

NEWSLETTER



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HELLO 🙋

February has closed out with cold weather but bright blue skies. Blink and you might have missed February, despite having an extra day, thanks to 2024 being a leap year. This issue will hopefully inspire you to not only visit the upcoming events featured on page 2 but give you some fun ideas of dog sports that you could try with your Doberman on page 7. Let's not forget the cheeky chap Marley, a handsome, challenging boy who was adopted by Janine and Derek, and now lives in beautiful Anglesey. Dobbie is back with some Easter fun, hunting for eggs and treats alike. March brings a very special event, Mothering Sunday. An important day to thank all the Mums out there who show patience and understanding, this includes dog mums too.

To all the Mums:

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY FROM EVERYONE AT Lincs DOBERMANN RESCUE ❤️

Upcoming Events



Easter Monday Fun Dog Show – All breeds welcome

There is an amazing dog show being hosted on Easter Monday 1st of April in memory of Steve Wood. There will be trophies for the winners of each class, rosettes to 4th place, and special trophies for the winners of Best in Show and Reserve Best in Show. There are will be an exciting 10 Classes to chose from, see the flyer below for a complete list.

On-line booking available at <https://lincsdobermannrescue.com/fun-dog-show-classes/>
Booking is also available on the day.

The fun dog show will be held at:

The Brown Cow
Burrs Park
Bury
BL8 1DA

Can't wait to see you all there 😊

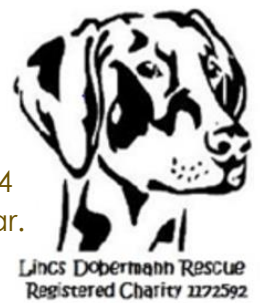
FUN DOG SHOW
IN AID OF Lincs DOBERMANN RESCUE
Easter Monday 1st April 2024

Perfect Puppy Waggiest tail
Lovely Lady Best Trick
Fab Fella Best Legs- dog & handler
Best Rescue- Male Best Veteran
Best Rescue- Female Best condition

ALL DOG BREEDS WELCOME
THE BROWN COW, BURY, BL8 1DA
IN MEMORY OF STEVE WOOD

Training Session – Sunday 14th April 2024

Wayne Dolecki and Ryan Bowen are holding a training session on the 14th April 2024 following the success of the training sessions held in August and September last year. This course will help you understand how dogs process the information you give them by covering the following topics:



- 🐾 How dogs learn
- 🐾 Dog behaviour and mindset for training
- 🐾 Building engagement
- 🐾 Using markers
- 🐾 Loose lead walking
- 🐾 Recall

The Trainers:

Wayne Dolecki: the Director of Military K9 Fitness & Behaviour is a professional handler with more than 15 years training experience gained initially in the British Army, where he qualified as a dog handler and trainer covering a range of disciplines: Protection dogs, Vehicle search dogs, Dual Purpose dogs, Tracker dogs, and High Assurance Search dogs. Wayne's Army career gave him many opportunities to study and work with some of the best trainers in the world with agencies such as the British Armed Police, German and American Special Forces, United States law enforcement and British Special Forces. As a qualified coach he is able to help each client get the most out of the session.

Ryan Bowen: Ryan has dedicated a third of his life to working with dogs and a variety of animals across the animal sector to help give that experience and information back to owners. Experience has been gained from rescues, kennels, the commercial sector and even as a zookeeper. Ryan has a degree in Animal Behaviour, Diploma in Animal Management and is a graduate from the Will Atherton Academy, having completed the Advanced Training and Behaviour Course, and becoming a Will Atherton Accredited Trainer.

Venue: Oakham, Rutland.

Time: 9 am to finish

Date: 14th April 2024

Cost: Handler and Dog + 1 £45, Individual £10

Light lunch and refreshments provided

The funds raised will go directly to Lincs Dobermann Rescue to enable us to continue to support Dobies in Need.

Cheeky Chap Marley



Marley is a unique character living up to his name, think famous Yellow Lab, except he is a Dobermann which adds a whole new dimension to the comparison.

By the time Marley was just 18 months, he was in his third and thankfully, final home with Janine and Derek. His first owners ended up having a drastic change in circumstances that had Marley being left at a wildlife centre, and in the second home he just didn't fit in a family environment. Enter Janine and Derek with their patience and willingness to give Marley the home he desperately needed.

Janine and Derek had experience with dogs that were not good in family environments. Prior to Marley, Janine and Derek had adopted Emilio from friends. Emilio was a lovely highly trained dog, that just didn't suit being in a family environment so when a baby came home, sadly his original owners looked to rehome. Thankfully, Janine and Derek were friends and Emilio's original owners knew that he would be well taken care of with Janine and Derek. Emilio moved to Anglesey with Janine and Derek where he lived a happy life. Then on Easter Sunday during Covid Emilio passed away due to Bloat. Heartbreaking for Janine and Derek. Knowing she wanted to rescue another Dobermann, Janine started looking at different rescue sites, looking for the right Dobermann. It was Janine and Derek's daughter that spotted Marley on Lincs Dobermann Rescue's site and sent the link to Janine.

Marley has thrived in rural Anglesey with Janine and Derek, while still proving to be a challenging boy. Despite being 5 years old, Marley still acts like he is 2. It took him 2 years to fully settle in and decide the settee was a good place to settle. Despite other challenges, Marley it seems did not need a crate but does get bored easily, very typical of Dobies. Through lots of hard work, Marley has shown amazing improvements in the 4 years he has been with Janine and Derek. He doesn't particularly like big dogs but gets on with his niece Lady, a small dog who came to live with Marley, Janine and Derek permanently in November 2023. Marley loves to go for walks on the beach and up the mountain with Janine, Derek, and Lady, where he is allowed off the leash. However, Janine and Derek have to pay close attention to Marley when off-leash as he has a high prey drive and can be off at the drop of a hat. He is not fond of the neighbour's cat and makes sure that the cat does not enter his yard, a yard which he has proven to be a bit of a Houdini in escaping despite having a double-stock fence.

Marley continues to challenge Janine and Derek as he is not fond of the car, which is difficult in the rural setting, but they persevere. Janine and Derek have ensured that Marley is well socialised, taking him into town when the cruise ships dock to see all the people disembarking. He has proven to be excellent in the local pubs and cafes, where he settles in for a pint or a cuppa.

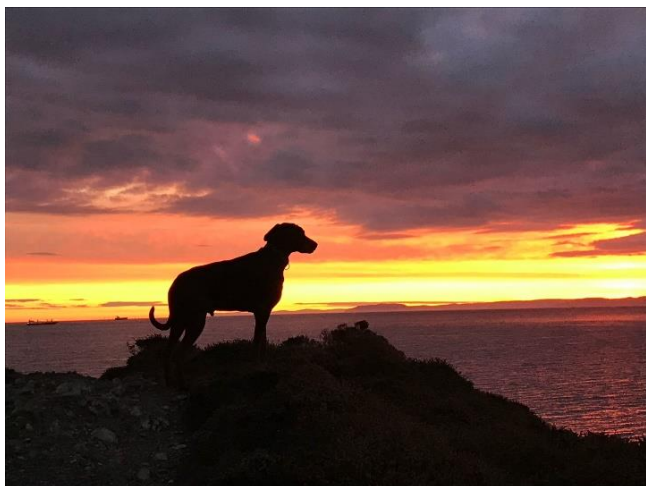
What more is there to say about Marley other than that he is a cheeky chap with a bit of an identity crisis. He seems to think he is a gundog and acts accordingly. That means hedgehogs often come for a visit in the house, not hurt just brought inside. And then there was the duck that Marley happily presented to Janine on the beach. It looked very much like a toy until Marley put it down, at which point it waddled off, no worse for meeting Marley. But at the end of the day, Marley likes nothing better than to curl up in front of the log burner when not attracting attention in town or on the Instagram account started with Emilio and continues with Marley and Lady.

Marley has landed on his paws with Janine and Derek, living in beautiful Anglesey, that has all the room he will ever need. Janine having experience with reactive dogs has a beautiful lodge that is available to rent that is very dog-friendly. It has many great features from the rural location with spectacular views, to a separate garden for visiting dogs, and a dog shower the help with the mud and sand. What more could a dog want? Or a dog lover.



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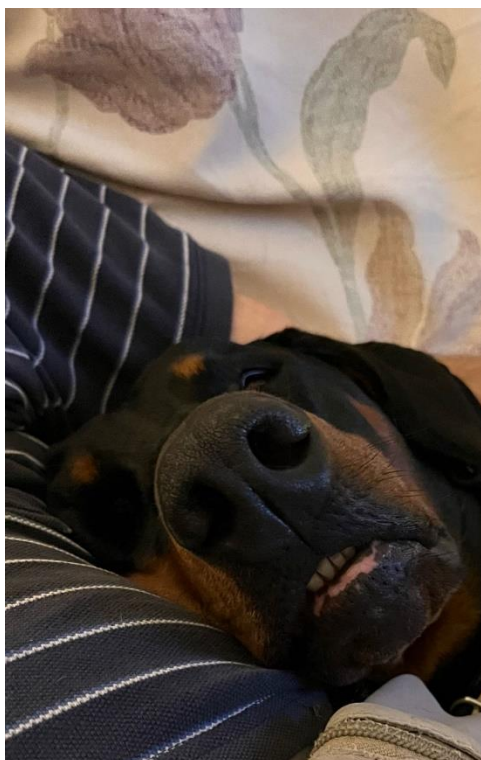
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Emilio



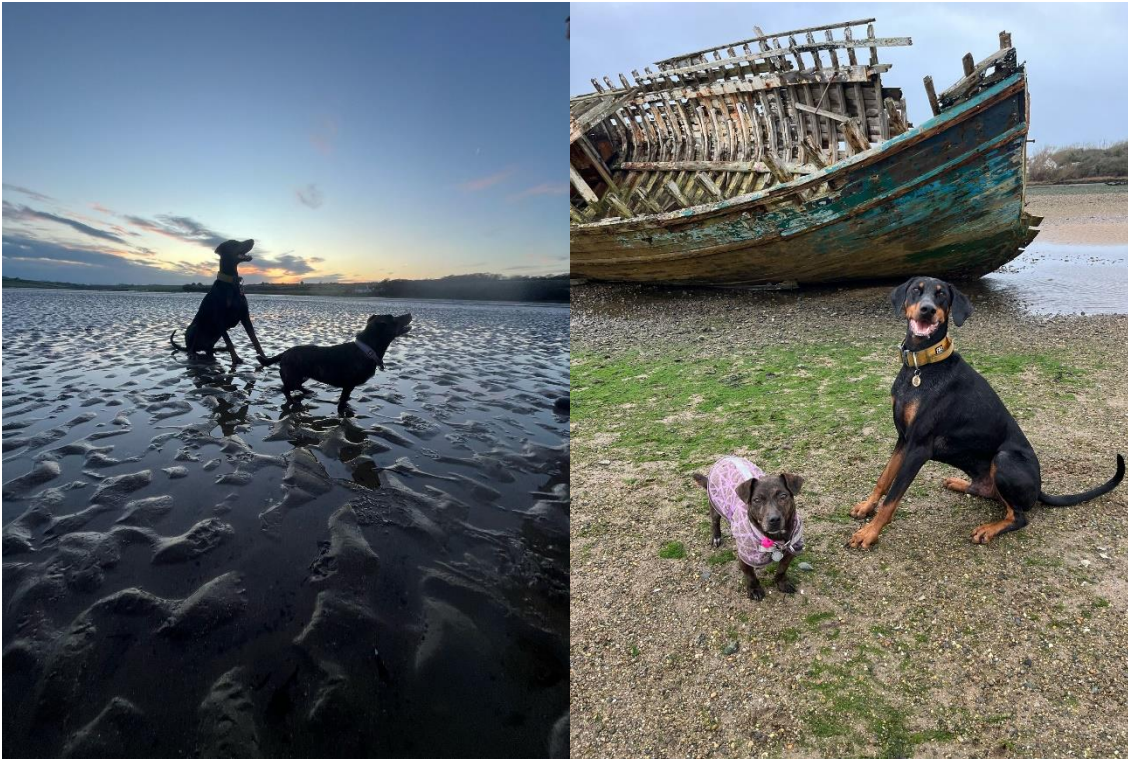
Emilio and his posse



Marley settled on the settee



Some off-leash time at the beach



Marley and his niece Lady



Toy duck, maybe not (no duck was hurt in this photo)

Dog Sport



Dobermanns are a highly intelligent, active breed. It can be challenging to keep a Doberman engaged and stimulated, as well as ensuring that they get enough exercise. Beautiful as they are Dobermanns can be destructive if not properly stimulated. So what to do to make your life interesting? What if you want more than just walking? There is a wide variety of dog sports available to owners that will keep not only their Dobermanns stimulated and active but engage the owners too. The list of dog sports is endless but exciting. What adventure awaits you and your Doberman? The Doberman Times will look at a different dog sport in each of the upcoming issues, and who knows maybe you will find one you like.

Some of the exciting sports available are:

- 🐾 Agility
- 🐾 Canicross
- 🐾 Barn Hunt
- 🐾 Dock Diving
- 🐾 Rally
- 🐾 Obedience
- 🐾 IGP
- 🐾 PSA
- 🐾 Man Trailing
- 🐾 Scent Work – Ecology Dogs
- 🐾 Lure Coursing
- 🐾 UK Dog Sport
- 🐾 Hoopers
- 🐾 Flying Disc / Canine Disk Sport
- 🐾 Flyball
- 🐾 Bikejoring
- 🐾 Dance (Heel Work to Music)

The first dog sport featured is an easily recognisable one, agility. Agility is often seen on TV in things like commercials, or at dog shows like Crufts. The good thing about agility is it is something you can do in your back garden. Agility equipment is readily available for purchase, and usually doesn't cost that much.

Agility was first introduced at Crufts 1978 and its structure has remained almost the same since it was first introduced. Agility tests the dog's fitness and the handler's ability to train and direct the dog over and through certain obstacles. Agility includes various obstacles for your dog to run through, jump over, and weave through against the clock.

There are a few different agility shows:

- 🐾 Agility matches are restricted to members of the show society only.
- 🐾 Limited agility shows are restricted to members of the show society and overall numbers of entries or other limits are agreed by The Kennel Club.
- 🐾 Open agility shows that are open to anyone who wishes to take part.
- 🐾 Premier shows are Kennel Club qualifiers for Crufts, Discover Dogs or Kennel Club Agility Stakes.
- 🐾 Championship agility shows hold a championship class which is divided into three separate rounds.

Dobbie and the Great Easter Egg Hunt



Dobbie had been with the family for a while now but one morning woke to a commotion coming from downstairs.

Dobbie was settling in with Dobbie's family, feeling like this is where Dobbie belonged. Walks were every day and the kids kept Dobbie busy with all kinds of fun games. Bouncing here, there, and everywhere, running after the kids, protecting the kids, finding lost toys, and burying a few too. Dobbie's family was so fun and nice, letting Dobbie be Dobbie. Then came the morning of the commotion. What was going on? Are the kids in trouble? Dobbie wasn't sure, but if Dobbie's family need protection, Dobbie would protect them.

Dobbie rushed down the stairs, running to the living room where the family were sat on the sofa. There didn't seem to be anything wrong. Dobbie looked around to see what might be wrong, but everything seemed fine. Dobbie let out a little whine, confused about what was going on.

"Sorry Dobbie, we were making a lot of noises, weren't we?" said Mum, "It is ok. It is Easter morning and time for the Great Easter Egg Hunt."

Dobbie was confused, looking at Mum with big brown eyes. Great Easter Egg Hunt? thought Dobbie.

"Don't look at me like that Dobbie. You are included too. There are lots of chocolate eggs hidden for the kids to find. Nothing too low that you might get them. For you Dobbie, I have hidden some food and treats for you to find." said Mum.

"Do you have your basket?" asked Dad.

"Yep" answered the kids.

"Time for the hunt to begin," said Dad.

"Dobbie, time to use your nose and find those treats," said Mum, tapping Dobbie's nose.

"Ready, set, go." said Dad.

Dobbie looked around confused. What was Dobbie to do?

"Dobbie, come with us," said the kids, "We can help each other find all the treats."

Dobbie didn't quite know this game but wanted to play with the kids, so Dobbie started to follow them around the house. Suddenly Dobbie smelt something good, something Dobbie had smelt before. Sure enough, Dobbie got Dobbie's nose right down under a toy left on the floor and found some food.

"Oh look, Dobbie found the first treats." said the kids.

Dobbie got the game now and started sniffing around trying to find all the food and treats. The whole morning had the kids and Dobbie running this way and that way, looking for all the sweets and treats. By late morning almost all the Easter Eggs had been found, Mum and Dad said there was just one more egg to find. Dobbie had found all Dobbie's treats but didn't want the fun to end, so Dobbie thought I am going to help the kids find the missing egg. After ten minutes of sniffing, Dobbie smelt something different. It smelt good but was too high for Dobbie to get. Dobbie sat down and whined to get the kids attention. Rushing over, the kids found the final Easter Egg just above Dobbie's nose.

“Good Dobbie, you found the last egg.” laughed the kids as they added it to the basket.



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All the Easter Eggs, dog food and dog treats had been found. Mum and Dad had watched the kids and Dobbie all morning, enjoying the chaos and laughter. The kids had a basket full of Easter Eggs to eat, maybe not all at once. Dobbie was full from all the food and treats Dobbie had eaten. What a wonderful morning Dobbie had had, full of laughter, fun, food, and treats. Dobbie lied down in front of fire, watching the kids count their Easter Eggs. Dobbie likes Easter. Maybe it can be Easter every day. It was a fun challenge to find the food and treats. Dobbie liked that game.

ADOPTION TIPS

1. Do your research on the breed you want to adopt. Dobermanns are a large breed that require exercise and lots of attention. They also take up lots of space.
2. Get your application in early. By the time you see a post on a Dobie that is ready for adoption, it is likely a match has been found from the existing waitlist.
3. Be patient. The right Dobie is out there for you but it may take some time for them to find you.

Fun Facts:

Dobermanns are the largest of the Pinschers. Their name comes from their creator Louis Dobermann. Louis Dobermann was a tax collector in Germany that wanted a fierce looking dog to protect him.





The 3-3-3 Rule of Adopting a Rescue Dog (This is a general guideline; all dogs are unique and will adjust to their new environments in their own time.)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
1	2	3

In the first 3 days, your new dog may feel overwhelmed, be scared and unsure of what is going on, not comfortable with themselves or their surroundings, they may not want to eat or drink, shut down and want to curl up in their crate or hide, and finally may test the boundaries.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24

After 3 weeks, your new dog may start to show signs of settling, feel more comfortable in the environment and with the people of the house, understand the routine, start showing their true personality. At this point any behavioural issues may start to show up.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25	26	27	28	29	30	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31	1	2	3	4	5

After 3 months, your new dog should feel settled in their new home, have built a bond with the people of the house and be showing signs of trust in the surroundings and people, feeling secure with the home and family, and be settled into a routine.

Ways to Help:

1. Go to the website and click the Donate Now button.
2. Join the Lincs Dobermann Rescue Fundraising Group on Facebook.
3. Become a Dobie Mate by making a monthly donation.
4. Gift in your will.
5. Volunteer to Foster Dobies that come to Lincs Dobermann Rescue.
6. Volunteer in other ways. There are plenty of opportunities to help.

Remember no amount is too small. Every little bit helps all the beautiful Dobies that come through Lincs Dobermann Rescue.



Lincs Dobermann Rescue Website

<https://lincsdobermannrescue.com/>



Main Facebook Page

<https://www.facebook.com/lincsdobermannrescue>



Dobies @ Lincs Dobermann Rescue (Adoption page)

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/720348868349681>



Lincs Dobermann Rescue Fundraising Group

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/378819317147099>



X (Formerly Twitter)

<https://twitter.com/LincsDobermann>



Instagram

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