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## PUPPIES, PUPPIES AND MORE PUPPIES

So it started with Sada and her pups mentioned in last months newsletter. Then I was sent a plea for a foster home for a small mama ready to give birth. I called the shelter to inquire about her only to be told she had been sent that morning to be spayed. Horrified that they were going to kill full term babies and the certain health risk that posed. I called the spay clinic and told them I will take her. A few days after getting her home Jenny, as she is now known gave birth to 2 little boys Jessie and Joey . Both seemed fine at first although Joey decided to come out tail first which made Mama have to work hard to get him here. After about a week I saw Jessie was not growing like Joey so I stepped in to do the feedings. Regardless of my efforts he just could not make it and he passed away. Joey is doing great

growing and getting strong. I had my hands full with two Mamas and 5 babies, 4 of which were being weaned. But it was decided I was not done yet. I was soon contacted by our local vet that a little, very pregnant girl was left at their door in a box. They had just had a couple cases of parvo come in and she could not stay there to give birth so she would have to go to the shelter if they could not place her in a home. So I guess you know where she is now. She is now known as Cricket and she gave birth to 2 puppies on 12/13/08. A boy named Cody and a girl named Clover. All Mamas and babies are doing great. I always feel so blessed when I can help these new little lives. Not to mention there is nothing better then that wonderful puppy breath.



Sada's kids at 6 weeks



pregnant Jenny at intake



Joey at 2 weeks



Cricket



Cricket

Far left is a very pregnant Cricket at intake

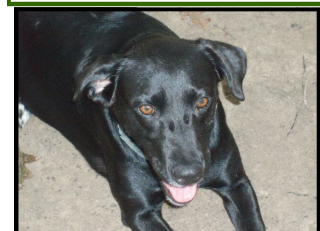


## SEASONS GREETINGS

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### DOG OF THE MONTH



**ALIZA:** Is a darling girl with loads of energy. She needs a home with no cats or other small animals as she does have a strong prey drive. This probably came from when she was on her own with 6 tiny babies to care for. She was half her current weight.

# FOURTH QUARTER TEEN AWARDS

## HONORABLE MENTIONS:

**Randi Jo Miller** - 11 pts. - NABS Award

**Nicole Stelling** - 11 pts. - NABS Award

**Esther Segrera** - 7 pts. - NABS Award

1ST PLACE: **Ashleigh Armstrong** - 17 pts. - NABS Award and \$15 Petco Gift Card

2ND PLACE: **Ashlee Williamson** - 14 pts. - NABS Award and \$10 Petco Gift Card

## HAPPY TAILS

Bruce enjoys his new home, sofa, cuddle toy, and a relaxing nap



## MINDY UPDATE



Adoption not pictured:  
**ANGUS**



Mindy previously known as Eva inspired by the unexpected snowfall dons her Christmas attire to enjoy the holiday weather. Her sister Ava on the other hand stays indoors where it is warm and toasty..... not caring for the cold weather.

Skip and Spring dare their Mom to try to make the bed



## COLLETTE UPDATE

Hi Pam,

Just thought I'd drop you a line wishing you a great Christmas. We were in town Thanksgiving week but not on the weekend or we would have stopped by Petco to see you. Collette had both rear knees operated on a month ago and is doing fine. I can never remember what the condition is called, but the knee sockets are very shallow and the kneecaps pop out. It was pathetic for a couple of weeks (she could barely stand) but now she's playing with her boyfriend from next door and jumping all over the place. I still can't get over how good and sweet she is! We took her on a 8-week RV trip last summer and she was no trouble at all. I'm soooooo glad we came to you when we were dog-hunting. Take care and hope we can see you next trip.

Dorothy Cooney

## UPDATE PIC




Bianca and those sweet girl eyes

## UPDATE PICS

Idgy was their first dog from N.A.B.S. then Freeman another N.A.B.S. dog moved in to liven things up.



Sweet calm Idgy 

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Wild man Freeman



# LACI THE CHRISTMAS PUPPY



Pam & Pam,

I just wanted to let you know how Laci was doing.

Christmas morning at around 7 in the morning when the Boys awoke she met them. They started yelling "It's Christmas, Santa came" then stopped in their tracks at the top of the stairs when they spotted her at the bottom of the stairs looking up at them. The boys couldn't believe their eyes, and Laci had her ears perked forward wanting to know what all the raucous was. All three still can't believe Santa brought them a pup. My older son, checked out her tags and said hey Mom Santa got her from NABS, that is the same rescue organization at Petco. I said that Santa most likely knew we wanted to help a homeless dog and found us the perfect one.

Laci is already fetching and bringing whatever is tossed right back to us, and she is even trying to catch a Frisbee (about half and half). The boys love playing ball with her and she is running with the boys and playing tag with them. Plus she walks on the leash like a sweet little lady with me during my morning walk. So far, she and the Ferrets are compatible, as they have sniffed and crawled on her. Laci is very laid back with no aggression and shows no "yum" interest in them.

The boys and Laci have really taken to each other and my husband has been constantly giving her ear scratches. He even made her a scrambled egg this morning with the excuse it was protein and good for her coat. I love her, she is so good and is helping me pick up after all the guys in the house. She keeps bringing me their socks they leave on the floor instead of the hamper and their sneakers that are not put away. She carries the shoes by the laces or very little of the sock in her mouth, like she doesn't want to touch them but has too, Ha Ha. It is almost like she is tattling on them. But she is now living in a house with 3 guys, even the 3 ferrets are boys! She is definitely a Mama's girl, she follows me around and lays next to me where ever I am. Us girls are sticking together. We have had no issues with her. She doesn't jump on the furniture or beds, no destructiveness, and no barking even when the door bell rings.

Laci has had no accidents in the house, she goes right to the back glass door, taps on it with a little whine, and off she goes to the same area that we are trying to make "her potty spot". Laci has free run of the house and seems to be adjusting fine to our family and home.

We have even baked for her today. Made "Puppy Bark Bars", a homemade all natural biscuit recipe Then the Boys wanted to take her to Petco so she could pick out a toy. So off we went and Laci now has several that she thought were just for her. All of them had rope on them like the chicken she had. Now I have to get a toy basket just for her things, I bet I will even be able to teach her to pick up after herself. Unless she keeps trying to hide her stuff. She keeps purposely pushing her chew bone & tennis ball under her bed for safe keeping.

Thank you for everything. Hope you had a nice Holiday.

Keep in touch please, and let me know if you need any help with NABS.

Lisa



LACI ON HER NEW COMFY BED THAT SANTA BROUGHT HER



Koda now called Kodi relaxes on his family camping trip.

LACI AND HER BOYS



## PICTURES WITH SANTA



We had a great time this year with having two days of pictures with Santa at Petco. Our cooperative Santa this year was Jeff Plott who usually is a helper out at the land with Pam's husband. We appreciate his volunteering to help along with our volunteer photographers Paige Thomson, and Cheryl Weinfeld. We also want to thank Petco manager... Clarissa and of course my husband Nick who donated their time to print out the Santa pictures. We thank everyone that came out to have their pets picture taken with Santa to help support N.A.B.S. and our rescue mission. Please watch for us next year and bring your N.A.B.S. pet in for a picture with Santa and visit with us a bit.



## FOXIES ADVENTURE



Pam received a letter from a desperate Mom who had her fur kids get out and lost. She adopted Foxie and Roxie from N.A.B.S. in 2004 when they were then known as Fonzi and Phoebe a bonded pair. Luckily Roxie was found right away safe and sound.

Their Mama wrote....“ I can't tell you how desperate I am to get Foxie back...that little guy means the world to me and I didn't quite realize how much I loved him till he disappeared....I am absolutely crushed that he's not home with me, its like my life stopped the day he ran away and won't be complete again till he comes home...” “I know by now he has got to be beyond frantic and scared to death..Its been almost 2 weeks and I just don't know how long a little guy like him can survive....I can only pray that he gets hungry enough to approach the right person (someone who has seen his flier) and that they call me.” Well her prayers were answered...He was in her babysitters subdivision less than 2 miles from home.. “He has a nasty sore on his ribs that he has managed to keep clean, he has a horrible cut on his head so deep you can see the bone and obviously has a injury to one of his hind legs..But these are all injuries that can be fixed.”

“He has lost a lot of weight, but I'll take great pleasure in fattening him up that's for sure !! :-)”

“The only way to sum all this up is that this is a miracle and the best Christmas present ever !!! My husband asked me last week what I wanted for Christmas and I said FOXIE...not in my wildest dreams did I think that would be a reality..but it is ! :-)”



FOXIE AND ROXIE  
REUNITED AT LAST



FOXIE RECUPERATING  
FROM HIS ORDEAL

We are all so relieved and thrilled Foxie is back in the loving arms of his Mom and Dad.

**Merry Christmas Foxie and welcome home!**



## GPS FOR YOUR PETS

Microchips are wonderful for helping to find a lost pet. Now you can get GPS for your pets. How wonderful to be able to track them down right away. Below is a list of sites where you can get GPS for your pets

<http://thebark.com/content/gps-dogs>

<http://www.dogtracs.com/index.asp?gclid=CNbJ8pio5cCFSTaDAoddFFB9g>

<http://www.securepet.com/Offerings.aspx>



Our webmaster Kelly has reported the stats for our website. We are happy to say we have had an average of **503 hits per day making it 171881 hits** for the year 2008. Amazingly We have had over **3.2 million** hits since the site first opened. I think those are stats we can be proud of.



## WELCOME BACK KELLY



We are so glad to have our webmaster Kelly back. She underwent back surgery in November and is on the mend. It had been hard for her to work on our N.A.B.S. website with so much back pain. The surgery was a success and she is back in the saddle and has been busy updating our website. We have to say it is looking great! **Thank you Kelly and welcome back!!!**