Collie Rescue Story - Boston

What does it mean to be “Boston Strong?” When you hear that phrase, many minds will go straight to the tragedy of the 2013 Boston Marathon, but for those of us that work with Tri State Collie Rescue and our followers, it now has a different meaning.

Our Boston is a huge and beautiful sable and white collie who has seen his share of problems during his short life. Boston's previous owner called us as an emergency after he had been hit by a car and been injured so badly that he could not walk. We rushed to get him help right away. He was stabilized in Kentucky and then flown to Med Vet of Worthington, Ohio for surgery. Boston had not only fractured his pelvis in several places but had also completely severed his sciatic nerves. This means that on the side where the nerves were severed, he had no way to lift or move his leg forward. Boston endured hours of surgery to put his pelvis back together, but came through surgery with flying colors.

Although he was in a lot of pain, Boston gave many kisses and would wag his tail when anyone came near his kennel. He was discharged to a very special foster home that would be in charge of keeping this rambunctious puppy calm for the next six weeks. The foster home had to be very creative to keep a big energetic guy like this from getting into trouble.

After six weeks, he was evaluated and they found that no feeling had returned to the leg with the severed nerves and it was decided that it would be best for him to have it amputated. Boston endured yet another surgery and again he came through it with flying colors. But this time, it was a little different because Boston didn't register any of the typical pain of surgery due to the nerves being severed. So Boston had no concept of why he needed to remain calm. After two days in the hospital, he went back to his foster home where he is recovering from the amputation surgery. During this journey with Boston, we learned from his x-rays and his family that this was not Boston's first mishap with a car. He had fractured his pelvis once before and that time it had to heal on its own. Through all that he has been through, Boston has remained his true self: a puppy with a huge personality, an adoration and love for children of all ages, and a goofy collie that likes to keep everyone happy. With all that he has been through during his young life, this brave dog is now what we think of when we hear the phrase, "Boston Strong." ~Darla Jones

Boston – before and after. One happy dog!
Boston Update

Boston is recovered from his amputation and according to his foster mom he runs faster on three legs than he did on four. Boston has found a forever home complete with a young collie companion thanks to the hard work and caring of the Tri State Collie Rescue volunteers and donors!

Collie Rescue Story - Mickey

My name is Mickey and thanks to rescue, my life has been forever changed. I used to live outside in a small confined pen, away from other dogs and people. I was surrendered to MWCR because I got a little too excited at times, and my parents were afraid I might knock someone over. When I first got to the rescue, I was a mess. I had dirty matted fur, and I only had my initial puppy vaccinations. MWCR helped me become the handsome, healthy and happy dog I am today. Since my surrender to the rescue, I've spent time with a foster mom, and learned how to behave inside, on a leash and with other dogs. Without the help of the rescue and my foster mom, I might not have been adopted by a loving family. I was one of the lucky collies that was saved from danger and neglect, and placed into a wonderful, caring home.

~ Sarah Rebernick – Minnesota Wisconsin Collie Rescue

President's Message

This year marks a milestone for CRF as we celebrate our Ten Year Anniversary! Seems so long ago that we were just a vision, yet at the same time, the years have flown by in what seems at times to be a whirlwind! In this issue, we are introducing to you our new logo and hope you are as pleased with it as we are. A big thank you goes out to Ramonette Dugan for so kindly creating and donating it us. I neglected to point out to our readers in the last newsletter that we now have a new webmistress...Joan Johnson. In addition, we need to extend thanks to Linda Zeswitz, who had been our webmistress since the very beginning of CRF.

CRF remains dedicated to financially assisting the individual rescue organizations around the country, who without the generous support of our many donors, would not be able to do so. To you, we are forever grateful!

Remember...."All Collies Belong to You and to Me."

Respectfully,
Candi Sapp-Sabata, President
Thanks
The Collie Rescue Foundation extends a special thanks to the following for their contributions:
Collie Club of America – $672 from the 2015 National Basket Raffle. They requested that 50% be used for the Tomball Collies and the rest to go to general rescue
Collie Club of Southern Wisconsin in memory of Roger Douglas

New Members
The Collie Rescue Foundation would like to welcome our new members. Thanks so much for your help!

Clare Collins
Barbara Heller
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Bonnie Pinkston
Betty White
Lori Zywiciel
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*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