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LIFE WITH PIGS NEWSLETTER



A Tornado Hits the Sanctuary

On July 29th, we suddenly noticed the light rain outside had turned into swirling winds without warning. We ran outside to check on the animals, and saw that the largest oak tree in our front yard had been toppled, smashing through our fences and landing directly on top of the chicken coop with four of our chickens.

Trying to avoid downed power lines, we immediately set to work with a chainsaw, working through piles of tree, hoping against hope that there could be survivors in the demolished coop. Miraculously, Indy popped out of the rubble - and clearing (continued on Page 2)

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away more tree revealed her boyfriend Elvis. Elvis is always calm, cool, and collected - it was unnerving seeing him cowering and afraid. Hoping for more good news, we kept working and found Talia huddled under another layer. But, we couldn't find Elton. Fearing the worst, we removed more of the broken coop and saw his brightly colored feathers. He was alive!

These four are now known as our "Survivors". Thanks to an outpouring of support and donations, we have rebuilt the Turkey Barn into the Bird Barn so that everyone will stay nice and save during any future storms.

There's a New Goose In Town!

Meet Stacy! Stacy is a domestic chinese goose who was found hanging around a local middle school.

Concerned staff gave us a call when a week had gone by and no one had come forward to claim her, and it was clear Stacy was a lonely goose in need of a home.

Though we didn't know much about geese, Stacy captured our hearts and we brought her home to join our family. Being the only goose, Stacy has been figuring out where she fits in. But she seems so well rounded that she splits her time between the chickens and the turkeys, as well as honking at the cows!

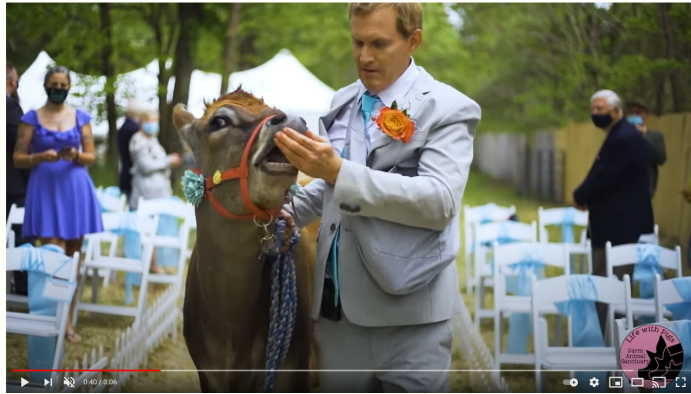
Keep up to date with Stacy by following her adventures on social media:



We Got Married!

Ryan and Mallory were married at the sanctuary on April 23, 2021. They couldn't imagine a wedding without their entire family (both human and non-human) and so they included as many in the ceremony as possible!

Jenna was Ryan's "Best Cow", while Maisie was Mallory's "Cow of Honor". .



Watch the Full Video Here!



Pumpkin, Charlotte, and Millie walked the aisle as the "Groomspigs" while Fiona, Odin, and Polly trotted (or in Polly's case, rested comfortably in the Mother of the Bride's Arms) down the aisle as the "Bridesdogs".



Quincy the turkey and Talia & Talulah also joined the procession and looked adorable!

A Chicken Love Story



Devorah and Wish were longtime companions in the "special needs area of the Chicken Kingdom. Wish, due to a leg that never healed quite right, and Devorah due to her arthritis.

But, when Devorah passed away due to heart complications, Wish was suddenly alone for the first time.



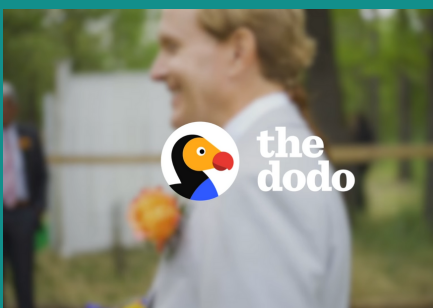
Luckily, someone had found a young Silkie rooster (the same type of chicken as Wish) wandering around their backyard with nowhere to call home. So, we made an "arranged marriage" of sorts and hoped that they would like each other! Our expectations were surpassed when Wish seemed to perk right up - even standing upright on her one good leg for the first time!



Though Jareth is a bit too amorous for Wish's taste some days, we know she is happy to have a partner again and he is obviously thrilled to have her!

IN THE NEWS AGAIN

We were featured on the Dodo for the 4th Time!



Jenna and Ryan were featured in the July 2021 Reader's Digest!



A Year In Retrospect

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