

Dear Sponsor

Hey everyone,

I have now begun intensive training and am well on my way to becoming a fully fledged assistance dog!

I have learnt all the commands I need to know now and I am still working very hard to brush up on my skills, acting like a gentleman on all my outings.

I have begun working next to a manual chair and my trainers said I show a great natural ability for this task taking everything calmly and slowly.

I also attended my first corporate walk where I was very well behaved and took the days events in my stride. There were so many people to meet and shake hands with but I loved the social aspect and the attention as it gave me a real chance to enlighten people about assistance dogs and how much of a change we can provide to someone in need.

My favourite command would have to be 'find' and I am very eager to practice this skill 'finding' a large variety of objects for my trainers and becoming more gentle when I give things back to them.

Everyone always says that I am the cheekiest at the kennels! Last week I stole my next door neighbour dog's blanket (even though I had my own I was practicing 'find'!) through the wire kennel divider and curled up on it and fell asleep (after chewing a hole in it!).

But despite my jesting I am very committed to my training and my dream of becoming a fully fledged assistance dog which should hopefully happen in the next few months!

My sister Samantha was 'head hunted' and is now protecting the borders of Australia. We wish her a *sniffing* good future.

Love 'n licks
Simba

Simba



This is the 'HOLD' command!



I love training, it's great fun!