SOCKS April thru June 2024 Newsletter

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It's been a busy year here at SOCKS: transporting, trips to the vet for exams, tests and surgeries, phone calls, social media posts, fundraising and all the other things that go with running a rescue for seniors and special needs dogs. We couldn't do what we do without the support of our village. Y'all have come through every single time. For that, we thank you.

Don't forget to buy tickets for Forrest raffle fundraiser! He was in the hospital for two weeks with a huge dental and a massive hernia repair. He is now in his foster home with mom Teresa. His hospital stay and surgery cost a whopping \$2662.68.

Tickets are 3 for \$10, 7 for \$20 and 20 for \$50 and can be purchased at the following link. https://www.paypal.com/donate? hosted_button_id=U9RFHTYPPZEQE.

Raffle closes Sunday, July 7th at 8:00 PM EST





April - June Adoptions





- Ranger 13 year old Owner Surrender
- Star 2 to 3 year old Owner Surrender
- Charlie 7 months old Owner Surrender
- Izzy 2 year old Owner Surrender
- Lily Anna 3 year old Owner Surrender
- Scarlett 7 year old English Cocker Breeder Surrender
- Rosie 5 year old Chorkie Pulled from North Florida Shelter
- Clayton 12 year old Chorkie pulled from North Florida Shelter
- Lily 10.5 year old English Cocker surrendered by breeder
- Alfie 7 year old Chihuahua from a Central Florida Shelter
- Storm 2 to 3 year old Owner Surrender

Rainbow Bridge



It always breaks our hearts when we have to say goodbye. We try our very best to give these precious souls a new and deserving life. Sometimes it's only for a very short time, maybe only days. For others, it is years. But no matter how long or short the time is that they are with us, they leave knowing they were loved and that their life mattered. From April thru June 2024 we said goodbye to Isaac, Dustin, Bo and Lady Di.

CAN YOU SMELL IT? By Amie Davis *Originally from Adored Beast

Maybe not. Your dog probably can. We know that our sidekicks have an amazing sense of smell. But did you know just how powerful their noses are?

A dog's nose has more than **200 MILLION** scent receptors compared to just 6 million in a human's nose. They can sniff five to ten times a second, compared to only once every 1.5 seconds for humans. Talk about impressive! A dog's sense of smell is so strong, when they smell a tree, they smell the tree, the sap and the leaves around the tree. They smell any other dogs who have recently been by, how long ago since they have been there, their moods and even what they like to eat!!! No wonder dogs are used for so many important "smelling jobs" like sniffing out bombs, victims after disasters, drugs and medical issues for people, just to name a few.

Our dogs' noses play a large role in their overall health. It takes a lot of brainpower to take in all that information. Smelling stimulates them mentally. It can relieve boredom and stress short term and support brain health long term. It can reduce anxiety and can be relaxing. If walking your dog isn't an option, take them for a car ride. (Make sure they are buckled in, just like you.) Those new smells will be blowing in the window.

For more information about a dog's incredible sniffer, go to Adored Beast "Should I Let My Dog Sniff on Walks". Check out taking your dog on a "Sniffari."



How can you help?

If you are interested in becoming a foster, click <u>HERE</u> to complete an application. SOCKS pays for all vetting and meds. We ask that you love them, make sure their tummy is full and provide them with a soft place to lay their head. If you aren't able to foster, please consider being a medical sponsor for one or more of our fosters. It's only \$10 per month, per dog. Just <u>email Sue</u> if you have questions about fostering or being a medical sponsor.



Grounds & Hounds

Nude Beach is a medium roast blend you can enjoy all summer long. "Aromatic notes of Orange Blossom and Toasted Vanilla explode from the cup with the first sip revealing silky smooth notes of Mild Chocolate and Toasted Vanilla!" When you shop using <u>OUR LINK</u>, G&H will donate 10% of your order to the SOCKS medical fund for our rescues. Use the **Discount Code: SOCKS** and you will receive a 15% discount. Check out all of their coffee, gear and drinkware. Be sure to tell your coffee loving friends.



NEW ITEMS IN THE SOCKS BONFIRE STORE

If you missed out on the first batch of new items in the SOCKS Online Store, the presses are running once again.

Cute GARDEN FLAGS that replicate our RESCUE. LOVE. REPEAT. design will enhance your flower beds or welcome your guests. The stand is also included.

SHIRTS, featuring the ORIGINAL ARTWORK by volunteer Jean Newcomer-Lichtel, are available in a number of styles and an array of colors. You may have seen the original piece in our recent auction.

SHIRTS, in the ever popular "COCKERS ARE COOLER THAN PEOPLE" design, are now available in NEW COMFORT

COLORS. Or grab a MUG for your morning coffee or tea. A handy TOTE will make it easy to carry your belongings.

Click <u>HERE</u> to shop and order these items and items from other campaigns you may have missed or want more of.

As always, all proceeds go toward the medical expenses of our rescues.

More ways to help our SOCKS Fosters

- Donate HERE
- Send a check made payable to SOCKS to 1429
 Players Club Circle, Gulf Breeze, FL 32563
- Do a Facebook Birthday Fundraiser for SOCKS
- Shop Our Amazon Wishlist Here
- Shop Our Chewy Wishlist Here
- Have Save Our Cocker Spaniels listed as a beneficiary in your will.
- Make a gift in memoriam of a family member, valued friend, or pet.