

Dog Tales sanctuary holds its first two-day festival

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The public is invited to get a glimpse into King's leading animal sanctuary this weekend.

Enjoy the first Dog Tales Festival, which will become an annual event. Its goal is to raise awareness for the shelter, and for the dire situation of abused animals in general.

Organizers are excited about the two-day festival which provides an opportunity for other rescue groups to participate and showcase the incredible work that they do every day.

Guests who visit the King farm this Saturday and Sunday can enjoy fun-filled activities for the whole family, from discovering other rescues, to sampling delicious food from local vendors, to meeting their wonderful animals. Activities include live music, a dog spa, vendors, face-painting, a draft horse parade and raffle prizes.

All proceeds raised by the festival will go directly to the animals, and will not be used for any other purpose.

The festival runs Aug. 8 and 9 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. both days. The facility is located at 1405 19th Sideroad just east of Dufferin.

Dog Tales is a one-of-a-kind dog and horse sanctuary that takes in abused and neglected dogs that would not have otherwise been given a second chance at a better life. They take care of their medical needs, and provide them with unconditional love (and walks).

Their goal is not simply to find dogs homes, but to find them the right homes, where they will be loved and cared for the rest of their lives. Their passion is animals, a passion that is shared by our incredible staff and volunteers.

The sanctuary also houses more than 36 horses that were purchased at auctions where they would have been sold for slaughter.

These horses are provided with the best care available, including vetting, food, and, of course, love, something most of them have never known.

For more, visit <http://www.dogtales.ca>.