# Interview 7 Transcript

Speaker 2

Hi, Laura, how you going?

Speaker 1

Hi, I'm good. Thanks. How are you?

Speaker 2

I'm great. I'm so sorry about your confusion and the hassle. I yeah, it's just been a big. Big few days but.

Speaker 1

No, that's OK. Are you a journalist?

Speaker 2

I am. Yeah. So it's. Like I'm actually, yeah, not. Working at the moment, but then this story just came up and. It was just, yeah, alot all of a sudden.

Speaker 1

No, that's fine. You're helping me out here, so I totally, absolutely understand. And I appreciate your time. So no, don't ever have to say sorry. Thank you so much.

Speaker 2

Now I'm happy to help because yeah, I think it's just such an interesting research project, and yeah, it just sounds like a super like. Yeah, I really like. Like I'd love to like. Read more about your research and like when you finish and finish everything.

Speaker 1

Absolutely yes, sure.

Speaker 2

Happy to help, yeah.

Speaker 1

Oh, thank you. Yeah. So I'm it's an honours project, so I'm studying occupational therapy. So it's an honours. So it's not, you know, it's not a PhD, but I'm hoping to write a journal article, so I will send that through to everyone who's been involved. And you can. Have a read look, I'm not going to. Be as good a writer as you, but.

Speaker 2

I'm sure it's gonna be amazing and your. Research is gonna be super interesting so. Thank you.

Speaker 2

Yeah, I yeah. Like it's a really great topic so.

Speaker 1

Thank you. Great. OK. So are you happy for me to record this? Just.

Speaker 2

Happy to help. Yes, sure, fine.

Speaker 1

That's just for my own. I'm just going to read back on it so that I can have a transcript for myself. So the other interviews have. I've got six questions and the other interviews have taken anywhere from like 15 minutes to an hour. So just depends on your your questions, but I've got something on at 10 so hopefully I'll make it as short as possible because I know you've got. Lots to do. So Are you ready to go now? Can I ask? You your first question?

Speaker 2

Yes, yes. Of course.

Speaker 1

OK. So can you tell me how about how you became involved in the animal therapy space?

Speaker 2

Yeah, sure. So my dog Tally, I received her in 2021 through the guide dog therapy dog programme. And I actually was placed with her because my own mental health issues. So I was, yeah, I had to. I had to kind of go. You know, in a waiting, waiting lists to to access her. And she was raised by Puppy raisers for two years. And their programme, Yeah, the programme works in that there are dogs that are trained with puppy raisers to go and become Guide Dogs. For the blind. But those who don't pass that programme, some of them either become therapy dogs or breeding dogs for the programme or pet dogs, and so. Tally my dog was. Like and reclassified as a therapy dog. And so I've had her now for two years and it's been so beneficial for me and so helpful for me in so many ways like having tally. And so I thought, I want to share that with. Other people and. So I joined the paws therapy paws programme, which involves taking dogs out to hospitals and schools so it can benefit other people. Because I thought, hey, this has been so transformative for me. So I want, like other people to be able to experience some the unconditional love that a dog, especially one like tally, brings. So.

Speaker 1

Yeah, that's so beautiful. So how old is tallie and what kind of dog is she?

Speaker 2

So she is 3 1/2, so she was born in October 2019. Yeah. And she's a Labrador retriever, a black Labrador retriever.

Speaker 1

Oh, how beautiful.

Speaker 2

She's very cute. And yeah, like I just. Like it's just it's I've. I've never had a. Dog before, I've never. Grown up. Yeah. So I was quite like. Daunted by the prospect and I think going through. The programme was really. Helpful because it's a whole community and the Facebook. Group and they give you a lot of guidance. And support of how? To like look after a dog and you know.

Speaker 1

Is this paws or the Guide Dogs?

Speaker 2

To the guide dog team. Yeah. So they're really. They have a lot. Of like rules and procedures about like how. To feed them how to train them. Obedience. So that was really helpful. Have structure and yeah, like she's like, there's just been moments where, like, I've had some major, like, anxiety attacks or moments where I've I've. Been very overwhelmed. She straight away knows like she the way senses. Something she gets very quiet and she gets very still and then she just comes and like. Comes and starts licking my hand and. And she'll just do that for the whole day and just sit very close to me, if I am upset or overwhelmed or dysregulated. And she’s so attuned to feelings like people's feelings and. I just I find that so. Amazing that and animals like that, you know, so.

Speaker 1

I agree it's amazing and that's, you know what I've found so much in this. So is she classed as a service dog or?

Speaker 2

So she's classed as an assistant dog, but in Australia only Guide Dogs for the blind and people with physical disabilities are like service dogs and I think that therapy are classed assistance dogs, but they don't get the privileges of like public access and stuff. So Yeah. So she doesn't get like public access to trains or anything like that, yeah. But I think that that it’s a case by case basis you can organise with places that are like she's. In a she's a therapy dog. So you know she's classed as a therapy dog with guide dogs. So you can kind of. On case by case basis, get certain kinds of access, but it's not like an official thing.

Speaker 1

Yeah. Yeah. So I was just wondering, as you said that she helps you with your anxiety, whether she was trained specifically to assist you with that?

Speaker 2

Yeah. So she's. She was classified as a therapy dog because they saw in training that she’s really well suited to. It, yeah. What they do is like they in the two years that they're raised by the puppy raiser. They just really look at, like their personality, their behaviour and. Who they might be best matched with, and then they look at the person who's applying in their profile, and they actually did a rule scouring of like who would be the best dog in the network for me, depending on my life, my preferences, my apartment. And they found that she was a perfect fit because. Not only for. The the mental health aspect but also. Because I live in an apartment, I live in the city. I I go to place, I work. I have to. Like and so they found a dog. That would fit like it's. Not super, super active and also. Their their temperament and their. Kind of level of activity suits my life. So yeah, they really like matchmake, you know?

Speaker 1

That's awesome. Yeah, though you're the second person I've spoken to that has had a dog from Guide Dog’s Association. So it's very interesting. It's good to learn more about it. They're very cute too.

Speaker 2

Was that the the therapy dog as well that they? Had or no.

Speaker 1

So no, they adopted it from. No, I think one of their friends had it and then they ended up not wanting it anymore. And she took it in and then she decided to go through paws pet therapy with it after. So, but she didn't start off. She didn't organise it through through them directly. So my next question is, can you tell me about your role at Paw's pet therapy?

Speaker 2

Yeah. So I volunteer with them. I've been volunteering. Since January this year.

Speaker 1

Ohh January this year cool, so only recent.

Speaker 2

Yes, I went through there and training programme with tally and so for about January to June for about 6 months. Fortnightly or monthly. I've been going to. Westmead Children's Hospital.

Speaker 1

Oh wow, that would be amazing.

Speaker 2

We visit there with kids in different wards like, the ortho ward, the burns unit, the ER unit. And helping patients, kids as well as nurses and staff with like just giving them company and giving them support. Cuddles really, really, like, really lovely actually like. To see other. People kind of light up and you know. Get like so much out of her, you know, like and see her operate with other. Other people and and help so much with them. At first I was worried, I was a bit stressed out I. Was like ohh I just. Want to feel like you? Know you really have to manage tally. And you have to make sure that the persons comfortable and. And you know it's a. Little bit like ohh they we have something to. Talk about, but it ends. Up being like. The the dog just takes. The she takes over and everyone. And the hour goes by really quickly and 99% of the time. It's been really like. Easy and comfortable a few times challenge but. I'm overwhelmed with. That and we've had to leave a bit early. But they're just animals. Like any. You know they have moods and things like that. Yeah, just having conversations with. The patients and parents and you just realise what people are going to on the yeah like. They, they. They. That you wouldn’t even realise. And I think it just eases the pressure off them being able to. Because the rule is that we don't talk about. People's injuries or? Anything to do with why they're in hospital?

Speaker 1

OK.

Speaker 2

So I think it's it's just about we don't have to talk about. The dogs or like their dogs? And yeah, no intrusive questions. And I think that just feels really relieving for them.

Speaker 1

Yeah, of course. Get their mind off it. You said that there was a couple of times that you've noticed that tally may have not been enjoying herself, or could you just give me some more information about, like the signs that you saw and and what happened in? That situation and what you did.

Speaker 2

Yeah. So I think it was like when, so sometimes it's when a lot of people comes towards her.

Speaker

OK.

Speaker 2

She’s good with one-on-one and so.

Speaker 1

So sorry, could. You say that again. She's better with one on one, but not so much with the big crowd.

Speaker 2

Yeah, she's not great, but she gets a bit overwhelmed. And so, you know, sometimes like, like if shes in the ward and a bunch of people come running towards her. She starts like getting getting overwhelmed. And so I just. Organise. We'll just do one on. One you know like. Get one person on the sofa with her and you spend 15 minutes and then each person just 15 minutes. Moves around. Each dog has a bit of like different. You know, temperaments. But she really loves like getting. Hugs and cuddles. And she's very, very affectionate dog and needs a lot of attention so. Like, OK, it's the perfect job for her like I. Want her to like, And so I thought this this would be good for her to do something like this. It just gets me like. It's just something like a volunteering that I thought would be. Like good for me to, you know, to to do like, you know, go and be of service and yeah, like kind of. OK, I think it's. Yeah. Volunteering. You just, it just helps. Your mental health so much just being able to serve other people so. It was a bit of hard work because you needed to wash the dog and prepare her each time. You wear protective gear like follow the hospital protocols and action rules and things are it's a big process, but it's definitely.

Speaker 1

How long do you go for each time would you say?

Speaker 2

So it's about an hour each time at the hospital. And you know, like awesome. They're very busy. The doctors and the nursing staff. So you have to really liaise with them to be like, I am coming here this time and then. And there can be confusion and then get them to direct you to where. Because some of the wards can be really complicated out the right places, so getting someone from …..\*\* unable to hear audio

Speaker 1

Sorry, are you with someone the whole time? Someone another staff member?

Speaker 2

So the staff member directs you to the ward and then they'll just give you directions on what rooms that you can see what rooms you have to see on that day. But my job. There's a there's an infection or. Something like that, yeah. So they just need a little prep on. Or even if they don't know what. To do, you have to ask that. And then sometimes she'll just be there for the doctors and nurses and do an hour session with them. And so they just come into a room. Yeah, have a cuddle with her and feel like. OK, I'm getting. Because they're quite. Overworked and overwhelmed too so. Yeah, really interesting too, just so I talked to doctors and nurses, and usually they'll be coming for a bit and then have to leave. Because they're busy, but they feel really like ohh. Like they're already so. Overwhelmed, but it's nice that something's for them, not just for the kids, you know, so.

Speaker 1

And that's a separate a whole separate time that you go. And are you doing this fortnightly, did you say?

Speaker 2

Yeah I was doing It fortnightly. But now I'm. I should I'm not doing doing Westmead anymore.

Speaker 1

Ah, that's a shame.

Speaker 2

Yeah. I haven't taken up a new post yet. But yeah, the the Westmead experience was a good.

Speaker 1

And did Sharon provide you with that setting or did you choose it? How did you find Westmead Children's Hospital?

Speaker 2

So they paws emails like jobs and then. You can pick one up or not. And so when it came up, I. Was like, yeah, that. Sounds something like I want to do. And it was initially weekly and. Then I was, I couldn't do weekly, so I did a few weekly and then I said, oh, can we do fortnightly? and then but that went from like January to June and there was some weeks in between which I wasn't available. But yes, for the last six months. Yeah, I've got to see like lots of. Different parts of the hospital and. Yes, it was it. Was really it was really. It was a good experience, yeah, definitely like.

Speaker 2

Yeah, just walking around. With your your little uniform, her uniform. And everyone's looking at like ohh like there’s a dog. It’s so cute.

Speaker 1

So you get enjoyment out of it as well?

Speaker 2

Yeah, definitely I feel like you know you're doing something important and. You get to meet a lot of people and have conversations and it's. Yeah, it's a nice feeling. It's. It's a lot of work as well. And sometimes you know that's we're. We're busy and they're not they're a bit late or, you know, communication is tricky or you know. It yeah, it can be. It can be. It is a lot of work as well. But definitely not for someone who's you know, like you definitely have to put a lot of focus and attention into it. Do a good job. So yeah, when they when when I couldn't I. Definitely had to take that time. Off but yeah, I. Definitely feel like it was worth worth the experience. And yeah, like I think I learned a lot about how to handle her and how to. Yeah, like, just communicate with people and.

Speaker 1

Yeah, cool. From just from doing that, that's awesome to hear.

Speaker 2

Let's go. Yeah, it's. Been a good experience.

Speaker 1

That's very good. So my next question for you is, which, you kind of touched on, but what would a normal day look like for you in this role only if there's anything you've missed because I think you kind of spoke about it a little bit already.

Speaker 2

Yeah. So. Usually with a therapy visit. You have to the night before you have to give the dog a wash, you have to brush their teeth, groom them. And then. Give them a brush. And then so the next morning that they're. They're clean, because they are going into the clinical setting.

Speaker 1

Does she like that?

Speaker 2

Yeah she loves that. And I think she knows that something’s up, that shes getting ready for something. Like that's my job to do. And then. On the day of the visit, you. Put the uniform. On which is like they said the the the Bandana, the special lead, which is like a different lead to usual. I wear my shirt. We drive to the location if there will be. And it's early enough. She does a poo or a wee. And then we do the session. For an hour and then we leave and then yeah, and. That stuff. And then just go home. That's usually like how how it works. Occasionally, I mean, we did a homeless shelter at Christmas last year, yeah.

Speaker 1

Oh wow.

Speaker 2

And that was multiple dogs were there and was the wayside Chapel Christmas cook out so.

Speaker 1

I'm going there on Sunday, actually.

Speaker 2

Ohh wow yeah I think you’ll get a lot out of that that would be like….\*unable to translate sound

Speaker 1

Lots of what?

Speaker 2

Sorry, lots of dogs, therapy dogs.

Speaker 1

Yeah. Yeah. So how did she go with the other dogs?

Speaker 2

So that was just, yeah, we meet up beforehand with the dogs. And just kind of figure out our plan and she got along with other dogs really well. And because that was a. Very busy and like BBQ thing, it was really about navigating the heat, making sure she has water, a lot of people. And so it was. Like, people would kind of pat her along the way and. You know, just kind of. Taking care of her in that busy outdoor setting so but so. Yes, each job is different I guess. But yeah, it's a different thing.

Speaker 1

Sorry, could you say that again? You're glad. That you're doing it.

Speaker 2

Because I feel like I'm able to pass that along.

Speaker 1

That's so beautiful. I love that. It's nice to hear everyone's stories are so different. Sorry, I can't quite hear you there

Speaker 2

You there? Yeah, that's better.

Speaker 1

Yeah, that's better. Thank you.

Speaker 2

Yeah, I'm sure you've heard so many interesting stories through the research process.

Speaker 1

It's been amazing. Yeah, there's it's so good and I wish I could meet your doggie, but I'm just running out of time. But I feel like I'm learning a lot about the dogs through their handlers. So alright, so my next question is so culture can be defined as the beliefs, values and social behaviours of a group of people. So I want to learn more about the culture of Paws. And how the animals fit into this? Can you give me an overview of the culture at Paws pet therapy?

Speaker 2

Paws and guide dogs or just paws.

Speaker 1

Just paws. Yeah, just paws, please. Yeah.

Speaker 2

For now. OK. Yeah. So I. I met Sharon through the website they have a website and I applied and then I went to their headquarters in. Which is like out West. Like you know, it's bit.

Speaker 1

I went. Yeah, I've been there. Orangeville or something.

Speaker 2

Yeah, yeah, quite far and. And I had to kind of do the induction and. They're very matter of. Fact and very like clear on like, well, these are the expectations and even though it's a volunteer job, it's really treated like a. Job, you know, like you're, like, kind of like. Well, this is how it is when we you. Know like it's it's very much like. Yeah, like it's it's very much like this is. You know, these are the. The requirements and the rules and. This is what we expect and. So yes, it was very matter. Of fact and very clear. In terms of the direction that procedures are and. Yeah, like it, was it felt like like it was a Job, you know, and that they. Were really wanting people. To treat it like a job. And not be flaky and. And and that, you know, it's volunteer and you don't. Get paid, but it's very much like, you know. A centralised system, and then once you pass the test. There's all these emails that go out and then you pick one up and yeah, then you just kind of go do the job and then check in on the app which is called the deputy in at the start of your shift and then check out at the end of your shift. Quite quite a systematised process. And they want you to make sure you do all of that. So that you've got it. And you've gone a. Lot and then you send a little recap at the end of the session of what happened and any problems or any issues or. You know. Just let them know. About the session. So yeah, so. Whole process is very like. Running efficiently. And that's really just something that yeah. You do just you wanna do it because. It is a. Long work, you know. Yeah, that all of. That kind of washing beforehand and prep work and petrol and. Everything is at your own cost. So. So yeah, so. You know. And all that organisation of the. All the visits and the hospitals and the relationships with different organisations that something that the Paws Paws has built and developed themselves and then all the handlers and the pets are like kind of like freelance kind of you.

Speaker 1

Yeah. OK. Know. Yeah. Right. No, that's cool. That's good. Thank you for this information.

Speaker 2

So yeah, that's kind of the process.

Speaker 1

Yeah, that's that's really helpful. Thank you. Alright, I've got two more questions you've given me so much, so much information. Thank you so much. My last two questions are more about Tally now. So what's your perception of her experiences?

Speaker 2

I think she I think that she is like she always loves kind of going out with me all the time with me. So it becomes just kind of bonding exercise and. Because I like it's. It's a way for us to do something together.

Speaker 1

Ah, that's beautiful.

Speaker 2

Yeah, I mean, I don't. Like when you have a dog and changes your life anyway. You can't really go and do your own thing as much and so. I'm like, well, this is an activity that we could do together because she will have access to the hospital. Well we might aswell do something where she can participate, you know. Yeah. So it's a way of us doing something. Together and she. Was always loves being with me and. She really loves getting cuddles from from kids. She's really good with kids. That's like more than the nurses and doctors. She's really good with kids. She's just really sits and like, just lets them hug her and pat her. Yeah, as long as she's. Kind of. I'll just figure….\*unable to hear audio. She's not, really. That great with like, just kind of, she sniffs a lot. She's just not so good with kind of free range where she would start pulling.

Speaker 1

Did you say she sits on the chair or you sit on a chair?

Speaker 2

So she sits on a big chair here. She's more settled and easier to pat. But yeah, like she's she's a really loving. She's a really loving dog and so I think she really does like love getting pats and loves from other people. She really just senses how she needs to behave and knows when someone’s not well and. She's really intuitive. So yeah, like, I feel like. She's so natural fit for that kind of job.

Speaker 1

So when you say she. Like you said that she knows. Like. Is she different when she is I guess at work than when she's at home?

Speaker 2

Yeah, definitely.

Speaker 2

Like I think. When she's with the patient, she's definitely. You know she's in that mode of, like, she just gets into therapy dog mode. And she's got. Her uniform on, you know, like, she just knows and. Yeah, like. And also like. She does get when she does her. Therapy dog sessions at the hospital. She also like. Because they also teach us about how to like give your dog like space and breathing room as well because she gets tired. Afterwards, after she's had those sessions with like several patients and the rest of the day she needs to just decompress.

Speaker 1

Of course.

Speaker 2

So she gets gets a. Lot of energy out of it. And not set but then also. Afterwards, like she. Would just kind of. Be more chill and. Have her need her own space and you know, like she's gotten her social licence today like. You know little party. So yeah, like I've noticed that. So I give her that. Space as well to just to decompress, yeah.

Speaker 1

That's nice. And that's important. And that's kind of what what I'm looking at the experiences of the dogs as well because. They're so important in this interaction, so it's good that you're looking out for her.

Speaker 2

I totally know how I would too and. Because she's like the things the dogs are like they. Do love being out with people and she. Really is being sociable. She loves being. With my family, she loves going out, but like. You know. I can't keep it just with me inside all. The time, yeah, but if I do go for a really big walk, she loves it. And then she also needs that that, that downtime, she's exhausted her muscles and needs. To just rest for the rest of the. Day socialising, you know, like they need that. They need to interact with other people. But then also like. Have their downtime as well so. And having that balance. But yeah, like she's just a natural fit for therapy because that's kind of what. The guide dog also guide dog team determined that. She's best at so I. Thought give an opportunity to do. More of that. And yeah, like she's she's really special at like. There's something about her like she's a. Really kind eyes and people just. Get really calm when they’re around her. She just knows that she keeps putting. Her paws out towards people. But she does this thing and then they just hold her paw. She’s very sweet. I don't know how she she's like a little human you know. She's really special.

Speaker 1

I'm glad that you have her and I'm glad that you can share her with other people even if it's not me. I've only got one more question for you. So how does the organisation ensure inclusive and safe practises for the dogs?

Speaker 2

So, they do a lot of training beforehand around just making sure that you're checking in on your dog all times and. Like what to look for if they're distressed and. Like how to remove them from situations where. They're potentially not not happy and you know, we get told that if, like if the dog is stressed or overwhelmed at anytime, then you can just leave, you know, leave, you just leave and or if they're feeling unsafe or like you come across someone who who might you know in a clinical setting might be. You just feel like there might not be safe for the dog to be. Around you can just move away, you know, and. Leave or shift. So the priority is. The dogs health, you know, and so. But being I'm just doing. It for her because I know that she's, like, likes that engaging and socialising, but that also has to come with a lot of care around it.

Speaker 1

So you're doing the therapy for her?

Speaker 2

Yeah. Like I kind of. Want her to engage with other people. She kind of really loves loves being. Around people are getting attention and cuddles and pats. But then it's just after one hour. That's it. You know, like all of that.

Speaker 1

Yeah. Yeah. So, so you know, her limits kind of you.

Speaker 2

Yeah, kind of know knowing their limits and knowing that you're just enjoying something, then like there's a there's a limit to it, and then they can have their down time, which is how they can keep doing something they want to. Keep doing something that is good for the,. You know. Yeah, like I think that that's. Just really about. Knowing your dog and reading their, you know like are they panting? are they barking? Are they drooling? Are they, you know, in any way uncomfortable? Making sure that they're fed and. You know, toileted beforehand and. Yeah, like just. Knowing that. They're going to be in an unfamiliar environment, so. Being with them all the time.

Speaker 1

Yeah, sounds like you're doing an amazing job.

Speaker 2

Yeah, they were really. Paws were really great about giving us that training beforehand as well.

Speaker 1

Yeah, that's good. Well, that's actually all the questions I have for you. Is there anything that you want to add or anything that you think is important for me to know that I haven't touched on about doing therapy about yourself or about Tally?

Speaker 2

Just like how they just. You know, to have the unconditional love of a therapy dog like it's just so transformative, like. Like the love and the it's also the physicality of the dogs like because they're so warm and heavy and they just. Kind of sit. On you with you like that. Somatic therapy for people who haven't. Had a lot. Of trust in their life or they. Are going through physical. Or emotional injury, I think. That level of like. Just just like nonverbal love and just warmth is, it's very. Healing, you know. It's yeah, its wonderful to. Really. See that experience. Experience it. Yeah as well, so. Yeah, I hope I'm. Sure that you you've probably heard that. A lot.

Speaker 1

I have and I know and I know just from my own experience. I mean, I did. I'm doing this project because I love my own dogs so much and I've seen what they've done for me and you know, similar to you in a different way. But yeah, I definitely can see the healing, how they can heal you and just that they. They just know when there's something wrong, like.

Speaker 2

How long have you had your dogs?

Speaker 1

My Husky is 6 and my Kelpie is 1 1/2. I got her for him because he was lonely. So. But I've I'm a dog person. I'm obsessed with dogs. So I'll have dogs forever.

Speaker 2

Ohh, and you just they're like really changed your life.

Speaker 1

Ohh, 100% like you said before like I revolve my life around them. That's why when you said that you you take tally with you because then it's a way that you can bond like unfortunately my dogs are not as well behaved. So it's not something that I could potentially do yet. After some training, you might be able to do this but. Yeah, like everything I do, I do for them. Like I won't go out and you know, I don't go on holidays. I just want to be with them all the time, so I understand in that way and I'll always have dogs, definitely.

Speaker 2

Very, they're very. Special, aren't they?

Speaker 1

They're they're amazing. I mean, I just. I've snapped my a ligament in my ankle last week, so. I'm in a. Moon boot and the next morning my Husky just jumped up and like it was. He'd obviously been to sleep all night, and then he woke up, jumped straight on me and, like, gave me a big cuddle. And I'm like, how do you know? Like he remembered like I was asleep and he jumped up and cuddled me. And I was like. How? What like? They're just so smart and amazing, and that's just an example from like a couple of days ago.

Speaker 2

Well, you were injured and you were like feeling that care, that extra care?

Speaker 1

Yeah, yeah, I I hurt myself the night before. Like I don't know, 7:00 o'clock or something and then. I'd go like going to bed and he woke up the next morning and jumped on me and cuddled me, which he normally doesn't do. He's not out on the bed, but he knew and jumped up and. Like wrapped his arms around me and started licking me like. Because he knew that I was sore. It's just they're just incredible, incredible, incredible creatures. So I'm sure you've got many more amazing stories than that, but.

Speaker 2

Yeah. No, that's. That's. Yeah, that's like that's that's really like your friend who communicates to you, like amazing. Oh my God well. Good luck with this amazing research.

Speaker 1

Thank you. Thank you so much for your time. I know that you're really busy and you know, like appreciate mainly what you what you're doing for everyone else. But yeah, thank you for your time with me and I'll I'll make sure that once this is all done, that I'll send through my research to everyone to have a look at. So I really do appreciate your time. And if there's anything else that you ever want to add, or you can always e-mail or text me if you think of. I think that that that you think is important that I've missed. But yeah, thank you so, so much for your time today. I really do appreciate it.

Speaker 2

No, no. Worries. Thanks for your patience. Thank you.

Speaker 1

No worries. Thanks. I'm glad that you've got such a beautiful little dog that brings you so much joy. So you have a lovely day. And all the best. Thanks, Speaker 2. Bye.