

*Together we can make a difference ...*

## EVA UPDATE

We told you Eva's story in our May 2019 Newsletter. On 11 June 2019, Eva finally had her cataracts operation on both eyes and her sight has been restored. The vet re-assessed her on Sunday, 9 June for her pre-op and confirmed that Eva's sight was very poor indeed and appeared to have been so for some time. We'd like to thank everyone who donated towards her treatment, the amazing vets at The K2 Veterinary Hospital in Sfântu Gheorghe, Romania and to Janie Gill, Eva's new mum in the UK who already has Lori from us.



## RACE

### SCARLETT, JULIA, GEM AND SILVANA

Introducing Scarlett, Silvana, Julia and Gem who joined us at RACE on 7 June, straight from the public shelter. All had a death sentence hanging over them. Silvana is very underweight and was so scared that she initially tried to bite us if we went to touch her. She was covered in fleas and ticks which have now been treated. Silvana is two years old (DOB: 20 March 2017). Overnight she became Nelu's best friend and shadow.



Dear sweet Julia was so very hungry on arrival here that she tried to attack any dog that went near to her. Julia was extremely malnourished, full of worms and infested with fleas. The information we received from the shelter was that she was so stressed that she chewed her tail away. However, since being here it was clear that her tail was cruelly amputated as she has not shown any interest in her tail at all. There's infection there which is now being treated. Julia is three years old (DOB: 20 October 2016). Julia is a sweetheart and now she is receiving regular food, she has completely calmed down. She's mixing with the other dogs and plays on the yard with them. Elena has her sleeping in the house where she has taken up residence in the dog basket next to dear Dino. She has the loveliest, affectionate nature despite what she's suffered.



Quiet, gentle Gem is eight years old (DOB: 10 September 2011). She was suffering from a virus when she came to us which had also affected her eyes. Gem immediately received the correct treatment for this. She too was totally infested with fleas and, after worming, she was producing the longest tapeworms we have ever seen! The one in the photo is 22 inches long! It's so tragic to think this gentle dog and her puppies were sent to end their lives in a public shelter. Sadly, Gem's babies, didn't survive their ordeal.

Three year old Scarlett (DOB: 20 February 2016) was absolutely terrified. This poor baby was also infested with fleas and ticks which have been treated. Scarlett is emaciated but is eating well here. She has been given her own comfort zone which has really helped her to relax. Our girl has been happily wandering around the courtyard getting to know our other dogs. It will take time and patience in an attempt to win her trust. At present she still tries to nip us if she's not too sure. Who knows what horrors this girl has suffered? But it all changes from hereon.



**GEM and SILVANA are now available for adoption. Please check our Facebook page for their posts.**



## LORD AND LEA (DOB: 1 April 2019)



Lea



Lord

Lea, a Carpathian Shepherd X GSD, and sibling, Lord, a GSD Cross, were abandoned outside the home of Ioana Ungureanu, an avid animal lover who lives in Busteni. Ioana is also the Good Samaritan who helped Ollie, Elsa and Scout - three dogs abandoned in the harsh winter weather in the town. RACE successfully rehomed all three in the UK. Lord and Lea, were just two months old at the time they were so callously dumped. Ioana has kindly been fostering the little pair until Elena has some capacity to bring them to her home. Elena and Sue visited the pups back in early June, who are affectionate, strong and healthy - Ioana has done them proud, they are looking amazing. Both are extremely affectionate, well socialised AND cat friendly. Lord and Lea will be ready to travel when they reach four months old.

## HOW YOU CAN HELP

**SPONSOR £10 per month towards a dog/puppy/cat food;**

**Become an EMERGENCY BACK UP FOSTERER;**

**Hold a COFFEE MORNING;**

**Knit DOG COATS and/or BLANKETS;**

**Hold a BOOT SALE.**



Issy and her pups had been abandoned in a field not far from Elena's village back at the beginning of June. We discovered they had been there for a few days, but no one thought to alert Elena until local children had taken Issy's puppies. The poor mum was beside herself and stayed rooted to the spot - possibly in the hope they would come back. Issy was soon safely under Elena's roof, but despite putting the word around, the puppies were nowhere to be found. We dread to think of what befell these poor innocent souls. Issy is a Teckel cross aged four years old; she has probably produced many puppies over those years. She is extremely gentle and would love to have a nice, quiet home of her own where she could be properly cared for, instead of being the carer.



### BEBE

On the 1 June, in the middle of the day, a local gypsy came to Elena's with a tiny kitten. They told us she was having epileptic fits and that they didn't know what to do with her. The story was also that one of the local vets refused to treat her, but this is not necessarily the case ... she was so very tiny and it wasn't necessary epilepsy.

Bebe's eyes were very mucky, she was obviously malnourished and generally not the healthiest looking kitten. Nelu witnessed Bebe having a fit while Elena and Sue were out together on the Sunday. On Monday morning, she had another in the kitchen in front of Elena and Sue. Following the seizure, she devoured food like it was going out of fashion. We took Bebe, along with Eva to have her eyes reassessed and Maya who was losing weight rapidly, to the veterinary hospital in Sfântu Gheorghe. On examination, he said that it was due to her being so malnourished and also because of the heavy worm burden she was carrying. Elena had wormed her shortly after her arrival, which was taking effect. However, the migration of the dead worms can affect a kittens organs and cause seizures; we were assured that these would pass. Bebe was listless, grumpy and covered in scratches, the result of the fits as she was hitting out at her face. Her last fit was on Friday, 7 June ... we prayed all weekend that it would be an end to them ... and it was! By Tuesday, 11 June, we really thought Bebe had turned a corner. She was actually playing with the other rescue kittens we had, Lucy and Ruby, and exploring all over the house. Late on Thursday night, 14 June, Bebe had the worst seizure yet ... it went on for two hours. Elena was beside herself. There are no all night emergency vets in the area at all, so she did what she could be taking her to bed and comforting her. A frantic call to the veterinary hospital the following morning was made and Bebe was soon on Diazepam to help alleviate the fits. Sadly, Bebe went into a coma during the early hours of 16 June, and passed away. A tiny soul who made such a huge impact on us all here at RACE. Fly high baby angel.





### **"I NEED A HOME PLEASE!"**

Our sweet little Mura, is still looking for a home. Mura, a four month old crossbreed, is small in size, very affectionate and is used to living with our feline friends. You are now looking at cuteness on four fluffy legs! This little darling needs a forever family to take her into their hearts. Mura had been abandoned as a tiny puppy and ended up in our care. She's affectionate and adores cuddles. So ... if your arms need something to occupy them ... what are

you waiting for?! Get that Adoption Application into us asap ...



**If you are looking to adopt a puppy/dog, please check out our Facebook page which is regularly updated**



On the evening of 16 June, Elena and Nelu made the long journey from their home to a town in the mountains called Busteni. They were collecting Lea and Lord from Ioana, their rescuer and foster mum as, following successful adoptions, they now had the space for them. However, instead of returning with two pups as anticipated, they came back with five! Locals had found three tiny puppies who had been abandoned in the woods by the side of the road. Buttons and his two sisters travelled home with Elena and Nelu. A colleague from another rescue kindly offered to take the two girls on and rehome them once they were old enough ... Buttons is with RACE. It transpired that this little lad was harbouring the deadly Parvovirus; we're sad to say that he lost his fight for survival on 25 June 2019.



### **IRINA THE PERFECT FAMILY ADDITION**

Crossbreed, Irina, is coming up to seven months old. This amazingly friendly girl is medium sized and would make an excellent family addition. Well socialised with people, other dogs and cats, she is a gentle, fun loving and playful girl who always has a smile on her beautiful face. Irina was 'rescued' by the same person who had taken in Bobo, Finn, Sofia, Anji, Mina, Haiduc and Lotru. Other than

sticking poor Bobo on a chain in her yard and cramming all the pups into one cage together - also in her yard in the freezing cold - very little was actually done to help any of these pups. RACE took them all from her - all were covered in lice and full of worms which were soon treated by Elena.

### **NELA and LILLY**

#### ***YET MORE PUPPIES CALLOUSLY ABANDONED ...***



**NELA**



**LILLY**

Two more precious little angels joined RACE on 26 June ... introducing ten week old Carpathian sisters, Nela and Lilly. Elena's husband, Nelu, spotted them today when he was out working - unceremoniously dumped between two villages. More innocents born into this World only to be cast aside like rubbish ... words fail us - they really do. WHY is there such a complete absence of compassion in some people?



Summer



Autumn



## SUMMER AND AUTUMN

In early June we were joined by Carpathian cross sisters, Autumn and Summer. They were just two and a half months old at the time, having been unceremoniously abandoned by the road outside a shelter. Underweight, full of worms, infested with fleas, covered in lice ... unfortunately the usual story. It's heart breaking to see these tiny innocents cast aside like rubbish. However, the girls have a safe future now. Autumn joins her new family in the UK in mid-July 2019, while we still seek a suitable home for her equally gorgeous sibling.

## MONTHLY LONG TERM SPONSORS REQUIRED

Through absolutely no fault of their own, there are some RACE dogs that we can never rehome **OR** require long term rehabilitation before we can even think of offering them for adoption.



JULIA



LADY



DAISY



SCARLETT



MIMI



JUNIOR

### WOULD YOU PLEASE CONSIDER BEING A SPONSOR FOR ONE OR THESE DARLINGS?

We ask just £30 per month which goes towards their food, worming, flea treatments etc. Please email us at [raceromanian@gmail.com](mailto:raceromanian@gmail.com) if you are willing to support a dog that otherwise had no hope.

## VIOLET

Violet was just six weeks old when she was found abandoned underneath Elena's car on 12 June. She had either been placed there very late during the night or very early in the morning. Whoever left her there had no thought of this little one's safety. There are many wild animals roaming around the outskirts of the villages at night and she could so easily have been attacked. Sadly, this was the case for her sibling who was found dead, further up the road from Elena's. It was clear she had been killed by another animal. WHY did the person not simply knock at Elena's and ask her to take them? WHY put their safety in jeopardy? One precious life lost was unnecessary and unforgivable on the part of the culprit. Sadly, just a week after she was found and had the promise of a good life ahead of her, our little one passed away on Saturday, 22 June. Unfortunately, many puppies lose their lives when suffering from heavy worm burdens ... their tiny bodies just can't cope with the migration following necessary treatment.



## RACE Sales to Help Support the Rescue Dogs

Please support us where you can, either by buying items, donating items for sale and sharing the posts amongst your friends, family and colleagues.



We'll be posting various donated items on this site in order to help raise much needed funds for the dogs and puppies that are constantly coming into our care.

**ALL PROCEEDS RAISED GO DIRECTLY TOWARDS THE CARE OF OUR RESCUE DOGS AND CATS**







## TEDDY

Four year old crossbreed Teddy, spent three and a half years at the Hope Rescue shelter in Bosnia before finally landing a home in the UK earlier this year and all was thought to be going well. Unfortunately, due to a family illness, Teddy was often left alone for long periods of time, which resulted in him getting very depressed and acting out of character. Another rescue put a plea out

for emergency back up foster which one of our adoptants saw, and subsequently contacted us as the rescue had no foster placements left at that time and it looked like Teddy was having to go back into kennels. Thankfully, we had someone to call on who has fostered for us successfully in the past, and she was only too happy to help. Teddy went on foster to her on 28 April 2019 (Berkshire area), and we are looking for that forever home for this dearest boy. Teddy would suit a family with teenage children and preferably with one other dog in the home. Teddy is friendly, medium sized and cat friendly.

# WE NEED YOU!!!!

DO YOU WANT TO HELP ANIMALS IN NEED?

DO YOU HAVE A LITTLE TIME TO SPARE?

DO YOU HAVE SOME FUNDRAISING

We desperately need a volunteer or two to raise some funds to help support the never ending queue of dogs, puppies, cats and kittens in need of our help.

There are so many ways to fundraise but, as RACE expands, we need a little help.

For further information, please email us at [raceromanian@gmail.com](mailto:raceromanian@gmail.com)



## CALLING ALL RACE ADOPTANTS



Did you know we now have a dedicated RACE Facebook where you can write about the progress of your little (or big!) darling and post photos? You can boast how

clever your pooch is (member of doggy MENSAs, winner of The X Factor, Crufts Champion, etc.)

Just go to the page (RACE Romanian Animal Care Europe Adopters Forum) ask to join the group ... and hey presto ... you're all set to go.

## MAYA

Maya was another regular visitor to the veterinary hospital at Sfântu Gheorghe at the beginning of June. She had become lethargic and was losing weight. Tests revealed that enthusiastic mouser, Maya, had been poisoned from eating the dead mice she was finding. Poor Maya had to go back every day to the vet for four days to be given the antidote, as well as having to live on a liquid supplemental diet for a week. We just thank the

stars that she's made a recovery. Unfortunately, Maya will have to remain a house cat to prevent her hunting skills.



*If you are interested in adopting any of our adopted dogs, please email us at [raceromanian@gmail.com](mailto:raceromanian@gmail.com) with a completed Adoption Application form. This can be downloaded, along with our Adoption Procedures, from our website at [www.raceromanian.org](http://www.raceromanian.org). All dogs are fully vaccinated, neutered (where old enough), microchipped and passported. Adoption fee and home check apply.*



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