



Nittany Beagle Rescue

Newsletter

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Centre gives



Online donation event

May 8 and 9!

We're taking part in the huge \$200,000 stretch pool fundraiser known as "Centre Gives!" They are also featuring \$40,000 in prizes for the various organizations to win. The minimum donation is \$10, and there is no maximum donation.

Why give during #CentreGives? NBR will receive a match from the Centre Foundation. We'll get a % of the stretch pool based on how much we raise.

New this year: Nittany Beagle Rescue will have a table at Centre Gives Fest in Tallyrand Park, Bellefonte, on May 9 from 5 pm—8 pm. Come see us!

Please share with friends and family! If you ever considered donating to NBR, #CentreGives is the time! We appreciate your support!

Have questions or want to learn more? Check out: <https://centregives.org/>



Who's Calling?

NBR volunteer Kathy Richards will be calling to follow-up after you have adopted one of our precious beagles, beginning with those pups adopted in 2019. Her number is (610)

882-2511, so if you receive a call from that number, it isn't a telemarketer! Kathy will be calling to see how your new beagle is doing, if there are any issues and if you have any questions. She will leave a message for you if you are not home and if you have questions she can't answer, she will seek out the answer and get back to you. Please feel free to call her any time you have questions about your pups, Thank you!





Featured Adoptable Beagles



Archie (aka Archer) *is still seeking his forever home*

Age: 4, Husky/Doberman mix

Sex: Male

Good with: Dogs, House/Crate Trained, Car Rides

Personality: Big, Goofy, Loveable, Loyal, Loves People & Affection

<https://www.nittanybeaglerescue.org/beagle.cfm?dogID=1683>



Leah *is still seeking her forever home*

Age: 1-2, Tri-color

Sex: Female

Good with: Dogs, Cats, Crate/House Trained

Personality: Affectionate, Loves Cuddling & Sitting On Laps

<https://www.nittanybeaglerescue.org/beagle.cfm?dogID=3793>



Louise *is still seeking her forever home*

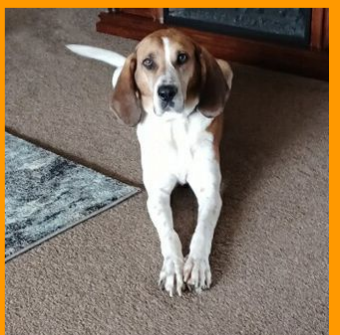
Age: 2, Tri-color

Sex: Female

Good with: Older Children, Working on House/Crate Training

Personality: Friendly, Playful, Energetic, Adores People

<https://www.nittanybeaglerescue.org/beagle.cfm?dogID=3802>



Mia *is still seeking her forever home*

Age: 10 Month Old, Beagle/BueHeeler Mix

Sex: Female

Good with: Crate/House-Trained, Children, Dogs

Personality: Super Sweet, Active, Friendly, Energetic, Loves Toys

<https://www.nittanybeaglerescue.org/beagle.cfm?dogID=3801>



Featured Adoptable Beagles



Nancy is still seeking her forever home

Age: 1 1/2, Tri-Color

Sex: Female

Good with: Crate-Trained, Working on House-Training, Dogs

Personality: Sweet, Loves People, Can Be Easily Frightened

<https://www.nittanybeaglerescue.org/beagle.cfm?dogID=3794>



Nova is still seeking her forever home

Age: 6 months

Sex: Female.

Good with: Dogs, Working on House and Crate Training

Personality: Sweet, Shy at First, Loves People& to Cuddle, Loves Walks

<https://www.nittanybeaglerescue.org/beagle.cfm?dogID=3795>



Otie is still seeking his forever home

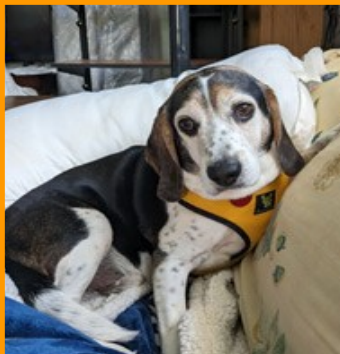
Age: 1-2, Tri-color

Sex: Male

Good with: Dogs, Cats, Children, Working on House/Crate Training

Personality: Loves Walks, Fetch, Tug of War, Like Car Rides

<https://www.nittanybeaglerescue.org/beagle.cfm?dogID=3787>



Scout is still seeking his forever home

Age: 9, Tri-Color

Sex: Male.

Good with: Dogs, House-Trained

Personality: Shy At First, Sweet

<https://www.nittanybeaglerescue.org/beagle.cfm?dogID=3796>



What is Lyme Disease in Dogs?



PetMD by Chewy

By [Brittany Kleszynski, DVM](#) on Mar. 20, 2024

Lyme disease, also called borreliosis, is a bacterial infection in dogs that is [spread by tick bites](#). Although Lyme disease can also affect people, dogs don't spread the infection to their pet parents. Lyme disease in dogs can cause serious complications, such as [joint inflammation](#) (swelling) and [kidney failure](#).

When a tick bites a dog, the bacteria that causes Lyme disease (*Borrelia burgdorferi*) passes from the tick's saliva to the dog's bloodstream, where they can infect the joints, heart, brain, and spinal cord.

Some infected dogs may show no obvious symptoms, while others may become very sick. This largely depends on how strong the dog's immune system is and how long the infection is present before treatment begins.

Dogs who do outdoor activities—[such as hiking](#) or [hunting in wooded areas](#)—are at greater risk for Lyme disease because of their increased exposure to ticks.

[Dogs and puppies who are unvaccinated](#) and those who are not kept up to date on [tick preventatives](#) are also most vulnerable to infection. It's estimated that between 1.4% and 13.3% of dogs in the United States test positive for Lyme disease.

Although Lyme disease can be found in most states, it is most common in the Midwest, Northeast, Southeast, and West. Cases are most likely to be diagnosed during spring, summer, and fall, when the weather is warmer and ticks are more prevalent.

Dogs with Lyme disease generally live normal lifespans if treatment is started early.

If left untreated, Lyme disease in dogs can cause kidney failure, which is life-threatening. For this reason, dogs having symptoms of Lyme disease should be treated as medical emergencies. If you suspect your dog has Lyme disease, take them to the veterinarian immediately.

Symptoms of Lyme Disease in Dogs

Symptoms of Lyme disease in dogs may not occur if a dog's immune system is able to control the infection. If a pup does develop symptoms, pet parents may notice the following: Joint pain or swelling, [Lameness](#), [High fever](#), [Lethargy](#), Weakness, [Decreased appetite](#), [Enlarged lymph nodes](#), [Vomiting](#), [Diarrhea](#), [Increased thirst](#), [Increased urination](#), [Weight loss](#), [Swollen legs or belly](#)

Causes of Lyme Disease in Dogs

Lyme disease in dogs is caused by an infected tick, specifically from the *Ixodes* genus.

I. scapularis (deer tick) and *I. pacificus* (western blacklegged tick) are the two main ticks that spread *Borrelia burgdorferi*.

Ticks become infected with *B. burgdorferi* by feeding on rodents and birds. The bacteria multiply within the tick and are spread to a dog when the tick bites it.

To pass on the infection, the tick must be attached to the dog for at least 24 to 48 hours.

How Veterinarians Diagnose Lyme Disease in Dogs

To diagnose Lyme disease in dogs, veterinarians will use a combination of tests and a discussion with the pet parent. Your vet will want to know about any recent travel history, any recent exposure to ticks, and any symptoms the dog has.

Diagnostic tests that may be done to identify Lyme disease in dogs include:

SNAP 4Dx—A few drops of blood are taken from a dog's vein, mixed with a special solution, and then used to test for antibodies. Results are available in just eight minutes, and vaccination against Lyme disease does not affect the results.

Polymerase chain reaction (PCR)—This test uses blood, joint fluid, or a lymph node sample to test for Lyme disease.

Blood work—Blood can be collected from a dog's vein to check overall health and rule out other underlying conditions that may look like Lyme disease.

Urinalysis—A sample of urine is taken to check for signs of protein, which can be a sign of kidney disease in dogs who have tested positive for Lyme disease.

Treatment of Lyme Disease in Dogs

Lyme disease in dogs is most often treated using an antibiotic called [doxycycline](#). It's given to a pup for at least 30 days. Dogs are expected to show improvement in their symptoms in as little as 24 hours. Other antibiotics—[amoxicillin](#) and cefovecin—can be used if dogs are sensitive to doxycycline.

[Pain medications](#), such as [gabapentin](#), may be given if there is joint swelling or discomfort. [Steroids](#) and other immunosuppressant medications may be used in some cases if considered helpful by the veterinarian.

Dogs with severe disease may need hospitalization for supportive care, including intravenous (IV) fluids and medications to support the kidneys.

Upcoming Events

Pet Showings

We'll have some of our adoptable beagles available for meet and greets at Lyons Kennels, 1826 Zion Rd, Bellefonte on the first & third Saturday of each month from 11 am—1 pm.

Please wear a mask if you aren't fully vaccinated.



Upcoming Events

Join us for Palooza in July 2024! From Thurs., 7/18 starting at 8am through Sun., 7/21. We will have an online auction with lots & lots of great items - for you and for gifts!

New this year is a Dog Walk on Sunday, 7/21, starting at 1pm. We are still working on determining a location for the Dog Walk. But we plan to have a picnic at the end of the Dog Walk. We'll close out the silent auction at the end of the picnic.

We know not everyone can come to the State College/Bellefonte area for the Dog Walk, but we hope you can have a Dog Walk with family and friends where you live. Then maybe close it out with your own picnic! We hope people join us by sending photos and/or videos to the Nittany Beagle Rescue Facebook page.

We think this will be a fun way to raise money for the beags & to connect us beagle, beagle mix & honorary beagle lovers!



Happy Endings



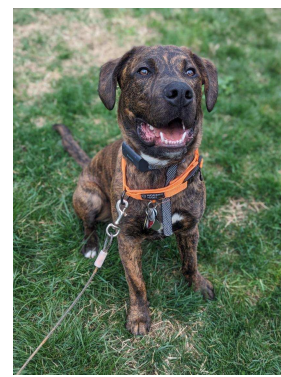
Max, fka Caleb, with his
NBR alum sister, Josie



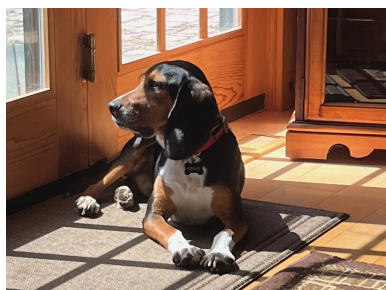
Tink, fka Tinker



Stormy, who loves going
on hikes



Adley



Vinnie, enjoying the sun



Millicent/Millie, fka Missy

Safety Tip for Pets



Heat Stroke in Dogs

A dog's body temperature

107-109°
heat stroke

≈ 104°
heat exhaustion

100.5-102.5°
normal

Signs of Heat Stroke:

- Heavy panting, difficulty breathing, excessive thirst
- Bright red tongue and mucus membranes, which turn grey as shock sets in
- Thick saliva, drooling, vomiting, and/or diarrhea
- Unsteadiness and staggering
- Lethargy

By the time the signs of heat stroke are visible, it's often too late.

some dogs are more at risk

Short-Nosed
 Long-Haired
 Young

The Dangers of Heat Stroke

 104° body temp. →
 >15mins of suffering →

- Collapse
- Seizures
- Coma
- Organ Failure
- Death