

Spring 2017

PUPPY LOVE

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TASMANIA



Introducing our Spring arrivals:
Gilbert & Grady!



▲ Gilbert and Grady, weighing in! Our new 'G' boys sat beautifully for their first photoshoot as Guide Dog Pups. We're in love!

Let's embark



Welcome to Spring!

After a cold Winter, we can be thankful that the days are getting longer, and just a little bit warmer. Our pups can enjoy more time outside, developing their social behaviours, but also playing and enjoying being a dog!

Speaking of dogs, you may have noticed this edition of Puppy Love is a little later than usual! Well, we have a very good reason. We were waiting for the arrival of our very FIRST pups of the year, so they could feature in this edition: Grady and Gilbert! As soon as they arrived in Hobart from Queensland, we didn't waste time in organising their photoshoot. Thanks to the Tasmanian Transport Museum and our trusty photographer, Kirsty Pilkington, we were able to get some wonderful shots of the 'G' pups, organised pronto! Aren't they wonderful? Isn't Kirsty wonderful?

In other news, we welcomed new team members into the Guide Dog Services department in July. This is a huge step up, and means we can train even more Guide Dogs, for more Tasmanians! We simply couldn't do this without the support from people like you. So THANK YOU. You can read all about our new team members on page 10 of this newsletter.

Shortly, we will be holding our first ever "Test Drive a Guide Dog" program in Launceston for our younger clients, giving

them a hands-on experience in Guide Dog Mobility. This full-day workshop will give participants the skills and knowledge required to apply for a Guide Dog in the future, if they decide to. We're so proud to be running this program.

And later in the year there will be something for EVERYONE... our very first Street Appeal! Staff and volunteers will be hitting shopping centres and malls around Hobart and Launceston, with the aim of filling up their collection dog tins with enough funds to get a Guide Dog puppy into its working harness. Find out how you can help on the back page of this newsletter.

We're excited about these new people, events and pups, and hope you are too. After all, it's because of you that we're able to grow, and ultimately change more lives with our amazing dogs.

Enjoy this edition of Puppy Love, and thank you once again.

Warm regards,

The Guide Dogs Tasmania team

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More about the pups: guidedogstas.com.au/puppy-love/meet-our-pups/



Guide Dogs Tasmania - Puppy Love

Date of Birth:
9 July 2017
Region: South



▲ Gilbert found the mat, and sat. He's very good at it already.



▲ High class chocolate, or high class pup? Gilbert thinks the latter.



▲ Gilbert liked the idea of being "Paper Pup" for the day.

Hey!

My name's Gilbert, and I'd like to share my diary entries of my first week as a Guide Dog Pup with you - enjoy!

Day 1 (Tuesday):

Something big was about to happen; my brother Grady and I were up early and settled in our travel crate. Next thing we knew we were on a big bird flying across the sky to a place they called Tasmania. What a big adventure for a little pup like me. After arriving at Hobart airport, the Guide Dog staff met me, then I travelled and met a new family that people call my Puppy Raisers. They made me feel very welcome, and had a lovely bed set up for me with a nice big blanket and teddy bears to keep me company. I settled in very quickly and think I am going to enjoy my lovely new home.

Day 2 (Wednesday):

Already I am going great guns! Today I successfully negotiated Coles – what a delightful place with lots of amazing sights and sounds for me to explore and get used to! I am trying very hard to toilet outside, but have to admit that there have also been a couple of little 'incidents'

inside my Puppy Raisers' home. I am starting to get more settled, and only woke my Puppy Raiser up twice last night, which was pretty good for my first night in a new home, away from all my brothers and sisters. I have even heard a visitor mention that I am "gifted". Gilbert the gifted Guide Dog. I like it!

My favorite toy is Peppa Pig, and I slept last night with it in my little crate. Little did my Puppy Raiser know that Peppa Pig talks – and I successfully woke her up at 2.30am with my toy helpfully saying "Let's go for a swim!" Strangely enough Peppa no longer talks to me; there was some sort of operation and she lost her voice in the middle of the night.

Day 3 (Thursday):

I slept through the night until 5.45am and am firing on all cylinders, and having a wonderful time exploring my new world. Today I learnt that people cough! Good grief – what a noise – I had to run and hide! But with my Puppy Raiser's help, I am not so scared any more. Lots of test coughing by everyone in the home and I no longer run away. Gilbert the Great.

Day 4 (Friday):

My day began with a trip to a company that have raised money for Guide Dogs, and I got to meet all the staff and explore their offices. Then I had a lovely play with my brother at the Guide Dog office – I will let my brother tell you all about that! The day did not end there; there was a big party with lots of people all coming to see me and dance and eat and have fun. Ok, they may not have been there just to meet me, but I soon became an extra special guest at the birthday party. Gilbert the Guest.

Day 5 (Saturday):

I was pretty tired after my big day yesterday, but still enjoyed some small outings to Coles and the Botanical Gardens. I loved the Gardens; so many interesting surfaces to learn to walk on, steps to climb and dry leaves to snack on (whoops). I am a calm pup and take everything in as I walk through different environments.

I hope you enjoyed learning about my first week!

Gilbert the Guide Dog Puppy!

Date of Birth:
9 July 2017
Region: South



▲ Grady had the whole “moody” look going on, and we like it!



▲ Green is definitely Grady’s colour!



▲ Grady, determined to climb to great heights.

Howdy!

I am Grady and I have already begun the amazing adventure of socialising to become a Guide Dog Pup. And boy, am I enjoying every single moment of it! It’s not all hard work either; there is so much fun involved as I learn and grow.

During my first week in Hobart I met up with my brother back at the Guide Dog centre. As we were not yet fully vaccinated, our Puppy Raisers had to be careful where they took us for walks and socialisation. Guide Dogs Tas set up a ‘play room’ for us young pups, and it’s great!!! As we play with each other and run around the room, who would have thought we are also learning so much about the world? Let me tell you about it.

Tunnels: As I run and explore through the tunnels I am learning about being confident in small spaces, such as sitting in car foot wells and tucking under tables at cafes.

Ball pit: Boy, I do love jumping in and out of the ball pit! So much colour and movement, teaching me all about sudden movement and noise when I

am walking around streets and shops.

Skateboards: The staff seemed to have fun on these but at times I jumped on and off them too, learning about the noise they make as they go screaming about me in later life on the footpaths.

Tactile boards: I must admit some of these were a little scary for me at first, but when chasing my brother around with all the other toys to distract me, I soon become comfortable walking across these. These help me learn about all the different ground surfaces I will come across on the streets – grates, steel, gravel, concrete, polished floors, carpet and tactile indicators.

And all the time, we were playing in the room and having fun! It really was set up just like a kids’ play centre. There were funny noises playing in the background from sirens, to kids screaming, to engines - all to help us gain confidence in a safe environment before hitting the streets in a few weeks time when fully vaccinated. That is going to be an exciting time indeed.

In the mean time, my Puppy Raiser continues to take me to safe areas like inside the shopping centres during quiet periods of the day, where as a special dog with my lovely access coat on I am allowed to explore indoors. I am so lucky to have the same access rights as a working Guide Dog so that I can learn all about the places I will later take a vision impaired client.

I can’t wait to share my learnings and adventures with you all as I grow through the program.

I was so excited to learn that, along with all the other Puppy Love pups, I now have my own webpage! You can keep up to date with all the latest news from ME, through my own doggy-bloggy.

Find ME, and the other pups, here:

guidedogstas.com.au/puppylove/meet-our-pups



▲ Morgan LOVED going on adventures with her Puppy Raisers' daughter when she visited from America!



▲ Morgan and Nina. Best buds.

Date of Birth:
20 Oct 2016

Region: South

Hi all!

The time is just flying by and I can't believe I am already 11-months-old, and how cold the weather has become! The cold weather doesn't stop me though, I still go for a walk every day, sometimes with my Puppy Raisers and Nina, and sometimes with my brother Murphy and his Puppy Raiser. We are running out of new places to go!

My Puppy Raisers' daughter has recently come home from college in America for her "summer" holidays. I went to meet her at the airport and the Customs sniffer dog was very interested in me. I just ignored him! It has been great fun having her home. I was a little puzzled at first as to why there was an extra person in the house, but I am so used to her being here now that I know I am going to really miss her when she goes back to America in two weeks. I introduced her to my brother Murphy, and we have been going to lots of different coffee and cake places! Although she did get a little mad at me when I "accidentally" stepped on some photos she was sorting out in her room. I have to get them replaced for her now!

We are going away to the East Coast for three days, so I will have to share my adventures with you all in the next Puppy Love edition.

Don't forget, you can read even more about my recent adventures and progress on my own webpage here: guidedogstas.com.au/puppylove/meet-our-pups



▲ From here, Murphy can control the temperature in the car, much to the delight of his Puppy Raiser!



▲ It's certainly not all hard work, and Murphy sure knows how to relax!

Date of Birth:
20 Oct 2016

Region: South

Hello!

I would like to tell you about something really exciting...It's how I already seem to make people very happy! My Puppy Raiser has started working two days a week; we still get up quite early in the morning, but now we go out much earlier. It is quite an adventure!

Once in the car, we drive for about 15 minutes. I love going in the car! I sit in the front left floor space and because I am so big, I can change the car gear lever from automatic to manual, change the radio station and turn the air conditioning on to max. This usually gets quite a reaction from my Puppy Raiser! I do not mean to do this but the car has a touch screen and I only have to bump up against it or the buttons and away they go. When the car stops we go to the bus stop - this is where I start making people happy. When other people waiting for the bus see me, they start whispering. They don't realise that whilst my Puppy Raiser cannot hear them, I can, because I am much better at hearing than humans. Even though I may not understand their language, I can tell by the smiles on their faces and the look in their eyes that they are talking about me. This is another interesting thing that Morgan, my sister, and I have in common. We like to look up, so we see the faces of the people around us and we like watching birds and anything in the sky above us.

I have so much more to tell you, so make sure you read more on my webpage: guidedogstas.com.au/puppylove/meet-our-pups



▲ Billie and the beach; a match made in heaven!



▲ Wearing her coat means that Billie gets to be a cafe dog!

Date of Birth:
6 Sept 2016

Region: South

Hi there!

It's been a busy few months for us all. I've grown quite a lot without getting heavier, which is a good thing! And I'm now having one meal a day which is ok, until it's about an hour away from my meal time, then I get HUNGRY.

I've been learning new things too, like getting on and off a bus, and I went for a special walk with my Puppy Raising supervisor to make sure I'm walking in the correct spot, which is a little bit in front.

I went to the races one day and lots of people were pleased to meet me and learn what a good thing it is to be associated with Guide Dogs Tasmania. My Puppy Raisers say I'm a cafe dog because of the lunches, dinners and coffees I go to! Last week it was a total of five times! But my favourite place is still the beach. I met my brother, Benji, this morning and we were soooo pleased to see each other. And sometimes I meet Kirsty at the beach or the dog park. I'm very good at coming back when I'm called, except if I'm very, very busy.

And I had a great time boarding with another family recently too. It was like a holiday because I went to new places and to work, where I was very popular!

I'm also learning what some human words mean. I get very happy to hear "car", "beach", "walk", "tea", "park" and "cuddle". These are all very good words to me!

Well that's all for now. I'll catch up next time!



▲ Benji is a pro at catching buses now. He knows just where to 'Go'!



▲ A big boy now, Benji still has plenty of energy but managed to stay put long enough for this shot!

Date of Birth:
6 Sept 2016

Region: South

Howdy!

I am now a one-year-old and the size of an adult dog. I am as big as my best mate Pedro and he is nearly seven, but I am a "teenager" with LOTS of energy who loves to run and play.

I try hard and I am a very good boy when we are out. I am always happy to wait while my Puppy Raisers are busy. I just chill out and usually enjoy a snooze if it's going to be a while before we head off again. My Puppy Raiser says I am the happiest pup he's ever seen; I wag my tail LOTS and have a cheeky grin.

I recently went to a very big, busy conference with one of my Puppy Raisers; she said the 500 people there were also training, just like me. I got to visit new places and ride on buses amongst all the people. Sometimes it was very noisy but that didn't bother me. The final session was a very entertaining science show; the presenter warned my Puppy Raiser that he would make some very loud bangs. She told me I would be OK. It was a good experience for me and I sat and watched for a while, then I lay down and slept, although the noise of 500 people clapping woke me up a couple of times.

My new favourite toy is a deer antler; I love to lie and chew on it for ages; or play tug of war. I am heading off for a few weeks boarding while my Puppy Raisers take a holiday, so I will experience some new people and places; all part of my training.

Read more on my own 'doggy bloggy':

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▲ Being at work isn't bad, but for Kirsty, nothing beats being at the beach!



▲ Kirsty's favourite toy: Noah the cat!

Date of Birth:
10 May 2016
Region: North

Hi again!

Over the last couple of months I have been on a big adventure at a Boarder's house in Hobart. I was a bit nervous at first, but when I got to her house I found that she has the best squeaky toy ever – Noah, the cat! He is soft and squishy and squeaks whenever I poke him with my nose. For the first few days I was very excited to see him and cried if I couldn't get to him, but now I am very calm and we are quite good friends – although I do still like making him squeak occasionally!

I have been going to work with my Boarder. She works at the university and there are lots of people and different buildings to visit, and the most delicious smells coming from the Zoology laboratories! But when I am wearing my "Labcoat" (Get it? HA!) I know that I need to focus on my job. In our building, there are lots of stairs to practice on with different textures and light levels, and some are open so I can see down several floors. I have been practicing stopping at the top of the stairs and stepping on to the first stair and waiting when I'm at the bottom. This is so my vision impaired person will know that there are obstacles ahead.

My biggest test was when the fire alarm went off. We had to walk right past the alarm and it was so loud that the humans were covering their ears. Then we had to walk down four flights of stairs. My Boarder said I was just about perfect!

I have so much more to tell you though! Read about it on my webpage: guidedogstas.com.au/puppylove/meet-our-pups



▲ Kobie's not sure if he agrees with the title of 'Kobie's Catastrophe'...



▲ Kobie is learning that when in coat, it's not time to play. That doesn't wipe the big grin off his face though!

Date of Birth:
10 May 2016
Region: North

Hello everyone!

It's Kobie, reporting for duty! I have been fairly busy over the last three months, and am now pretty much fully grown. I have become a big strong boy but my Puppy Raiser says I'm very relaxed and gentle. I love going out for walks and I am improving all the time, although my dog distraction is still a bit of an issue - I just want to say hello to other dogs and be my very friendly self. This is not what working Guide Dogs do though, so I must try not to do this and hold off until I am out of coat.

I have been boarding twice in the last few months and had a lovely time. My Boarder family love me and I feel right at home. I don't mind their cat too much, which is a big thing for me as I really don't like cats – to me they are such crazy, scary things!

My recent biggest highlight is going to a dog event called 'Woofs, Wags and Walkies' at Woolmer's Estate. There were heaps of dogs there and because I behaved pretty well in coat my Puppy Raiser took it off so that I could have a little play with another pup - it was great fun. I entered the doggie painting contest and came fourth! I was very proud of myself and my Puppy Raiser has framed my spectacular artwork, which she called 'Kobie's Catastrophe'.

There's still more to tell you, so head to my 'doggy bloggy': guidedogstas.com.au/puppylove/meet-our-pups

Until next time, woof, woof!



▲ Harper really can't complain about life at the moment.



▲ "For me?" Harper can't believe her luck when the butcher brings out a big, bone shaped package!

Date of Birth:
13 Jan 2016

Region: South

Hello!

First, I must tell you that I am 18 month old now, so I'm feeling very grown up! I like hearing passers-by commenting on my behavior while I am out learning; sometimes they mistake me for a boy dog, but I don't mind that too much. I just enjoy the nice comments! My life at the moment is pretty good. I have many dog friends, human friends and at home I get tons of love. To top it all, every fortnight my dearest friend the butcher presents me with a gigantic bone, whoopee!

My Puppy Raiser is teaching me to walk safely up and down the stairs with her. The best place for learning to do this is at Mona, with its 99 steps down to the boat ramp! When I finish, I always end up in Mona's coffee. My Puppy Raiser has hot chocolate, and I get a bowl of water.

In June, my Puppy Raiser and I were volunteering at the Eisteddfod piano competition. I had to walk a lot between our table and the Judges' table. My Puppy Raiser said that I'm progressing well and she is proud of me. At the final concert we sat in the audience and I had a nice sleep, only every time there was loud applause it woke me up! When another music presentation started I went back to sleep with my head on my Puppy Raiser's foot.

Until next time with best wishes, Harper the Metro Pup!

 P.S. Follow 'Guide Dogs Tasmania - Puppy Love' on Facebook for more photos of me and my friends!



▲ Harvey wanted to show you that he's not ALWAYS inside under his blanketie.



▲ Handsome Harvey. He enjoys his walks through town and is always learning!

Date of Birth:
13 Jan 2016

Region: North

G'day!

My favorite thing is to sleep under my blanket. Although it is fun to run around the backyard in the cold weather, it is even more fun to come back inside and spend some quality time with my blanket, shark and teddy.

I was lucky enough to have Guide Dog in Training, Jacob, come and stay with us for a few nights while he was settling in to his training regime in Launceston. Jacob would come home each night after his training and we would play in the backyard while waiting for our tea. Frankie J ate first as he was the oldest, and then Jacob and I.

Although I will soon be starting my training, I still have to concentrate and practice all of the things I have learnt so far. I enjoy my walks through town, my visits to the swimming pool (though I would love to jump in and have a swim) and spending time at both of my Puppy Raisers' work places. I like to go up and down the escalators and even the new travelators! I am always careful to make sure I don't get my paws caught when I get off.

I am so tall now I can see what is on the kitchen table. I know that I am not allowed to take things off the table no matter how interesting they seem to me.

To find out what else I enjoy doing, head to my 'doggy bloggy'!
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▲ Paris still isn't 100% comfortable traveling on a bus, but she's working on it!



▲ Paris just loves snuggling with big bro, Dexter.

Date of Birth:
3 July 2015
Region: South

Hi everyone!

I have had a lovely winter here in Hobart, with lots of warm blankets and cuddles with Dexter. You would all know Dexter as the Ambassador Dog for Guide Dogs Tasmania, but to me he's just my big, older brother that I get to play with and snuggle with!

Recently, I attended a group training session on bus travel with the other southern pups. Apparently this is something I need to get used to, as I may be doing a fair bit of it when I become a Guide Dog. The bus ride was ok, but there is not much room and I don't like small spaces! This is something I will have to work on, so that I become more comfortable.

I went with my Puppy Raiser and her friends to the Tasmanian Museum & Art Gallery recently, for a good look around. They have lots of animals and birds there but they don't move – I just can't work that out!

My favourite day of the week is Sunday, and I know which day that is, because Dexter and I go to the park with our friends to play all together! Last week, after going to the park, we all had a bath afterwards - I'm a very shiny girl now and people can instantly tell that I have just had a bath just by looking at me!

Soon I will be moving on to the next stage of my training – I will miss my Puppy Raisers, and Dexter, but I am sort of looking forward to seeing what lies ahead. I'm sure it will be exciting, and I'll be sure to keep you up to date!



▲ Phoebe, practicing a perfect 'Down Stay'. What a good girl.



▲ Archie knows that training to become a Guide Dog isn't all hard work!

Training dogs

Our training group – Archie, Jacob, Jerry and Phoebe - are all busy learning the important skills of Guide Dog work.

Archie has completed his pre-training assessment and now wears a harness beautifully. He is winning lots of hearts in the office, and loves his Friday afternoon fun time, choosing which toy is the best out of the toy box. He has achieved the task of fitting three toys into his mouth at once.

Jacob and Phoebe have commenced training in the north of the State, and have already progressed to harness work, wearing their new uniform with pride. They have both completed their pre-training assessment and are currently learning skills for guiding a vision impaired client. This includes stopping at kerbs, moving for obstacles, and learning the "forward" command.

Jacob enjoys being a tourist - travelling on the free Launceston Tiger Bus and checking out what the city has to offer as part of his training on public transport. He is a quiet, gentle, sensitive boy who loves to please his trainer in the home, office and on training walks, and has made a new best mate 'Riley', his trainer's pet dog.

Phoebe loves coming to "work" but also loves going home to her Boarders at the completion of the day. She enjoys working in her favourite places such as the post office and cafes and is always willing to please. She can show a little bit of anxiety at times in new areas, which we hope will decrease as her training progresses.

Jerry is currently undertaking pre-training assessment, which involves at least 20 walks in different places such as supermarkets, residential areas, buses and city environments, to name just a few. So far Jerry has responded well to all of this variety; he walks confidently in all locations and each morning he waits eagerly for his next adventure.

Loveable giant Nelson has been placed under our Companion and Therapy Dog Program with a couple in Hobart and has settled in very quickly, becoming a loved family member.

Thank you

- Chris and Elly Dalton for puppy raising Phoebe
- Gerry and Diane Waugh, Jennifer Mariani and Melisa Musulin for puppy raising Paris
- Guide Dog Major – 6 years of service with a client in the North West
- Guide Dog Harley – 8 years of service with a client in the South



▲ Major (left) and Harley (below) are both enjoying well-earned retirements. Well done.



Growth in the Guide Dog department!

Thanks to support from people like you, we have been able to grow our Guide Dog Department and have recently introduced three new faces to the team!

Jodi Prentice has come on board as a Guide Dog Mobility Instructor. Based in our Launceston office. Jodi is a very welcome addition to the team, as she is one of only two Guide Dog Mobility Instructors in Tasmania. She is currently training Jacob and Phoebe and will be providing support to Guide Dog clients in the north of the state.

Along with Jodi, Sean Cromwell has started his Cadetship in Guide Dog Mobility. Currently a Low Vision Rehabilitation Specialist in our Launceston office, Sean is excited to take on this new part-time role while continuing to assist clients with Orientation and Mobility and Daily Living skills.

Monica Lockley has also joined us, helping with Guide Dogs admin in our Hobart office. Monica has raised several Guide Dog pups before and is currently raising young Murphy, who you would have read about on page 5!

We are excited about this growth and the benefits it will bring to our clients. It's hard to imagine we did everything with just one Instructor before now!

Wanted: old towels and blankets

Anyone who has ever had a dog would know that a stash of old towels and blankets is a MUST! Whether it's toweling off wet, muddy dogs or cleaning up the odd mishap...they're a lifesaver!

Our Hobart and Launceston offices are currently accepting any old towels and blankets that you would be happy to part with. You can simply drop them off at 164 Elizabeth St, Hobart or 62 Invermay Rd, Launceston.

Our pups would be most appreciative of your donation, particularly Dexter and Archie (below), and anticipate that it won't take long to fill the empty laundry tub!



▲ Cadet Sean (above) is excited to learn all about Guide Dog Mobility, and so is his training dog, Jerry!



▲ Jodi (left) with Jacob. They make a good pair!

Did you know?

Our staff and volunteers will often be asked to undertake blindfolded walks with our dogs just prior to their graduation. What starts off as an exercise of trust can often turn into something truly memorable for the participant! Guide Dogs Tasmania's new Community Fundraising Coordinator, Kristy Wright, experienced this when she took Guide Dog in Training, Taylor, for a blindfolded walk with the assistance of a Guide Dog Mobility Instructor. Below are Kristy's own words about the experience...



▲ Kristy didn't expect to be going on a blindfolded walk three weeks into her new job!!

Walking cautiously up a slowly rising slope, I can feel the icy wind on my face, hear the highway traffic rushing past me. Everything seems so close, so loud, making me feel like I'm losing my balance and sense of direction. It's dark and I feel anxious, aware of my breathing and slow movements. I take a breath, and steady myself. I try to relax and remain calm, putting my trust into Taylor.

I say "forward" and follow Taylor's lead, allowing my arm to relax, concentrating on the sensation in my arm and hand, feeling the slight left and right movements on the smooth handle of his harness as he leads me safely along the path. Time seems to slow down as we do a few laps of the path. Something so simple suddenly seems so strange, so overwhelming; not being able to rely on my sight for something I do every day and mostly take for granted.

My first walk under blindfold... What a way to be welcomed into my new job at Guide Dogs Tasmania!

Guide Dogs on YouTube!

Did you know that Guide Dogs Tasmania has its own YouTube Channel? Watch the latest video we've uploaded, starring Puppy Raisers Frank and Jane, and Guide Dog Pup Billie!

Visit youtube.com and search for 'Guide Dogs Tasmania'.



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Get ready... for our very first Street Appeal!



This November, our staff, volunteers and sup'paw'ters will be donning bright orange tshirts and hitting shopping centres, malls and busy intersections across Hobart and Launceston, for our very first **Guide Dogs Tasmania Street Appeal!** Our aim is to raise a whopping \$35,000 – enough to get a pup into a Guide Dog harness, and then go on to change the life of a Tasmanian who is blind or vision impaired. So get your coins ready and help us reach our target. Together, we can make our first Street Appeal a huge success!

Can you lend a paw on the day?

If you can volunteer an hour or two on the day in either Hobart or Launceston, please give us a call to find out what locations and time slots are available. The more volunteers we have out there collecting donations, the more successful our first Street Appeal will be!

You can also enter our **Corporate Challenge**, where companies with a conscience are invited to lend a paw and register a team to raise funds in support of GDT. Visit the "Latest News" section on our website guidedogstas.com.au to find out how.

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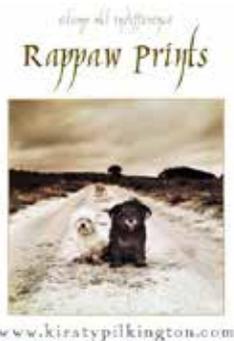
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