

In 2018 I began my search for a GSD to fill the gap left by my GSD who died in 2017 at the age of 12yrs. Being an OAP I thought it unwise to take on a pup, so the search for an older dog began. Initially, I considered a rescue dog but again dismissed this idea because, at my age, I did not want to take on a dog that may have behaviour problems. A young, trained dog seemed to be the answer.

During the search for a trained dog I came across a number of online sites offering family protection dogs. Many of the sites displayed numerous dogs that were apparently available but when contacted I was told the dogs had been sold and I would have to wait for other dogs to complete their training. At this time I began to take an interest in A1K9.

I made contact with A1K9 but, because of my previous experience and the fact that A1K9 was located 350 miles from my home, I was not very hopeful.

On first contact Charles was very pleasant and was clearly knowledgeable. He explained the process involved in purchasing one of his dogs and suggested I visit the kennels .

On my first visit to the kennels I met the staff and had a tour of the kennels and site. A1K9 occupies an extensive site and always has a good selection of quality dogs available. The kennels are of a very high standard and Charles and his staff are friendly and have considerable expertise. I was made to feel welcome and it seemed that nothing was too much trouble for the Staff.

There were a number of dogs available so I selected eight and watched as they demonstrated their skills. They were all beautiful animals and it was very difficult to choose one that would be right for me. However, after talking with Charles and other staff members my interest started to focus on one particular dog. I decided to return home and take a little time before making a final decision.

Three weeks after my first visit I returned to South Wales and A1K9 and purchased the dog that had captured my interest.

Hasso, the dog I purchased, adapted quickly to his new environment. He is intelligent, easy to live with and has a wonderful temperament. He is friendly and an absolute joy to have as a companion.

Finally, I would say to anyone looking for a quality, well-trained dog , do your research then visit

A1K9. You will not be disappointed.

Mike, Suffolk, April 2019]

