



August 2022 Newsletter

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Hello, RCBR Family! Facebook can be an awesome tool ... but *sometimes* its quirks can cause problems. We recently learned that we missed acknowledging and thanking all of the wonderful RCBR supporters who held birthday fundraisers for RCBR on Facebook. We are sincerely sorry we did not realize this sooner! We are putting together a process to make sure we do not miss anyone in the future.

In the meantime – a HUGE THANK YOU to everyone who used their birthdays to help us raise funds to support boxers in need! You – our network of supporters – are the most important piece of the puzzle in

helping us help Boxers. RCBR could not exist without you! Again, our apologies for not posting individual recognition in a timely fashion.

We have done our best to go back and collect information on the folks who recently supported RCBR through birthday fundraisers from August 2021 until now. If we missed anyone, please let us know right away.

Many thanks to the following fabulous Facebook fundraisers:

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Board Resignations

The entire Rejection Collection Boxer Rescue Board and community would like to extend a heartfelt “thank you” to both **Jamie Kohn** and **Duraye Marshelle!**

Both have been active leaders and volunteers within the rescue for the past two years. Both have recently stepped down from their positions, for various reasons.

Thank YOU, Jamie and Duraye,
for your hard work and dedication to the rescue.

Without both of you,
RCBR would not have been able to save so many Boxers.

We appreciate you and wish you the best in all your future endeavors!

New Board Member
Jill Konar Mead





RCBR is excited to welcome Jill Konar Mead to our Board of Directors!

Jill sought out RCBR shortly after relocating from Ohio to Minnesota last summer. She and her husband, Brian, are owned by a Boxer-velociraptor mix, an almost-2-year-old Boxer boy named Jack, and a girly-girl Pit Bull named Ellie Mae. Jill has been supporting Boxer and Pit Bull rescues for over 20 years. She has been practicing law for nearly 22 years and currently serves Federated Insurance as Senior Legal Counsel. In addition to supporting fundraising efforts, Jill will provide legal support to RCBR.

Please help us welcome Jill to the RCBR team!

Volunteer Spotlight

Tracey Quimby

Growing up with Boxers gave me an *immense* appreciation for how



special they are.

Several years ago I jumped at the chance to volunteer for Rejection Collection Rescue helping review adoption applications.

I love being a part of finding forever homes for these deserving Boxers.

I get to experience the joy people feel when they get matched.

*RCBR recently asked Tracey to be the Application Team Lead and she said yes without hesitation!

Thank you, Tracey!

We have *all* done it.

We're out on a walk with our pup
and run into another pup
and his pawrent taking a stroll.

Next time it happens, don't be quite so
quick to insist we make friends.

YOUR CHOICE Affects Your Dog's Choice.

A case of BARKING at other dogs



1



YOU THINK:
My dog is looking
at the other dog.
SHE MUST WANT
TO SAY HELLO!



YOUR DOG THINKS:
He is staring at me.
This is scary.
He might attack me.
I can't look away.

2



Don't be shy! It's OK!
He wants to be your friend.
SAY HI TO HIM!



YOUR DOG THINKS:
What is my mom
thinking? I am scared!
But I have no way to
escape when she is
holding onto this leash

3

GET AWAY FROM ME!!!



YOU THINK:
What **BAD MANNERS!**
She needs to be
punished to understand
this is bad behavior!

4



**STOP IT!
BAD DOG!!!**



YOUR DOG THINKS:
My mom is angry!
This is scary! It must
be because of that
dog approaching us.
Next time when I see
a dog, I will bark and
growl much earlier!



**STAY AWAY!
OR ELSE!!!**



Dogs don't always want to greet and/or play with other dogs even if they LOOK at another dog.

When they feel fear, they may find it hard to turn away. You can choose to help your dog feel safer and prevent undesirable behavior.



LET'S GO OVER
THERE!



In the early stages, HELP YOUR DOG KEEP DISTANCE FROM OTHER DOGS, or help your dog focus on something else that is pleasant - treats, a toy, or you - to avoid escalating her fearful and excited feelings. If your dog is unable to look away from the other dog and continues to react, then she needs more distance and more help. Please talk to a professional trainer using science and reward-based dog training techniques.

Your dog can make better choices if YOU make better choices!

Let's learn more about dogs and Positive Reinforcement Training!

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Upcoming Events

Pet Holidays to Celebrate in 2022!

August:

August 15 - [National Check the Chip Day](#)

August 16 - [Saint Roch's Day](#) - Patron saint of dogs

August 16 - [International Homeless Animals' Day](#)

August 23 - [International Blind Dog Day](#)

August 26 - [National Dog Day](#)

September:

[National Service Dog Month](#)

-and-

[Pet Sitter Education Month](#)

Bark in the Park 2022

Thursday August 18th, 2022

5:00 PM until 7:00 PM

Location: [Swanson Dog Park](#)

Map: [9150 Central Ave NE Blaine MN 55434](#)

Join RCBR for a fun evening for you and your canine friend.

Visit with companies and non-profit groups specializing in dogs.

The event will feature nail trimming and dog merchandise for sale at the vendor booths. You and your dog can also enjoy the Pup-arazzi photo booth, food trucks, music by the Backyard Band, and MORE!

Pet Expo 2022 Puppy Palooza

Saturday October 1st, 2022

12:00 PM until 03:00 PM

Location: [Pet Expo Distributors](#)

Map: [1800 Adams Street Mankato MN 56001](#)

Join us for the annual Pet Expo Puppy Palooza!

A family friendly, pet friendly outdoor event with food, dog brand vendors, puppy pools, games, activities and local organizations.

Rejection Collection Boxer Rescue will be there. Will you?

RCBR Event Calendar

Recent Adoptions

The July Newsletter inadvertently ran the incorrect photo with Dino's adoption story. We apologize for the error.

See Dino's story below!

Dino (n/k/a Scout)

Adopted 6/3/22



Dino, now known as Scout, has joined big brother Boomer, age 5, to round out our family. He is a puppy in every sense of the word. He smells *everything*, counter surfs, and plays endlessly; however, he does not mind cuddles and snuggling into bed for the night either. Scout is finding lots of things to smell in the country, is learning to loose-leash walk, and that "Come" means move forward, *not* sit in one spot.

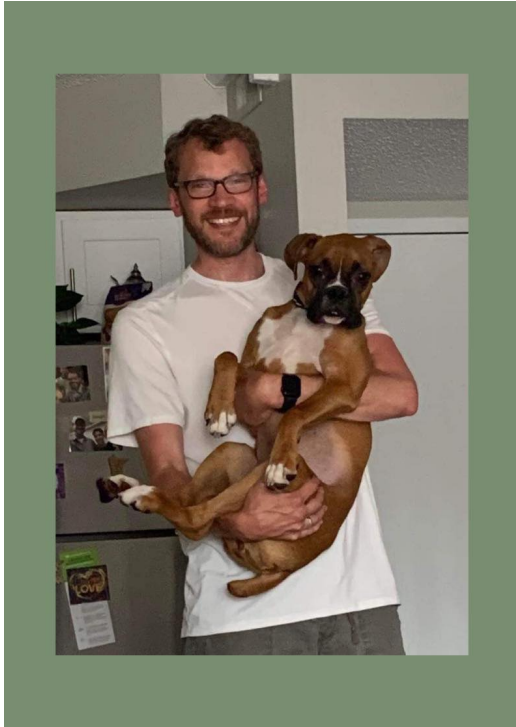
Our daughter looks forward to enrolling him in the dog project for 4H next year. He has the makings of an agility dog for sure!

Bocephus

Adopted 7/19/22

Bo is getting along wonderfully! We still have some separation anxiety to work through but he is improving every week

with his new schedule. He met my sister's cats recently and was VERY interested. No damage done but loved the chase. We are still working with basic commands and now that we have found some healthy treats that he enjoys, he has some good motivation to learn more quickly. I am so fortunate to have found him! Such a great cuddler and companion. We have yet to meet another dog that he has not gotten along with. Still learning the whole "play" concept, but he has figured out to be a little gentler with smaller dogs. Everybody he meets falls in love with him instantly. He is a true ham!



Pebbles

Adopted 6/29/22

Roxy - formerly Pebbles - joined the family at the end of June. She is very shy around people until she feels comfortable. Then she is **all** tail wags, side hops, and Boxer puppy energy! She continues to come out of her shell a little more each day, especially if another dog is around! She never fails to surprise me with which pooch I am going to encounter; laid back, cuddly, and observant? Nosy and mischievous? Or crazy puppy with the zoomies? Usually it is the one I am least expecting or prepared for! She has brought so much fun to our lives and changed it for the better. Some of the best money ever spent. A special thanks to her fosters, and RCBR, for helping bring her out of her shell. She is the best.



The Rainbow Bridge

... until we meet
again ♥

Bootsie

Crossed the Bridge 8/2/22



Bootsie Lee honored me with her presence for 1-1/2 years.

Before coming into Rescue, she spent her entire life living year-round in a Michigan barn, along with her male Boxer 'mate' and three of their sons, having puppies year-after-year. No way for any dog to live ... especially in the brutal Michigan winters and hot, bug-filled summers. Bootsie, 'Booter', 'Boots McGroots' fit in with my girls immediately, like she had been with us forever. She LOVED her plush stuffed "babies" and frequently had 10-12 in her "room" - I mean kennel - carrying one up the stairs to bed every night.

Bootsie had spunk; was a lover and cuddler with the absolute sweetest face that mirrored her personality. Unfortunately, she came in diagnosed with Spondylosis, a spine disease that ultimately affects the use of the back legs and is usually painful. The disease progressed. Her back legs would go every which way and her back feet would knuckle under, causing her legs to go really wonky. Eventually, she could no longer stand for any length of time before her back end would shrink down to a sitting position - even when eating/drinking. Over her last two weeks, she would squat to potty and end up falling on her backside and really struggled to get up. The time finally came when her spirit was willing but her body ... not so much. I knew it was time to lift her up to the Rainbow Bridge where she could be pain-free.

Bootsie lived to be approx. 11-1/2 yrs old. Eighteen months is not *nearly* enough time to give her the love she should have had her entire life. But oh how she was loved for those

18 months; how she touched the hearts of everyone who helped transport her, overnight her and care for her along the way into Rescue. I am beyond grateful for every second of those 18 months. Every one of my dogs at the Rainbow Bridge has taken a piece of my heart with them. The piece they take leaves room in my heart to help another.

~ Duraye

Jaxon

Crossed the Bridge 7/1/22



Jaxon was a sweet, loving, distinguished gentleman. He loved to snuggle and be close to his person. He was a watchful pup, learning to trust that humans were safe. He loved car rides, cuddling on the couch, and running back inside when it was cold out - he came to RCBR in the cold of winter from the southern United States. He was also a caring foster brother. When Lucy (RCBR Boxer alum) joined the household, he let her have the best snuggle spots and loved to share his days with her.

He was a calm and loving pup who is greatly missed.

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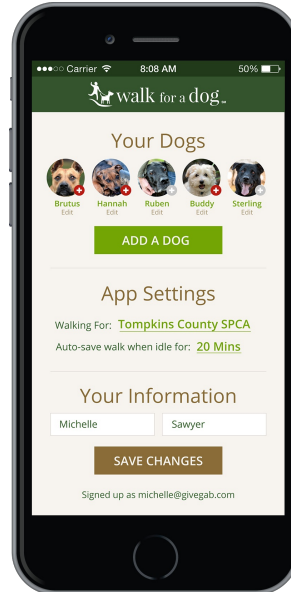
Links to help:

[Walk for a Dog / Wooftrax](#) - walk your dog and earn points that translate to donations for RCBR.

[Amazon Wishlist](#) - purchase from our wishlist and have it sent directly to us.

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Mission Statement

Rejection Collection Boxer Rescue (RCBR) is a non-profit, all-volunteer, foster-based organization dedicated to providing loving homes for Boxer dogs - especially seniors, medically challenged, and those needing to start over again in an unfamiliar world.

We offer quality care for whatever time is left; it is not about the quantity of days, but rather the quality and amount of love that can be shared during those days.

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