

# dogtales



2017  
Newsletter



Welcome to dogtales the official newsletter for the Dogs' Homes of Tasmania operated by the Tasmanian Canine Defence League Inc.



## CEO Thank You and Update

I hope you enjoy our 2017 edition of dogtales.

In the previous twelve months, we have achieved fantastic results for the dogs in our care. We continue to focus strongly on 'Getting to Zero' ([www.g2z.org.au](http://www.g2z.org.au)) through offering extensive veterinary care, our growing Foster Care Program, regular transfer of dogs between our three Homes, dedicated staff and volunteers and partnerships with rescue groups Australia wide.

Challenges continue to face us due to stretched resources, rising costs and ageing infrastructure. Not only do we rely heavily on the generosity of our supporters to donate the funds to provide the day to day care to our dogs and puppies, we are going to be needing considerable funds in the very near future to replace the kennels in our Devonport and Burnie Homes, fix the drainage issues in Hobart causing significant flooding throughout our facility, fix the leaking kennels in Hobart due to the water proof membrane breaking down and modify the ageing concrete paths and access steps to help ensure the safety of our volunteers, visitors and staff.

I would like to sincerely thank our supporters, volunteers and partners for caring so deeply about the dogs and puppies who find themselves in our care. Whether you donate time, goods, funds or services to the Dogs' Homes, we are sincerely grateful as

we cannot achieve the successful outcomes without you. I would also like to acknowledge and thank our staff for their dedication, passion and tireless efforts in caring for and finding our dogs and puppies homes.

**Belinda**

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**Grid and Opi** were pals together at the Dogs Day Out and looked fetching in their Foster 'Adopt Me' jackets



**Rocky** is a beautiful deaf boy. He arrived in Devonport Home on Valentine's Day and transferred to Hobart Home a month later. Rocky requires a special home with very dedicated owners. At the time of writing, Rocky was on an adoption trial.



*Sparky in Foster Care*

**Sparky** was 5 months old when surrendered into our care. He was terrified of people and new situations. Life started to improve for this dear little dog in Foster Care where he received specific training to help overcome his fears. He spent 6 weeks working beautifully with his foster family (including an adopted Dogs' Homes dog). Sparky was adopted by a loving family dedicated to his ongoing training and development.



*Sparky with his new fur family*

Updates from Sparky's family are heart-warming and testament to the importance of our Foster Care Program, the dedicated carers and the ongoing commitment of dog owners to train and develop their beloved dogs!

**Sid** came to us as a stray in very poor condition. A special eating plan, gentle care and reassurance saw him thrive in Foster Care but before he could move into our adoption kennels, an ulcer on his face needed to be drained and he required a hip x-ray. It was revealed Sid had limited muscle tissue supporting his hip joints resulting from his previous lack of food. Sid can have a wonderful life with the help of highly nutritious food and care being taken that he not be overweight. Sid was adopted in early April to a loving family and is doing extremely well.



*On arrival he was terrified and very underweight*



*Sid after 4 weeks in Foster Care*

## CAN YOU HELP?

If you would like to help our Dogs' Homes dogs, Tax Deductible Donations can be made by going to our website, in person at our Dogs' Homes or send to our postal address.

Kennel Sponsorship is also available at our three Dogs' Homes.

Please contact our Administration office or website for more information.

Please see our contact details below, we can't do it without you.



**Betty** is a beautiful Tibetan Mastiff who spent time in Foster Care as she was very timid. Now living in the country, Betty loves her new life with regular walks on the beach.



**Smokey and Jax** were adopted two years apart by the same family.



**Lambo** is a gorgeous pooch who runs like a seal! His Golden Retriever Basset Hound family traits endeared him to all. Lambo was soon adopted and has moved to South Australia with his new family.



Here are some of the adorable puppies who have been in our care and now adopted into homes of their own.

## C O N T A C T   D E T A I L S

Please send all subscriptions and donations to PO Box 7, Lindisfarne, Tas 7015.

### Hobart

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Phone 6243 5177

### Devonport

Spreyton Park Racecourse  
Phone 6427 2178

### Burnie

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