



Guide
Dogs

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a Puppy



Hope

Hope is progressing
well at training school!

Pupdate 5

Hope is on her way to becoming a guide dog



Hope has done brilliantly in her training, especially given that she's had to adapt to a range of milestones due to COVID-19. I've been introducing Hope to new experiences within her training and overall, she has been able to handle everything she has been faced with.

Hope is a sociable dog

Socially Hope is excellent, she works really well and has continued to thrive. Hope loves playing with other dogs and adores spending time with her boarders when she's not training. Hope is an affectionate dog and loves to have cuddles at night.

Hope has been spending time with fellow dog-in-training Nicky. I have taken both dogs to visit a train station in order for them to experience the sights and sounds of the trains. Even though we were not allowed to board the train due to COVID-19 restrictions, both dogs took the visit in their stride, and were not fazed by the loud noises.

“ Hello it's Karen here, Hope's Trainer. I'm pleased to tell you that Hope is progressing really well at training school! ”

This is great experience for future guide dogs as it will help them gain confidence in visiting new areas with unexpected sights and sounds.

Life at Advanced Training

Hope's training days vary a lot, and I try to find somewhere interesting for us to visit and practise her skills. On a recent sunny day, I picked Hope up and put her in the paddling pool which she loved! We're currently continuing to practise important skills such as travelling in a car and exploring busier places.

Hope has a very gentle nature and is a sweet dog. Compared to other dogs I've trained she is a lot more affectionate. She's formed a strong bond with people. No dog is the same, and each has their own unique personality. Hope can seem a bit quieter than other dogs, except when she sees water or plays with other dogs – that's when she gets excited!

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Future plans

Hope will be continuing to practise the vital skills needed to become a fully-fledged guide dog. I will soon prepare Hope to be matched with her owner. I think Hope would be an ideal first dog for someone. She would suit being in an environment where someone doesn't have a high workload and enjoys spending time close to home. I can imagine her future owner will be very besotted with her!

Hope is a friendly, inquisitive dog. Look out for your next Pupdate to see how Hope gets on with being matched!



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We have been taking pictures of Hope since she was born so you can see just how much she's changed. Please visit guidedogs.org.uk/puppy-hope and if you'd like to hear more from Sponsor a Puppy, why not visit our social media pages.



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