

# Listen Up!

## Hearing Dogs



### Bounding into 2023!

At Hearing Dogs we're bounding into 2023 with lots to bark about. It's happy tongues out for Darby & Velo who have been connected with their people. Darby is happily settled in his forever home with his Mum Margaret. He's been an absolute joy to have through the training programme and it is so lovely to see him thriving in his new environment. The best part about Darby's story is that his new home is in New Plymouth! He gets to visit the center every week to join in the fun at Doggy Daycare with Margaret who is now a Doggy Daycare volunteer.

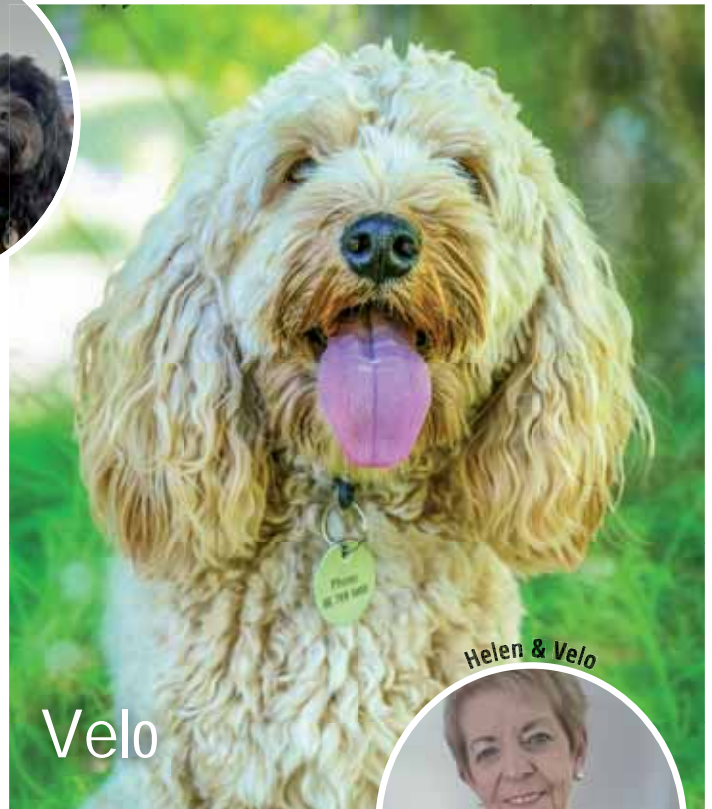
Velo packed her bags and headed for Ashburton at the end of March where she will start her assistance dog life with new Mum Helen. Velo took to training from day one and has been a consistent little star with both sound work and public access. Helen and Velo have a lovely partnership and we look forward to hearing all about their new life together.

Read about the dogs in training and cute new puppies over the page! Follow us on social media for Hearing Dogs news and updates. Thank you for following our journey, being a part of the Hearing Dogs community and supporting us. We couldn't do it without you!

Margaret & Darby



Darby



Velo

Helen & Velo



"An amazing service, fantastic trainers and management. We will love having Velo in our family and she will be so life changing for me. Thank you!!!" **Says Helen**

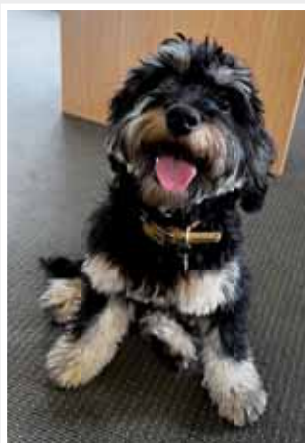


## HEARING DOGS IN TRAINING



Scout

Scout is progressing well and enjoying his sound work training. He is gaining in confidence each day with public access and by experiencing new places and people outside of the center. We're currently working on his fascination with cats!



Trix

Trix is a little pocket rocket of boundless energy that throws a lot of effort into learning, in fact getting her to slow down is proving quite challenging. She is a real crowd pleaser with oodles of personality.



Pearl

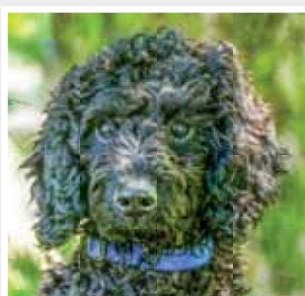
Pearl is new in her training and has taken to Hearing Dog life like a duck to water. She looks forward to her daily sound work practice and loves spending time with her kennel mates. She has a very sweet nature and scores very high on the cuteness scale.



Layla

Layla is our latest and largest trainee Hearing Dog. Layla is a standard poodle and has been selected to assist a recipient in a wheelchair. We are teaching her to nudge her new Dad on the arm with her nose to alert to sounds. She is incredibly bright!

## PUPPIES IN SOCIALISING



West

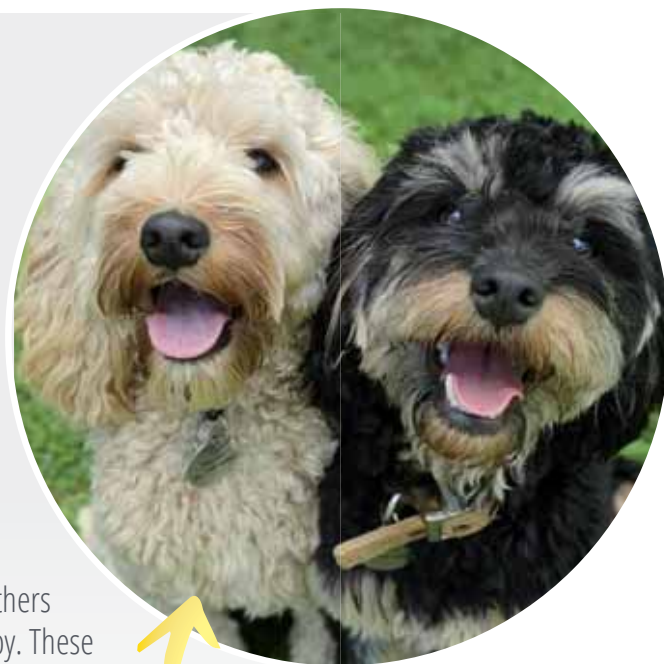


Vespa



LUCUS

Lucas and West are litter mate brothers and little Vespa is our newest puppy. These cuties are currently staying with their puppy raisers until they are old enough to come into training at around eight months of age. We're looking forward to seeing how their personalities develop and how each of them takes to life at the center.



Happy Friends  
Velo & Trix





## Photography is my passion ... I see the world as a series of clicks and I dream in still pictures ...

We were privileged to again have the wonderful Donna from Sully's Pics head out to the Hearing Dogs NZ Training Center to capture some great memories. Donna's talent for photography and love of animals really shines through in her photos. Thank you Donna!

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**Ellie Lipp** 2022 Watson Fellow  
B.S. Psychology, Anthropology Minor, Davidson College 2022

Almost a year after being first approached by Ellie, Hearing Dogs NZ received a wonderful gift of support and help. Ellie spent 3 months working for Hearing Dogs NZ, sharing her ideas, zest for life and passion for supporting deaf & hearing impaired people. We look forward to sharing Ellie's story in our upcoming Annual Report.

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## Do you know a club or group who would be interested to find out more about Hearing Dogs?

Please get in touch if you are interested in seeing what Hearing Dogs is all about. We will give a demonstration of what a hearing dog does in the home and a guided tour of the Training Centre situated at Hydro Road, New Plymouth. A donation is appropriate.

While training center tours are best suited to local people we do have public speakers throughout the country.

For more information & bookings please email:  
[info@hearingdogs.org.nz](mailto:info@hearingdogs.org.nz)



**Judy Williamson** Hearing Dogs NZ  
loyal volunteer and **West**



The amazing **Ellie** from Alabama who spent 3 months helping Hearing Dogs!



**Barbara Brooks** Puppy Socialiser  
volunteer with **Pearl**



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**Richard McLaughlin** driving the Pakeke Lions Park Rides in NP.



**Ruby** at the Training Center enjoying a Purina AdVENTuROS™ treat.

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