Collie Rescue Story - Tigg

My story starts out with my brother and I being released to the New England Collie Rescue at the age of 10 months. Unfortunately, the family we originally lived with was unable to handle two wild and crazy smooth collie puppies. So they decided to give us up in hopes of finding a better home for us. My brother and I were split up as we each went to separate foster homes. My foster mom took great care of me, and thought it would be amazing if I could be placed in a performance home as my forever home. I had no idea what that meant at the time, all I wanted was someone to love and adore me.

At the same time my mommy was looking to adopt another smooth collie, ideally to run in agility. So she contacted New England Collie Rescue to see if she would be a candidate as a forever home. The folks at New England Collie Rescue were a little hesitant, as they have never allowed anyone to adopt outside of the New York / New England area. After several telephone calls, email correspondence, and a home visit, the New England Collie Rescue granted my adoption.

The Monday before Thanksgiving in 2012 my mommy rented an SUV and started her journey to come get me in Massachusetts. I was so excited when my mommy finally arrived to take me back to Indiana. We talked about my new brothers, and she explained to me that we would start training in a sport called agility. I thought this must be what my foster mom was calling a performance home. I was so excited to get started.

Over the last two years we have trained, and I started my agility career 12 months ago. I stay active training and playing with my brothers. Sometimes I even try to steal something off the kitchen counter to mix things up. My mommy and I are continuing to become a “team,” and we are currently competing at the Excellent level in AKC Agility.

This year, I travelled back to Massachusetts for Collie Nationals. While there we visited my foster mom, the folks from New England Collie Rescue, and even got to see my biological brother again.
I’m very appreciative of New England Collie Rescue and my foster mom for seeing my true potential and for finding me such a fantastic home.

~ Kim Johnson
Collie Rescue Update

Do you ever wonder if your donations to the Collie Rescue Foundation do any good? Here are some before and after shots of rescued dogs from around the country. Some of these were helped specifically by CRF funds, others were not. By donating to CRF you make sure there is a safety net for all local rescues when a tough case comes along. Here are a bunch of collies who say THANK YOU

Jeannie - Collie Rescue of Greater Illinois

Corky - one of the Tomball dogs. Houston Collie Rescue

Tulip - Collie Rescue of the Carolinas
President's Message

Late on Halloween night in 2002 a tractor/trailer rig crossed the border from Canada into Montana, carrying 191 animals, mostly collies. In spite of the bitter cold, the border guards did their jobs & insisted that the trailer be opened. The horror inside that trailer must have been overwhelming! It took seven long months & two trials to convict the owners of those dogs, but volunteers from the tiny town and from around the country stood firm and got the job done. Read about the “Montana collies” here: http://www.lassie.net/montana.htm

This summer and fall the collie rescue community and collie fancy had two overwhelming horrors to deal with; one in Alabama & another in Texas. The numbers were almost as high as the Montana rescue, but the situations were entirely different, mainly because of the locations and our communication system being so much better, but still a daunting task. The one thing I would like to see happen is that every rescue develops a plan to handle a large rescue. The CRF will do everything possible to help facilitate those plans in 2015.

Two thousand fourteen marks the Collie Rescue Foundation’s ninth year and it has been a year of great progress, starting with a wonderful gift from the Kathy & Jerry Wood Foundation, which put the CRF in a position to provide more funding to the collies needing so much vet care. That said, we are constantly evolving as the need arises.

Personally, I hope 2015 finds EVERY collie in a warm, loving home, free from hunger or fear. Until that happens, the Collie Rescue Foundation and a network of fantastic, unsung heroes will be there to serve as a safety net for the breed we love best of all. Of course, none of this could happen without the help of collie fanciers everywhere. We’re thankful for your continuing support.

Happy Holidays,
Brenda Shreve
“All collies belong to you & me.”

Tomball Puppies!

Several litters of puppies were born to dogs from the Tomball seizure. Looks like they are having a swell time now!

“I wonder if it’s heretical to believe that when at last my tired feet shall tread the Other Shore, a madly welcoming swirl of Collies will bound forward, circling and barking around me, to lead me Home!”

~Albert Payson Terhune
Thank You Donors!

Thanks to your generosity many more collies will get their wish to rescue a human for Christmas!

New Affiliate

Welcome to our new affiliate for 2014 - Last Hope Rescue in Iowa. If you are a collie rescue and are not yet an affiliate of the CRF, check out our website to find out what it takes. You don't have to be an affiliate rescue to apply for funds but together we can help each other when extra help is needed.

New Members

We would like to welcome the following new members of the Collie Rescue Foundation.

Mike & Nancy McEntee
Linda & Tanya Ward
Susan Baldwin
Nadine Beckwith-Olson
Christine Dungan

Please consider starting/renewing your membership in the CRF – the collies thank you!

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