



NEBRASKA DACHSHUND RESCUE

NDR celebrates 1st Birthday

On **October 7th**, Nebraska Dachshund Rescue turns One year old! We have come a long way baby. Much has happened in the past year that makes me and Eli (the inspiration for NDR) so proud. Who knew that finding a doxie in a shelter and fostering him on a whim would lead to so many good things. We have so many good rescuers in our group that deserve a high paw! It takes a lot to get a rescue started, which comes first the money for vet care or the dogs that need the vet care? Most people won't donate until you are a fully established rescue group. Therefore, many volunteers donated personally to get the group started.

Here are some of our major milestones:

*October 7th, 2007 - NDR is official on Petfinder. Web page built

*October 22nd, 2007- First doxie rescued, named Pippy. Pippy was a stray found near Wayne NE. A small rescue group took her in but did not have space for her long term. Pippy went to our first foster home and was adopted by the end of the week.

*Logo was created.

*Dec 2007 - First fundraiser. Several NDR volunteers took Santa pictures at Petsmart. We made \$250.00.

In 2007, helped 7 animals find their way to permanent homes. This included 5 dogs and 2 cats.

*March 2007- NDR board was formed which included a President, Secretary, Foster Coordinator, Adoption Coordinator, Publicity and Events Coordinator, Webmaster and Treasurer.

*Preferred vet status set up with Spay and Neuter clinic.

*Adoption vests were made for dogs to wear at events.

*Non profit status filed with the state and received.

*[Paypal](#) status set up.

*New website created.

*NDR bank account established (could not do without non profit status)

*Our first big mill dog rescue - 7 dachshunds brought in. We worked very closely with Hearts United in Auburn.

*First annual Weenies in Waikiki Event. The turnout was incredible.

*NDR's first big write up in the Omaha World Herald about the Weenies in Waikiki event.

We brought our first special needs dogs into NDR, Mandie, Dodge and Lilli. Mandie was reactive towards people and other dogs, Dodge tested positive for heartworm and Lilli is paralyzed. Mandie attended training and with consistent work from her foster mom she is so much better. Dodge went through treatment for his heartworm. Lilli had a custom cart made to get around and she doesn't know any different.

*NDR hit their 50 dogs in rescue.



*NDR now has 56 dogs they have helped in 2008, combined with 2007 - we have helped 63 total.

Items being worked on:

-Foster Advocates being named. They will be caseworkers for each dog coming into rescue.

-Hotline coordinator and volunteers

-Santa pictures in November.

-Walk for the Weenies (end of October)

It is so exciting to see this rescue venture grow and become established. Our wonderful volunteers have laid the groundwork for this group to be around a long time and be a respected rescue group. No one can build a rescue group by themselves, it is the volunteers that make this happen. NDR is very fortunate to have a group of wonderful volunteers and supporters.

High Paw to all! Cheryl & Eli

Weenies in Waikiki with a birthday was a blast!

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Treat every stressful situation like a dog does.

If you can't eat it or play with it

Just pee on it and leave it alone.

Many thanks to all that participated and volunteered at NDR's Weenies in Waikiki event. Even though the event was held inside on one of the hottest days of summer, it still felt like we were in the tropics. As we planned the event, we didn't know what to expect for the outcome of the event. Little did we know that Julie's effort to post the event in the community section of the Omaha World-Herald would attract so many. We are truly grateful for all

that came out to support our fundraiser and rescue group. The Omaha World Herald's follow-up article to the event was an exciting surprise for us as well.

We were also very fortunate to have Megan celebrate her birthday with us that day. Megan chose to bring her friends to volun-

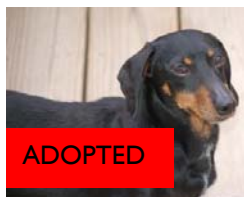
teer at the event. In lieu of birthday presents for herself she requested gifts that would be donated to the rescue dogs. Megan, thanks so much for sharing your birthday celebration with NDR. The rescues received some awesome treats and toys on your behalf.



The Journey of a Puppy Mill Dog to a Family Member—Ginger's Story



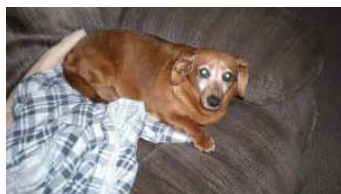
Henry



Joey



Lady



Ginger



Lilli

Ginger was rescued from a puppy mill in July 2008. Not much information was provided on Ginger other than her approx age (8-10 years old), female and not spayed. We don't even know for sure if she was really Ginger. We had to guess from the information provided. Here is Ginger's story told from her point of view:

Up until July 11th- Everyday I live in this box, it is about the same. It is constant barking, and I love to do my share. The human comes out and dumps food in a dish and we have to fight amongst ourselves to get enough. Where do all these puppies keep coming from? They have worn me out. It is either always too hot or too cold in this box and there isn't much room. My feet hurt from standing on wire and it is uncomfortable to lay down. I wish I could explore.

July 11th- Something is different today when I wake up. The human is yelling very loudly and lots of things being thrown around. Some dogs are being taken out of their boxes and moved to boxes that are lifted and put somewhere. What does this mean? Something is changing. I am scared, I bark a lot. The human comes for me, grabs me and it hurts, and puts me in a box that moves. I am then thrown in the back of truck. The truck starts moving. We move along for a long time. All of a sudden we stop. The human talks to another human and they start picking up our boxes and putting us into a van. It is hot for a long time until the human gets in and turns on some cool air. Some of the dogs are really

scared—I smell doo-doo. We stop again. Another human takes my box and some other long dog boxes and loads us into her jeep. I bark a lot, she talks to me and smiles. We stop again. We arrive at some building and get to go inside. We are taken out of our box and held and put into a nice clean and comfortable box. It is nice and cool too. I still bark a lot though. We get lots of food—as much as we want with cool water too. I finally lay down and sleep very well.

July 12th- A nice lady, they call her a vet, comes and talks to me and looks me all over. I have never had this done before but I felt she was nice. I had something shoot me in the leg but it only hurt for a second. I also went to sleep and woke up feeling pretty groggy. I sleep for quite awhile, get up and feel better.

July 13th- A lady comes and picks me up and puts me in her car. She talks to me and gives me some good treats. All kinds of good things to smell in the car. I get to look out the window and see new things. She rolls the window down for a bit and I smell so many smells that are new to me. I am not scared but I still bark a lot. I go to a home. I have never been inside. There are other nice dogs to greet me. The nice lady shows me around and takes me outside. I get to wander around—my dream has come true. I get to smell and smell and smell. I get the best dinner ever. I get my own dish that I don't have to share and it has wet food in it too. It is dee-lish! I bark excitedly. My foster mom smiles at me more. I sit in her lap for a long time and go to sleep. When she goes to bed, I get to go with her and sleep on

something comfortable right next to her. I have never slept better.

July 14th- I get something tied around my neck. I feel special, it is like someone cares where I am. Time to investigate more. I want to spend time outside. I see a kitty ...I really want to bite him but can't get to him. I smell rabbits. My foster mom tells me I bark like a duck. She calls me the Aflac duck.

July 28th- A human boy comes over to the house while mom is gone. He seems nice, he talks to me. He lays on the couch and I get up on the couch and lay by him. He pets me too...there are nice people.

August 8th- A big tub is filled up outside with cool water in it. I see the other dogs run in and out of it and have fun. They call it a pool.

August 10th- A new dachshund puppy comes to stay with us and I don't have to take care of it. I chase him and Eli all over. We run all over in the yard. How fun! I am still learning to deal with all the new noises. When I get scared I run to my foster mom and she tells me it is ok and I believe her. I trust her now.

August 30th- Mom has been home for many days in a row. I hope nothing bad is happening. We go for walks and she spends a lot of time with us out in the yard.

Sept 3rd- Went for a walk and my foster mom said I did so good. I met other dogs and kids came up to pet me. I didn't pull on the leash. I am quite convinced I like my new life better. There are new things everyday and I still can bark like a duck!

Big Dachshund Barks out to...

*Our generous foster families for taking rescues in your home to care for until they find their forever home

*Spay and Neuter Clinic for always taking care of us

*Megan and her family and friends for celebrating her birthday with us and volunteering at Waikiki

*Dachshund Anonymous friends for their never ending support

*John Roth and Son company for your donation for the t-shirts

*Mary Gerant for her donation through PayPal to NDR

*Eileen DeAngelo, Hanover Park, IL for her donation through PayPal

*Jim Stevens for his donation through PayPal to sponsor Lilli

*Kristy Miller for her donation through PayPal to sponsor Mandie

*Denae Golden for her donation through PayPal to sponsor Mandie

* Claudia Franks, Sea Cliff, NY for her donation through PayPal to sponsor Henry

Spotlight on a Rescue: Coco and Bailey

Coco and Bailey are chocolate dachshunds (approx. 4 yrs old) that we rescued in May from a puppy mill in Missouri. They were scared and overweight when they came into our care. The surgery to spay them was pretty rough on each of them as they were used for breeding at the mill. Allison, their foster mom, and her family have done wonders with the girls since taking them in for fostering. The girls' weight is down to 13 for Coco and 15 for Bailey. When they first came to Allison's house, they barely came out of their kennels. Now besides

coming out of their kennel more often they are exploring outside more. The girls are even starting to go on walks with leashes, which was not possible early on. They do startle with sudden movements or loud sounds, but warm up to people they have met before more easily. They love to snuggle up and watch reruns of Family Guy at night, but I am sure they will do that with any show on TV. With all that they endured with life so far, we would love to see them find their forever home together, so they can continue adapting to life away from the horrible

puppy mill. Please consider adopting Coco and Bailey or make a donation to NDR on their behalf. www.nebraskadachshundrescue.org Thanks Allison for your great care with these girls!



Bailey with Coco (in pink collar)



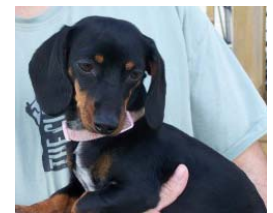
Mandie



Rocky



Woody



ShyAnne



Tess

Spotlight on a Volunteer: Julie

In February 2007, NDR met Julie at an event the Nebraska Humane Society held for rescue groups where she signed up to be a volunteer with us. In March, she was appointed to the board as the Event Coordinator. Julie's love for dachshunds began when she had one as a child. Julie's passion for dachshunds developed over time and she now has 3 of her own, "As I got older and became more aware of puppy mills and mass breeding, I knew that I wanted to do something to help make a difference in the lives of these doxies. Getting them out of puppy mills and breeding facilities is my ulti-

mate goal; next to completely shutting down puppy mills. I also want to get them out of abusive and neglectful situations and get them into a loving home where they can be treated how all dogs should be treated--with love and kindness." Julie has played a major role in researching and obtaining our 501c3. She helps out with the rescue in many different aspects (fostering, rescuing, adoption visits and educating us on puppy mills and mass breeding). We appreciate all her hard work as she does of all the volunteers, "I am so proud to

be working with NDR and all the wonderful, compassionate people who represent NDR. The dedication and commitment that is given by each individual toward helping dachshunds is amazing! My dream is that someday we could be as big as HUA in Auburn, NE or as big as Best Friends in Utah. Those places are amazing and have helped so many animals".

Julie's 3: Sissy, Reggie and Husker



Big Entrance at Eighth Annual Running of the Wieners in Grand Island

NDR took the road trip to Grand Island for the Running of the Wiener races. We made quite the entrance as we rolled into the parking lot in the 40' motor home of Bob and Noelle. They were gracious enough to offer their "doghouse" for the trip.

This was a great opportunity for NDR to let Grand Island and sur-

rounding area know that we are here and established. We also, of course, raced some of our own dachshunds to see how well they competed. Some did great and some well not so great.

We saw our friends from HUA and met some new friends from the Dachshund rescue in Wyoming.

NDR looks forward to participating in next year's Running of the Wieners.



Trina

NDR is dedicated to helping abandoned, surrendered, abused and neglected dachshunds and dachshund mixes



- Check out the website for the most up-to-date listings of rescues in foster care and upcoming events.
- NDR is run completely by volunteers. Please check back with us if you have not had a response to your email or voicemail message.
- NDR is always looking for volunteers. Currently seeking volunteers specifically for foster homes, foster advocates and hotline volunteers.

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Board members

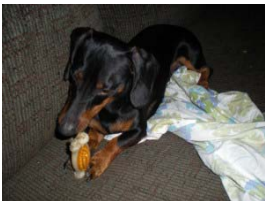
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You may pick up your NDR logo wear at the events we participate in or order them through our website under the store tab.



The Bun bed is a great holiday gift idea for the doxie lovers in your life. Available through our store on our website. www.nebraskadachshundrescue.org

Please support the Animal Spay-Neuter Clinic. They support us in the medical care of our rescues



Walter



Cooper



George



Alex



Bailey



Coco

Training Tips

Ongoing socialization is important for your dog, no matter their age. Socialization does not just mean getting your dog together with other dogs. It means interacting with your dog. Play games with your dog without toys or treats. Some good suggestions are hide and seek, hide from your dog and

call them to come find you. Play Go Find it. Have your dog SIT while you hide treats and then tell them to go find the treats.

Acknowledge your dog when they are looking at you--say good morning and their name. Hearing their name in a good connotation helps build that

association of hearing their name and knowing it means good things and to pay attention to you.

Training class recommendations. Training classes for you and your dog are not just for your dog to learn how to do a behavior but to build the bond between *you* and *your* dog.