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HRI Dogs: Arlo's Story



Arlo age 2, was purchased because he didn't shed and was labeled as hypoallergenic. One of the family's children has allergies. Alas, no matter what they tried they could not prevent the allergic reactions of the child to Arlo. With sadness, they decided to surrender him to HRI so he could have a new and happy home.

Arlo was a dream: house-trained and crate trained. He was definitely well socialized and great with strangers. He has never bitten, growled, or been aggressive towards anyone. He let the youngest children push him around in a stroller and dress him. The owner said: "He went to a Board and Train place

and learned how to sit, shake hands, etc. He is a very sweet dog. His only inappropriate behavior is marking his territory if left unattended too long. Arlo is a clown. He likes to be chased. He loves playing outside, and he LOVES to float in the pool on a float. He can swim too. He also likes to lay in your lap and be held.”

We had a perfect foster for Arlo, but not close to his home. We needed to get him from Texas to Missouri. Luckily Donna Rotoloni our Air Transport Coordinator works with Delta Dart a group of airline employees who can take rescue dogs on flights. When she contacted them they were able to take sweet Arlo direct from Texas to his foster home in Missouri. Arlo eventually found his forever family and is now living the good life in San Diego with his 3-year-old doggy sibling.

HRI News

Introducing Our Air Transport Coordinator

It is a pleasure to introduce Donna Rotoloni.



Donna came to HRI from teaching Middle School Family and Consumer Science and 25 years doing student assistance work (interventions to help troubled students).

In 1999 she got her first Havanese and heart dog Maggie Mae. Donna fell in love with the breed and joined HCA to learn more.

In 2011 she was recruited to join HRI and help with rescue and soon after was asked to be an adjunct member of the Dog Management Team and

take care of the microchips for our dogs.

In 2014 Donna was asked to be on the Board and also head up the Quilt Fundraiser for HRI. At the same time, the DMT (Dog Management Team) was remodeled and she became more of an integral part in the management of our dogs.

In 2015 Donna was asked to be President. Mary Richling was VP and they worked together, not only learning about HRI but also managing the organization. Once Mary took over, two years later, Donna remained by her side as vice president....and then again with the next two presidents, as their advisor.

One big accomplishment during Donna's time was the web project- taking the organization from our past web page and joining with Top Webs for professional support. This was very scary, but it was time to move forward with professional support.

Donna remains on the board of directors as an advisor and currently still heads up the quilt project. The DMT has evolved and has a great team of volunteers. She remains as advisor, microchip manager, Delta Dart Air Transportation Coordinator, and back up for vet payment. Donna tends to be the right-hand person for the inner workings of the DMT and sometimes HRI.

Donna has four Havanese: Vera, Rosa, Swiffer, and Luna. Her hobbies include knitting, sewing, needlepoint, cooking, caring for her family, and enjoying friends.



Donna's dogs from left to right - Swiffer, Rosa (HRI alum on top), Vera and Luna

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FYI:
General info: Allergies and dogs



Some dogs cause allergy sufferers less trouble than others. No dog or breed is totally hypoallergenic. There are some steps that can be taken which enable people with allergies to live with their dogs. I know of a breeder who did. Here is some information from experts.

Myth: My dog's hair/fur causes my allergy symptoms.

Fact: The primary dog allergen is produced in the salivary glands making saliva the main source. The allergens can be deposited on the dog's fur through licking, and once the fur dries, the particles can flake off and become airborne. Additionally, there are other minor allergens also shed by dogs that can trigger allergies. One of the newly discovered allergens is found in dog urine and is believed to contribute to an increasing number of allergic reactions to dogs.

MYTH: Hypoallergenic dogs produce no allergens so they do not cause allergies.

FACT: All dogs produce allergens. The level of different types of allergens may vary between individual dogs, but this is not due to a specific gender, breed, or breed mix. Some allergic individuals tolerate some dogs better than others due to variations in amounts and types of allergens produced. However, in spite of advertising claims and higher prices, no dogs are truly hypoallergenic.

MYTH: The length of my dog's hair/fur affects the amount of allergen produced.

FACT: The production of dog allergens is not related to hair type or length. Even hairless dogs produce allergens. Some dogs do shed less hair than others and that may impact how widely allergens are spread in the environment; however, even that does not guarantee a reduction in allergen exposure. Regardless of hair characteristics, allergens are still produced in the dog's saliva and urine.

Dog Specific Controls:

- Bathe dogs regularly (ideally at least once a week) to remove allergens

from their fur. For your dog's health use a shampoo formulated for dogs; all brands tested perform equally well at reducing allergens.

- Restrict dogs from rooms where reduced exposure is desired (e.g., bedrooms). Airborne dog allergen levels have been found to be much higher in rooms where dogs are physically present.
- Couches have been shown to harbor a large amount of allergens, so it is recommended to keep dogs and other pets off of furniture.
- Always wash your hands immediately after handling your pet.

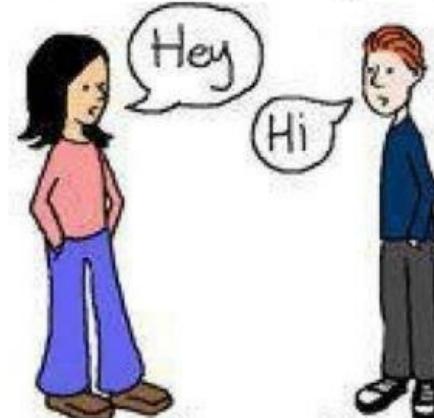
General Household Controls:

- Avoid "dry" cleaning (brooms and feather dusters) which can aerosolize pet allergens. Instead, use statically charged cleaning products (eg Swiffer) and/or clean with wet supplies such as damp cloths and mops which will trap and remove allergens. □ When laundering bedding, clothing, and other washable items (including dog beds) use high temperatures and detergents to remove more allergens.
- Vacuum regularly, at least once a week, with a good vacuum cleaner that is equipped with a HEPA filter to prevent the outflow of the contents (including pet allergens) that have been swept up.
- Allergic individuals should avoid cleaning and vacuuming themselves, or wear a disposable dust mask (available at the local pharmacy or hardware store) in order to prevent inhalation of pet allergens. After cleaning it will take a few hours for allergens released into the air to settle back onto the surfaces.
- In addition to using a HEPA filter in household heating and cooling systems, the use of an air purifier with a HEPA filter in the room where pets spend the most of their time will reduce the concentration of allergens in the air.

**More information on this topic can be found at this link;

[OSU Allergic To Your Dog? Prevention and Control](#)

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