



Sheltie Rescue Review

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Meet some of our current available rescues



Sandi

Medium, Young, Female

Affectionate and cuddly 4 yr old sable female. She does not know she is 4 as she acts like a puppy, with a lot of energy. She loves to play with any dogs but would drive an inactive dog nut. She is NOT good with cats or small animals. She is fast and very agile. She would make a great agility or performance dog. She wants to please you very badly. She is also NOT housebroken but she is crate trained. We feel it would be best to place her in a home with a fence.



Roxy

Medium, Adult, Female

8 yr old 35 lb tricolor sheltie who is timid, not good with children, ok with other dogs and cats, weary of men and strangers. You must have a fenced yard to adopt roxy and have filled out an adoption application with us unless you have adopted from us before. It is preferred you have one or more dogs as she loves to interact with them and it will help reduce her shyness.



Lady

Medium, Adult, Female

7 yr old tricolor female that has arthritis. She is around 25 lbs. She gets along with some other dogs but can be food aggressive. She loves people and cannot get enough attention. She was not treated for this arthritis and so she was very unhappy when we got her. She needs a loving home who will understand why she gets moody due to her arthritis and that will continue her special care. She will follow you around and be your best friend for life. She cannot go to any home with kids.



Happy Endings.....

Cheyenne needed a home where she'd get all the love and attention a playful puppy deserves. Dizzy's parents were looking for a companion to keep their high-energy boy company. From the moment these two met, they were playing the sheltie version of tag and hide n' seek. Cheyenne is now "Nina" and, as you can see, this is a match made in heaven!!

Rescue Parade

Rescue parade is April 9th, 2006 during the lunch break of the No NJ sheltie specialty show.

It is at the Long Hill Community Center in Stirling NJ.

There will be a raffle & vendors plus food.

Warning about feeding your dogs Greenies

KANSAS CITY, Missouri (CNN) -- At least 13 dogs have died after being fed the top-selling pet treat in the country, owners and veterinarians have told CNN.

The problem comes because the treats, called Greenies, become lodged in a dog's esophagus or intestine and then some veterinarians say they don't break down. "I know they are marketed in saying that they do digest. Certainly the ones that we've taken out, esophageal or intestinal, that have been in for days are still very hard," Brendan McKiernan, a board-certified veterinary internal medicine specialist from Denver, Colorado, told CNN. Greenies recommends owners check that the treats are chewed and Joe Roetheli - who launched the brand as a treat that can freshen a dog's breath and clean its teeth - said it was important to pick the correct chew for a particular dog. There are 7 different sizes to choose from depending on the size of the dog. Mike Eastwood and his wife, Jenny Reiff, recently filed a \$5 million lawsuit in New York, blaming Greenies for the intestinal blockage that caused the death of their dog Burt. "I'm mad that their packaging states that the product is 100 percent edible, highly digestible and veterinarian approved, yet our dog died of it," Eastwood told CNN. Roetheli said the focus should be on the dental benefits and Greenies are saving dogs' lives by lowering the risk of periodontal disease. He says feeding Greenies is far safer than putting a dog under anesthesia to clean teeth. "Dogs really love the product!" he said. "They do a very effective job of cleaning teeth and freshening breath." Any suggestion that Greenies are defective was rejected by Roetheli, who developed Greenies with his wife, Judy. "Our product is safe. It is used every day by thousands of dogs, millions a week and it is basically a very safe product." A CNN investigation uncovered 40 cases since 2003 where a veterinarian had to extract a Greenie from a dog after the treat became lodged either in the animal's esophagus or intestine. In 13 of those cases, the pet died.

"At the end of the day ... literally millions of Greenies are enjoyed by dogs on a weekly basis with absolutely no incidents," company vet Brad Quest told CNN.

We extend our deepest condolences to Jean Hyrowich for the recent loss of her husband, Jeff Serfass.

Jean and Jeff had been active supporters of NJ and PA sheltie rescue for almost 10 years, starting with their adoption of Cole. Bandit was adopted a few years later and then Charlie was added to the family in February of 2003. It was during Charlie's adoption that we learned Jeff had just been diagnosed with cancer. He was receiving an aggressive course of treatment. Jean was always at his side ~ their love and courage lending strength to one another through the difficult months that followed. We'd see them at sheltie picnics each September. Jean with Cole, Bandit & Charlie dressed in matching garb for the costume contest. Jeff in good humor and taking part in the festivities. I remember him crawling through one of the agility tunnels, trying to convince Charlie to do the same. Jean would send cards or e-mails from time to time, letting me know how Charlie was progressing with obedience/certified therapy work and including a short comment that Jeff was doing OK or Jeff was trying another treatment. Always strong, always upbeat.... Two very special people.

Jean ~ we carry you in our thoughts and prayers.

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☛ **FOSTER FAMILIES**

Desperately needed. For more info or to volunteer E-mail Aneita at a.frey@asdc.net

☛ **FUND RAISING**

Volunteer chairpersons and fund raising ideas needed. It's time to start planning for 2006! Contact Aneita or drop an e-mail to njsheltierescue@aol.com

☛ **TIME /TALENT DONORS**

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This Issue Featured Stories

KOBI – story submitted by Linda Savino

Here is Kobi's story. In early August of 2001 our family dog passed on at the age of sixteen. My younger son (12 years at the time) had bought a border collie puppy several months earlier. After the passing of our older dog I started taking care of his puppy. I could see that my son was getting frustrated, and so I started looking at young dogs in shelters. I had always had collies while growing up and thought that a shetland sheepdog would be perfect. I found the phone number for Shetland Sheepdog Placement Services of NJ in a booklet I bought in the pet store, and called Aneita Frey late in August. She told me about Kobi (named Cody at the time) and I went to see him at her home. He was a bundle of energy and attitude - just what I needed to keep me busy.



Aneita told me that he was crated all day and let out to run the neighborhood by evening - probably terrorizing the dogs and loving the people along the way. He was a pet store puppy. His owners never took him to a vet for immunizations or to be neutered. Aneita made sure that everything was taken care of after he was in her care. Shortly after we had him at home I signed him and our border collie pup up for obedience classes at Golden Rule. We have been going to obedience and agility classes ever since. Kobi has earned his two novice agility titles; level 1 A rally title; and his CGC/therapy dog certification. This summer we have been going to the Sussex House to work with the patients.

Despite his alpha attitude which surfaces on occasion, everyone who knows him loves him. For those of you who have heard his occasional outbursts, he is really pretty quiet. He only barks at home if someone shoots off fireworks or a deer is in the yard. Kobi gets along fine with our border collie - Zizou, and our senior cat (who rubs up against him). I have learned (and am still learning) a lot about training and showing dogs with him. He has made it fun and easy. My husband has frequently said that he is glad that I talked him into bringing Kobi into our home. I know that my sons (both young adults now) would also agree he was a great addition to our family.

Mr. Zippy's - story submitted by Helen Hedemann

About a year and a half ago, I lost both my elderly dogs. I found going home to an empty house to be terribly sad. I knew I had to get another dog. But what kind of dog would I get? I knew I couldn't get a puppy, I work all day long and it wouldn't be right leaving a young dog home alone. I thought to myself, why not get an older dog? They are house-trained, have gone through their chewing phase and needed a home just as much as a younger dog, probably more so. So I decided to check out the Sheltie rescue website to find myself a new companion and it was there I read about Zippy.



Zippy lived in the Forked River area and had run away from home several times. The last time he ran away, his owners decided not to take him home. He weighed only 15lbs when he should have weighed 30 and his fur was so matted the shelter had to cut off his fur. His approximate age was 11-12 and it broke my heart to see such an old guy have a tough time, I knew I had to take a look at him. When I met him, I found one of the sweetest dogs I'd ever met and brought him home that day. Since that time he has become the hit of the neighborhood. I live across the street from a schoolyard, and he has become quite popular with the kids. It doesn't matter how many crowd around him, he will sit patiently and let them pet him until I move on. When I take him out I often hear them call his name. And as for his age, well, he has slowed down a little bit since I've gotten him and his hearing seems to have gotten a little worse but he's healthy and well mannered, and my neighbors now give a friendly wave when they see me with Zippy. And every night when I come home he greets me as if he has been with me all his life.

And as for adopting a senior dog, I don't have enough good things to say. Yes, my time with them will be shorter, but they give just as much love as any other dog. And Zipper is as loved as any dog I've ever had.

***Would you like your rescue to be featured in the next issue?
Send in your story to njsheltierescue@aol.com***

From the desk of the President:

President Report:

I would like to thank everyone for their hard work this year. I would like to thank Bob and Fran Faias for doing this wonderful newsletter for us. We are having a rescue parade in the middle of the nj sheltie spec on April 9th in stirring nj, please come if you can. You must let me know you are coming. We will have our sheltie rescue picnic on Sept 10, 2006- please mark your calendars now. We can always use more foster homes and donations. If you cannot foster but want to help- consider doing home checks for us. It saves us a lot of time to have someone doing home checks in all areas of nj. WE cannot do this without your help and support.

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