

Service dogs enjoy outing at Disneyland during training

Notes & Cues:	<p><b>Article:</b></p> <p>Man’s best friend officially agrees that Disneyland is the happiest place on earth.</p> <p>Last week, service dogs-in-training Aryssa, Essie, Chekov and Ortega from the nonprofit Canine Companions for Independence enjoyed a field trip to the California theme park, along with their volunteer puppy raisers.</p> <p>Volunteer Laura Allen also confirmed that good times were had by all.</p> <p>”It’s great socialization for the dogs since they get to be around all the different sights, sounds, smells and people that Disneyland has to offer, ” she told Fox News of the ”business trip.”</p> <p>From waiting on crowded lines to watching kids run amok, Allen says the pups benefit from the lively environment of the park on various levels.</p> <p>”As a puppy raiser, we look to socialize the puppies we are raising to all types of different environments where their potential graduate might take them, ” said Allen.</p> <p>”We start training and exposing the puppies to things at a young age so they are prepared for these types of trips, ” she added.</p> <p>According to marketing manager Michelle Williams, the organization breeds, raises and trains highly-skilled assistance dogs, placing them free of charge to children, adults and veterans with disabilities after about a year and a half of training.</p> <p>”In professional training, they learn to pick up dropped items and return them to their handlers, open and close doors and drawers, turn on and off lights, and more, ” she told Fox News.</p> <p>And luckily for Aryssa, Essie, Chekov and Ortega’s future owners, the pups now know their way around Disneyland.</p>
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