

# "THE VIKINGS"

Week One

12 July 2020

Born the 8<sup>th</sup> of July

# IT WAS SO QUIET...

...and then it happened. It was quite a surprise to all of us - this being born. It had been a long journey to come to our new home. One moment we were safe and secure, then we found ourselves on the ground, gasping for air. Mom sprung into action nudging us to get our first breath. Then Mom made sure we were all taken care of, cleaning and nurturing with loads of good milk. All of us had arrived safe and sound. Shortly thereafter though, on our second day, we lost two of our brethren. They have now moved onto Valhalla, it was a sad occasion. The very young that do not survive receive the warrior's honour which Odin bestows upon them. In Viking culture it happens this way. Sometimes not all of us survive. Now there are four of us.

We have been dubbed as Ragnar, Bjorn, Floki and Lagertha. All strong names, after our ancestors, infamous Vikings. It is an honour. We are not expected, in our formative years, to be anything but playful and happy. The gods will watch over us. When it is time to learn the true Viking way it will be a few years off into the future.

On our second day we visited the vet (he is an animal doctor) to have our dew claws removed. He checked us all over and was satisfied we would make strong Vikings. This made our humans happy. They nodded their heads in approval. With Mom being very attentive to our needs we are gaining lots of weight. She keeps us clean and out of trouble. We are also experiencing our first forays onto grass. We go outside under the watchful eyes of the humans and our Mom. The grass feels funny and tickles our paws.

Until next week we want to thank you for joining us. We are learning the Viking customs and will share our experiences with you. Until next week...



INTRODUCING

"THE VIKING CREW"

LAGERTHA - the shieldmaiden

RAGNOR - the leader

BJORN - the bear

FLOKI - the outspoken one



# Our First Outside Experiences



Chilling with Mom



Having a Picnic



On the move in our carrying box



On the patio bricks



*Getting weighed*



*With Mom in our nursery box*

"THE VIKING CREW"

- THE WARRIORS -

"FLOKI"



"RAGNAR"



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"BJORN"





- THE MAIDEN -

"LAGERTHA"

