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## GOLDEN RESCUE MISSION STATEMENT

### SECOND CHANCES FOR GOLDENS IN NEED

Our comprehensively volunteer-run organization is dedicated to ensuring each and every rescued Golden receives exceptional care, regardless of the extent of their needs. We provide veterinary care, rehabilitation, behaviour training, and numerous other services to help our Golden retrievers prepare for their second chance with a loving forever family. We also help educate people about the virtues of rescue.

Our core values are our guiding principles ~ integrity, kindness, compassion ~ delivered without judgment.

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## ON THE COVER

**Benny #5081** ~ Benny has been nothing short of a gift to our family. From the moment he arrived, he filled our home with joy, laughter, and a kind of love we didn't know we were missing. He's a total goofball and a natural clown ~ endless entertainment with a personality that lights up every day. Watching him bond so effortlessly with his Golden sisters, Bailey and Molly, has been incredibly moving...as if he was always meant to find his way to them (even though his Aussie sister is convinced he's a bit of a brat). Thanks to Golden Rescue, Benny reminds us every day that joy lives in the small moments and that love always finds its way home. **Liz & Scott**



HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY!

### Quote of the month

*I'm not Irish but you can kiss me or cuddle me anyway! Benny #5081*



SHADOW #1342

## DON'T MISS OUT ON GOLDEN NEWS!

We send out regular Adoption Alerts and eblasts for News & Events...

**AND NOW, OUR FREE GUARDIAN!**

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# WISHBONE LOTTERY WINNERS

**Hi everyone. I'm Milo #3864...** one of the Three Musketeers on the lottery committee. Do you 'nose' how much we love you all? Yes, our lives would be ruff without you! I'm here to tell you who the winners are of this year's Wishbone Lottery. We didn't sell out; however, we did pretty well by selling 4,025 tickets and we netted over \$100,000. And all of it...every single cent will go to vet care for our future Golden Retrievers.

There are so many people to thank, I'm not sure where to start.

**A HUGE, GIGANTIC, MONUMENTAL THANK YOU TO ALL OUR TICKET SELLERS.** Without you, our lottery would not exist as you are the lifeblood of the lottery.

**TO ALL OF YOU WHO BOUGHT TICKETS, THANK YOU!**

And we owe a very big thank you to the human lottery committee. So, we thank Cynthia, Carol, Kathy, Kurt, Marilyn, Heather, Nancy, Cathy, Carol, and Dale... and all their furbabies!

**Thank you again everyone ~ we are so grateful to all of you!**



Milo #3864



Prince #4995 & River #5099 heading to the Lottery Draw

# WOOF-WOOF!



**Here are the lucky winners...  
CONGRATULATIONS!!!**

## GRAND PRIZE

TICKET #2401  
JODY JOHNSON

## 2ND PRIZE

TICKET #3209  
DEB BURKLEN

## 3RD PRIZE

TICKET #381  
TERRA MAXEY

# Humping Behaviour



By Peter Brown

As dog lovers, most of us are familiar with the awkward, slightly embarrassing scenario of an overly enthusiastic dog, who decides to attach themselves another dog in an entirely unwelcome manner. This 'humping' behaviour is seemingly an attempt at mating and is cause for embarrassed laughter or sheepish chuckles as the owner moves to quickly detach their dog from its unwitting victim.

Does this behaviour have to do with mating? The quick answer to this is not usually. Although it looks sexual, it is not. Many dogs who do this have actually been neutered or spayed so it is not a desire to mate. It is typically a sign of dominance. Your dog may be trying to dominate a dog (or even a person) by humping.

There are a number of reasons for this dominance testing. When two dogs meet, they have to figure out what the hierarchy of the pack is and some dogs instinctively try to assert themselves as the leader by humping. Another reason dogs hump is out of pure excitement. Some dogs are under-socialized and get overstimulated when they meet other dogs which can trigger this instinctive humping behaviour.

Your objective in eliminating your dogs humping behaviour should start with the relationship between you and your dog. You want to establish a balanced mother's role ~ one of structure, rules, love, and discipline...not a grandmother's role typically involving nothing but constant love and sugar. If your dog looks at you like a grandmother, then it will feel entitled to engage in dominant humping behaviour. The first step is getting

them to focus completely on you and submit to you before engaging with other people or dogs. Submitting means submissive body language, head and tail in a neutral position, them looking at you curiously, waiting for instruction and taking their cues from you, not the other people or dogs around them. If you cannot get your dog to submit to you, then you need to do more work in your home on leash doing regular obedience work until your dog submits to you. The less your dog runs the show at home, the more you will be able to deal with this behaviour when you're out and about. A dog that is submissive will not hump. This is the goal you're trying to achieve with your dominant dog. By building this foundation of trust and rapport, you can eliminate most humping behaviour.

Even with your dog completely focused on you and submitting to you, it may still happen if the trigger is strong (i.e. they meet an extremely hyper and/or excited dog). To stop the humping, try using your leash to redirect the dog's focus onto you instead. If you're worried that your dog is going to hump another dog or person then keep the leash on your dog at all times when around others so you will be ready if it happens. The leash is not to hold your dog back but to lead and direct your dog away from the object of its attention. If your dog tries to hump another person or dog, then use the leash and lots of motivation and praise paired with a high voice to guide your dog and refocus it back to you. Pat your hip and continue to move your dog away from the other person or dog that they are trying to hump. A dog that is being overly dominant and humping is transfixed on the other dog or human



so breaking that focus and getting your dog to submit to you is your main task.

The perception of the need to dominate another dog or person is different for every dog and it's best that you establish your dominance so you can refocus them when necessary so that their behaviour becomes submissive before you encounter others. Then you can take the dominant role and your dog will look to you for leadership and not feel the need to intervene and establish control. They will happily expect you to do that instead.

**Peter Brown, Owner  
and Professional  
Dog Trainer at  
Alpha Paws**

[www.alphapaws.com](http://www.alphapaws.com)



## MEET & GREET

### Abby #4502

Abby was surrendered to Golden Rescue from a breeding farm. She arrived in our care with nothing, not even a name. Her age was unknown but suspected to be between 6 – 8 years old. There were no veterinary records and it's likely she never ever went to a vet. It was quickly determined that she was not housetrained and afraid to walk on grass, enter through doorways or walk up steps. She was nervous of everything including meeting new people and eating out of a bowl. Her first few days were spent hiding behind a chair. She did not eat for several days and closely watched her surroundings. Slowly she emerged and started to interact with our other Golden, who certainly helped her gain confidence. Fast forward a couple of years and Abby is a happy girl. She has had several medical emergencies, including the extraction of all of her teeth except the two bottom incisors to help keep her tongue in her mouth. Her fur grew beautifully, her eyes are bright, and she loves to run. We've had some setbacks but it's Abby's resilience that has prevailed. She is making up for all the lost years and loving her new life. She is a shining example of determination. She loves everyone she meets ~ human, canine, and feline. Abby has remained a vital part of our family and we can't imagine our lives without her.

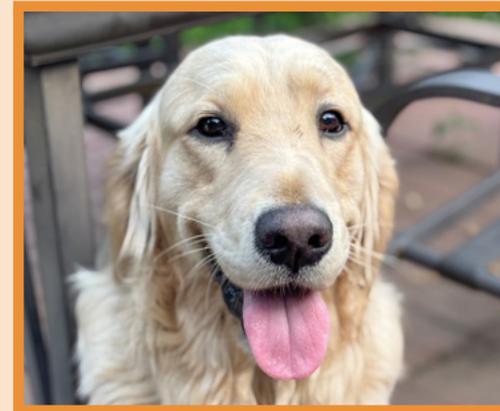


Joan & John

## MEET & GREET

### Harvey #5040

We picked Harvey up from his foster family in early December. After a visit and a walk, he reluctantly climbed into the car and spent the hour-long drive home cuddled up with my friend. His bond with his foster family was obvious ~ so obvious, in fact, that he hesitated to even get out of the car



when we arrived. Once inside, he claimed a spot in the kitchen ~ a comfy bed tucked under the end of the table. His official welcome committee consisted my son's cat, whose greeting was delivered in the form of a few well-placed hisses. Harv took the hint immediately and learned that avoidance was the safest strategy. Other than brief trips to the backyard, he stayed glued to his kitchen bed for almost two days. On the second night, he surprised me by following me upstairs and, with a little encouragement, hopped onto the corner of the bed where he spent the entire night. Early on, he was timid with visitors and cautious when meeting people and their dogs on walks. Slowly but surely, he began accepting greetings and eventually warmed up, especially to children. A few weeks later, he and the cat officially declared a truce. Harv has truly made himself at home and continues to live up to his description of being a certified Velcro boy. These days, he's having a blast doing snow zoomies with his toys in the backyard and enthusiastically rediscovering the treasures in his toy box. Harv is a special little guy who has brought a lot of love and joy back into my home...something that's been deeply missing since GR Buddy passed.

Paula



COMING SOON

**GR ONLINE AUCTION – APR 17-19**

## WE ARE LOOKING FOR PRIZES

Here are a few suggestions for things we'd be grateful to receive (new items only):

- Anything related to Golden retrievers/dogs
- Theatre/sporting event tickets
- Golf certificates
- Gift cards (for restaurants/resorts/experiences/merchandise)
- Quilts, jewelry, anything gardening

## WE ARE ALSO LOOKING FOR AUCTION TEAM MEMBERS!

We need enthusiastic members for the auction team for the following roles:

- soliciting past & new donors for prizes
- picking up prizes
- arranging delivery of prizes to winning bidders
- writing thank you notes to everyone involved

If you would like to join our team OR donate prizes/auction items, please email: [sa@goldenrescue.ca](mailto:sa@goldenrescue.ca)

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**





# Ask Goldie

**Dear Goldie:** There's no business like nose business. Now sing with me. "I've been everywhere man, smelled the mountain air man, drippity do-da, drippity day, here a drip, there a drip, everywhere a nose drip." In spite of my wet nose, I'm a big softy, guaranteed to put a smile on your face with my goofy side. I smell good, as in my nose works well. Just one question Goldie, why does mom keep wiping my nose with a kleenex? She nose nothing about its purpose, right? Snifty

**Dear Snifty:** Dogs have wet noses to enhance their sense of smell. The mucus secreted by the glands in the nose helps trap and absorb scent molecules, making it easier to pick up and interpret various smells. Also, a wet nose helps dogs cool down during hot weather. That being said, an overly dry or super runny nose may warrant a vet consultation.

**Dear Goldie:** Our daily trip to the park involves making friends and marking territory ~ it's our pee-mail, like doggie messages on a bulletin board. Today, on patches of yellow snow, I

thoughtfully lifted my leg so Sheena (a Golden I like) would know I was thinking of her. Well, don't I see Sheena 10 feet away actually lifting a back leg to pee. Duh...excuse me...I don't think so! Surely, she's not part of the hike the leg hierarchy to cover the scent and aim the highest...to be a member of the club of those who can pee high and pee proud. Goldie, what's going on here? Isn't that just a guy thing? Pete

**Dear Pete:** Some Golden retrievers exhibit unique behaviour. A little-known fact is that some females will delicately cock a back leg to pee. This too can be a form of scenting or in some cases a way of distracting predators if a female has puppies.

**Dear Goldie:** As Pawsh Spice would say "I'll tell you what I want, what I really, really want." Number 1 is my forever home, number 2 my meals and treats, and number 3 is routine. We Golden retrievers thrive on same ole, same ole. Ideally, get up and go to bed at roughly the same time, predictable meal times to look forward to, and of course our regular walkies. Goldie, can you please give a shout out to pet parents to keep this in mind. Spice Girl Rouanne

**Dear Rouanne:** You are absolutely right! Golden retrievers have a built-in time clock that favours a predictable routine. A sudden surprise (unless it's a treat LOL) or the absence of a usual time-related expectation can result in disappointment and bewilderment. Actually, Golden retrievers are no different from their precious owners who love routine as well, as in same hours of work, scheduled breaks, repeat meal times, and regular downtime.

## MEET & GREET



DYSON #3924

Dyson is a total clown...he makes us laugh everyday. It has been so fulfilling to watch him grow out of his traumas. They still surface now and again. He is a great 'retail boy' and he now understands that the people who come into our store aren't going to hurt him. He still has the occasional trigger (we still don't know what they are); however, we just let him go through his process. He loves his hikes with Summer, lounging on the couch, and just being himself. We love him to bits.

Linda

# ADOPTION ALERT

These four Golden Retrievers have been looking for their forever families for quite some time. They all have their foibles; however, the one thing they have in common is that they all love people and are well behaved, happy, loving goofballs. Please consider giving one of them the most precious gift of all ~ HOPE and FAMILY.

Please consider giving one of them the family they are yearning for by filling out an adoption application [HERE](#) – or if you have already applied, please email [adoption@goldenrescue.ca](mailto:adoption@goldenrescue.ca) and let us know who you're interested in. (And please forward this to anyone you think might be interested.)

## ADOPTION ALERT **BAILEY #4933**



Read about this beautiful, fun-loving boy [HERE!](#)

## ADOPTION ALERT **DALLAS #4966**



Learn about his sweet and super cuddly girl [HERE!](#)

## ADOPTION ALERT **HARPER #5007**



Find out about this girl who loves every human she meets [HERE!](#)

## ADOPTION ALERT **TUBBS #4904**



Read about this big love sponge [HERE!](#)



# GOLDEN ANGEL



Shadow #1342

Meet an outstanding volunteer ~ a golden angel with a golden heart!

## Ron Howard

Ron is a treasured GR volunteer. He and his wife, Joan, have fostered so many Golden Retrievers they have lost count and they currently share their home with Scooby #3867. Their commitment to our Golden Retrievers has been unparalleled since 2010. Ron is a treasured transport volunteer who never says no to any request we've made. He has done many long-distance transports. He has driven to Alberta and Northern Ontario to pick up Golden Retrievers in need. No distance is too far for Ron. And he does even more ~ short-haul transports, delivering crates...anything we might need. Ron has a total can-do and fearless attitude. Blizzards nor wildlife encounters faze him either. That's why we call him The Roadrunner. Another Ron Howard might be a famous Hollywood producer/director but our Ron is just as famous in our camp. Thanks Ron, for all you do. You are our hero!



RON &amp; KAI #4366, SCOOPY #3867 &amp; DEZI #1810

## MEET & GREET



MAGGIE #4953

My name is Maggie. For five years, my world was dark and small. I lived in a basement, learned to stay quiet, and learned not to trust ~ especially women. I had puppies that were taken away, over and over, until I stopped expecting anything good. Then I came here. The light was too bright and the space felt too big. For the first three days, I hid under the bed, positive I didn't belong here. But no one forced me out. They waited. Now I live on a big property by a lake with open fields and fresh air. I learned how to run and sniff the grass. My new family is gentle and patient. I learned I was safe and I sleep without fear now. Most importantly, I am loved and I belong. I am home!

## MEET & GREET



CLARK #4411

When we drove to meet Clark, we brought our Black Lab, Lewis, with us. They were besties and snuggle buddies right away. So, now we have Lewis and Clark and they are true adventurers. We have a forest behind our house with 15 km of trails. They get walked once or twice a day and love running through the woods. Clark settled quickly when we adopted him and we have worked on his recall and walking, both of which have really improved. I won't lie...when you get a rescue, you do need to work on some things; however, in our case we were very well matched. He greets us at the door with a couch pillow, jacket or his blanket. Clark is the best snuggler and we could not imagine our lives without him.

Charles

# A SENTIMENTAL & MEMORABLE GIFT

With Mother's Day & Father's Day on the horizon, a CRYSTAL with your Golden's photo is special & unique. Order soon to get it on time!



I LIGHT UP!



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COME AND VISIT US HERE!



## BEHIND-THE-SCENES AT GOLDEN RESCUE

# EDUCATION & ADVOCACY

While responding to Golden Retrievers in crisis will always be our first priority, Golden Rescue is equally committed to educating the public about responsible pet ownership, what rescue really means, and what people can do to help these beautiful Golden Retrievers. This is where education and advocacy become just as important as rescue itself.

Many of the circumstances that lead Golden Retrievers into rescue are often preventable. It is important to know that there is an organization like Golden Rescue to help. By sharing knowledge and encouraging responsible choices, Golden Rescue can help reduce the number of Golden Retrievers who find themselves neglected, homeless or surrendered.

Education empowers individuals and communities. It helps potential Golden families understand the lifelong commitment involved in welcoming a Golden into their home. It promotes ethical practices, adoption-first thinking, positive training

methods, and responsible pet care. Advocacy gives a voice to Golden Retrievers who cannot speak for themselves and shines a light on the changes needed to better protect them.

Golden Rescue has always been dedicated to education and advocacy to promote awareness, share reliable resources, and advocate for responsible dog ownership. Through school visits, community events, public information sessions, and partnerships with local organizations, we spread an important message.

Golden Rescue has expanded its educational efforts through virtual outreach, connecting with university students, elementary school youth, and community organizations. These early initiatives have demonstrated the powerful impact education can have, even when delivered remotely.

Education has a deeply personal impact. Our volunteers are passionate about spreading the word and improving the lives of our Golden Retrievers. While education may not change every mind immediately, it opens doors to new ways of thinking and encourages more compassionate choices.

One of the greatest challenges of education and advocacy work is that meaningful change takes time. Progress is not always visible right away; however, by working at the grassroots level, Golden Rescue is helping to ensure our mission reaches more people and, therefore, more Golden Retrievers.

Rescue saves lives today! Education and advocacy protect lives tomorrow!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

TELL YOUR FRIENDS,  
MARK YOUR CALENDARS,  
AND HOPE TO SEE YOU SOON!

### HELP US SPREAD THE GOLDEN WORD!

We need YOU ~ volunteers and visitors! If you are interested in volunteering with your Golden for a few hours, please email [events@goldenrescue.ca](mailto:events@goldenrescue.ca). Indicate which event you would like to help with and the hours you are available.

**Tue, Mar 31st**  
**Markham at the Movies**  
Markham (ON)  
6 pm – 7 pm

**Sun, Apr 12th**  
**The Oshawa Markets**  
Oshawa, ON  
10 am – 6 pm

**Sun, Apr 12th**  
**Ottawa Farmers' Market**  
Ottawa (ON)  
10 am – 3 pm



### JOIN OUR EDUCATION & ADVOCACY TEAM:

To support our mission, we are building a dedicated team of volunteers focused on community outreach. This team will work within local communities to promote awareness, share educational resources, and advocate for responsible pet ownership. Through post-secondary school visits, community events, public information sessions, and partnerships with local organizations, these volunteers will help spread the message that rescue is not just about responding...it's about prevention. If you would be interested in joining our team, please contact [education@goldenrescue.ca](mailto:education@goldenrescue.ca).

## MEET & GREET



**SCOOBY #4516**

Scooby is an incredible family member and we are so grateful to have him in our lives. He is a wonderful companion to our 10-year-old Golden, Tundra, and has really brought a youthful pep back into her step. Scooby is very cooperative and responsive. His recall is exceptional and he loves to cuddle with us and Tundra. We are so grateful to Golden Rescue for the opportunity to give Scooby a loving home.

**Jennifer & Eric**

## MEET & GREET

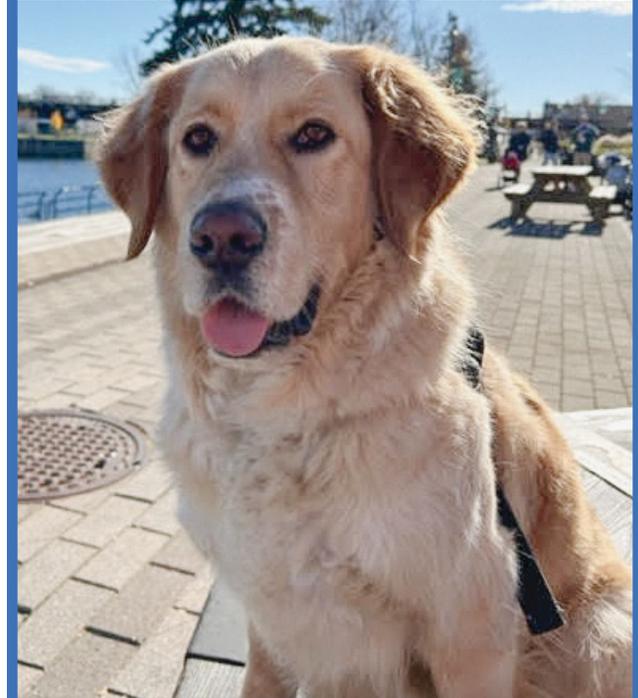


**LUCY #2895**

Lucy, who is around 8, is living her best life, far from the streets of Cairo. She loves to bask in the sun around the pool but is equally content laying in the snow. She is protective of her pack and has a mischievous sock/mitten/shoe stealing side to her...though she doesn't chew them. It's just a big game for you to chase her or for a place for her to rest her head.

**Sandra & Steve**

## MEET & GREET



**BUZZ #3807**

Buzz is absolutely great! I adopted him in November 2021 and he has become my best friend. I take him with me almost wherever I go. He loves people and has a lot of energy; however, when he's inside, he's a couch-potato who likes to sleep on the couch next to me while I watch TV. We are both so grateful for Golden Rescue.

**Stephane**

# Golden Gala

We are in the infancy stage of planning a gala event in the Toronto area to raise funds and awareness for Golden Rescue.

We are looking for volunteers to help explore this idea. The options are endless and hopefully we can raise a substantial amount of money while having fun. If you are interested in helping, please contact Linda at [linfuhrman@gmail.com](mailto:linfuhrman@gmail.com).

Looking forward to putting a team together to start a new tradition ~ the 'Golden Gala'.

## GOLDEN MOMENTS<sup>©</sup>



“Like our new SNOW PANTS?”

SAVE THE DATE!

# Golden Rescue Picnic SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 19th

Viamede Resort  
Stoney Lake in the  
Kawarthas



## MEET &amp; GREET

**Lexie  
#3382**

Lexi arrived in Canada in November 2020. From the moment we met her at the airport, we knew we had a special girl. On her car ride home, she snuggled with us and knew she was safe. Lexi is a very happy social girl. How she came to be in a shelter in Cairo



we will never understand. She is happy to meet everyone who crosses her path. We started taking her to daycare as she loves to be around people and dogs. Our daycare runs theme days. Lexi participated in Cat in the Hat and Alice in Wonderland days. And of course, she was the Queen of Hearts which is so fitting for her. Lexi loves to dress up so we know these days are super exciting for her. We couldn't imagine life without her. Her days are filled with love and camping adventures. She snuggles between us for a good night's rest and never has to worry about anything as she will always have a full tummy, a warm place to lay her head, and love. We are so grateful to Golden Rescue for giving us the chance to love this girl wholeheartedly.

**Colleen & Walter**

## MEET &amp; GREET

**Amanda  
#2873**

Amanda is enjoying her new life by the water. She'll be turning nine this month and while she still has some puppy energy, she is much calmer and has slowed down. Now that she has a swimming



hole in the summer and a yard to play in, Amanda is enjoying being spoiled. She has her favourite toy, her moose, that she takes whenever she wants to play and grooms whenever she gets anxious. She has her own couch by the front window to watch the world go by and a window ledge at the back to watch animals running through the yard. She has a routine that we must stick to or else she will become very vocal and start 'talking' to us. She has come leaps and bounds since I adopted her six years ago and seeing her personality shine through all the work we did together has been so rewarding. I can't imagine where I would be without her by my side.

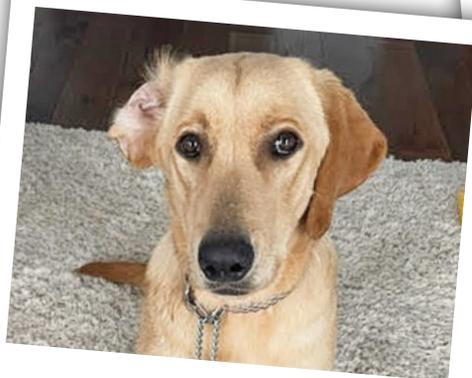
**Catherine**



# WELCOME TO THE GOLDEN FAMILY



**Eevee #4942**  
Adopted by Bruno



**Duke #4985**  
Adopted by Trish & John



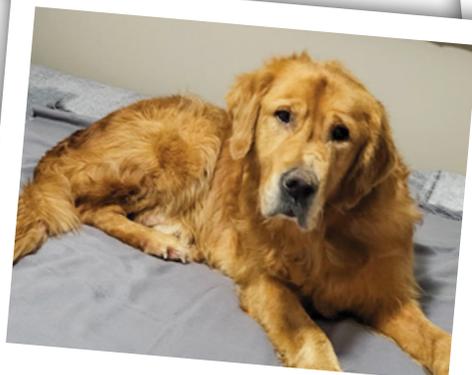
**Sage #5005**  
Adopted by Meghan & Tyler



**Max #5034**  
Adopted by Rita



**Athena #5051**  
Adopted by Zarine



**Michael #5056**  
Adopted by Natalie



**Jazz #5059**  
Adopted by Carol & Wolf



**Piper #5062 & Bella #5063**  
Adopted by Lindsey & Brent



# WELCOME TO THE **GOLDEN FAMILY**



**Soro #5065**  
Adopted by Peter



**Goldie #5069**  
Adopted by Julie & Kurt



**Winnie #5072**  
Adopted by Cindy & Brian



**Tala #5074**  
Adopted by Isabella & Ryan



**Moxie #5075**  
Adopted by Kathy



**Leo #5080**  
Adopted by Janine & Michael



**Benny #5081**  
Adopted by Liz & Scott



**Cricket #5082**  
Adopted by Ben

# ST. PATRICK'S DAY DONATION MATCH

MAKE A DONATION AND IT WILL BE MATCHED UP TO \$25,000

**Hi everyone, my name is Seamus #2223.**

My mom came into Golden Rescue frightened and abused ~ it makes me sad to think of her like that. The day after she found safety with the good folks of Golden Rescue, she gave birth to my sister Daisy and I and three others. Through Golden Rescue, we all found families that loved us and homes where we were safe. Daisy and I ended up living just 10 minutes away from each other and we saw each other every day, which was amazing for both of us. I spent my days swimming in ponds, playing with Daisy and our other pals, rolling in snow, chasing squirrels, and teaching younger rescued Golden Retrievers the ways of the world. I was a teacher, a protector, a playmate, and a loyal friend. I was so lucky to have this life and I wanted other Golden Retrievers in need to feel the same kind of love, safety, and happiness.

Now that I have crossed the rainbow bridge, one of my best friends has set aside a gift in my memory to help my legacy live on. Every donation made during this campaign will be matched up to \$25,000...giving more Golden Retrievers the chance to find safety, comfort, and love...just as I did.

GR is launching this campaign on St. Patrick's Day, which fits in perfectly with my Irish name. Every St. Paddy's Day I was reminded of the two Irish guys who immigrated to Canada from Ireland. They saw a poster in the harbour just as they got off the boat that said "Tree fellers wanted." One of them turned to his friend Paddy and said: "Oh Paddy, what a shame there are only two of us." I loved that joke. Anyway, I digress...back to our matching campaign. Here is my friend Ruby #4833 who will tell you all about the campaign.

Thanks Seamus. As you can see, I have dressed up in honour of St. Patrick's Day (and I am also Ms. March in the Golden Rescue calendar). Tree fellers...hilarious!

**Okay, here's how the matching campaign works and here's how you can help:**

- Become a monthly donor\*
- Increase your existing monthly donation\*
- Make a one-time donation

*\*Monthly donations and increases are counted as a full year's support toward the match. For example, a monthly gift of \$25 will count as \$300 towards unlocking the \$25,000.*

To donate or adjust your monthly gift, email [treasurer@goldenrescue.ca](mailto:treasurer@goldenrescue.ca) and indicate that your donation is for the 'Seamus's Legacy Lives On' campaign.

To donate, click [HERE](#) and donate through Canada Helps or send an e-transfer to [donations@goldenrescue.ca](mailto:donations@goldenrescue.ca) (and again, let us know that it's for Seamus's Legacy).

Thank you for helping my legacy live on!

*With love,*

**Seamus #2223**

**Please help Seamus and Ruby unlock this \$25,000 matching gift. Your support will give more Golden Retrievers the chance to run, play, and be loved. Every gift is a pawprint of love guiding other Golden Retrievers toward the life they deserve.**



Top: Abby, Seamus #2223, Daisy #2236, Clover #2500, Beccher & Bear #1679  
Middle: Seamus #2223 & Daisy #2226  
Bottom: Ruby #4833