



# Dogs' Homes of Tasmania

Operated by the Tasmanian Canine Defence League.  
Locations at Hobart, Devonport, & Burnie.

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## OLDER DOGS FOR SENIORS PROGRAM

### WHO OFFERS THIS PROGRAM?

The Hobart, Burnie and Devonport Dogs' Homes offer the Older Dogs for Seniors program.

### WHO IS THE PROGRAM FOR?

- Older people who are looking for more 'mature' canine companionship. (Younger people may also adopt older dogs if they so choose, however this program is designed specifically to match senior dogs with senior people.)
- Older dogs ( 5 years of age and upwards; all have been temperament tested, vaccinated, desexed and microchipped)

### WHY HAVE THIS PROGRAM?

- To avoid euthanasing dogs because just because they are older
- To improve the outlook for older dogs, a group who are often overlooked in the adoption stakes
- To provide older people with an opportunity to enjoy the many and varied benefits of pet ownership, including well-documented health benefits.
- Many older people do not wish to take on the rigours of a younger dog or puppy
- Older dogs are generally more settled, mellow and more likely to be instant companions
- Older dogs provide calm and loyal companionship - they often appear grateful for the second chance they have been given

### HOW DOES THE PROGRAM WORK?

- Seniors interested in the program are asked to register at one of the three Dogs' Homes (by phone or in person)
- Seniors give details on the type of dog they would like to adopt (size, breed etc.)
- Dogs' Home staff aim to find that 'perfect match' between older dog and older person
- The aim is to build up a register of seniors who wish to adopt so that older dogs can be matched quickly with a new owner

#### **Burnie Dogs' Home**

**170 Stowport Rd.,  
Burnie TAS 7320**

**Ph: (03) 6431 6199**

#### **Devonport Dogs' Home**

**Spreyton Park Racecourse  
Devonport TAS 7310**

**Ph: (03) 6427 2178**

#### **Hobart Dogs' Home**

**101 Scotts Rd.,  
Risdon Vale TAS 7016**

**Ph: (03) 6243 5177**

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