl who wants a home with a family to love. She wants to be the only dog in the home but would love play dates with other canines. She does best with a routine and recently graduated from obedience school. She is very smart and food motivated.



Big Guy is a 3-year-old Miniature Pinscher who weighs 21 pounds. He is a playful and sweet boy who is housebroken and lives with other dogs. He LOVES treats and is very food motivated. He needs a home with a yard or people to take him for daily walks.



Doctor Mid-Nite is an 8-year-old Shih Tzu who recently had to have both eyes removed. He has since gone to a foster home where he is doing very well adjusting to their routine. He enjoys being around dogs, cats and people, but we do recommend his home not have small children since he can be easily startled.

Washington Co. Humane Society washingtoncountyhumane.org



Walther is my name. No male dogs for me, but female dogs, you ask- oh - la - la! I cannot live with any felines, though. Children in my new home must be 8 years or older because I get mouthy when I am excited and could knock over small kids. All this personality and gorgeous looks, too—how about that for a total package?



I'm Benelli. I am playful and affectionate and promise to be a loyal and devoted companion. If the other dogs in your home are tolerant, we just might get along well. Cats are an absolute nono for me. Children 8 years or older would be fabulous in my new home. Come by to meet me in person, and I am confident you will fall in love.



Howdy, my name is Ruger! I have stunning good looks and delightful ears. After a good work out and I settle down, I am a very affectionate boy who enjoys together-time with my family. Children in my new home must be 15 years or older. I would be good with other dogs in my new family but cannot have any cats.



Ace is a 1-year-old dog available for adoption at the WHS Milwaukee Campus. Despite Ace's great looks and lovable personality, he has not found his forever home—he's become a benchwarmer. To get Ace back in the game and into a forever home, we have reduced his adoption fee to just \$25. Come meet him today!

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Macho is an incredibly smart and loving 2-year-old dog looking for his forever home. Macho has exhibited signs of separation anxiety and is looking for a special guardian prepared to spend plenty of time with him. Please call or stop in to the WHS Milwaukee Campus to learn more about this strikingly handsome guy!



Freeway Fluffy is a 3-year-old Domestic Longhair who was found on the side of the highway in terrible shape. Still very fearful, she does not like to be picked up and will likely seek out the best hiding places in your home for a while. If you have a quiet home without children under 13, you might be the one who can finally bring light into this sweet girl's life!

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