



Solborg Farm

Hogwarts Magical Litter Newsletter

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The Harry Potter Litter is growing up! They will be six months old the end of March! Pretty soon they will be boarding Hogwart's Express to enter First Year at Hogwart's School of Witchcraft and Wizardry! Gryffindor House will never know what hit it!

The HP litter owners have been so generous to the grateful breeder of Solborg Swedish Vallhunds, by sending dozens of wonderful photos of Harry Potter, Hermione, Neville, Ginny (aka Reese), Teddy, and Molly.

(Our hope was to be able to share with you, these special moments that have been captured and sent to SSV. Many of the pictures are printed out and kept in the puppy folder, but some are not viewable because of the way they are sent...oh those computers). However, we truly wish to thank each and every one of you for sending photos and videos, and we'd like to send out warmth, love, and support to all six of the pups and their amazing owners.



Starting with....

Harry Potter is alarmingly adorable, sweet, and a real handful, according to his owners Connie and Jack in Napa area of California.

As all good vallhundpups do, Harry has taken over his home in true vallstyle, and has made many friends along the way. Harry is popular in the puppy circles because he can play with the shyest puppy and bring out their bravery (as any true Gryffindor would do) as well as take on the feistiest puppy in the group with his tail held high.

Here he is with his owner, Connie. They look pretty darned happy together! Harry shows his best "watchful" look, which we know is the first word in the Swedish Vallhund breed standard under temperament. Harry is a very "alert" kinda guy.



Harry 5 months, with Connie in Napa, California



Harry's cute butt
He's alert and ready for action!



Harry with his
girlfriend Sophie.

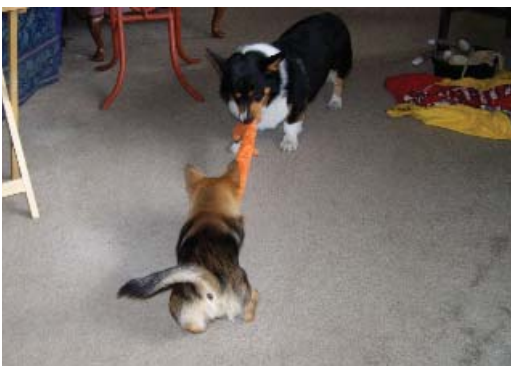
Next up is **Ms. Molly** living with her people Jeannie and Bob in Arroyo Grande, California. Ms. Molly has a new nickname every month, and is called "Molly Moo" this month. She lives with her best buddy Corgi Hazer and Riata, as well as a bunch of horses, some geese and all sorts of other fun things!

Mollymoo is attending puppy classes at Gentle Touch Pet Training these days. This week she will be going to Puppy Enrichment class, taught by her first "mom", Ivy! Ms. Molly enjoyed Puppy Preschool, playing with the other pups, learning new things like "Leave-It" and "Touch a Target" but thought maybe the class was too long, and wanted more play time. Puppy Enrichment is a fast moving fun paced class that is very much Molly's style...she is a very active happy little lady.

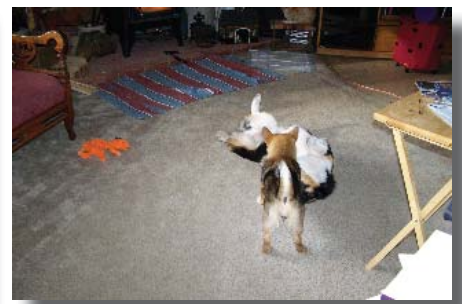


Molly, five months old, was having a surprisingly quiet moment! (She is also demonstrating the special "watchfulness" of the breed.

Here she is hunting in her yard.



Hazer and Molly do what they do best...
PLAY!



And now we have.... The smiling face of **TEDDY!**



Teddy lives in Tucson, Arizona with his mom Ann and a cat named Professor McGonagall. (Okay, that's not really her name, but she does have that look about her, and she's beautiful too.)

Teddy is learning to walk and jog around the desert on his leash, to attempt to stay quiet while at the office, and has already met tons of other Swedish Vallhunds that live near-by or have come down for a visit!

The folks with the visiting and local Vallhunds did some video taping of the action, and it was great to see that Vallhunds are Vallhunds all over the country. Such an intelligent fun breed.

Ann had to leave on a trip to NYC, so Teddy got to stay at his new Day Care. Here is what they had to say about him:

"Speaking of state of mind, doesn't little Teddy look so cute and innocent? All of that may be true but, let me tell you, Teddy is no slouch when it comes to playing and herding those in his play group. He is about as rough and tumble as they come and the other dog's size isn't even a consideration in Teddy's mind."

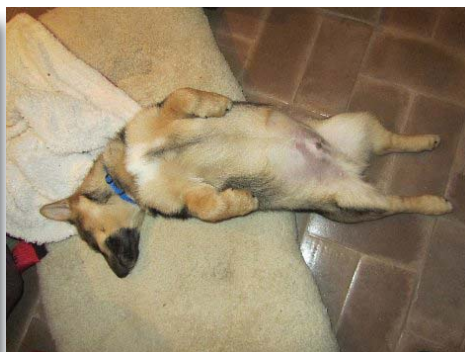
Now does that describe a Vallhund puppy perfectly?? We think so!

His mom, Ann missed him so much when she went on the trip to NYC; she made the breeder's heart soar when she said:

"I am still surprised, I knew I would miss him when I was away --- but missing him THIS much still surprises me - Thank you again for the incredible gift of Teddy in my life!!!"



Teddy, Ann and some vallbuds in Tucson.



Our next featured puppy is **Ginny Weasley**, now known as "**Reese**" which is from the Welsh word meaning "enthusiasm" which is a very good word for a Vallhund puppy!

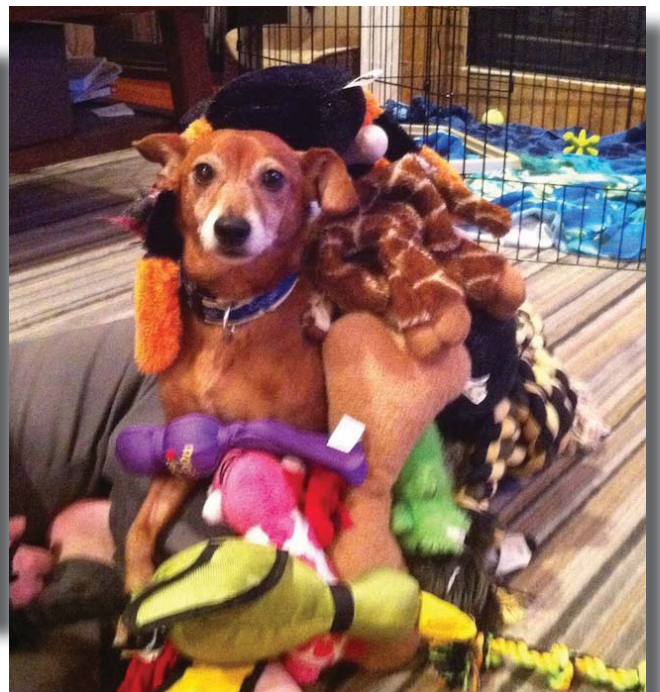


Reese lives with her parents Matthew and Sharon in Marina Del Rey California. Reese has a blog!

Her buddy is named "Zero" and has been learning how to live with a puppy...not always "enthusiastically" but he's come to accept her and share his toys with her too. Well, sort of...



Nap time with Zero.



Poor Zero.

Next up is none other than **Hermione!**



The Herm lives with her family in Oklahoma, which includes her favorite "boys" Adam and Joe, as well as her staff and servants Darlene and Mike. She also has a pack of short legged pals living with her: Corgi Dallas, her daddy Apollo, and auntie Arwen, as well as an elderly bird dog and some feisty cats that are slated as future "fun" for Hermione.

(There are truly beautiful photos of this Hermgirl, and her life in OKLAHOMA, but I apologize that I can't remove them from their e-mails! Someday I'll figure it out. For now, check out the Swedish vallhund yahoo groups, and utube.)

Herm has started puppy agility, and her videos can be found on utube!
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1AMBOrwINQA>



Hermione and her daddy Apollo keep a close eye on the neighboring dogs...

She learns "lightening quick" as her dad, Mike likes to say. She is smart, fun, and lively.

The Herm has fun training, playing, and most of all, finding a favorite arm chair with a favorite human lying in it....aaaah-hh...now this is the life, she says, as she snuggles up to her human couch named Adam.

Many of The Herm's photos and antics on video can be seen on one or two of the Swedish Vallhund "lists" on yahoo, if anyone is interested in following her, or joining in by adding some pictures of your own.



And last, but certainly not least, is **Neville!**



Here is Neville with his girl Alysse. They are about to board Hog-
wart's Express for a bewitch-
ing journey together. Gryffindor
never had it so good!



Most of the time, however, Neville, his parents
Judy and Mike, and his kids Alysse and Aeson
spend time at their favorite beach near their
home in Santa Barbara, California. This hap-
pens to be Blaze's favorite beach in the world
too.



Neville is a deeply happy boy, but
he is also so active, that his owners
take him here often. Very, very often
(hee-hee smart parents believe a tired
puppy is a good puppy).



Judy with "tired" little Neville. (Actu-
ally, she was just carrying him away
from yet another group of dogs that
Neville decided were his new best
friends.)





Judy, Alysse, Aeson, Ivy, Sophie, Neville, Mike, and Blaze at Hendry's.



Nawwww...let's go THIS WAY!!!



Neville is also in training as a cool therapy kinda Vallhund. He goes to school with the kids on the Mesa in Santa Barbara. (Hmmm...yet another way to tire out a puppy!)



And so ends the 2nd edition of the Hogwart's Newsletter. We hope you enjoyed reading it, and will continue to send photos of your HP puppies!

With deepest love and warmest hugs,

Ivy and Dan; editors :) at Solborg Swedish Vallhunds