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LANCASHIRE EVENING TELEGRAPH

MONDAY 8TH AUGUST 2005

Psychic Aids Hunt for Lost Pet – Medium “Talks to Dog” for Owners.

Two frantic dog owners have recruited a psychic to help them find their missing pet. Elaine Downs, 47, from Haslingden, has been using telepathic powers to receive messages from Molly- a tricolour Border Collie.

Owners Geoff and Joanna Tomlinson believe their beloved pooch may have been stolen, and the psychic who usually works with dogs with behavioural problems thinks she can find the missing pet.

Elaine of Fern Terrace, Haslingden said “I communicate with animals via images. When thinking you sub-consciously create images in your mind, and that’s how I’m communicating with Molly. She’s telling me she’s in a red brick house, which I believe is in Saddleworth Moor around the Greenfield area”.

The description she is giving is that she is being kept in an outhouse and is not seeing much because it’s dark. What she can remember when she was picked up was that it was a man in a white van wearing overalls. He gave her a treat and she was taken to a farm in quite a bad state of repair. There is pale coloured paint hanging off some of the walls, and she can smell petrol from machinery, and hear dogs barking.”

“I am going to try and communicate with Molly again to try and get more information, as she is unhappy and wants to be found so that she can be returned to her owners.”

The couples, who have searched high and low for Molly, fear it is more than a coincidence that four dogs have vanished from near their home in Mountain Ash Close, Rochdale, in June.

They said they have been overwhelmed by the information Elaine has been able to gather.

Geoff, 44, who works as an engineer in Todmorden, said “Elaine heard about our plight and approached us asking if we wanted her help. She has given us some really descriptive information of how and why she was stolen, even the clothes the man was wearing to the colour of his van.”

“She told us that our dog is still alive and is being kept in a farm for breeding in area of Saddleworth. I was quite skeptical at first, but from the information we have had, it couldn’t have been guessed or made up.”

The couple remain hopeful and were planning to scour Saddleworth at the weekend.

There is a £500.00 cash reward for information leading to Molly’s return.

Molly was described as 18 months old, and quite long legged. She has a missing claw on her right front leg, and very distinctive golden eyebrows.

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ROSSENDALE FREE PRESS

FRIDAY 26TH AUGUST 2005

Elaine is a Real-Life Dr Doolittle.

A real life Dr. Doolittle says her ability to talk to animals telepathically enables her to solve their bad behaviour.

Elaine Downs says this skill is something anybody can learn.

The 47 year old, of Fern Terrace, Haslingden, said: "It is not a special skill-you just need to be willing to put the effort in." She added "Animals are extremely intuitive, they see things and pick up on things that we can't. It's not an exact science, but the animal may send you images, and you have to try to understand what they mean. The key is to trust what you pick up on, because, at first you can doubt it. But, if you are sat in a quiet room with an animal and a thought pops into your head, you can almost guarantee that it will be from the animal. It is like learning a foreign language, you have to practice."

Elaine prefers the term "guardian" to "owner", in relation to pets, as she believes no one can own another living thing. She worked with a horse on a Valley farm whose guardian wanted to know what had happened in the past to make it nervous. Elaine says she spoke to the horse telepathically and it told her it had been beaten with sticks by a previous owner.

She also used photographs of Deerhounds, sent to her by their guardian in Gloucestershire, to put an end to some bad behaviour. She said: "One of the bitches was bullying the other dogs at night, and the guardian did not know this was happening. There was one male dog who was very afraid of her and was wetting its bed, so I spoke to the dog and asked what it was about."

Elaine suggested that a cover be put over the glass door separating the dogs, and said that this solved the problem.

She also helped three Shetland ponies in Yorkshire move home, by asking them what would make them feel secure as they were transported.

Elaine says that she can also help to trace lost animals, by using descriptions and photographs to communicate with them telepathically, and asking them to describe their surroundings.

She said: “Animals feel the full range of emotions that we do, including jealousy, grief and anger. Sometimes they are simply exhibiting their guardians’ behaviour. For instance, I have often found that if an animal is acting frenetically, the guardian will admit that they do too.”

Her journey to becoming what she dubs a “Telepathic Animal Communicator”, began about three and a half years ago, when her Shih-Tzu Benson developed behavioural problems. Elaine, who also has another Shih-Tzu and a Rottweiler, saw a programme about the topic, and believed it could be the answer to Benson’s problems.

She read books about the subject and attended a workshop, finding that she picked up the skill quickly.

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LANCASHIRE EVENING TELEGRAPH

WEDNESDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER 2005

Elaine Can Talk With The Animals – Using Telepathic Powers On Pets.

Elaine Downs is an Animal Communicator capable of “talking” to dogs to solve behavioural problems and even help locate lost pets. Ann Chadwick met her to find out how.

“When he leaps up just turn your back on him and ignore him”, Elaine Downs warned as I entered her home. Beyond the door was a Rottweiler the size of a small pony eager to greet me. I told Elaine I don’t like Rottweilers, but she assured me: “They’ve just been given a bad rap by the media.” Reluctantly I edged in and the dog leaped up, its paws reaching my shoulders. I turned and swallowed a squeal. I have some half-baked idea dogs attack screamers as they sound like squealing prey.

Elaine showed me into the living room of her Fern Terrace home in Haslingden, which consists of two sofas and a huge cage for Henry, the seven month old Rottweiler.

My host asked me to sit on the second couch, the other was Henry’s, so I sat and was soon joined by Rupert, a white Shih-Tzu who made himself comfortable. Another Shih-Tzu, Benson, ignored the hoo-ha and chewed on a toy on the floor.

Henry didn’t take his eyes off me. Elaine again reassured he likes people, especially women and as he’s still a puppy he’s very playful. I tried to avoid all eye contact as he sat next to her like an SAS Paratrooper.

Elaine, 47, has a remarkable story. She is an Animal Communicator and last month was called in by frantic dog owners, Geoff and Joanna Tomlinson from Rochdale, to help search for their missing dog, Molly.

“As an Animal Communicator I use intuitive and telepathic abilities to tap into an animal’s thoughts and feelings,” she explained. She said Molly told her she was being kept in a red brick house, and was picked up by a man in a white van. But, how did she “speak” to Molly? “It’s quite simple. Telepathy is something we all do, it’s not hard,” she said “Say you’ve not heard from a friend in a long time and you’re thinking about them, then the phone rings and it’s them, that’s telepathy. Our intuitive abilities are very strong but most people don’t work with them and explain things away by coincidence.

Coincidences don’t exist.” Henry’s nose was now in my face. “To communicate with animals is very simple,” Elaine went on. “We need to be in a place where we can be quiet, almost a meditative state. You stop thinking and train your mind to let the thoughts come in. Animals live like that, they don’t live in the future or the past, they are fully present in the moment. We have to be in the same state of mind.”

So they did they find Molly? “She still hasn’t been found, no, the owners have got to do the rest, they are still out there looking.”

Elaine got into animal communication when Benson was having behavioural problems and she saw an American Telepathic Communicator, Sonya Fitzpatrick, on T.V. In June 2003, she signed up to a three day course on the Isle of Man with American tutor Amelia Kinkade.

Elaine has a host of success stories, such as a Deerhound who told her that he was being bullied by another dog through a glass panel, to which she told the owner “Just cover the door up” and it stopped.

But if she can fix behaviour, why doesn’t Henry sit still? “He’s a puppy, a big puppy!!, but he’ll calm down. He’s going to training, too, as communication is no replacement.”

Elaine believes dogs are here to teach unconditional love, and added: “Humans are not very good at that.”

You know, once safely outside, Henry did look kind of sweet.