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Rotary Club of Richmond Sunrise

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To all at the Rotary Club of Richmond - Sunrise,

Congratulations - it's a boy! On behalf of all of us at BC & Alberta Guide Dogs it is our pleasure to share with you that **ROTO** has arrived! Roto is an adorable black lab puppy, born on May 11, 2021. Attached is a photo of Roto that was taken at 7 weeks of age and looking positively adorable.

I am happy to report that Roto is doing well and settling in nicely at his volunteer Puppy Raiser's home in Victoria.

All of BC & Alberta Guide Dogs' pups are raised in safe and loving volunteer homes. The role of a volunteer Puppy Raiser is to raise a calm and confident puppy that is well behaved in all environments and situations.

When he is ten weeks old Roto will start doing obedience classes, where he will begin learning commands such as 'sit', 'stay', 'come', and 'heel'. Because of COVID protocols, our Puppy Training managers and Puppy Raisers have adapted to both virtual and limited in-person classes. Outside of obedience classes, Roto's volunteer Puppy Raiser works on a graduated program to socialize him as permitted.

Once again, our heartfelt thanks to you for your support of our initiatives. We will ensure that little Roto has the best possible opportunity to become a life-changing dog for someone who is blind or visually impaired, a child with profound autism, or perhaps a Veteran or First Responder living with OSI/PTSD.

Stay healthy and happy.

Sincerely,

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