

Jacksonville Sheltie Rescue

Happy Valentine's Day

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We have some news here.

We have placed Amber/Precious. She has gone to a home with a single gentleman who has nothing but time for Amber. The best of situations.

We have new "inmates" as well.

A new fella named Cody, a boy about 3 years old. He is what is called a Sable Color headed white. He has blue eyes. He has come to us from Emily in Alabama and he is a nice boy, neutered of course.



Next we have a beauty named Matty, also a boy. Our veterinarian says between 2 and 4 years. He is a Bi-black and neutered as well.



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Special points of interest:

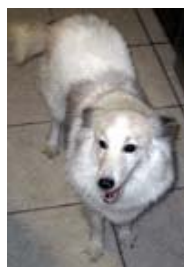
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Last, but not least, by any means..... We have Kadie.

Kadie is a Blue Double Merle. She is 3 years old and spayed.

This is Kadie's second time here. This is due to the fact that last owners have major health problems and felt they couldn't properly care for her.



Events:

February 27, 2010
The Scottish Games in
Green Cove Springs, from
9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Held at the
Clay County Fairgrounds.

Sheltie Rescue and the
Sheltie Club members will
be attending with dogs in
exhibition along with the
other "Scottish Dogs on
Exhibit".

Only the dogs on exhibition
may attend.

Still here in our home are:

Ricky 7 yrs, Sadie 5 yrs, Ben 12 yrs, Tyler 13 yrs, Scarlett 10 yrs, Princess 13 yrs, Pumba 10 yrs, Pippi 9 yrs, Duffy 10 yrs, Q-tip 16 (just had a birthday) and Misty our Lab cross.

As well as our own sweet Shelties.

The Creation

When God had made the earth and sky
the flowers and the trees,
He then made all the animals
the fish, the birds and bees.

And when at last He'd finished
not one was quite the same.
He said, "I'll walk this world of mine
and give each one a name."

And so He traveled far and wide
and everywhere He went,
a little creature followed Him
until it's strength was spent.

When all were named upon the earth
and in the sky and sea,
the little creature said, "Dear Lord,
there's not one left for me."

Kindly the Father said to him,
"I've left you to the end.
I've turned my own name back to front
and called you dog, My friend."
Author Unknown

Bragging Rights Page/Letters from our Readers (or the dogs!!)

Please send us stories about your sheltie(s) (or even the collie, border collie, newfie or mix you adopted from us) and their accomplishments or just something rather unique or silly that they do. We'd love photos of them as well. You can send the info to either Darla at DDuffey@aol.com or to Sam at Mantha1999@aol.com.

This is from dear friends of the Duffeys, whose Sheltie Jake was dx'd with Cushings a few years ago. Of course, our Sam, the Cushing expert has been in touch with Elizabeth about Jake, who is a Fayr Wynds Sheltie.



Hi Darla,

We're all doing great up in Alaska! Jake is still on a very low dose of Trilostane and it has been smooth sailing. We really like our new vet, even though he told me that I'm "neurotic" and at one point actually uttered, "you're killing me". I guess you taught me well. Petey loves eating snow. We have to snow blow an area for them in the yard, and all along the sides are marks where Petey takes a bite of snow. Rob just bought a boat, so in the spring we will be shopping for life vests for the dogs. I think they will love being out on the river. Luckily, the bears tend to stay close to shore. ;o)

I stopped getting your newsletters. When it comes out, will you please send it our way?

Thanks,
Elizabeth



Bandit's Breath Busters

Ingredients:

- 1-1/2 cups whole wheat flour
- 1/2 cup Tofu Moo or Powdered Milk
- 1 teaspoon dried parsley
- 2 bouillon cubes dissolved in 3/4 cup water
- 6 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 egg

Put everything in your bread machine and let it go through the knead cycle.

Roll out to desired thickness and cut into desired shapes. Bake on ungreased cookie sheet in 350 degree oven for 25-30 minutes, until sides turn brown.

Jacksonville Sheltie Rescue thanks our vets for their care of all of our animals. We truly appreciate their kindness and professionalism.

Mandarin

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An overweight dog that eats a diet high in fat is subject to a host of health problems, says Linda P. Case, M.S., companion-animal nutritionist at the University of Illinois in Urbana, Illinois. "The added workload to the heart of an obese dog can cause additional strain on the heart," says Case. Congestive heart failure is more prevalent in obese dogs than in their leaner counterparts. But the problems go much farther than potential heart disease. The excess weight that an obese dog is forced to carry around can also cause exercise intolerance, not to mention heat intolerance, which can be even more critical in a coated breed such as a Sheltie. "The quality of life of an obese dog is compromised" Case.

Studies indicate that an obese dog may be at a higher surgical risk, too, adds Case. "There's a lot more tissue in the obese dog and fatty tissue is highly vascular, so there can be more bleeding in surgery," she says, adding that obese dogs are a higher anesthesia risk and experience a higher rate of death following surgery.

If you still haven't heard enough reasons not to let your Sheltie keep its extra insulation, here are some more. Obese dogs are more likely to develop diabetes. Obesity at an early age (12 months) appears to be a significant risk factor for the development of mammary tumors as the dog ages. Obesity at any stage of life increases a dog's chances of developing bladder cancer.

Even a short period of obesity can be harmful. A recent study suggests that already in the early stages of obesity, excess weight causes detrimental changes to the function and structure of the kidneys. Obese dogs reportedly are more likely to suffer from skin problems and may suffer from weakened immune systems. Orthopedic disorders can include herniated intervertebral disks and ruptured cranial cruciate ligaments. Arthritis, which is not uncommon in aging Shelties, is exacerbated with every excess pound. If the Sheltie suffers from any musculoskeletal problems, the extra weight may cause the dog to suffer more pain than a lighter dog.

Are you convinced now? Although we are a culture that often reaches to food to show nurturing and love, overfeeding your Shetland Sheepdog could literally be "killing it with kindness".

DONATIONS

Thank you to all our contributors. All the kids in Rescue thank you too—for helping pay for their food, their medications, their vet visits. They send you their sheltie smiles! We send you our human ones, too. ;0

Monthly Donations (so faithfully month after month)

Peter & Velma Stuart (Pace, FL) Cocoa, chow lab mix, the one and only Skip, who is 5, a Jax Sheltie rescued by Pete and Velma. Callie who is 7 and Cricket and Grady (who is now B-Ray.) They are two of the Pennsylvania 22 rescued last year.

Norma & Peter Dearing (Jacksonville) Owned by Gus, Dana and Honey

Carrie Andolina who has 2 of our rescue kids.

Dave & Marilyn Dahl and their well-loved senior dogs, Lady & Dee.

Other Donations

Jacksonville Sheltie Rescue is a 501 c 3 Charity. This means if you donate to help our Shelties the amount can be taken off your taxes as a donation. We will send you a Letter of Donation for your records.

If you'd like to make a donation in Remembrance of a beloved dog who has passed, we will note that on the Jax Sheltie Rescue web page as well as in future newsletters.

We accept checks and "Paypal". The paypal account is dduffey@aol.com, the same as my email address.

Help us pay our vet bills for our rescued Shelties by:

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Type in 'Jacksonville Sheltie Rescue'(Jacksonville, FL)

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Banana Republic	
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The Wild Bunch Stories by John Perkins

Subject: Chat: Wild Bunch under attack

We was tacked yestfurdad by air an by land. Ya see I, Fancy in case you is wunnerin, went to our out an I was mindin my own bussiness an takin a poop an I was bein tacked by dis what I thought was a fly so I carefully watched it as it buzzed round my head an den I bit it. Wail I gots to tail ya dat ya gots ta dentify what yer bittin cause dis wasn't enny ordinary fly it was a, What was dat again Dad, oh ya it was a Jello Jacket. Wail I gots to tail ya dat dis Jello Jacket didn't like where it was goin so it bit me in da mouf. I yelled an Dad came runnin ober as I ran by him an he looked round fur some bad stuff when he was buzzed also. No I gots to tail you dogs sumpin ya ain't gonna beleaf, some humans is pawretty smart cause Dad didn't try ta bite the Jello Jacket flyin round his head he swatted his hands at it. Den Dad lookded up on da roof under part an there was bunches of Jello Jackets. Dad den went ta get dis can of stuff an he shot it a gazillion miles an hit da Jello Jacket home an den did anutter smart thin, he ranranran an tripped ober Evelyn who was watchin him. Man we didn't nose Dad could runrunrun dat fast. Dad den gave me sumpin called Ben-Drilled fur the tack an I couldn't think of a better name fur some medsin fur this kinda tack.

Oh ya bout bein tacked by land, ya remember all dat rain we gots wail it lefted somethin behind, lotsa fire ants in our dog run an Dad is tryin to get rid of dem. Stead of bein called Fire ants dey should be called fur ants case dey climb up yer fur an den bite ya an dey is too small ta find an bite back.

We gots ta tail ya one thin bout what's goin on in our country. Dad's tryin ta keep Mom away furom CNN on the telebision cause dey is sayin dat what humans can do ta help da country is to go buy sumpin. Dad says dat Mom has been tryin to do this fur a long time an she don't need no couragement.

Stay safe an doG Bless America

The Wild Bunch

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 (Thank you, Kathy)
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 Payment by Paypal or Major credit cards.

Brand New, Just Arrived

"Sheltie Angel" is a beautiful cremation urn, designed to be the most exquisite final resting place for your beloved Sheltie. Because of the abundance of color choices available through Incolay, you can select the color of Incolay Stone which most appropriately reflects your dog's personality. Each urn comes with an engravable brass plaque, enabling you to permanently memorialize your beloved Shetland Sheepdog with a specific sentiment. These are just 5 of 14 colors. Available thru Jax Sheltie Rescue to support our work with Shelties. In person they are exquisite! Our breed is the ONLY breed available from Incolay at this time.



Amethyst

All proceeds from the "Sheltie Angel" urns and ornaments go directly to the Jacksonville Sheltie Rescue and are used solely to benefit our Shelties currently in need of help. You may be assured that every item you purchase in honor of "your" beloved Sheltie, goes to help the Shelties who aren't as fortunate to have known the kind of love that your Sheltie has. Helping those less fortunate also helps to bring a "purpose" to their death, and sometimes that is a hard thing to do, especially when we are grieving their loss so deeply.



Garnet

Just know that "Sheltie Angel Urn" was designed by a "Sheltie Mom" because there was nothing available that was "good enough" for her Sheltie's ashes. We are grateful for the opportunity to not only be able to help Shelties in need through the sale of these items, but also to be able to offer them for comfort to so many hurting hearts.

We hope you honor your beloved Sheltie by purchasing an urn or ornament for the benefit of Sheltie Rescue.

\$ 109.95 includes shipping & insurance

Tooth or Dare

Ways to maintain your canine's canines

BY LESLIE CRANE RUGG AND EVA SAKS

Oral infections and tooth abscesses can lead to life-shortening complications. Fortunately, options for preventive care abound. Each has risks and benefits.

Veterinary "Dentals"

If dogs eat kibble or canned food, they need annual in-office dentals. Vets should perform a pre-op exam with blood work, and should administer antibiotics.

PRO: Dentals provide deep cleaning with specialized equipment. Some vets use a scaling and sealing system that prevents many problems, including periodontal disease.

CON: Besides the cost, dentals require general anesthesia. A brief procedure can be done using only a short-acting drug, but most dentals require gas anesthesia with an induction agent. Ask your vet what is appropriate, given your dog's health, age, breed, and medical history. Ask about side effects.

Brush Those Teeth

"The best thing you can do for your dog's teeth is brush them every day," says

Renee Gross, DVM, of the Animal Medical Center of Southern California.

PRO: Accessible and inexpensive. Look for the enzyme glucose oxidase in toothpaste to break down the sugars that adhere to teeth.

CON: Daily brushing is quite

a commitment. Some dogs resist it, but the outcome is worth the effort. Scrutinize toothpaste ingredients to avoid dangerous chemicals as well as allergens. Xylitol, for example, causes low blood sugar and can compromise liver functions.

Anesthesia-Free Teeth Cleaning

Not all dogs tolerate the discomfort of anesthesia-free teeth cleaning, but those who do have sparkling smiles. Commence antibiotics before the procedure if your dog is at high risk for infection.

PRO: Many practitioners come to your house.

Scaling provides valuable maintenance by loosening plaque.

CON: In some states, practitioners are not certified or licensed. Homes don't provide a sterile environment, so infections can result.

Dogs may ingest removed particles, precipitating inhalation pneumonia and other serious diseases.



Raw Turkey and Chicken Necks

Diet impacts teeth. Edible raw bones, properly selected and chewed, improve dental health.

PRO: Nicknamed "nature's toothbrush," raw bones clean teeth, provide mental and physical stimulation, and contain important minerals. Nancy Scanlan, DVM, president of the American Holistic Veterinary Medical Association, says, "The safest raw bone for a large dog is a turkey neck and for small dogs a chicken neck." The connective tissues act as "nature's floss."

CON: Always supervise when feeding raw bones. Never give cooked bones, which may pierce the intestine. Even raw bones can cause internal perforations or obstructions if not thoroughly chewed.

Chews, Cleansers, Gels, and Additives

Dental chews vary in effectiveness. Traditional products contain chlorhexidine, which effectively kills bacteria in the biofilm coating teeth. Alternative products use natural enzymes, which break up the biofilm.

PRO: Portability, exercise. **CON:** Some dogs don't like the taste. Chlorhexidine has side effects, including staining. Many enzyme claims are unproven. Rawhide chews raise concerns about obstructions, country

of origin, allergies, protein level, and formaldehyde inclusion. Vegetable and vegetable oil-based chews may cause diarrhea. A new "veggie rawhide" has been associated with renal failure.

Oral cleansers are squirted into dogs' mouths. Like chews, they can contain chlorhexidine or enzymes.

PRO: Freshen breath. **CON:** Many do not work. Most include artificial dyes. Some stain. Some have side effects.

Oral gels are spread onto dogs' gums to make them salivate, causing the gel to cover teeth and gums.

PRO: Suitable for dogs with missing teeth. **CON:** Even the new generation of gels may contain artificial dyes.

Water additives are concentrated cleansers that you dilute and add to your dog's water.

PRO: Easy to administer. **CON:** Beware of xylitol.

Dental Treats

These tasty snacks are marketed as being dentally beneficial.

PRO: Palatability. **CON:** "Dental treat" is an oxymoron. Unless coated with calculus-inhibiting SHMP (see AKC GAZETTE August 2009 "Healthy Dog"), a sugary biscuit "just coats the teeth with a food source for bacteria," says Gross—even biscuits without sweeteners, as carbohydrates turn into simple sugars.*

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