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BARRCING MAD

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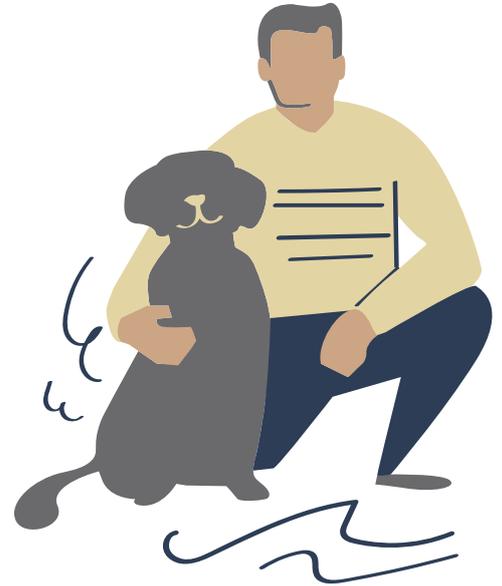
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OUR POOCH FAMILY

We are truly like family here, and we think of you as family too! It takes all of us in all our collective roles to fulfil our mission.

Our dogs, of course, are a huge part of our family and this edition includes a woofing report from our very own Max and the animal tale of Oscar who has pawsatively landed on his furry feet. We have also included some information on microchipping.

Keep reading to hear more about 'who we are and what we do'.



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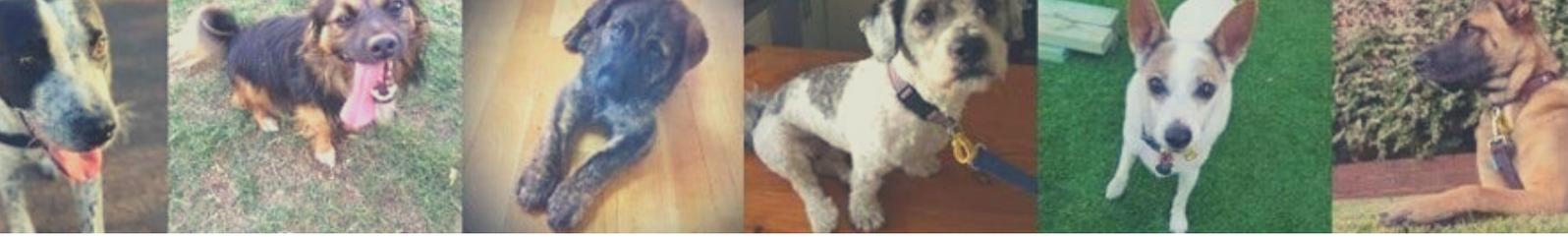
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A MESSAGE FROM THE BARRC TEAM:



We continue to solidify further relationships with, shire pounds and other rehoming organisations and thanks to these partnerships, some lucky pups have bright futures ahead.



We are also excited to have completed further MOU's with our partners. These Memorandums of Understanding are helping to ensure that all parties, be it shires, councils or vet clinics, are working toward mutual goals and expectations within our community.



It was our two year anniversary in March and we took the time to reflect upon just how much we have achieved. Looking back upon our first edition of BARRCing Mad, we invited you along on this journey and we thank you for your support and for being such an important part of our family.

Our mission remains - Rescue, Nurture, Rehome, Educate.

WHO WE ARE AND WHAT WE DO

We believe that all companion animals deserve a safe and loving home and strive to accomplish this through our work in rehoming, desexing and education.

BARRC was established in March 2019 by a group of individuals whose focal point was to provide an outlet for compassionate support to families in need of rehoming their pets. Our committee's combined experience in animal welfare now stands at over 30 years.

BARRC focus on educating and engaging with the community to understand the responsibilities of pet ownership and how to embed it in their homes. We are committed to creating a positive impact in the region by reducing animal homeless numbers through caring for and rehoming. BARRC work collaboratively with vets, local shire pounds and other animal rescue organisations to achieve this outcome.

OUR TOP DOGS

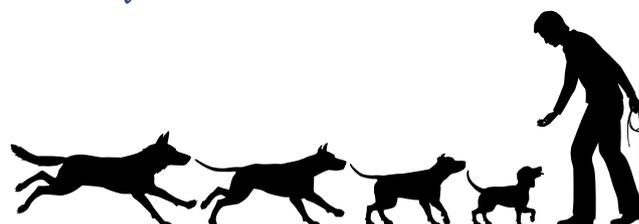
Jenni Marns...Projects

Nicole Passfield...Kennels

Carryn Guinee...Adoptions

Sally Dixon...Dogs

Rachael Cronin...Secretary



Kennel Opening

Throughout this project, we have had the joy of getting to know some of the team from SaviourLife. We are constantly overwhelmed and in awe of the support they provide to so many rescue groups. They genuinely care about the lives of dogs as much as we do which makes the world of difference to our little organisation.

From the surprise phone call in March of 2020 to the Opening Day on a very wet, windy, muddy day in April of this year, our kennel project was watched from the sidelines by our volunteers with much excitement and enthusiasm.

In addition to officially opening the doors to our storage and office spaces, the opening aligned very closely to our Second Birthday. So cake, treats and doggy cuddles were the order of the day and what better birthday gift could we have asked for!

Saviourlife+

THANK
YOU



The grant money has created two very usable, weatherproof storage areas along with shelter to provide the dogs with a little out of the weather interaction. There are now two further purpose-built mobile kennels that will provide a comfortable resting place for the dogs between rostered kennel shifts.

In addition, we now have power through the inclusion of solar panels and fresh water filling up in the new rainwater tank.

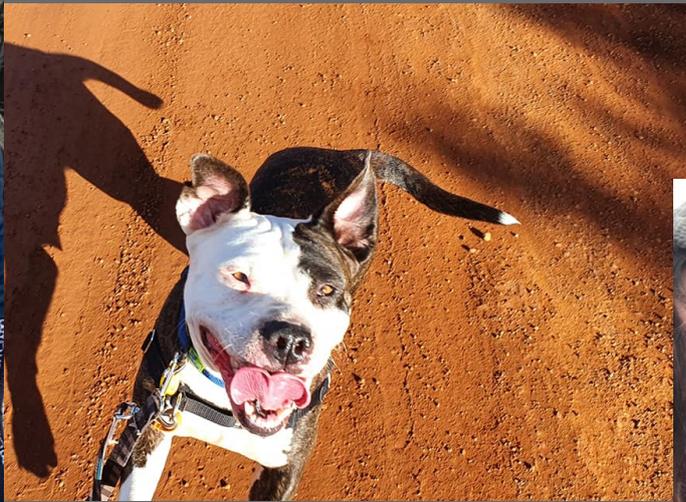
Our volunteer kennel team operate over two shifts per day, cleaning, feeding, walking and playing with the individual dogs that spend a short time at this location. Having the availability to place a dog in these kennels in emergency situations is a gift in itself for our organisation, and we recognise and thank the owners of the property for allowing these incredible changes to proceed as they continue to support us all the way.

A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A KENNEL WATCH DOG



EACH DAY OUR DOGS ARE WALKED

some love the idea



while others just want a cuddle



Our Kennel Watch Dogs donate a few hours each, once a week, to ensure the continued care of dogs waiting for foster homes. Volunteering is a great way to meet new people, get a little exercise and a big dollop of doggie love. If you are interested in becoming a member of this amazing team email barrckennels@gmail.com for more information.



or a kiss

Others take life very seriously



some.. not so much



KENNEL GARDENS



During the big clean up in preparation for the kennel upgrade, a small graveyard was uncovered in an overgrown, dilapidated area of the property. Our volunteer's hearts immediately went out to all the lost fur family members who rest there and it became our mission to respect and remember them by revamping the area.

Through donations of soil, plants, gardening equipment and many hours of love, the little cemetery is now a blossoming garden that we can all enjoy and feel proud of. Our team of garden volunteers tend to the garden on a regular basis to keep it watered and pruned.



BARRC BY NUMBERS

THE FIRST DOG WE REHOMED
WAS BOBBIE

THE DOG IN CARE FOR
LONGEST WAS ARLO AT 175
DAYS

ADOPTIONS 273

SADLY, TWO DOGS HAVE DIED
FROM PARVOVIRUS

VACCINATE YOUR DOGS

THE DOG WITH THE MOST
EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
WAS CHILLI, FOLLOWED BY
GHOST AND LILLY

WE HAVE RECEIVED OVER
\$440 FROM THE CONTAINER
FOR CHANGE SCHEME

THE MOST POPULAR NAME IS
ROSIE FOLLOWED BY BELLA
AND BEAR

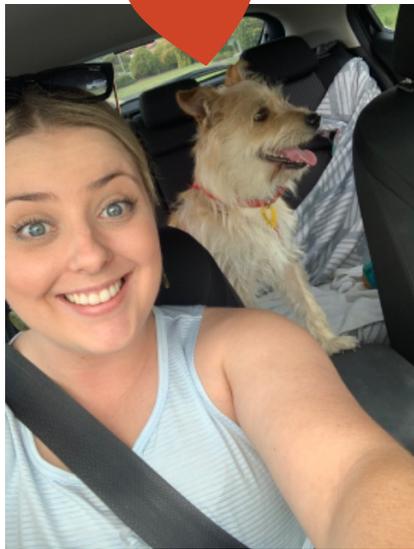
SOME OF THE OLDEST DOGS
WERE SAILOR, DEL BOY, SLIM,
ATHENA, DIZZY,
COOPER, BUDDY, JEDI, AND
BOMBER.

WE CLEANED 100 TONS OF
DOG POOH--WE
EXAGGERATE BUT IT
FEELS LIKE IT



SUCCESS STORIES

OSCAR



After the sudden and unexpected loss of my adored dog Jaffa, I was connected with BARRC who were very understanding, reassuring and supportive of my situation. The borders were closing in the south west due to Covid restrictions and the pressure was on for people to find new homes for their dogs. Despite this pressure, what I found outstanding was the level of care and attention given to me. That is something I didn't expect and frankly made my experience of adopting, a most positive and healing one. I will be forever grateful.



Oscar settled in almost instantly. He had some health issues and is now a regular at the dermatology clinic as we discovered he is allergic to just about everything, including himself! My curiosity got the better of me and a DNA test confirmed that Oscar is a Cannes Terrier x West Highland Terrier x Pomeranian. Oscar has many friends and has taken a unique shine to one in particular, a min pin by the name of Dyson.



Oscar was named after Oscar the Grouch owing to his attitude and certainly lives up to his name which has evolved to Sir Grouch, especially at some derm clinic visits. We now have his allergies under control. In the early days there were a couple of escapee moments where he had me running down the street like a looney after him, but I am proud to say he now chooses to run 'to' me when the roller door opens up after work, rather than 'from' me. I think that secures our bond, that I'm his person and he's my scruffy, complex, oddball that I needed in my life.

SUCCESS STORIES

MAX

Max here, reporting live from the comfort of my very own living quarters where it is especially warm curled up on my favourite recliner close to a servant who caters to my every need.



I haven't always been so lucky. I once wandered the cold, windy streets in search of a meal to stave off hunger pangs, seeking shelter in a hole just small enough to squeeze my tiny body into as I shivered alone in the dark.

One unusually warm day, I lay down to warm my fading body in the sun, having drifted off into a blissful dream of warm meals and a soft bed, when I sensed a shadow cast across my body. Looking up, the sun cast a halo over the head of my saviour and I knew I had finally arrived in heaven.

Well..maybe it wasn't quite that dramatic but the rangers did pick me up on a nice warm day, took me to their pound and rang BARRC.

Now those guys truly are the angels in this story. I was sent to a foster home and introduced to my foster brother, Archie.

Mum picked me up from the vet on the day I was sterilised and waving an adoption certificate in front of my eyes, she announced that I was now her forever son. Archie and I leapt for joy, albeit slowly cause my bits were still a little tender and I was slightly intoxicated with the drugs and the great news, and hugged her and kissed her with my forever happy kisses.

The End

IMPORTANT!

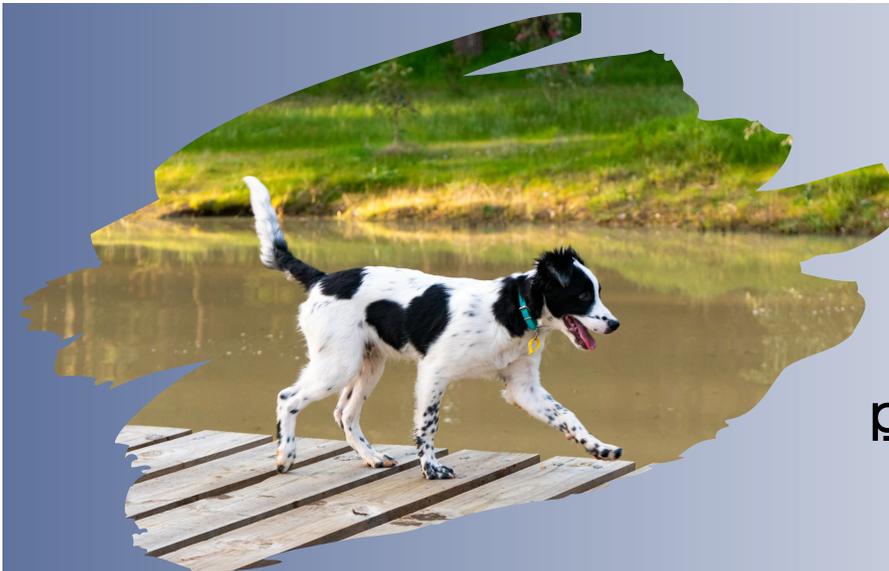
MICROCHIPPING INFORMATION

So many dogs end up in rescue owing to not being microchipped OR outdated information. We'd like to emphasise the importance of keeping your contact information associated with your pet's microchip up to date. Too often, microchips in stray dogs have old contact information, which renders the microchip useless.

Remember to update your contact information when you move or change your phone number. And if you rehome your pet, give the microchip information to the new owner, so that they can update the information.

Check for your pet's chip details online at <http://petaddress.com.au> alternatively ask your vet to scan your pet. If you are getting your pet microchipped for the first time, registration is easy and your vet will assist you with the process.

Note: Chips are not the same as registration licensing. WA law require all dogs 3 months or older be microchipped and registered with your local shire. Sterilised pets are much cheaper to register.



Don't lose your beloved pet! You can check your pets microchip number at petaddress.com.au

FOSTERING

Foster homes are the lifeblood of our organisation and are directly responsible for our success. We have an exceptional team of dedicated foster parents who provide care to our dogs while they wait for forever homes, but we can always use more. If you are interested in becoming part of this lifesaving team, please email us at barrccarers@gmail.com



DOGS IN CARE



Maddie
9 year old
mixed breed



Inca
1 year
Kelpie



Georgia
16 month
Ridgeback



Cleo
5 year old
Amstaffy



Morris
9 year old
Border Collie x

BUNBURY MARKETS

On the first Saturday of each month, you will find a small pack of mongrels down at the Bunbury Markets.

We lovingly refer to our market volunteers as our 'Market Mongrels' who regularly turn up to mingle with visitors, and share the good word of BARRC, of what we do and a little about our dogs and how to volunteer with us. They also help to sell our very popular hand made items such as snuffle mats, leads and dog rugs.



These pet-friendly markets also mean we get to enjoy lots of interaction with 4 legged family members and catch up with many of our adopted dogs.

To join our Mongrel crew, simply pop onto our website at www.barrc.info/volunteer to complete an application form and one of our team will be in touch to chat further.

BARRC



High Tea Fundraiser

Sunday 10th October 2021

Time 1pm—4pm
\$50.00 per person
(part proceeds to BARRC)

BARRC rehomes predominantly dogs in the Perth, Rockingham, Mandurah, Baldivis and Southwest region of WA

BARRC is run by volunteers, and with the support and donations from very generous members of the public, BARRC aim to create a future where all animals are valued within their community.

Please book a table or even for one to support BAARC

3 Sweet and 4 Savoury menu items served on beautiful china tiers

Book via Peel Manor House Events page
<http://www.peelmanorhouse.com.au/events>
or phone 9524 2838



Bunbury Animal Rescue Rehome Care Inc

cobblestone drive • queens gardens

THE BUNBURY - MARKETS -

Make it. Bake it. Sew it. Grow it

1ST & 3RD SATURDAY

THANK YOU

Caring for our lovable pooches can often be a thankless task, so we would like to take the time to acknowledge the wonderful teams at the following veterinary organisations for their support and advice.

Bunbury & Eaton Vet Clinic

Ocean Keys Vet

Larkhill Vet Hospital

Blair Street Vet

Heritage Vet Hospital

HOW CAN I HELP?

BARRC

How You Can Support Us

YOUR TIME

Volunteering for BARRC is a life-changing experience for the animals and a rewarding one for the humans. Foster Carers and Kennel Helpers are a crucial part of what we do at BARRC, but we also welcome **administrative, media and event helpers.**

DONATIONS

BARRC also gratefully accept donations of new and used dog items in clean, functional condition. We may also accept donations of freshly laundered blankets subject to need at the time. Donations can be left in our donation bin at Pet City located on Strickland Street in Bunbury.

EVENTS

cobblestone drive • queens gardens
THE BUNBURY - MARKETS -
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GOODS

- Gift Cards (eg Bunnings; Pet City)
- Worm, Flea/Tick Treatments
 - Tough Dog Toys
 - Sturdy Play Pens & Large Wire Crates
 - Indoor Beds
 - Dog Treats
 - Cleaning Equipment
 - Medium to Large & XL Dog Harness
 - Seatbelt Restraints

MONEY

Your support is important to us. Whether it is \$5 or \$5,000 your gifts are what truly save the animals. We can't thank you enough! Adoption fees help but don't cover all the costs of preparing a dog for adoption.

Some animals need very little, perhaps just a health check and vaccination. Whilst others may need thousands of dollars in medical care. Your gifts make forever homes possible.

**YOU CAN DONATE AT THIS LINK.
BARRC IS A REGISTERED NON FOR
PROFIT CHARITY WITH DGR STATUS.
DONATIONS ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE.**



BUNBURY ANIMAL RESCUE REHOME CARE



Containers for
Change

Scheme ID:

C10301414

Because every dollar counts!



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