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Dear Author,

This is me, the adorable one in the picture, yes the one on the left. You won't believe what I had to go through with the two cuties next to me! And what will lie ahead of us? Please help telling our story!

Photo Description:

A smiling dark-haired guy in his twenties or thirties is apparently driving a car. Another man, perhaps a little younger, also with short dark hair, is resting his head on the driver's shoulder, eyes closed, a faint smile on his face. Behind them on the backseat is a dog, probably a Weimaraner, and all we see of it is the dog's big head, eyes closed, its chin on the resting man's neck. All three look utterly contented.

This story was written as a part of the M/M Romance Group's "**Love Has No Boundaries**" event. Group members were asked to write a story prompt inspired by a photo of their choice. Authors of the group selected a photo and prompt that spoke to them and wrote a short story.

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From Reader Review The Tail of a Dog for online ebook

Adam says

Let's get something out of the way first: dogs are too precious and good for this world. If there's a heaven, it's full of dogs chasing their tails.

In 'The Tail of a Dog' we've got puppies

And romance

And a whole lot of fluff and good feels.

There was some odd wording here and there, but it's free so I'm not picky. If you're looking for a quick pick-me-up, this is the book for you!

Meep says

Very Cute and Very Clever.

I wasn't sure what to expect with the whole story told from a dogs pov but Devon does a marvelous job of it. Hey Girl (Never Flora) makes a funny, grumpy narrator, I loved her view of her new humans and the begrudging way she allows them to bribe and home her. And theres puppies!

The human romance is lovely and I'm impressed how much is conveyed by our unusual narrator. The whole thing is sweeter than sugar, I'm even adding a new shelf to reflect that.

Sunny says

Sweet and original. There isn't much in the way of MM romance, but I really enjoyed this story told from the dog's point of view. I like how/what we learned about Shorty and Hey from Girl's observations.

Vio says

3.5 stars

A sweet story, I liked Hey Girl she's adorable and a terrible grumble bum, living it rough. Great things are

coming her way and to her rescuers, of course she has no idea what's good for her and needs convincing. A gentle hand and a soothing rub works wonders. The pups are crucial to the bribery heh, Girl is lovingly outsmarted, the cop isn't that stupid after all. I enjoyed Girl's voice, funny and cute.

Heller says

Sometimes stories from animals POV work for me, this one didn't. Cute prompt picture though.

Mandy*reads obsessively* says

Anke's prompt for the LHN event is a **must read** for all dog lovers.

Hey Girl tells us her story and that of Shorty and Hey, her assless two leggers .

It's so cute, funny and touching to see it all from her perspective, how sad and hungry and fearful she was in the beginning. An abandon dog just trying to make it day to day and be safe and have her pups..but a Good Samaritan and a cop brought together by her, change her life and their own.

I liked Hey Girl a lot, how she saw the world and smelled her world..she definitely was the kind to just get straight to the point.

It's hard to tell a romance from the perspective of their dog, but I got more than enough to be happy with guys and them being together. The way this one is told is just so much fun, that I can easily overlook the romance part being on the back burner,

Mary says

Thanks to Anke for the wonderful prompt and to Summer Devon for doing such a delightful job with it. This story filled me with warmth and the POV gave it a lovely touch. Although sad at what Hey Girl went through, it's great that she found a pack of her own; and watching the guys through her eyes made this fun and sweet.

AnnaLund says

This was all kinds of awesome, just what I needed on a lazy Sunday afternoon. I'm amazed at all the stories coming out of the LHN -- just brilliant. And so different from one another.

This one? Was goodness on speed. This cute dog-POV had me laughing out loud.

Best line:

"oh, my dog!"

Read this short story. Not only is it free; it makes you happy inside.

Julio Genao says

Fun—and surprisingly deft.

When a story manages to be funny, heartwarming, compassionate, romantic, *and* clever—all at once—my tail thumps the floor in appreciation.

This is a romance told from the point of view of the dog, whose need to belong—whose loneliness—is no less beautifully drawn than that of her two-legged charges.

To quote the late Robert Jordan, this author must have a disposition so sweet people ask her to dabble her fingers in their tea.

Anke says

Based on my 'Dear Author' letter, this was a wonderful story. The voice of the dog was a joy to read. Her thoughts and acting on them had me giggling several times. On top of that a very fitting happy ending. Yes, this was fun from beginning to end.

Rachel Emily says

This was just too, too cute! Great POV, probably a first for me as a reader, from the dog's POV! I loved how she named them and thought they were dumb and just loved her owners. I'm a big dog lover, so this was just a joy to read! (Makes me wonder what my dog is trying to say when she's whining at me haha). Thanks for this great story! A must for any dog lover to read!

Edina Rose says

Romantic short story between a police officer and a lawyer narrated by an errant and pregnant dog they both rescue and adopt. The dog witnesses the story from the beginning: the two men meet while rescuing her. This dog, Flora or "Hey Girl", is one funny, witty narrator!

If you liked Deefur Dog, you may like this one too. The romance is very tame, the heart of the book is Flora the female dog, her rescue, her adoption and her reaction to the birth of her puppies, the visit to the vet and the love story between her two masters. She calls them her "two-legged animals" and sees them as part of her "pack".

Flora hates going to the vet and her masters now say V.E.T. in order not to scare her. This is what clever thinks: " They've taken to spelling it, as if I don't understand everything they say. Silly but cute, those animals." She simply CRACKS me. Love her. I wish there were more stories narrated by dogs. In case you haven't guessed yet, I'm a dog person. If you read this review and know of such a book, please, feel free to

recommend it to me.

Deeze says

Cute, sweet and fun.

I really liked the voice of Hey Girl lol.

A follow up on the antics of Moose would be good too lol.

MostlyDelores says

In Grade 11 Creative Writing, every morning Mr. Andrew would put three or four words on the board which you could use as inspiration if you needed a starting point. One morning, whatever the words were, I wrote a heartbreaking sob-fest from the point of view of a dog who had been abandoned at the side of the road. My story had a tentative, possibly hopeful ending, where a car slows down to pick her up and her tail, almost poetically, begins slowly to wag...

Ahem.

This is not that story. This is better. It is told from the dog's point of view, though, so I feel a little proprietary towards it. In **this** story, an abandoned, pregnant dog rescues and is rescued by our MCs, and the three of them eventually form her "pack". It is very sweet, and I am an animal lover, and I could not judge it with any objectivity, I liked it a lot.

Kelly H. (Maybedog) says

This was amazing and not just because I love dogs. Summer has dog behavior down pat and gives reasonable explanations for that behavior from the dog's perspective. In the process, it's laugh out loud funny.

For example, she does her best to let them know that she's going to look out for rats and share if she finds any. She announces herself to the neighborhood in a friendly matter just so everyone knows she's there and knows that's her territory. One of the guys puts a bandage on her and she thinks it feels better. Then she waits for him to leave before she rips it off to give the wound a good licking which she says was even better.

Here is one of my favorite quotes from the dog about being left alone in the house and getting on the bed while the MC was gone which he was not pleased about:

"...(the man) insisted on leaving, he shouldn't whine about what happened while he was gone."

I also loved how the dog said, "Oh my dog" instead of oh my God.

There was also instalove doggy style: "My kind are prone to falling in love hard and fast."

All in all a cute story, about a cute couple (and not everything is perfect at first) and a really cute dog, who would hate being called cute. Easily five stars.
