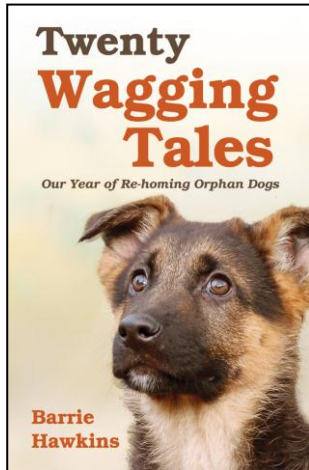


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Twenty Wagging Tales

A Year of Rehoming Orphan Dogs

by

Barrie Hawkins

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'He was a guard dog.' 'A guard dog!' I repeated.
'In a car-breakers' yard in the East End,' Cecilia added
'Was a guard dog ... How long ago?' I asked. 'Couple of hours,' she replied
Cecilia pulled the van door open. Something flew past me at head height,
mostly dark, a blur of fur. I jerked round to see where the blur had gone.
It was standing in the middle of the lawn. A big dog. A very, very big dog.

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Author, Barrie Hawkins lives in Cambridgeshire and has published a number of business books.

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