

Highland Glenn English Shepherds

2012 PROUD PUPPY OWNERS

Highland Glenn's du Prairie Liam x Glimmercroft Greer

This litter was nicknamed "The Fabulous Fifth-Wheel Five" because the little darlins' were born and raised in the fifth-wheel travel trailer we lived in at the time, thus the "F" litter names (in parenthesis) which are Irish. What an experience! They all had such sweet, happy personalities with a serious side, and displayed good interest in the livestock. In structure and temperament they inherited the best of both parents.

The pictures accompanying descriptions are of each puppy at 8 weeks of age and then around 1 year old.



FAHEY (Fahey)



“We kept Fahey ourselves and we’re **so** glad we did! He is a watchful guardian, social with visitors, a willing helper who likes to partner with us, an affectionate, happy, talkative, playful companion. Fahey always has a nice attitude. He is quite the rule-enforcer!

“He was so eager to help with the cattle that we started him at 6 months old. Of course he learned a lot during those months watching Greer! At less than 1 year of age he showed heaps of natural talent and instinct with the livestock. It was fascinating to watch him learn about pressure! Although he has plenty of power with stubborn cattle going to both head and heel, Fahey is gentle and quiet with the baby rabbits; he helps keep the chickens close to home and works calmly with the sheep yet sticks with it when an uncooperative individual rams him! He drives well, his outrun is getting farther all the time, and he has a nice gather. He is biddable and readily directed while working yet is an able thinker... most of the time making a good choice, but sometimes pressing the ‘override’ button.

“Fahey is incredibly fast, covering ground hard to believe at times! He is athletic and agile, with amazing muscle mass. He warns off coyotes and deters black bears. Fahey truly is an all-around farmdog.” - *Tom & Krystal Beers, Washington*

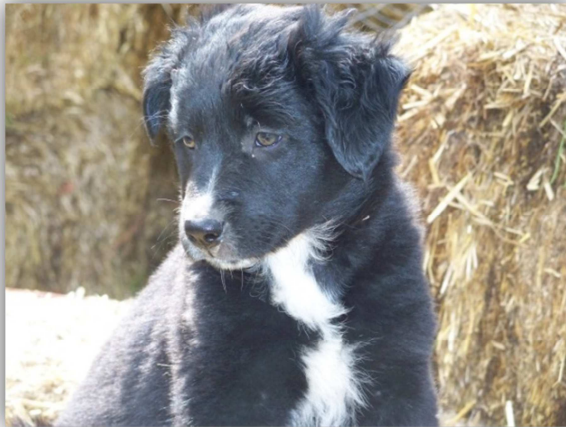


ADEN FALINE (Faline)

“She's fantastic, as I'm sure all the puppies are. ;) Aden is turning into quite the herding dog- we've just started putting a little more direction into her work (usually twice a week lessons) and she's learning her directions, waits, and out of motion stops/downs. I am constantly surprised by her power.

“We've started her VERY slowly in her herding work, building up a ton of confidence. She's a tough little dog! Aden is just as happy going to the head to push sheep off a fence, or the rear to lift them. She is NOT afraid to use her teeth to get a point across when necessary, but has never harmed stock, only grabbing wool.

(and hanging on like an accessory at times!) The owners of the farm where we herd are extremely experienced in all of the herding breeds and they're very, very pleased with the way Aden is maturing/growing in her work. She has nice square flanks, and is learning she can work at a distance.



“I take Aden to Schutzhund training with me some weeks. A couple weeks ago, I pulled her out during obedience. Everyone was working the older puppies on the A frame (higher/steeper than an agility A frame) and the wall jump. Some of the year-ish GSD pups were not happy about it. Aden was more than happy to tackle both obstacles with gusto, and did very well. She's a happy, outgoing little dog, and always up for a challenge. She surprised me by grabbing the IPO 1 dumbbell on her own, and she even retrieved it over the wall and jump. For those not familiar with the sport- an IPO 1 dumbbell is a 1-1/2 pound wooden dumbbell.

Quite large for our little girl! She's social and friendly with other dogs when given permission, but is learning to stay handler-focused until released.

“Aden is a little petite thing, I haven't weighed her lately. She's 20" to 20 1/2" inches at the withers. Raw feeding has made her extremely fit, with high muscle mass, and not a drop of fat on her. She's got a lovely coat- deep, deep black with a goofy wave along her top-line. When we were talking about what type of dog we wanted with Krystal and Tom, we said our ideal was a fairly high-drive dog (for the breed), but one that had an off switch in the house, and could be content laying and waiting for something to happen. We got what we asked for! Intense ball drive, speed and agility... along with a puppy who is OK with a few hours hanging out lazily in the house. Thankfully, she grew out of the minor car sickness she had as a young pup, and has been all over the state with us. Natural Rearing sure does work. In acquiring Aden, she pushed me over the edge, and I finally made the switch to make my home chemical free.

“Aden is a lovely little dog, and (IMO) a prime example of what the English Shepherd should be. A guardian to the live animals at home. Lovely with children of all ages. Calm, yet Powerful (as needed) herding dog. Social, biddable, and sensitive to human emotions. Aden is structurally sound, and environmentally solid! (Some of that will fall into the nature/nurture conflict) I hope you are all enjoying your Highland Glenn pup as much as we are!” - *Richard McClendon & Kelly Byrd, Washington* (Photo: Aden with her Dutch Shepherd buddy, Koenig)

APOLLO (Fallon)



“Apollo didn't have many duties at first because soon after his arrival, a bear attack decimated our chicken flock so we had no livestock here. His only duties were hunting mice and rats, something that he has become exceedingly good at. We just added two Nubian wethers here as brush eaters and at first he wasn't sure of them since he hadn't been exposed to goats before and hadn't been around any big livestock since coming home with us. Now he keeps an eye on them and lets us know whenever the goats manage to slip out of the pen.

“Apollo also has proven his worth as a guard dog. A few weeks ago, in the middle of the night he woke us up by making a commotion so we let him outside. He then chased something away from the back door, we didn't realize it at first but he had chased a 400+ lb. black bear off our property. He has guts of steel when it comes to protecting our livestock from predators. We trust him completely with the livestock.

“When he isn't working, he is always by my feet, like a true English shadow. As I type this, he is laying at my feet. Some of his favorite things to do are chasing the red laser dot that always seem to evade his capture, laying on the back deck that overlooks the property, and watching movies with us. He really does watch movies and seems to be attentive to the

screen. We are happy to have Apollo here as a part of our family.”- *Whitney Espeseth & Lindsay Dubler, Montana*



ALICE (Fionna)

“So the little monster survived year one. We’ll still continue to call her the "puppy" because compared to her two adopted sisters she is still the youngest. Everyone giggles when she comes to greet them, she wags her tail and her entire rear end goes from ear to ear!!!

“Well in our accomplishments this year, I can’t really report any great ribbons or medals if that’s what anyone was hoping haha, but we are completely happy with her . They definitely have much more strength than anyone would expect from a dog this size. She may look like a border collie but she is WAY denser, thicker, and tougher than a border collie.

“We have the basic commands down. I’m happy with how she has learned where "home" is in the neighborhood. She barks at noises and runs to investigate. She shows her discontent and authority when the neighborhood dogs roam to close. She barks at intruders but when we introduce them she quickly turns on the charm... heavily! She was totally compatible with our other two dogs right away. What I was surprised about in their relationship was that she immediately asserted herself as Boss; whereas, I thought the older dogs might be more bossy toward her. She is just too **** cute. But her older sisters will always put her back in her place when she steps over the line.....eventually.

“Her coat is the coat I would want on all dogs- Teflon. She is getting better at watching the chickens and not chasing the hell out of them. I’m pleased that in the last year, we have a dog that gets along with our other dogs and has learned some manners around the other animals. She’s protective in just the degree we wanted and well socialized with other friend dogs and human friends. Alice was also the first one to alert us to the fact our chimney caught fire earlier in the year, so we were able to put it out before we sustained any damage to the house.



“We introduced her to some agility equipment in the fall and she took to it, so soon that will all be set up again. She hasn’t actually swum yet but she is getting braver in the water. She is ok being left alone when she has to be and she settles down well at night. As soon as the alarm clock goes off get ready for Alice to pounce on us and wedge her way between us, all the way up to the pillows to turn on her back, feet in the air and expect a full rub down.

“So there it is a well-adjusted happy, healthy young dog.....puppy.”- *Matt Freeborn & Marni Nevin, British Columbia, Canada*

COOPER (Forbes)



“Cooper is a real clown. Our mini 10-acre farm keeps him busy as he tears across the lawn in an imaginary chase while in pursuit of his lost Frisbee or favorite weed clump. He barks at rabbits that he can smell from indoors and "herds" the koi in the pond. He teases and licks the cats on their heads and tails but is careful to keep his face from their unpredictable claws. His favorite pastime is grabbing the largest sticks or logs and running proudly ahead of us on our walks while lugging his latest and largest wooden treasures. To win our attention, he growl-moans whenever we are too busy with our chores or pay too much attention to the cats. Every morning we find him sound asleep, laying on his back, feet straight up in the air and snoring.

“Cooper is such a good dog, very obedient and always in tune with our every move, submissive and eager to please. He is our loving shadow/companion and we hope he continues to keep us in stitches for a very long time.” - *Dan & Kathy Zyskowski, WA*

