



THE ADOPTION PAPERS



NEWS AND HAPPENINGS FROM THE ICCF/CCAA RESCUE COMMITTEE

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Kenya—Abandoned, Now Found

In September 2005, authorities found a blue brindle female abandoned in a home. Her original family had moved out leaving her on her own. Weighing only 70 pounds, this girl had resorted to eating anything she could find - matchbox cars, Barbie dolls, plastic and metal included. More surprising, however, was this girl's sweet nature. Even after her ordeal she showed no aggression to food, humans or animals.

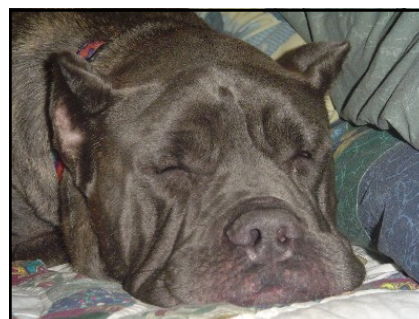
ICCF/CCAA member, Nancy Shaver, had recently submitted an interest in fostering a needy Corso. Nancy agreed to foster this girl and made the four and a half hour trip to see her at the shelter. For Nancy it was love at first sight! She knew the girl

was meant to be more than a foster and instantly named her Kenya.

Kenya now has a forever home in Ohio with Nancy and her Corso brother, Durango and Corso sister, Asia. There were challenges in introducing a third Corso; it seems Durango didn't want to share his Mom's affection! However, Durango is quickly warming up to his new sister.

Kenya has received a clean bill of health from the vet, she has even put on a whopping 45 lbs! Being a big girl has not kept her from being a cuddlebug! She loves to snuggle and gladly shares her toys or treats with her new family.

The previous owners were prosecuted and found guilty of animal cruelty and neglect.



Kenya catching some zzz's in her new home.

A Real Cinderella—Haley's Story



Early July of this year, Tammy Vreeland received a call regarding five traumatized Corso puppies. At only five weeks old, these pup-

pies had witnessed unmentionable horrors and were already showing the effects. After the original breeder tried unsuccessfully to dock their tails, these pups were terrified of human contact.

Tammy took the dogs into her home where her family treated these pups as

their own. There was constant handling, love and attention showed to all of them. One little girl really bonded to Tammy and her son, Max. This girl would have to go to the *perfect* home or would stay right where she was!

A perfect home is exactly what was found with Jeff Slane. With one Corso already (Ronin, 3), some members of the family were unsure about adding a puppy. It took only a few licks and this girl, now Haley, was quickly part of the family!

Moving into a new home was tough on Haley for the first few days. She was a bit nervous and skittish, but with soft words and patience, her confidence grew. Now, Haley plays at the dog park, as brave and playful as any of the pups there. Haley and her new big brother, Ronin, love to visit the beach

to play fetch in the surf. And nothing tops playing with Jeff's young niece - Haley just loves her two-legged playmate!

Jeff, Ronin and the Slane family have done a marvelous job in raising Haley. Every day she is becoming a more confident, well-rounded Corso; far from the Corso she once was. We're sure Haley agrees she is in the perfect home!

Jeff has would like to say "Thank You" to the Vreeland family for their rescue work.

Note: All the pups from this litter went into wonderful homes and are all success stories! B. Rabbit, puppy number five, is running carefree at the Rainbow Bridge after a short, but deeply loved life.

Featured Dogs



Hi! My name is Contessa - I am 3 years old & a real love. My color is blue brindle, but my foster mom just calls me her gorgeous, Big Girl! Currently, I live with a foster brother (you can see us on the Happenings page), but would do even better as an only dog. I'm a very mellow girl, all I want is to be loved on & cuddled with. I love nothing more than to curl up in the big bed, but will get down when asked. My manners are very good; I will sit & stay for my dinner (even by handsignals!), know down, come & am great on a leash. I will do most anything for a treat or my Kong bone. Car rides are great - they put me right to sleep! So long as I'm with you, I'll go anywhere you want. My foster family lives in South Florida & is hoping I stay near by. My perfect family would be with a single person or a couple who isn't around other dogs too much. I love the Florida sunshine & promise to bring some into my forever home!

Hi, I am Jigsaw. As you can see, I'm a very handsome fella with cropped ears and a beautiful mug. I may look tough, but I'm really a big softie. My crate is my security blanket - I prefer to eat my dinner in there and hide my treats. With my former owner, I never got to play with toys - when they threw things, it was at me not for me. But now I'm learning those stuffed critters can be fun! Don't think I'm not playful, though! Even though I'm 2-years-old, I still bounce around, sometimes jumping more than I should. Because of this, my foster family suggests I go to a home with older children. When it's time to go for a walk, I start to pounce around waiting for my people to put on my collar and leash. I'm fine with cats and am okay with other dogs, but want to be the top dog. Look at how cool I am, how could I be anything but top dog??



My name is Tessa. I'm a 6-year-old, spayed female with a clean bill of health. I just made a very long trip from Florida to Texas to spend some time in my new foster home. Obviously, I'm a good traveler and lucky for me, my foster takes me with him to lots of new places. I love going out in public, because I get lots of attention and pets from the people we meet. We are able to take lots of walks, because I'm so very good on a leash. Some of my favorite things? TOYS! And the pet store - that's where the good toys are! Things I don't like? Baths, oh the indignity! I'm good in the house and if my foster dad would let me, I'd love to sleep in bed with him, but to make him happy, I'll stick to my own bed. I would easily slide into a forever home!

Well, hello! Just call me Bear (116 pounds of all teddy not grizzly!). I'm almost 3-years-old and hoping I can celebrate my birthday with my very own forever family. Animal control took me away from my original family because they weren't taking good care of me. After leaving standing water in my kennel & cleaning it out with me still in it, I got an infection on all of my paws. I also don't like loud noises or "fast hands." None of this has changed my sweet personality, though. As you can see from my pic, I like to play games, but I'm still very gentle. I know basic obedience commands, but would like to go to school for fun (and to sharpen my skills, I guess). So whaddaya say? I'll bring the party, you bring the birthday cake??



Happenings

ADOPTED

Congratulations to new families!

Haley - Jeff Slane, CT

Aydon - Sammy & Susan Robles, TX

Caesar - Chris & Kelly Callaghan, NY

Dawn - McGuire Family, OH

Ente' - Berecsky family (1), NJ

Ginger - TX

Grandpa Rip - VA

Kenya - Nancy Shaver, OH

Saphira - Wayne & Rosalba Morris

Storm - McKellar family, VA

Zeej - Berecsky family (2), NJ

BEING FOSTERED

Hoping to find a Forever Home!

Estrella - Tammy Vreeland, NJ

Maximus - Liz Sawyers, TX

DZ - Vet's clinic, SC

Contessa - Dana Myer & Dan Dowsett, FL

Tessa - Kris Aguilar, TX

Seaver - Lisa Reid of Great Dane Rescue of the Carolinas, NC

Sheba - Jim O'Dare of Sir Gard, NJ

Jigsaw - Tamarah Cook, IL

Coco - Pamela Cornell, VA

Sasha - Paul & Amy Fetcho, NC

Brownie - Todd Bradbury & Sasha Kelly, NJ

RAINBOW BRIDGE

May you be free of pain and there to greet us.

Gotti

B. Rabbit

Mambo - a beloved friend of Liz & Bruce



Contessa enjoying the yard with her foster brother Caesar

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Dawn loves her new family!

Who We Are

The ICCF/CCAA Rescue Committee is comprised of ICCF/CCAA members working to make a difference in the lives of abandoned, abused or displaced Cane Corsos. Our mission is to place these Corsos into the best forever homes possible, as well as help educate members and non-members about the ownership of this fine breed. We pledge to always consider the well being of the dog and people involved in transportation, adoption, fostering, rehoming and ownership of any Cane Corso. We welcome all comments, suggestions, offers to help or information requests. Should you have any questions about articles included in "The Adoption Papers," please contact Dana Myer at the email below. Thank you all for your support!

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