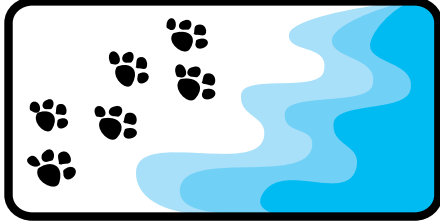


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# Newsletter

Summer 2015

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## RILEY TO THE RESCUE!

By Lisa Cracknell

**W**e adopted an adorable, sweet, smart, stubborn, willful rescue puppy from the excellent Redwood Coast Humane Society and it turned out that he has rescued us! Our Blue Tick Hound puppy routinely alerts us to anyone walking down the street, animals in our yard (including bobcats, as seen in the Independent Coast Observer – photographed by Peter Cracknell) and generally anything going on around our house in The Sea Ranch.

However, on May 23rd at approximately 10:30 pm, he started growling and barking and eventually jumping up on the windowsill to our bedroom. I tried to calm him down and get him to go to sleep but he wouldn't stop and escalated his efforts. I finally got out of bed and went over to the window and saw a huge fire and explosion down the street from us. Needless to say, we jumped out of bed and immediately dialed 911 and the Sea Ranch Fire Department, but if Riley hadn't been so insistent we may have slept through the whole event (like our neighbors). Luckily, the fire did not spread and no one was hurt, but going forward we will definitely pay much more attention to our furry, little alarm system.



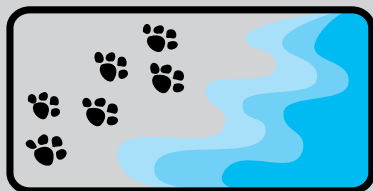
Riley and Lisa



Riley on duty



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## HUMANE SOCIETY

Redwood Coast Humane Society is a 100% volunteer 501-(c)(3) (non-profit) organization located on the Redwood Coast of Northern California serving the needs of local animals and pet owners.

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- Lisa (Scott) Dundee - President
- Harriet Wright - Treasurer
- Kim Park - Secretary

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### OUR MISSION

It is the mission of the Redwood Coast Humane Society to advocate for the welfare, rights, respect and protection of all animals through care, intervention and education.

### OUR GOALS

- \* To provide temporary foster and medical care for animals that are surrendered, abandoned, injured or rescued.
- \* To locate permanent homes for companion animals through adoption programs.
- \* To control dog and cat population by providing financial assistance for and education about spay/neuter services.
- \* To act as an information resource for a variety of animal related issues, including lost and found, feral cat management, referrals and counseling.
- \* To educate the public on animal related issues through workshops, special events and publications.
- \* To develop and sustain a skilled volunteer network to support the organization's activities.
- \* To attain financial resources through fundraising activities to support our mission and goals.

The Redwood Coast Humane Society is as a tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and Section 23701(d) of the California Revenue and Taxation Code. Please check with your individual tax advisor for the appropriate deductibility of your donation. Tax identification Number is 68-0451469

## PRESIDENT'S NOTE:

We dedicate this issue of the RCHS Newsletter to the remembrance of two special volunteers whose souls have left us recently, Robert Schneider and Shirley Chatalian. Up until death, endless compassion and dedication were expended by these individuals in providing care to the homeless animals on our coast. Robert and Shirley made our community a better place and are deeply missed by all of us at RCHS.

Sincerely,  
Lisa Dundee, RCHS President

### REDWOOD COAST HUMANE SOCIETY 2014 FINANCIAL REPORT

Support for The Redwood Coast Humane Society comes from adoption fees, fundraising, merchandise sales, low cost spay/neuter program and generous donations from our friends and neighbors. Rather than living from paycheck to paycheck, we live from donation to donation. Some days are lean while others are overwhelming. Looking at the income/expense report for 2014 shows a lean period; the expenses for the year outpaced the income by \$11,000. Luckily in the past we had received some large donations in the form of trusts that allowed us to put aside funds for just such times: a CD matured to replace the negative balance. Again, this past year we received another generous bequeath that allows us to put money aside so as to have an assured amount of income for the coming years. This will help fortify our other means of support so as not to make the bookkeeper so nervous.

<b>INCOME:</b>		<b>EXPENSES:</b>	
Adoption Fees	\$4,216.00	Advertising	\$1,915.00
Fundraising	\$2,887.00	Insurance	\$2,150.00
Low Cost Spay/Neuter	\$2,302.00	2013 Merchandise Tax	\$119.00
Merchandise	\$779.00	Rent	\$9,685.00
Donations	\$40,477.00	Facilities/Utilities	\$3,839.00
Interest Income	\$73.00	Foster Dog Program	\$946.00
<b>2014 INCOME =</b>	<b>\$50,734.07</b>	Medical	\$36,409.00
		Operation	\$2,811.00
		Supplies	\$3,937.00
<b>2014 INCOME =</b>	<b>\$50,734.07</b>	<b>2014 EXPENSES =</b>	<b>\$61,811.00</b>
<b>2014 NET LOSS OF</b>	<b>\$11,077.00</b>		

**Low Cost Spay/Neuter Services**  
for Cats & Dogs  
for low-income families

For more information  
Please visit us on the web at  
[www.redwoodcoasthumane.org](http://www.redwoodcoasthumane.org)  
or Call 884-1304

# DONATIONS

(November 1, 2014 – July 1, 2015)

**Generous Donations Were Given By The Following:** Matt Adams, Aggie Animal Dental Center, Eric & Jacqueline Agnew, Jack & Barbara Alberson, Montgomery Anderson & Megan Bellue, Carolyn Andre, Shirley Arora, Patrick & Lillian Bailey, Agnes (Ace) Bailie, Doug & Linda Balogh, Joanna Barnes, John & Janice Batchelder, Geoffrey & Wendy Beaty, Carol Beck, Bed & Bone, Frank & Linda Bell, Lynn & Gary Bellati, Adrian Bennett, Robert & Judith Biehler, Diane Boeke, Berenice & Lawrence Brackett, Walter & Sarah Bradley, Julius & Susan Brauner, Linda & Steve Brodie, Ellen Buechner, Barbara & Robert Bulkley, Bruce Burdick, Sandy & George Bush, Caryl Carr, Richard Carter, Doris Causey, Steve Chell, Elaine Chiu, Susan Clark, Linda & Bradley Clayton, Thomas Cook, Anita Craig, Jeremy Crockett, Ramona & W.Y. Crooks, James Daniel, Millie Davis, Claire de Chazal, Dave Pelzer & D-Esprit LLC, Rob & Alice Diefenbach, Janis Dolphin, Jay & Patsy Doty, Wendy Dressler, Barbara Dunsmoor, Mark Dutka, Lawrence Elsener, Beverly Elzig, Paul & Joyce Escher, Edward (Ted) Fairbrother, Sydney & Ray Feeney, Susan & Frank Field, Frederick Fields, Fitzhugh/Sager, Michael Flynn, Dr. Antoinette Fournier, R & J Fouts, Linda Frye, Jesus & Carole Garcia, Steve & Susan Garriety, Mel & Jan Gerst, Sam Gibson & Winnie Tang, Barbara Gold & Carl Rubino, Rebecca Golly, Stephanie & Bruce Goodwin, Marilyn Green & Drew McCalley, Jim & Bandit Guffey, Heather Hackett, Marghi Hagen, Caroline Haw, BP & DV Hichwa, Kathye & Charles Hitt, Bee Hoover & Laura Senteney, Gary & Pamela Hopkins, Richard & Sandy Hughes, Mary Suen Ittner, Marti Kambe & Doug Dennis, Francoise & Don Kemp, Eric & Judy Kohn, Doug & Sandy Korten, Doug & Jan Le Du, Bruce & Jutta Leibrock, Mike & Marilyn Levinson, Cathy Line, Marcia Lotter, Bruce & Penelope Luchessa, Mah-Jongg Group, Linda Mahle, Kim & Gary Marquardt, Kay Martin, Leah Martini, Ellen Matics, Earl & Ingrid Mau, Elaine Mazer, Marianne McCoy, Carole McQuarrie, Diane Meyer, William Meyers, Gloria Mikuls, Cecilia Moelter, Thomas & Beverly Naso, Kadance Nelson, Jon & Carol Nickerson, Sharon Nickodem, Lynda O'Brien, Jeffrey & Rhonda Ortman, William & Jeanne Osterland, Judy O'Young, Phyllis Pacheco, Richard Perry, Terry Pfordresher, Marjorie & Clive Pinsker, Dot Porter, George & Zdena Price, Tim Quinn, Barry & Rozanne Rapozo, Ondine Reynebawe, David & Barbara Rice, David Robertson & Margaret Crosby, Marina Roelink, Kristine & Gary Rose, Kathleen Roskopf & Roland Pesch, Michael Sanders, Beth & David Sawi, Verne & Pennie-Lynne Schellhorn, Connie & Richard Schimbor, Juliette Schlesinger, Karen Schryver, Sabina Schryver, Sharon Schulte, Sea Ranch Escape, Ned Seale, Karen Serratoni, Susan & Larry Seymour, Jolly Smith, Michael Steele & Matthew Batanian, Rosemarie & Roger Suddith, Debbie & David Swendig, Nellie Taillefer, Jeri Taylor, Arthur & Gail Thompson, Ellen Thompson, Richard Thomure, John & Janet Tweedie, Gail Taylor, Marcia Valentine, Gale & Mark Valentini, Michele & Peter Valerio, Catherine Van Natta, Mary & Richard Wall, Bill & Sandy Wiemeyer, Rich Wilson, Harriet Wright, Laurel & Stephen Young, Robert & Tracy Young, Peter & Teresa Youtz and Carol Zoltowski

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## Memorials and Honors:

Donations Were Given In Memory Of The Following People: Robert Schneider, Jack Hovingh, Doris Wight, Jack Lipkin, Ray McDaid, Tom Falk, Delores Kaller

Donations Were Given In Honor And Appreciation Of The Following People: Lynn Bailey, Tarran McDaid, Richard & Sandy Hughes, Jan Stewart, Terry Pfordresher's Retirement And For The Birthdays Of: Jacquie & Bill Kopecky, Tony & Alicia Celso, Carol & Gary Malik, Jeri Taylor & David Moessinger, Betty & Marty Covington and Allen Ramsey

Donations Were Given In Honor And Memory Of The Following Pets: Derby, Tirdley, Frankie and Fartley, Lasky, Jordan, Nike Fat Boy, Red, Gopher W. Schimbor, Louie, Tyler, Fred, Sam, Bub and Annie, Oliver and Frank, Chipper, Daffy Davis, Pinot & Noir, Raisin Fairhurst and Ginger

Bed & Bone Would Like To Honor The Following Dogs And Cats And Their Invaluable Companionship To Their People: Dixie Belle DeWitte, Bandit McPeak, Baby Lopez, Marley Patterson, Lewis Bates, Fox McNeely, Charlie Brown DeLongoria, Pete Hillier, Otis Bailey, Harley Oldman-Green, Chili McNeely, Lily Leeper, Watson McPeak, Gopher Schimbor, Rascal Fast, Jake Krieger and Raisin Fairhurst

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## Thank You for Your Support -

The Redwood Coast Humane Society couldn't survive without the support from local businesses, fellow animal rescue groups and dedicated veterinarians and their staff. We are also very grateful to those local businesses that host our donation collection "Dog Houses". Thank you all! Accents by The Sea; Anchor Bay Store; ARFF Feed & Pet Supplies; Bed and Bone; Brodie Architecture & Design; Dogma Animal Rescue, Wendy Dressler, Four-Eyed Frog Books; Gualala Building Supply; Gualala Nursery & Trading Company; Gualala Supermarket; Gualala Veterinary Clinic; Independent Coast Observer; Jay Baker-True Value Hardware; KTDE; Brent Klopfer, The Loft; Mane Street Salon, Outback Garden & Feed; Pizza N Cream, Rumors, The Sea Ranch Association; The Sea Trader; Sonoma Humane Society, The Sundstrom Family, Surf Supermarket, University of California at Davis Community Surgery Services and WestAmerica Bank

## BRINGING YOUR NEW CAT HOME

From The Humane Society of the United States

Congratulations! You have a new cat. No doubt you're looking forward to years of happy companionship. But what do you do now?

**Be prepared:** Before bringing your new furball home, outfit your home with all the supplies you could possibly need. Also brush up on ways of keeping your cat stress-free and happy.

**Coming home:** The first thing you should know about your new pet is that most cats hate to travel. For the trip home, confine your pet in a sturdy cat carrier. Don't leave him loose in your car, where he might panic and cause an accident, or get out when you open the car door. He may yowl and cry and try mightily to get out of the carrier, but don't give in.

**Upon arrival:** After the ride home, he will, most likely, not be in the mood for fun. To make his transition to your household as comfortable as possible, select a quiet, closed-in area, such as your bedroom or a small room away from the main foot traffic, and provide him with a litter box, food and water, toys, and a scratching post.

Let your new pet become acquainted with that limited area for the first few days. Be sure to spend plenty of time with him in that room, but if he's hiding under the bed, don't force him to come out. If necessary, sit on the floor to talk to him and offer treats. Let him sniff all your belongings and investigate all the hiding places.

Your new cat may be full of self-confidence and itching to get out and make himself at home. Or he may be more of a shrinking violet who needs more time to adjust.

Avoid conflict when bringing a new cat into the family by carefully introducing him to any other pets.

**The first week:** Over a few days, slowly help your cat become familiar with the rest of the family, including other pets and household members. Make sure he always has access to "his" room so he can retreat to it if he feels nervous. It will take a little while, but he'll eventually start to feel comfortable at home.

Cats vary in terms of how demanding they are as pets, so let yours guide you to the level of attention he wants, whether it's your hand for petting, or your lap for sitting. Provide him with the necessary creature comforts and give him the companionship he seeks, and he'll be content.

## SPONSOR SPOTLIGHT

INDEPENDENT COAST OBSERVER (ICO)

The Independent Coast Observer (ICO), our local newspaper, generously donates space each week to The Redwood Coast Humane Society so that we may feature a "Pet of the Week". The ICO is responsible for the adoption of many of our pets; people will frequently call or come into 'Jake's Place' looking for the "Pet of the Week". The 'Mark Your Calendar' section allows us to easily, and economically, advertise our fundraising and adoption events proving to be instrumental for our successes. Thank you ICO for your many kindnesses and your commitment to the spirit of our community!!!

## VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

DEE-DEE and BRYAN HUGHES

We had no idea how fortunate we were when in early 2014 we received a volunteer application from DeeDee Hughes. Not only has she been a tireless and passionate worker, but she has brought along her husband Bryan, whom together are the dynamo duo! While DeeDee cares for the cats in the shelter often taking two or more shifts a week, Bryan is out in the garden repairing fences, gates and shoveling wood chips! Together there isn't a task they won't take on and always with smiles and uplifting spirit! And watch out shoppers, DeeDee is an avid raffle ticket sales force!





## 58 CATS & KITTENS ADOPTED IN 2014



## 18 PUPPIES & DOGS ADOPTED IN 2014



## THE HERO CLUB

In May, Bryan Hughes, Mike Lane, Lisa Dundee, Kim and Brian Park and others finished much needed repairs on the main gate to Jake's Place. We painted the raw wood with white primer, but it definitely needed more attention.

Fate stepped in when Sarah Meyers, a teacher at the Pacific Community Charter School in Point Arena, in the spirit of community service, contacted the RCHS and offered to have her "Hero Club" work with the RCHS on a needed project. On May 22nd, Sarah Meyers and her heroes, Ember, Kaylin, Zia, Olivia, Sophia, Hailey and Kashius came to Jake's Place with enthusiasm and their own painting supplies. By the end of the day, our gate became a beautiful rainbow and now provides a colorful and inviting entry for our visitors. The RCHS agrees that these students are true heroes in our community!



## **ADOPT AN FIV-POSITIVE CAT!**

Adapted from the ASPCA Blog

If you're looking to make a difference, have you considered adopting or spreading the word about an FIV-positive cat? Two of our favorite cats, Oliver and Itzy, came to us FIV-positive. Oliver is an affectionate fellow who craves the attention of people. He was found as a stray and brought to the RCHS in hopes of either finding his owner or a new home if the owner was not found. Itzy is a vibrant, affectionate and merry six year old female tabby. Her human became homeless, but brought her to the Humane Society so that she might find a new place to live and new people to love. While at the shelter, Oliver and Itzy must remain in cages (unlike other cats) so that they won't infect any of our other cats or kittens. They do get some play time out of their cages and sometimes with each other, but not with the other cats. Oliver and Itzy are still patiently waiting for their forever homes.

### **Here are the straight facts about FIV:**



FIV stands for Feline Immunodeficiency Virus, a disease that weakens a cat's immune system.

Cats with FIV can live full, long, happy lives with proper care.

- Humans, dogs and other animals cannot contract FIV.
- Other cats can contract FIV—and that's why you should adopt an FIV-positive cat or kitten only if you have no other cats or you have only FIV-positive cats.
- FIV-positive cats should be kept as healthy as possible by keeping them indoors and free from stress. Feed a high-quality diet and treat any secondary medical problems as soon as they arise



## **HOW TO SURRENDER A PET TO THE HUMANE SOCIETY**

There are times when a pet can no longer be a part of a household and needs to join another loving home. If your pet can no longer stay with you, please call us. If possible, and you have time before you need to surrender, we can work with you by advertising, posting flyers and using social media to find a new home while your pet remains with you. This works best to eliminate stress and confusion for your pet as it doesn't need to transition to various environments (i.e. the shelter or a foster home) after leaving you. It is also very helpful if you find someone to watch your pet when you can no longer keep it and then we will work with them on finding a new home. Our cat shelter and dog fosterers are often very full, so the more early planning that can be done while the animal remains with you is beneficial both to your pet and to your peace of mind in knowing that your pet is safe and has found a home.

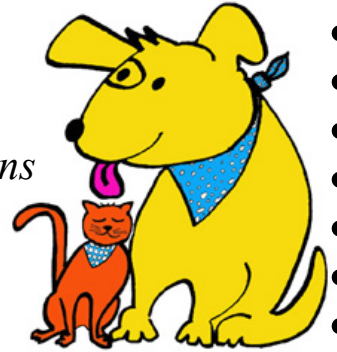
# DOG DAZE & CAT NAPS

Sunday, September 20, 2015

11 am – 2 pm

Gualala Community Center

*Bring a Dog (on leash) or Just Some of Your Humans  
to this annual fundraising celebration for the  
Redwood Coast Humane Society*



**“ANY DOG CAN WIN DOG SHOW”**

(Registration from 11am to noon)

*Musical Chairs for Dogs*

*Cats & Kittens Available for Adoption*

*Raffle Prizes (\$500 grand prize)*

*Silent Auction – Art by Local Artists*

*Jewelry by Wendy Dressler*

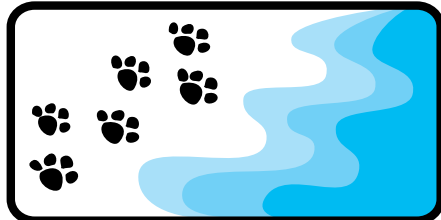
*Kissing Booth – Doggie Licks*

*Photo Portraits of you and your pet*

*Food (Hot Dogs & Sweet Treats) and Drinks (Beer, Wine, Soda)*

*Redwood Coast Humane Society T-Shirts, Hats, Hoodies and Sweatshirts*

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“The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be  
judged by the way its animals are treated.”

—Mohandas Gandhi