

Rescue Report

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In November 2023 the former Rescue Committee consisting of (National Coordinator) Bev Calvert), Huguetta Rainforth, Emma Ross and Laurie Rutherford, were surrendered 17 Hounds and successfully placed 13 of them. They were known as the Barrie13. Sadly 4 of the 17 had to be euthanized due to health issues. Due to the larger number of dogs we were dealing with, the adoption donation was raised from \$500 to \$700.00

December 5, 2023 – A motion was passed by the BOD to require the Rescue Committee to release copies of all Rescue case files/documents to date, to the Board.

January 14, 2024 – Special Meeting of the BOD with the Rescue Committee held where Bev Calvert was not forthcoming with the records and stated the committee did not agree with the motion. She requested time to meet with the Committee to further discuss their response to the motion.

January 31, 2024 – Rescue Committee proposed a new adoption form requiring consent from the potential home to share records with the IWCC. The committee was noncompliant with the request to provide existing records to be filed in Club secure storage.

February 4, 2024 – BOD meeting where the board adjusted their request to include all records from five (5) years back (2018 onwards) with a deadline for submission set for February 18, 2024.

February 4, 2024 – Resignation received from both Bev Calvert and Huguetta Rainforth. They both sent their resignation letters to the membership which started a flurry of members emails. Club Secretary compiled a document with Members comments.

February 6, 2024 – Letter sent to the membership from the Board responding to content of Rescue's Coordinators resignation letter and explaining the Board's position.

March 24, 2024 – Special Meeting re: Rescue. Questions from the membership reviewed and answered and taken into consideration to rewrite the Rescue Policy and Procedure document finalized, June, 2024

April 2024 – test case of the Rescue8 litter in Edmonton came to our attention. Laurie took on role of Rescue Coordinator and worked with Emma Ross and Jill Benoit to successfully find homes for this litter of 8, purebred, nonregistered Irish Wolfhound puppies. We drafted

a Contract for the adoptive home to sign and wrote the Policy & Procedure for Rescue based on what worked for this situation.

June 18, 2024 the Policy Paper, Contract and waivers were shared with the Membership. No further comments were received, and the P&P was adopted by the Board.

August 21, 2024 there has been no further rescue activity that has come to the Club's attention. The Restricted Rescue account: \$16,346.54

Attachments:

- IWCC Rescue Policy Paper
- Rescue Contract
- "The Story of Eight Orphans"