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Our mission is to improve the quality of life for stray dogs through rescue, rehabilitation, and rehoming; and to increase public awareness and acceptance of stray dogs as companion animals who deserve to be treated with compassion and kindness.



MEET THE ADOPTERS: YUKI HOW PATIENCE & ENDURANCE HELPED HER FIND A HOME

Quiet and reserved, Yuki was easy to overlook. But with patience, love and plenty of time, she slowly learnt to trust and found her forever home with Rachel and her family.

Some dogs capture your attention the moment you meet them. Others take a little longer. Yuki belonged to the latter.

She wasn't the kind of dog who would run over to greet visitors or eagerly nudge your hand for attention. Instead, she quietly observed from her corner, taking in the world around her with gentle, watchful eyes. But for Rachel and her family, it was this quiet sweetness, and everything they slowly discovered beneath it, that made Yuki impossible to forget.

When we sat down with Rachel, she shared how, after almost a decade without a dog, Yuki helped her family rediscover the joy of opening their hearts once again.

A New Chapter, Almost a Decade Later

Rachel lives with her parents, Liz and Max, and her two younger sisters, Clara and Iris. The family had previously shared their home with a Singapore Special, who passed away when Rachel was around fourteen years old. Since then, nearly nine years had gone by without another dog.

When they finally felt ready to welcome one into their lives again, there was one thing they knew for certain: they wanted to adopt. "We knew we wanted to adopt instead of buying," Rachel shared. "So we searched online for different shelters, and MercyLight was one of the shelters that came up."

They weren't searching for a particular personality. In fact, Rachel laughed that they had originally planned on adopting a male dog, simply because their household already had "a lot of females."

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The Dog They Didn't Expect

Yuki wasn't actually Rachel's first choice. When the family first visited MercyLight, they were hoping to get to know Izzie, Leo and Nori. But circumstances meant things didn't quite fall into place. Izzie wasn't feeling well, Leo proved to be a little too energetic for Rachel's confidence level, and Nori was still settling into shelter life. That was when Kelly suggested they spend some time with Yuki.

At first, Rachel didn't think much of her. Quiet and reserved, Yuki stayed in her corner, watching rather than participating. But Rachel's younger sister saw something different. When she took Yuki out for a walk, she noticed how often Yuki would glance back, checking to make sure her human was still following behind. Although she appeared shy in the shelter, she was calm, confident, and surprisingly easy to walk outdoors. Slowly, the family began noticing other little things too.

Yuki wasn't the type to seek out attention immediately, but if they sat beside her long enough, she would quietly edge closer for a gentle pat. While the other dogs bustled around them, Yuki would simply sit nearby, silently observing. The more time they spent with her, the more they found themselves drawn to the gentle girl who never demanded to be noticed.

Learning to Trust

Over the following weeks, Rachel's family visited the shelter regularly, taking Yuki on walks and gradually getting to know her through staycations and home trials. The adoption process was more thorough than they had expected, but they appreciated why.

"It was extremely thorough to ensure that the welfare of the dogs is of utmost priority," Rachel said. Yuki, however, wasn't convinced so quickly. Whenever it was time to leave the shelter, catching her became a challenge. Rachel recalls it as "catching a kampung chicken." On one occasion, Yuki even hid underneath a table and refused to come out until Kelly came to help. Although gentle by nature, she was understandably anxious about stepping into an unfamiliar world.

Finding Home

When Yuki first arrived, everything felt overwhelming. She spent most of her time quietly hiding in one of the bedrooms, unsure of the



Yuki at the heart of her forever family

unfamiliar people and surroundings. Meals became the biggest concern. The once-greedy girl from the shelter suddenly refused to eat, picking only at the chicken while leaving her kibbles untouched. Some staycations even had to be cut short because the family worried she simply wasn't coping.

Rather than forcing interactions, Rachel's family gave Yuki exactly what she needed, time and space. With five people in the house, they knew it could feel intimidating for a dog who had spent most of her life surrounded by other dogs instead of humans.

They also discovered a little stroke of luck. Two MercyLight alumni, Tammie and Dodie, happened to live just a few blocks away. The families began walking the dogs together, allowing Yuki to reconnect with familiar canine friends while slowly learning that life outside the shelter could be just as safe. Little by little, things began to change.

She chose her favourite spot, Rachel's sister's bed, after first inspecting every bed in the house before making her decision. She started eating more consistently and no longer shrank away from hugs. Then came the moment Rachel knew Yuki had accepted her new home.

One day, Yuki barked at someone outside the house. It was a sign. For the first time, Yuki wasn't simply living in the house, she was protecting it. She had decided it was home.

The Forest Fairy

Today, it's hard to imagine that timid dog who once hid in corners. Yuki is now the sweet, gentle dog her family first glimpsed beneath her shyness.

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Rachel and her family visited Yuki regularly at the shelter, taking her on walks and slowly earning her trust. When adoption day finally came, they were ready to welcome her home. Today, walks together are part of their family life.

Yuki greets them with enthusiastic tail wags, happily comes over for cuddles, and even rests her head against them for affection. After attending obedience classes, she proudly learned "sit", "down", and "paw", proving everyone wrong when they jokingly thought she wasn't clever enough to learn tricks.

She has also developed plenty of adorable quirks. Rachel affectionately calls her the family's "forest fairy" because every evening walk somehow ends with Yuki disappearing into the wooded trails at the park.

She enjoys balancing carefully along the kerbs between the grass and the road, as though walking on an invisible tightrope. Sometimes, she'll suddenly stop whatever she's doing, stand directly in front of one of her family members, and wait patiently for back scratches. The family calls this her "parking position."

And for reasons nobody quite understands, Yuki reserves her loudest barks exclusively for Rachel's father whenever he comes home, as though she's giving him a good scolding for being out all day.

A Chance Worth Taking

Looking back, Rachel says Yuki has taught their family far more than they expected. Patience, resilience, and the importance of trusting the process. There were

moments during the home trials when they genuinely wondered whether Yuki might have been happier back at the shelter with her dog friends. Watching her struggle to eat and adjust wasn't easy. But they chose not to give up.

Today, they know it was the right decision. To anyone considering adoption, especially after years without a dog, Rachel offers simple advice. "Yes, it'll be a huge change to your daily life, and it's a lifetime commitment. But it's 100% worth it. Watching your dog slowly open up to you is something truly irreplaceable." She also hopes more people will look beyond first impressions.

Not every rescue dog will walk straight up to you at an adoption drive. Some, like Yuki, will stay quietly in the background, waiting for someone patient enough to discover who they really are. "They just need a little more time and space," Rachel said. "Please don't overlook them just because they're shy."

And if Yuki could speak today? Her family imagines she'd have a very simple request: "Please continue to shower me with love... and more, more, more pets! Oh, and an unlimited supply of treats too, please!"

Sometimes, the quietest dogs have the biggest hearts. All they need is someone willing to wait for them to show it. 🐾

MEET THE ADOPTERS: SCOUT

MERCYLIGHT HELPS SCOUT FIND THE FAMILY HE WAS WAITING FOR

For many dogs, finding a home can be a long and uncertain journey. Scout's story was especially unique - rescued by NParks while he was still a puppy, he spent months under their care while waiting for a chance at a new life. Despite being circulated for adoption for multiple rounds, there were still no takers.

Eventually, Scout's story reached MercyLight's network, where the team stepped in to help find him a suitable adopter. That was when his journey led him to KK and Yvonne - a family with decades of experience caring for Dobermans and a home ready to welcome him.

We sat down with KK and Yvonne to hear more about their adoption journey.

Can you share a little about yourselves and your experience with dogs?

KK: We are both semi-retired architects, working from home. I've lived in the private apartments of Tiong Bahru all my life, and together we have been here for the past 30 years. As animals are a big part of our lives, our ground floor unit with its rear courtyard makes it especially suitable for our pets.

Since we were young, we have had more than 20 dogs over the years, including five Dobermans in our current home. Our journey with Dobermans started in 1996 with our first Doberman, Miro. After that came Bronte, who became a mother, and Byron, the father. At one point, we had four Dobermans in the house - Bronte, Byron, and their two puppies, Storm and Trooper. One of the puppies was eventually rehomed.

We have also had a cat, Pepper, and currently have two terrapins, Roger, who has been with us since 1996, and Ninja, who joined us three years ago. Scout is our sixth Doberman.

We have always been animal lovers. We feel blessed to have them in our lives - more than they are lucky to have us.

Tell how you came across Scout's story!

KK: A friend, who had previously adopted a rottweiler named Rocco through MercyLight, heard about Scout and shared his story with us on 11 June.

We learnt that Scout was born roughly in May 2025, spent 90 days in a quarantine center and went to AVS in November 2025, where he stayed until June this year.



HOMEWARD BOUND - Scout with KK and Yvonne feeling very settled at home

Why did you decide to adopt him? What was the moment you knew he was the one?

Y: Our last Doberman, Trooper, passed away five years ago. As it was during the COVID period, it was rather difficult to get another dog. We also wanted to take a break for a while.

KK: Scout came along unexpectedly. When we first saw his photo, he looked a little dorky, but when we saw him in person, he had such a nice and elegant Doberman stance. There was something about him that caught our attention.

What was the adoption process like for you?

KK: We registered our interest with MercyLight and spoke with Kelly. Initially, we were told that if we were interested, we could go to NParks and bring Scout home immediately. However, because Scout is a scheduled dog, we preferred to meet him before making such an important decision, and Kelly kindly arranged for us to visit Scout at the AVS facility. When we first met him, he was extremely hyper. He was jumping around and jumping on us - he clearly had a lot of energy and had not received much training yet.

Y: My main concern was whether he would be aggressive. We also have two free-roaming terrapins at home, so I was worried he might try to chase or bite them. Thankfully, he wasn't aggressive at all - he was just playful but well behaved. After meeting him, we felt confident that we could train him and help him settle into our home.

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KK: After our visit, we took two days to prepare the house before bringing him home - we met him on Monday and brought him home on Wednesday. When he arrived, he was curious about the terrapins, but he didn't bother them. He has adjusted really well.

Were there any challenges? How did you prepare for them or overcome them?

Y: Scout has been an angel so far! He is honestly the best. He seems to know that he belongs here, and he always wants to please us. He eats well, seems comfortable in the home, and is very content. He is still new to the house, so we are keeping a close eye on him and spending a lot of time with him as he continues adjusting. Overall, he's been a very good boy.

KK: Out of all the Dobermans we have had, Scout is genuinely the most well-behaved. AVS did not have much information about his background, except that he did not have a previous owner or anyone he was attached to. In a way, he came to us with a clean slate and this is his first forever home.

We are fortunate that we are semi-retired and working from home, hence we can spend a lot of time with him - training him, bonding with him, and helping him settle in. He is always eager to please us, and sometimes it feels like he wants to show his appreciation and return the love we give him. Our next challenge is helping him complete his obedience training!

Can you describe Scout in three words?

Y: A sweet angel!

KK: All time darling!

What does a typical day in their life look like?

KK: I am an early bird, and Scout usually wakes up with me. At around 7.30am, he goes out for a toilet break and has his breakfast. Because Dobermans are deep-chested dogs, we make sure he rests for about two hours before any strenuous exercise to reduce the risk of intestinal issues. After that, we take him on a longer morning walk. In the afternoon, he loves lounging around and playing with his toys - although he destroys them very quickly! In the evening, he goes for another walk for about an hour, followed by dinner.

What is misunderstood most about Dobermans?

Y: Twenty to thirty years ago, Dobermans were often bred more for guarding and protection purposes, which meant some lines had stronger protective instincts.



HOME AT LAST - Looking at home on his first day.

However, responsible breeders today focus on selecting and developing traits that make them better suited as family companions. Modern Dobermans can be loving, loyal and well-tempered family dogs when properly bred, trained and socialised.

A few days after Scout came home, we brought him to the dog park. We were quite apprehensive, so we initially kept him leashed and muzzled. But he surprised us - he was extremely well behaved and got along well with all the dogs there. He has a very good and stable temperament, and truly, a Doberman is no different from any other dogs. Ultimately, there are more bad owners than bad dogs. A lot depends on how you train, guide and nurture them.

Do you have any advice for others who are considering adoption? Any other tips you would like to share?

KK: Many families look specifically for young dogs or puppies because they want more years with them. We hope this mindset can change. Shelters sometimes have older dogs, retired working dogs, or adult rescue dogs that also need loving homes.

Y: For training, I believe in reward and repetition. Make training fun so that dogs do not get bored and enjoy learning. Having a dog brings an incomparable amount of joy. It is important to understand that adopting a dog is a lifelong commitment, not a decision to be taken lightly or made fleetingly. They cannot simply be a small part of our lives, because we are their entire lives. 🐾

What are Scheduled Dogs?

AVS classifies Dobermans as Scheduled Dogs. They require additional safeguards, including leashing, muzzling, training, insurance and a banker's guarantee. These rules do not define an individual dog's temperament.

MEET THE ADOPTERS: STARZ AND ANGEL

TWO OLDER DOGS, ONE LOVING FOREVER HOME

Tell us about yourselves and your dogs.

Pierre: I work in a bank and moved to Singapore in 2017. Dogs have always been a big part of my life. Back in the Philippines, my father and aunt were veterinarians, and my family adopted street dogs, so I grew up caring for rescues.

Maricel: I moved to Singapore with Pierre and work as a clinic assistant. We adopted our first SS, Cotton, from another shelter. She had cancer when we adopted her, but she recovered and lived with us until her health declined and she passed away in February this year at the age of 11.

Why did you choose MercyLight?

Pierre: After Cotton passed away, we knew we still wanted dogs in our lives. We considered getting a pedigree puppy and researched different breeds, while also looking at shelter websites. We were undecided, but when we visited MercyLight, our hearts were moved again. We felt that these dogs deserved a chance.

Maricel: We initially considered Ace and visited him three times, but we could not build the connection we hoped for. During a pack walk, Kelly handed Angel to us. She was very well behaved, but we were still hesitant because of her age.

We also considered Nova, but she was more active. Kelly reminded us that choosing a dog is not only about who you like most. It is also about finding the right match for your lifestyle. The more time we spent with Angel, the more comfortable we became. We kept talking about her after every visit, and that was when we realised she was the one for us.

How did Starz join the family?

Maricel: Kelly suggested bringing Starz along during Angel's first home trial to help her settle in. For the second trial, we took Angel alone. When we picked her up, Starz cried and whined as if asking why we were leaving him behind. Angel was also noticeably more timid without him.

For the last trial, we brought both dogs home for two weeks. By then, we had grown attached to Starz too. He is such a sweet boy, and we felt bad about leaving him behind.

Pierre: Even during the third trial, we did not tell Kelly we were considering adopting Starz. We were still thinking about our finances and whether our helper could manage two dogs. In the end, she had also fallen in love with both of them.



HOME TOGETHER: Pierre and Maricel with Angel and Starz at their forever home.

How was the adoption process like?

Pierre: Kelly told us the process would take around three to four months, and involve pack walks and shelter visits to bond with the dogs. We also went through three home trials in total.

We live in Pasir Ris and do not drive, so travelling to the shelter was challenging. At first, we wondered if the process would be too troublesome. However, we decided to make the necessary sacrifices. Looking back, the process was very beneficial, as it helped us identify challenges and decide whether the dogs suited our home and lifestyle. The last thing we wanted was to rush into an adoption and later return them.

What surprised you the most about Starz and Angel?

Maricel: We initially wanted to adopt Starz as we felt bad for him. He was very timid at first and needed to be hand-fed. He would settle in a corner before we could slowly approach and pet him. We worried about whether he would adjust and thrive. Now, he has opened up and become extremely attached to us. He whines even when we go to the toilet and waits outside until we are done. Although he is still timid at times, he is becoming more confident. He even shows us his bum when he wants scratches.

Angel is quite bossy! She sometimes decides she wants Starz's bed, so she lures him away to play and then steals it. She also sees Starz being hand-fed and sometimes wants the same treatment.

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STRONGER TOGETHER



Many rescue dogs feel safer with another dog by their side. A confident companion can help them adjust, explore and build trust.

For Angel and Starz, being together gave them comfort and confidence as they settled into their new home.

Pierre: Angel loves our bed. She sleeps in the middle, takes up all the space and sometimes blocks our view of the TV. If we accidentally bump into her, she gets annoyed! Despite her name, she is not always an angel. She farts a lot and at times points her bottom towards us before doing it - sometimes even waking us up in the middle of the night. Definitely not very angelic of her!

Did you overcome any notable challenges?

Pierre: One of the challenges with Angel is that she is afraid of going on longer walks. Sometimes, she will suddenly stop and insist on turning back. She is quite particular and likes to go where she wants to go. We are still working on helping her become more comfortable exploring the neighbourhood and gradually encouraging her to go on longer walks.

Surprisingly, Starz has not been as challenging as we expected. The main challenge with him is thunderstorms. During one thunderstorm, he hid inside a side table and ended up getting stuck inside.

Maricel: After that incident, we bought mini tents for them so they would have a safe space to retreat to. Now, whenever Starz begins pacing, we prepare the tent and he knows to go inside by himself.

Any advice for others who are considering adoption?

Pierre: If you are planning to adopt two dogs, it is important to really think it through and take your time. It is not something to rush into based only on emotions. You need to plan for the future, consider different scenarios, and make sure you are financially and practically prepared.

We also want to encourage people to consider adopting older dogs. We initially wanted a puppy because we hoped to have more years together, especially after losing Cotton.

However, older dogs are not necessarily more difficult - they are often calmer and may be a better fit depending on your lifestyle. At the end of the day, it is about finding the right match. Angel and Starz fit our lifestyle perfectly.

We also love that we adopted them together. I think they would have struggled more if they had been separated. Starz gives Angel more confidence during walks, and they balance each other out really well.

Maricel: One of our biggest worries about adopting older dogs was that we might not get as many years with them. But beyond their age, we felt they still deserved the chance to experience a happy life.

We also hope more people will look beyond the colour of a dog's fur. We feel sad that black dogs sometimes receive less attention because of the negative associations people have with them. They are just like any other dog, and their fur colour does not define their personality or how much love they can give.

Pierre: We have had people comment that Angel and Starz look fierce or intimidating, or even shun us during our walks, just because they are black dogs. But there are also people who told us that they look beautiful. We hope that the perception of black dogs will continue to change over time.

We would also like to thank everyone at MercyLight for giving us such a great adoption experience. The process may seem tedious at first, but it is truly worth it. It makes the adoption journey more meaningful because you are given the time to build a relationship with the dogs and understand each other. 🐾

"Black Dog Syndrome" refers to the phenomenon where dark-coated dogs have lower adoption rates and take longer to rehome than lighter-colored dogs. This is often due to misconceptions, superstitions, or unconscious bias surrounding their appearance.

The truth is, they are just as loyal, affectionate, and deserving of a forever home as any other dog. Sometimes, all they need is someone willing to look beyond the colour of their fur.



MEET THE FOSTERERS: BROWNIE

AFTER YEARS OF BEING CONFINED AND OVERLOOKED, SENIOR DOG BROWNIE FINALLY GOT HIS CHANCE. WITH HELP FROM HIS FOSTER FAMILY, SPONSORS, VOLUNTEERS AND CAREGIVERS, HE DISCOVERED SAFETY, LOVE AND THE JOY OF BEING HOME.

Brownie, nine years old, had spent most of his life confined to a locked toilet, with little opportunity to experience life as a family dog. He wasn't toilet-trained, had several medical issues, and struggled to interact with people and other dogs. Finding a forever home for an neglected senior dog is already a challenge, finding one for Brownie seemed even more unlikely.

His journey, however, didn't depend on a single person stepping forward. Instead, it became a story of many people contributing in different ways, each making it possible for Brownie to move one step closer to the life he has today.

After Brownie was hospitalised, he spent time recovering at Fur Folks Home while Mercylight searched for a suitable foster family. During this period, several people reached out after seeing his story. One of them was Prisca, although she already had two dogs with unique needs and knew that she couldn't realistically take Brownie in, she still wanted to help. She offered to sponsor his care if a foster home couldn't be found, ensuring he could continue receiving the specialised support he needed while waiting for the right opportunity.

Not long after, Michele came across Brownie's story on social media. "I felt a lot of sadness in him," she recalls. "It was like he had never experienced happiness before. I just wanted him to know what it feels like to be happy, even if it was only for a short while. I wanted him to remember that he was loved."

Despite Brownie's medical needs and the responsibilities that came with caring for him, Michele, actually a first time dog owner, and her husband decided to give fostering a try.

Brownie settled in more quickly than they expected. "The first time we brought him home, he started singing together with Haru (our cockatiel)," Michele says. "He looked very much at home, walking around and lazing about the house. Every time he knew his meal was being prepared, he'd hop around like a rabbit. He got so excited over the little things."

Those everyday moments gradually revealed a different side of Brownie. "When he started following me around, we realised he wasn't as disconnected as we first thought," Michele says. "He wouldn't run up to us excitedly like some dogs do. Instead, he'd quietly walk over and stand beside us, waiting for a rub under his chin. He's a very sweet boy."

Over time, Brownie became more engaged with the people around him.



SINGING AT HOME - On his first day with Michele, Brownie joined her cockatiel, Haru, in song and quickly made himself comfortable.

"I think he's definitely happier and more connected now," Michele says. "Sometimes he'll greet us when we come home with excitement and affection. It's impossible not to love him."

Brownie's story continues to be a shared effort. Michele provides him with a stable home and daily care, while Prisca continues to support him whenever she can. When Michele is away, Fur Folks Home steps in to care for Brownie, providing an environment familiar with his medical needs. Volunteers also remain involved behind the scenes, helping to coordinate his care and ensuring he continues to receive the support he needs.

Brownie is one of the fortunate exceptions. With time, medical care, and the combined support of his foster family, volunteers, sponsors and caregivers, he gradually regained both his health and his confidence.

For Michele, Brownie's story is also a reminder of what rescue dogs are capable of when they're given the opportunity to feel safe.

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"I hope more people can open their hearts to rescue dogs." They may have gone through trauma, but they are warriors at heart and never lose hope. Dogs, like people, need love too. Many of them wait quietly, not knowing if their chance will ever come.

"With a loving home, they don't just survive. They learn to trust again and become companions who bring so much joy. Sometimes, all they need is someone willing to give them that one chance." 🐾

Note: Fur Folks Home is a facility that provides interim care for dogs with complex medical or palliative needs. Many of the dogs admitted there are elderly or seriously ill, and not all will recover enough to leave. Its purpose is to provide a safe place for dogs requiring intensive care while their future is being worked out. Not as a long-term solution for unwanted pets.

[RIGHT] - Brownie was haggard and depressed looking when he first came to us (top) but now his face shines (bottom)!



OPERATION: COLBY

AFTER QUIETLY LIVING WITH AN OLD HIP INJURY, COLBY FINALLY RECEIVED THE SURGERY HE NEEDED WITH HOPES OF A STRONGER, PAIN-FREE FUTURE.

Since Colby came into MercyLight's care, we noticed that he had been limping on and off, and even shivering during rainy days. We had initially thought that this was due to arthritis, a common problem for many dogs.

Earlier this year, Angeline from RISE Animal Rehab started visiting the shelter once a month to check in on our dogs. On one of her visits, she noticed that Colby's legs were abnormal, and asked for us to bring him in for an X-ray. The X-ray revealed that Colby's hip was out of position.

The vet assessed that this was likely due to a high-energy impact from a past traffic accident when

Colby was still living on the streets. The trauma had shattered bone close to the hip and hip joint itself.

Over time, his body had attempted to heal on its own, by creating new bone and soft tissue around the old fractures. This new bone and soft tissue was causing abrasion and hence pain to Colby whenever he moved; it needed to be removed.

Like many Singapore Specials who are living on the streets, Colby is very resilient and had been hiding his pain from us well.



BEFORE & AFTER - the left x-ray confirms Colby's abnormal condition and the right x-ray shows Colby's condition post-surgery with less pain.

The surgery was a success, and Colby is now going through rehabilitation and physiotherapy to rebuild muscle strength and regain his range of motion. With the surgery and rehabilitation, we hope that Colby will finally live a pain-free life. 🐾



FURRIES FUNDRAISER FOR MERCYLIGHT

A COLOURFUL COMMUNITY COMES TOGETHER FOR OUR DOGS



PAWS FOR A CAUSE - The colourful LIFC community comes together to support MercyLight and our dogs.

Colourful wolves, dragons, bears and other imaginative creatures gathered at One Farrer Hotel on 13 and 14 June for Little Island Furcon (LIFC) 2026, raising funds for MercyLight through a charity raffle.

LIFC is Singapore's annual convention for furries and fans of anthropomorphic characters, or animals with human characteristics. Members often create a "fursona" to represent themselves. Some bring these characters to life through custom-made fursuits, while others participate through art, stories and their shared appreciation for the community.

A fursona can be almost anything, from a bear or wolf to a completely imagined hybrid such as a dragon-wolf. The community is equally diverse, bringing together teenagers, working adults and participants in their 50s. Overseas visitors from countries including Malaysia, Thailand, the Philippines, Australia and the United States also travel to furry conventions around the world.

This year's "Mission Impawssible" convention featured activities, panels, social mixers, merchandise and a DJ dance. Behind the fun was a team of volunteers who organised the event alongside their regular jobs and studies. For them, LIFC is a passion project powered by creativity and community spirit.

Supporting a charity is a regular part of LIFC. After selecting a cat-focused organisation in 2025, the organisers wanted to help dogs this year. They visited MercyLight's shelter and chose us as the beneficiary of the 2026 charity raffle.

Attendees donated directly to MercyLight and received raffle tickets for a chance to win prizes. One hundred per cent of the proceeds went towards our work rescuing, rehabilitating and rehoming dogs in need.

We are grateful to the LIFC organisers, volunteers and community for putting their paws together for MercyLight and helping our Blessings receive the care they deserve. 🐾

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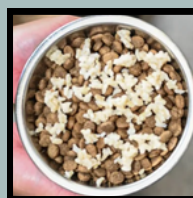
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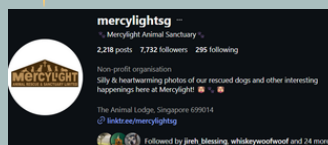


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MercyLight is dedicated to rescuing, rehabilitating and rehoming stray dogs so that they may get a second chance in life. Rescue efforts require a great amount of time, effort and manpower, but we believe that every single dog rescued makes it worthwhile.



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