



A Cautionary Tale:

Explaining Our Leash Requirements In Memory of Keegan and Loretta

In the course of a little over seven months' time, Col. Potter suffered two totally preventable tragedies; the tragic deaths of a little female and a little male Cairn. Both of these little ones were saved by our organization from horrible lives of forced breeding in unspeakable puppy mills. But before they could live the happy, safe and much loved lives that we all dreamed for them, they were hit by cars and killed. One was killed while being transported from the dreadful puppy mill we saved her from, and the other was killed moments after arriving home with his newly adoptive family. How could such horrible accidents have happened? Sadly, quite easily. The little girl slipped her collar at an interstate rest stop -- a collar which was not as tight as it should have been. She bolted in the dark of night and was found the next morning, on the other side of the freeway, flattened and her little body shredded by a passing auto or truck. The little boy was brought safely from his foster home to his adoptive family's house. When they arrived, they set him down on the grass for an instant, but before they could snap his leash on him, he bolted, and in

an instant was gone. That little one was found by three of our volunteers the next morning, dead on the road approximately 1/4 of a mile from his brand new home. **PLEASE** don't think this can't happen to you. It CAN, and without your vigilance, it MIGHT. We've all worked so hard to save these little souls so that they can live happy and safe lives, lives that have been denied them so far. **PLEASE** don't let your little one become another life tragically lost. It

doesn't take much effort to prevent a tragedy like this, if you'll follow these simple rules religiously.

Make absolutely certain that your Cairn's collar is very snug. **NO MORE THAN ONE FINGER'S ROOM** between the collar and his/her neck. **BETTER YET:** Double secure/ double leash your

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Leash Requirements

- Snugly fitted collar
- Attach leash BEFORE opening doors
- NEVER let your Cairn off leash
- Double leash your Cairn especially if it is a puppy mill rescue.

Providing for Your Pet's Future

Col. Potter Cairn Rescue Network is developing a program to assist you if you decide you would like to surrender your Cairn Terrier to us to re-home upon your death or in the event that you are unable to care for your pet. This involves filling out an Owner Surrender Form to transfer ownership of your dog to Col. Potter, which will also provide us with valuable information about your dog's health history and likes and dislikes to help us find the best possible home for your Cairn Terrier. Once we receive the initial Owner Surrender Form, you will receive an annual letter so that information can be updated. If you would like more information on this program, please contact Kathy Garis, at kgaris1003@yahoo.com.

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Treasure, 15
Year Old
Male, Rescued
June 2005
After his
Owner Passed
Away



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Cairn. Use a snugly fitted collar AND a harness. Attach a leash to both. That way, if your Cairn "slips" out of its collar (or harness), a second secure attachment is still there to protect him.

Never allow your Cairn's paws to touch the ground UNTIL he/she is securely attached to at least one leash. Attach his/her leash(es) BEFORE opening the car door or before opening your door to take him/her out for a walk. Don't take the chance that he/she will bolt and run away. Cairns are notoriously resistant to coming when called, even in the best of circumstances, and then, only if they truly WANT to do so. If he or she escapes, it is VERY unlikely that he will return on his own. His/her life is AT SERIOUS RISK the moment he/she runs. Tragedy is highly likely, and believe us, you will NOT be fast enough to catch him.

We know that you are committed to never leaving your Cairn off-leash unless he or she is contained within a securely fenced-in area. But that "never let your Cairn off-leash FOR EVEN A SECOND'S TIME" is crucial. In that one-half second's time, he or she can bolt. Lastly, IF YOUR ADOPTED CAIRN IS A PUPPYMILL RESCUE: The above warning is DOUBLY important. Puppymill rescues are, generally speaking, terrified of most people, places and things. Especially ANYTHING new to them. And while they may seem extremely timid in their crates or even in your arms, we can assure you that given a chance to ESCAPE, they will do so, as fast and as far as they can. They will NEVER come to your call, nor will they return to your home. Building that kind of trust takes months and months. And even then, the rules above will always apply because anything new can startle them and send them scurrying off. Adding to the problem, puppymill rescues,

because of their breeding, often have relatively small heads, in comparison to their neck size. That makes backing out of their collars EXTREMELY EASY. Double-securing a puppymill rescue is extremely important. Please, we implore you, DO NOT THINK THESE RULES DON'T APPLY TO YOU OR YOUR CAIRN. THEY DO!!!! In an

**PLEASE BE SURE THAT YOU KNOW YOUR DOG'S
COL. POTTER I.D. NUMBER.
THIS NUMBER IS ON THE TAG THAT YOUR DOG
HAD WHEN ADOPTED.
OUR EMERGENCY NUMBER FOR LOST DOGS IS:
866-506-7461**

instant, your little one could become the 3rd tragic statistic in CPCRN's history. And, in the process, break our hearts as well as yours.

This "Cautionary Tale" is meant to assure that no other CP furkid loses his or her life needlessly. We're counting on you. But more importantly, your little one is counting on you to keep him or her safe and secure.

If the unthinkable occurs, however, please know the following: Your Cairn came to you with a CPCRN ID Tag attached to his/her collar or harness. This ID Tag, provided by our organization, identifies him/her as a CPCRN rescue Cairn. Our "CPCRN TAG PROGRAM" provides you with the tag and a membership in the tag registration service FOR THE LIFE OF YOUR ADOPTED CAIRN. The unique ID Number that is stamped on your CPCRN ID Tag "links" your adopted Cairn to you in our database. You will note that there is a Toll-free number (**866-506-7461**) on his/her Tag. This number is manned 24 hours a day by one of volunteers who is there to assist you should you lose your Cairn. Our volunteer can also provide direction to anyone

who might FIND your Cairn, should he/she escape, who calls our toll-free number. Your name/address/phone number/cell phone number/email address, etc., are all listed in our "CPCRN TAG ID DATA BASE." **PLEASE NOTE:** This tag is not transferable to another pet. The Col. Potter Tag Program is not a pet finding service, so all other methods of trying to locate a lost pet such as advertising, flyers, etc., remain your responsibility. Our tags are a notification service only, in the event your pet is found. However, should you LOSE your Cairn, please call the toll free number immediately and let us know. We will do everything possible to assist you in your search for your Cairn.

It is our STRONG recommendation that you keep your CPCRN ID TAG on your Cairn for the rest of his/her life. Of course, you will want to attach another ID Tag to his/her collar or harness as well. One with your phone number and address. Having two forms of ID is always a great idea, and may be the difference between a lost or recovered Cairn.

Sincerely,
Michele Stadnik
Adoption Committee Chairman



**"Older dogs are good
at giving love, once
they get into their
new, loving home.
They are grateful
for the second
chance they have
been given."**



Pet Trust Primer — Is a Pet Trust Right for You?

From ASPCA's Animal Watch Magazine, Spring 2001

Those of us who think of our companion animals as family members are becoming aware of the fact that part of our responsibility to these dependent creatures is to make sure that their care and comfort continue uninterrupted should we become incapable of caring for them ourselves. One way to plan for that contingency is set up something called a pet trust. To help you decide if this might work for you, here are some basic definitions to keep in mind:

What Is It? A pet trust is a legally sanctioned arrangement providing for the care and maintenance of one or more companion animals in the event of a grantor's disability and/or death. The "grantor" is the person who creates the trust, which may take effect during his or her lifetime or death. Typically, a trustee will hold property (cash, for example) "in trust" for the benefit of the grantor's pets. Payments to a designated caregiver(s) will be made on a regular basis. The trust, depending upon the state in which it is established, will continue for the life of the pet or 21 years, whichever occurs first. Some states allow a pet trust to continue for the life of the pet without regard to a maximum duration of 21 years. This is particularly advantageous for companion animals

that have an extended life expectancy, such as horses and parrots.

How to Proceed? Since there are many states in which a pet trust is not valid, and other states where enforcement is discretionary, it is advisable to set up a trust with the help of an attorney who specializes in estate planning. The following states currently have some form of pet trust law: Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Michigan, Missouri, Montana, New Mexico, New York, Nevada, North Carolina, Oregon, Tennessee, Utah and Wisconsin. If a pet trust does not exist in your state, contact your state representatives and ask why. It may be that the subject just never came up!

Doing Your Homework: In addition to providing the name and address of a trustee and successor trustee, a caregiver and successor caregiver (all of whom can be corporations and/or individuals), you will be asked to provide enough information to:

- Adequately identify your pets in order to prevent fraud, such as through photos, microchips, DNA samples or, alternatively, by describing your pet as a "class" in other words, as "the Pet(s) owned by you at the

time of your death/illness; ;

- Describe in detail your pet's standard of living and care;
- Require regular inspections of your pets by the trustee;
- Determine the amount of property needed to adequately cover the expense for your pet's care (generally this amount cannot exceed what may reasonably be required given your pet's standard of living), and specify how the funds should be distributed to the designated caregiver;
- Determine the amount of property needed to adequately cover the expenses of administering the pet trust;
- Designate a remainder beneficiary in the event that the funds in the pet trust are not exhausted; and
- Provide for the final disposition of your pet.

Pet trusts can offer pet owners a great deal of flexibility and peace of mind. In states where no pet trust law exists, however, or if a companion animal has a long life expectancy, other arrangements must be considered in combination with or instead of a pet trust.

Sample Language for Your Will (Reprinted by permission of The Humane Society of the United States)

Disclaimer: This is an example of sample language which may or may not be appropriate in all circumstances. Further, each state has its own probate code and, therefore, it is recommended that you consult an attorney in the state in which you reside to prepare your Will to include provisions for your pets.

{Article Number} A. As a matter of high priority and importance, I direct my Personal Representative to place any and all animals I may own at the time of my death with another individual or family (that is, in a private, noninstitutionalized setting) where such animals will be cared for in a manner that any responsible, devoted pet owner would afford to his or her pets. Prior to initiating such efforts to place my animals, I direct my Personal Representative to consult _____, D.V.M. (currently at the _____ Hospital), or, in the event of Dr. _____'s unavailability, a veterinarian chosen by my Personal Representative, to ensure that each animal is in generally good health and is not suffering physically. In addition, I direct my Personal Representative to provide any needed, reasonable veterinary care that my animal(s) may need at that time to restore the animal(s) to generally good health and to alleviate suffering, if possible. Any animal(s) not in generally good health or who is so suffering—and whose care is beyond the capabilities of veterinary medicine, reasonably employed, to restore to generally good health or to alleviate suffering—shall be euthanized, cremated, and the ashes disposed of at the discretion of my Personal Representative. Any expenses incurred for the care (including the costs of veterinary services), placement, or transportation of my animals, or to otherwise effect the purposes of this Article _____ up to the time of placement, shall be charged against the principal of my residuary estate. Decisions my Personal Representative makes under this Article _____—for example, with respect to the veterinary care to be afforded to my animal(s) and the costs of such care—shall be final. My intention is that my Personal Representative have the broadest possible discretion to carry out the purposes of this paragraph.

Preparing for the Unexpected

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In the confusion that accompanies a person's unexpected illness, accident, or death, pets may be overlooked. In some cases, pets are discovered in the person's home days after the tragedy. To prevent this from happening to your pet, take these simple precautions:

- Find at least two responsible friends or relatives who agree to serve as temporary emergency caregivers in the event that something unexpected happens to you. Provide them with keys to your home; feeding and care instructions; the name of your veterinarian; and information about the permanent care provisions you have made for your pet.
- Make sure your neighbors, friends, and relatives know how many pets you have and the names and contact numbers of the individuals who have agreed to serve as emergency caregivers. Emergency caregivers should also know how to contact each other.
- Carry a wallet "alert card" that lists the names and phone numbers of your emergency pet caregivers.
- Post removable "in case of emergency" notices on your doors or windows specifying how many and what types of pets you have. These notices will alert emergency-response personnel during a fire or other home emergency. Don't use stickers; hard-to-remove stickers are often left behind by former residents, so firefighters may assume that the sticker is outdated or, worse, they may risk their lives trying to find a pet no longer in the house.
- Affix to the inside of your front and back doors a removable notice listing emergency contact names and phone numbers. Because pets need care daily and will need immediate attention should you die or become incapacitated, the importance of making these informal arrangements for temporary caregiving cannot be overemphasized.



No Dogs Allowed!



Signs like this occur in many places, posted by people tired of ill-mannered dog owners and their dogs. The disrespect for other

people and their property has resulted in banning dogs altogether in some places that could have been enjoyed by all!

Banning because of irresponsible owners punishes everyone who owns a pet. Altercations because of the actions of a pet has in the past resulted in loss of human life in the most aggravated of circumstances.

So ...

Teach your dog how to act in a public place. Good manners command respect from others who notice a well-behaved animal. Sporting a well-behaved companion should be the norm, not the exception.

Find an obedience class to attend to help teach your dog. The quality of teachers varies, so ask

around. If you notice a well-behaved dog in public, ask the owner some questions:

- Has your dog been to obedience class?
- Where?
- Was it a group class or private lesson?

Remember that sometimes one class is just not enough. Repeating a class is sometimes necessary. Sometimes a different teacher may have a better insight into your particular dog's needs. Group lessons offer different advantages (cost efficient, added distractions) compared to private lessons (more expensive, one-on-one lessons, few distractions). The bottom line remains that it all depends upon the owner doing his homework by practicing with his dog.

Pick up after your pet in parks and other public places. All it takes is a little conscientiousness and a plastic sandwich bag. Throw the bag in a trash receptacle to

avoid the eyesore of piles of dog feces and reduce the potential for disease and parasite contamination for all. Children in the area should not have to play around dog feces.

Respect the signs that say "keep your pet leashed or held." Every dog needs to see the veterinarian annually, and many dogs frequent boarding kennels and grooming salons. There is no need for chaos in a business establishment because of uncontrolled dogs. The signs are meant for everyone, you included! When entering a veterinarian's office or other such establishment, **remember that not all dogs are friendly with other dogs**, so refrain your dog from socializing with others until it is clear that both the other dog and his owner are OK with the idea.

Veterinary offices, boarding kennels and grooming salons may cause anxiety in some pets. It is important to remember to allow your pet time to relieve himself before his appointment to cut down on accidental nervous elimination inside.

Who's in Charge Anyway? Why Don't We Get Any Respect?

Q: *Help! Our one year old dog doesn't seem to have any respect for us. He's been to obedience class but he seldom obeys our commands. He's always grabbing our hands or head butting us when he wants something. He's become very demanding. He never seems to get enough attention even though we give him attention all the time. He even body slams us out of the way at the door so he can get outside first. He's a very loving dog but we need to get him under control.*

A: You're absolutely right! It sounds like your dog has a dominance problem and is on his way toward becoming the leader of your family – his pack. He has also reached the age of adolescence where, similar to a teenaged child, he's testing your limits. Now is an ideal time to nip these problems in the bud.

A dog's social system has a pecking order. The leader of the pack is the "alpha." He (or she) gets the best of everything – the best food, the best place to sleep, the best toy, etc. The alpha also gets to be first in everything – he gets to eat first, to leave first and to get attention first. All the other dogs in the pack respect the alpha dog's wishes. An alpha dog doesn't ask for what he wants, he demands it. He lets you know in no uncertain terms that he wants his dinner, that he wants to go out, that he wants to play or be petted and that he wants these things right now.

Your family is your dog's pack. Most dogs fit easily into the lower levels of their human pack's pecking order and don't make trouble. They do what they're told and don't challenge authority. Other dogs don't fit in quite as well. Some are natural leaders, others are social climbers always looking for ways to get a little closer to the top of the family ladder. These dogs can become problems to an unsuspecting family that's not aware of their natural pack in-

stincts. Some families unknowingly encourage their dogs to take over the pack. They treat their dogs as equals, not as subordinates. They give them special privileges like being allowed to sleep on the bed or couch. They let them get away with disobeying commands. In a real dog pack, only the alpha dog would get this kind of treatment.

Dogs need – and want – leaders. They have an instinctive need to fit into a pack. They want the security of knowing their place and what's expected of them. Most of them don't want to be alpha – they want someone else to give orders and make decisions. But if his humans don't provide that leadership, the dog will take over the role himself. To reclaim your family's rightful place as leaders of the pack, your dog needs to learn how to be a subordinate, not an equal. He knew this once, as a baby puppy, because his mother taught him. She showed him very early in life that she was alpha and that he had to respect her. It's time to refresh his memory!

Before you can remove your dog from his alpha position, you must become alpha and earn his re-

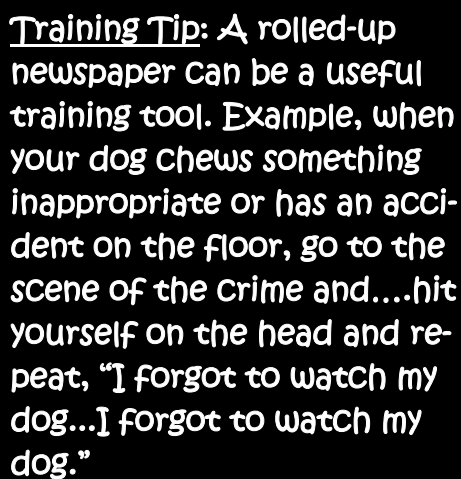
spect. Alpha is an attitude. It involves confidence, dignity, intelligence, an air of authority. A dog can sense this attitude almost immediately – it's how his mother acted toward him. Watch a good trainer or obedience instructor. They stand tall and use their voices and eyes to project the idea that they're capable of getting what they want. They're gentle but firm, loving but tough, all at the same time. Most dogs are immediately submissive towards this type of personality because they recognize and respect alpha when they see it.

Stand up straight with your shoulders back. Walk tall. Practice using a new tone of voice, one that's deep and firm. Don't ask your dog to do something – tell him. There's a difference and he knows it! As alpha, you're entitled to make the rules and give the orders. Your dog understands that instinctively.

Since your dog has been used to getting what he wants on demand, it's likely to take more than just a change in your attitude to make his mind better. He's been getting a free ride for a long time but you're going to teach him that from now on, he has to earn what he gets.

This will be a shock to his system at first but you'll be surprised how quickly he'll catch on and that he'll actually become eager to please you.

Your dog already knows the command SIT. Now, every time your dog wants something – his dinner, a trip outside, a walk, some attention, anything – tell him (remember don't ask him, tell him) to sit first. When he does, praise him with a "Good Boy!" then tell him OKAY and give him whatever it is he wants as a reward. If he refuses to sit, walk away and ignore him. No sit, no reward. If you don't think he understands the command, work on his training some more. If he just doesn't want to obey, ignore



Training Tip: A rolled-up newspaper can be a useful training tool. Example, when your dog chews something inappropriate or has an accident on the floor, go to the scene of the crime and....hit yourself on the head and repeat, "I forgot to watch my dog...I forgot to watch my dog."

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him – don't give him what he wants or reward him in any fashion.

Make him sit before giving him his dinner, make him sit at the door before going outside, make him sit in front of you to be petted, make him sit before giving him his toy. If you normally leave food out for him all the time, stop. Go to a twice daily feeding and you decide what time of day he'll be fed. Make him sit for his dinner. If he won't obey the command – no dinner. Walk away and ignore him. Bring the food out later and tell him again to sit. If he understands the command, don't tell him more than once. He heard you the first time. Give commands from a standing position and use a deep, firm tone of voice. To keep him from body-slammng you at the doorway, put a leash on him. Make him sit and wait while you open the door and give him permission – OKAY! – to go out.

Alpha dogs are used to being fussed over. In a real dog pack, subordinate dogs are forever touching, licking and grooming the alpha dog. It's a show of respect and submission. Until your dog's attitude has improved, cut down on the amount of cuddling he gets. When he wants attention, make him sit first, give him a few kind words and pats, then stop. Go back to whatever you were doing and ignore him. If he pesters you, tell him NO! in a firm voice and ignore him some more. Pet him when you want to, not just because he wants you to. Also, don't get down on the floor or on your knees to pet your dog. That, too, is a show of submission. Give praise, petting and rewards from a position that's higher than the dog.

Don't allow wrestling or rough-housing with your dog. These games encourage dogs to dominate people physically. In a dog pack or in a litter, these games are more than just playing – they help to establish pack order based on physical strength. Your dog is already stronger and quicker than you are. Rough, physical games prove that to him.

Where does your dog sleep? Not in your bedroom and

especially not on your bed! Your bedroom is a special place – it's your den. An alpha dog thinks he has a right to sleep in your den because he considers himself your equal. Until your dog's alpha problems are fully under control, the bedroom should be off-limits. The same goes for sleeping on furniture. If you can't keep him off the couch without a fight, deny him access to the room.

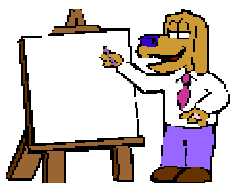
If your alpha program is successful, your dog should start looking to you for directions and permission. He'll show an eagerness to please. Watch how your dog approaches and greets you. Does he come to you "standing tall," with his head and ears held high and erect? It may look impressive and proud but it means

he's still alpha and you still have problems! A dog that accepts humans as

superiors will approach you with his head slightly lowered and his ears back or off to the sides. He'll "shrink" his whole body a little in a show of submission. Watch how he greets all the members of the family. If he displays this submissive posture to some of them, but not others, those are the ones who need to work harder on their own alpha techniques.

Once your dog has begun to accept this new way of life and his new position in the family, you should take him through another obedience course with a qualified trainer. Obedience training is a lifelong process. Obedience commands need to be practiced and incorporated into your daily life. In a dog pack, the alpha animal uses occasional reminders to reinforce his authority. Certain commands, like DOWN/STAY, are especially effective reminders of a dog's place in the family pack order and who's really in charge here. A well-trained dog that's secure in his place within the family pack is comfortable and confident. He knows what's expected of him. He knows his limits and who his leaders are. He's free to be your loving companion and not your boss!

Classroom Ed - A Must for a Cairn!



Cairn puppies should undergo some type of training in a class environment with other dogs.

Most communities offer kindergarten, beginner and advanced obedience classes. Contact your local breed club for help finding a class with an instructor who understands terriers. For breed

clubs in your area, go to www.akc.org.

Cairns need to view their owners as the authority figure. However, they should NEVER be bullied into obeying commands. Understanding their temperaments and using firm, consistent techniques in communicating to them is the best way to ensure your Cairn develops into a happy, self-confident, well adjusted pet.

Happy Endings: Bogart's Story

By Susan Mower, CPCRN Volunteer and Bogart's Mom



Last December, two CPCRN volunteers were busy bathing the Cairns and Westies they had just rescued from a puppy mill auction when they got a call from a "professional breeder" who had contacted them in the past about dogs she no longer had a use for. This time she said she had two females and arrangements are made to pick them up. Then she says:

Breeder: "I have this friend that usually kills her dogs when she is done with them".

Rescuer: "EXCUSE ME?"

Breeder: "You know, destroys them?", she replies.

Our rescuer continues with the story:

"Yeah, I know what KILLS means!!" I think to myself. I am now sure I have entered the twilight zone, and I just feel sick. She goes on to tell me that the woman had a bad experience with rescue, so she doesn't work with them anymore, but...now she is willing to try again. She has an eight year old male she is going to get rid of so our lady thought we might want to take him too.

The next day we pull up and she is there with her 22 year-old daughter...she then opens the crate with the male who smells so bad that my eyes are watering...he is wheaten, but his feet are stained yellow, probably from standing in his own

urine. He has two teeth hanging out of his mouth and won't look at us. Thank God, I had my sunglasses on, because my eyes start to tear up. I bend down to "tie my shoe" and get myself back under control and we load him in the car. The breeder is just chatting up a storm telling us how much she loves her dogs, and we finally get to leave and drive like a bat out of hell to get out of there.

And this is how Isabella, Ingrid and Bogart were SAVED. After vetting and neutering, Bogart came into foster care WAY up in the northwest corner of Vermont with me. All his remaining teeth had to be extracted and he had been bathed but he was very overweight, his front feet splayed out at amazing angles and he could barely walk, let alone think about going up or down stairs. He rode quietly in the crate but upon reaching the door of his new foster home, he stopped dead and slipped out of his collar. I grabbed him not knowing what he would do or if he would bolt and, well, he peed all over me. That was our rocky start.

I knew he would be a long term foster but I wasn't prepared for carrying him up and down stairs in

If you would like to contribute your own Happy Endings Story for a future issue of The Cairn Terrier Times please send it via e-mail to: CPCRNPostAdopt@aol.com

the dead of winter, always afraid I would slip on the ice and drop him. And the days when he would poop in his x-pen, then pace back and forth through it for hours while I was at work. I discovered he would do anything for food but even with this, the pounds dropped off and his walking improved with good food, exercise and a food supplement.

When the spring finally arrived we started our stair training - what a happy day when he climbed up for the first time! Another form of freedom for him - and me! He developed a love affair with a doggie couch that was tucked away under the computer desk. That was his safety zone. The months went by and he became more and more of a free dog but still had many rough edges - enough so there were no applications to adopt him until one day in July - finally someone wanted to adopt him! At last I thought - someone realizes this prize - my ZEN dog who is just happy to "be", but as I read the application my heart sank. This wonderful lady wanted to help my old guy by flying him down to Florida (Bogart on a PLANE??!!) and teach him to sit (Bogart - do tricks??!!). Not that there is anything wrong with that - most dogs would thrive on this, but what about his couch?? What about the fact that he doesn't play, doesn't jump up, just IS - that is all he is required to do - just BE?

It was then I realized my little old guy wasn't going anywhere. He was already home. It wasn't like "love at first sight" - the kind that hits you in a minute and may or may not last. It was like waking up one day and realizing that you were in love with your best friend - the old guy that just sits on the couch and doesn't do much but trusts you and depends on you and makes you smile just by looking at his face - and that was a GOOD thing. So Bogart was finally home...right where he had been all along. And every single day when he looks at me with his one cocked ear and wags his little black-tipped tail a zillion miles an hour, I am thankful and I celebrate a life saved.

Bogart owes his life to those wonderful Rescuers. A debt neither of us can soon repay. I am just lucky he was chosen to spend his saved life with me.

Upcoming Col. Potter Events

The *OFFICIAL* COL. POTTER CAIRN RESCUE NETWORK IN WEST VIRGINIA CRAP!

September 30, October 1 & 2 , 2005!
Hurricane, WV - convenient to I-79 and I-64.

Party hearty in a town named by GEORGE WASHINGTON HIMSELF, in one of the prettiest areas in the United States. George saw some trees and said they looked like they were blown by a Hurricane. See West Virginia in the Fall - lets hope the trees change while you are here!

WHAT IS A CRAP?

CRAP is an acronym for CAIRN RESCUE ANNUAL PARTIES, or CAIRN REGALIA AND PROMENADE. These are well-planned events, which are held in different parts of the nation, as members volunteer to host an event. All friends of CPCR, including adoptive homes, volunteers and cairn lovers are welcome and are all invited. We have a chance to meet one another, enjoy several days of laughs and gabfests, and participate in various Col. Potter fundraisers if you wish.

All of our larger events will be posted as a monthly reminder. There also maybe smaller neighborhood events going on at any time, so watch the CRM list for this information.

We have a list for those PLANNING TO ATTEND. We still haven't completed the actual money amount needed - since some of that depends on how many are coming. So.. if you plan to join us in WV send an email to: **WV-CRAP-subscribe@yahoogroups.com** and you can join in the planning.

TEXAS CRAP!

April 28-30 , 2006!
Keller, Texas
Approximately 10 miles from the
Dallas-Fort Worth airport
More details to follow!

Recommended Reading

"Your Outta Control Puppy," by Teoti Anderson

It's made for just the situation where a person's puppy-raising isn't going exactly the way they'd hoped, and all the methods are very sensible and dog-friendly.

Coins for Cairns

Col. Potter Cairn Rescue Network's Million Penny Challenge

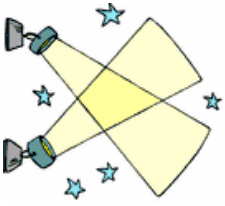
ONE MILLION PENNIES = \$10,000.00!

**JOIN CPCR IN OUR 2005 CHALLENGE OF COLLECTING
A MILLION PENNIES BY 12/31/2005**

Every penny donated to this challenge will be used to help cover the thousands of dollars needed each year to provide our pups with health care, foster homes, transportation and other charges involved in their rescue and adoption.

Find out how you can help! http://mall.cairnrescue.com/inv_coins_for_cairns.htm

TOTAL RAISED THROUGH JUNE 22, 2005 -- \$2,285.57



A New Leash On Life V - September 7-18, 2005! Watch our website, www.cairnrescue.com, for details!

Since Col. Potter's inception, close to 1,000 cairns in need have been rescued and rehomed. Nearly HALF of them came from puppy mills, either through auctions or surrendered by the breeder. Rescuing these puppy mill dogs does not come at a small price. We need funds to be able to attend the auctions that are currently in progress, and to care for the many that are already in Col. Potter's care and for those that were recently brought into our care. FIFTEEN IN A RECENT WEEKEND ALONE!!! Once they are in our care they will require significant vetting and extended foster care, due to the poor care, if any, they have received in the past.

Col. Potter Cairn Rescue Network has been breaking all records this year and it's becoming harder and harder to say YES to auctions or accept breeder surrenders, BUT WITH YOUR HELP WE CAN CONTINUE TO DO SO! Please join us in our monumental efforts to save these Cairns in need. Inside each of these precious souls, is a star just waiting to be given its chance to shine.

Open your hearts to these wonderful and deserving Cairns by participating in CPRN's "A New Leash On Life V" fundraiser this fall. This fundraiser is being devoted to help these Cairns who have such an immense need. For as little as a \$15.00 donation, you can make a huge difference in so many dog's lives. We will ask that you send us donations/pledges to help us fill our 100 pledge boxes. As our GIFT to you, who pledge to help these rescue dogs, Col. Potter will be giving away 100 super gifts. The September New Leash will have 52 squares set aside as 'state' squares (50 states, DC & Canada). ALL items have been donated to CPRN with the exception of our CPRN Mall items. ONE out of every 10 pledge boxes will receive a special thank you gift, determined by a random pick program. Our goal is to reach 1000 pledges, if our goal is NOT met, all gifts will STILL be given as our token of appreciation for your support of CPRN and our rescue kid.



Items donated for our first three New Leash of Life fundraisers have included timeshares in Hawaii, Williamsburg, Reno, frequent flyer miles, beautiful quilts and other crafts, items from our mall, fine jewelry, and all sorts of collectibles.

If you have an item that you would like to donate to our New Leash on Life fundraiser V, please contact **Danielle Rackstraw** at ggreyfriar@aol.com.

Thank You for Your Support!

Donating to Col. Potter Through Your Company

Did you know you might be able to donate to Col. Potter Cairn Rescue Network through your company? If your company payroll deducts charitable donations to organizations such as United Way, The American Red Cross, etc., they also might be able to payroll deduct for Col. Potter. Many companies give their employees a choice of recognized donors to help make their selections, however, you may be able to select another charitable organization, such as Col. Potter, that's not in their current listings. Your human resource department should be able to tell you if they have the ability to let you choose an unlisted organization such as Col. Potter. It might be worth asking!!

Also, does your company offer matching funds to not-for-profit organizations? Many companies do, and it's a great way for you to donate to Colonel Potter and have your company match your contributions. Again, check with your Human Resource department and ask them if they have a matching program.

Another great benefit that many companies have is "to reimburse" an employee for the charitable work they perform for a qualified organization. They will allow you to track your volunteer hours and turn in your time worked in exchange for a contribution check to the charitable organization. Yet another question for your Human Resource department when you visit them!

To qualify for matching donations, the recipient must have a 501(c)3 status, which Col. Potter does!! Col. Potter Cairn Rescue Network is incorporated and operates with a Board of Directors. Your Human Resource representative should be able to find any answers they might need at the CPRN website:

<http:// Cairnrescue.com/whowere.html>

If they have further questions, please have them contact Danielle Rackstraw at ggreyfriar@aol.com.

LOST DOG EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

In the event that your dog is ever lost, immediately contacting the proper authorities can often bring him or her home to you quickly and hopefully safely.

Please look up the phone numbers and/or other contact information for the resources listed below and fill them in immediately. If they have a fax number, add that too so a flyer can be faxed directly to them quickly. If they have an e-mail address, the ability to e-mail them - as well as calling - offers an opportunity to contact them off hours and to attach a flyer as well. If you can fax and/or e-mail a number of locations, you do not have to waste time going there to put up flyers. Your time can be better spent out on the streets looking for your pup.

Having all this information handy when you need it will save you precious time.

Remember a lost dog can quickly get very far away so do not limit your search to your particular town/area.

COL. POTTER TAG PROGRAM "LOST DOG" TOLL-FREE NUMBER*: 1-866-506-7461 (BE SURE TO PROVIDE YOUR DOG'S TAG ID# AS WELL AS YOUR NAME, HOME & CELL PHONE NUMBERS, ADDRESS (INCLUDING CITY AND STATE) AS WELL AS PROVIDING AS MUCH INFO AS POSSIBLE ABOUT WHERE AND WHEN YOUR DOG WAS LAST SEEN.

YOUR DOG'S COL. POTTER TAG ID NUMBER: _____

YOUR DOG'S MICROCHIP NUMBER (IF CHIPPED): _____

LOCAL POLICE: _____

POLICE (SURROUNDING AREA): _____

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LOCAL ANIMAL CONTROL (SHELTER): _____

ANIMAL CONTROL (SHELTER - SURROUNDING AREA): _____

ANIMAL CONTROL (SHELTER - SURROUNDING AREA): _____

YOUR VETERINARIAN: _____

ALTERNATE VET: _____

ALTERNATE VET: _____

EMERGENCY (AFTER HOURS) VET: _____

VET LISTED ON DOG'S RABIES TAG IF DIFFERENT THAN YOUR VET: _____

FIRE DEPARTMENT: _____

SANITATION COMPANY: _____

HOSPITAL ER (CAR ACCIDENT SWERVING TO MISS DOG): _____

OTHER ER: _____

OTHER ER: _____

E-MAIL/FAX OF KINKO'S OR OTHER LOCAL COPY STORE TO FAX/E-MAIL FLYER TO HAVE READY WHEN YOU ARRIVE:

LOCAL LIBRARY FAX (TO PUT UP THE FLYER SO YOU DON'T HAVE TO GO THERE): _____

Further information can be found at:

http://mall.cairnrescue.com/inv_tagprogram.htm

Classifieds

Help Wanted

FOSTER HOMES TO HELP HOMELESS CAIRNS - WILLING TO WORK FOR CAIRN CUDDLES!

All expenses paid! Job assignment can last 3 weeks or longer. Adoptive homes are already pre-approved foster homes. The bottom line is without foster homes, we cannot save dogs. Job Satisfaction Rating

A+ ++++++

Contact:

volunteer@cairnrescue.com

TRUCKIN' TRANSPORTERS

Tired of back seat drivers? Our furry travelers won't "steer" you wrong! CPCRN logged over 16,750 miles in June ALONE, moving foster dogs all over the U.S. and Canada. All you need is a car to help in your area. Contact: volunteer@cairnrescue.com

WWW - WOW!

We know all of our adoptive homes love our Col. Potter website, www.cairnrescue.com. Our website is one of the most popular destinations on the web for all Cairn Terrier lovers. Every page on our website is maintained by volunteer blood, sweat and tears and new volunteers are urgently needed to help in many areas. If you are familiar with web design and/or graphic design, we would love to hear from you. Contact: volunteer@cairnrescue.com

DESKTOP PUBLISHER

Work with our Written In Stone (WIS V) team to create a new edition of the classic Cairn compendium of stories, poems and ARTWORK! Also submission of these items are still being solicited and accepted. Contact the WIS V Editor: Susan Mower at smower@uvm.edu

STITCHERS NEEDED!

Is your sewing machine gathering dust? Well, dust it off and help us by sewing up a

bunch of squares for our Foster Cairns. No fancy stitching needed and CPCRN will provide you with lots of squares to sew together. Contact: volunteer@cairnrescue.com

DESPERATELY SEEKING...

Placement specialists to help CPCRN's rescued Cairns find their Forever Homes! This volunteer opportunity requires frequent access to a computer and 15+ hours a week. Good verbal and written communication skills, attention to detail and ability to work in a Team environment are needed. Experience with Word, Excel and Access are desired but not necessary. There is a training/mentoring program for those interested in helping other families experience the joy of adopting a Col. Potter Cairn Terrier. Contact: volunteer@cairnrescue.com

Items Needed

DIGITAL CAMERAS

Have you upgraded your digital camera and have an extra one? Our foster homes need digital cameras to take pictures of their fosters for the Website. If you have a digital camera you would like to donate, please contact: smower@uvm.edu

BOOKS ON TAPE

Our transporters love to listen to books on tape during the long miles on the road. If you have a Book On Tape you would like to donate to our Transport Team, contact: Monika Rest at monikarest@yahoo.com

CALENDAR PICTURES!

If you adopted your dog from Col. Potter after 10/1/04, we need a picture for our 2006 calendar! We would like a close-up of your dog only (no people or other dogs). Please contact: Kathy Garis, at kgaris1003@yahoo.com, for further information.

UPDATED INFORMATION

If you have moved, changed your phone numbers or e-

mail address, please send a note to: lostpets@cairnrescue.com

Books

BOOKS TO SHARE

Have you read a book about dogs that you think others would like to read? If so, please contact Kathy Garis at kgaris1003@yahoo.com, if you have a book to share, or if you would like your name added to the list for available books.

BOOK REVIEWS

If you would like to submit a book review to be included in the Newsletter, please contact Kathy Garis at kgaris1003@yahoo.com

Freecycle

ITEMS NEEDED

If you have any extra dog items that are looking for a new home, including leashes, collars, beds, etc., please contact the Col. Potter PX, at spiderburban@aol.com

New Leash on Life Fundraisers

SEPTEMBER NLOL

The September New Leash on Life fundraiser will include squares from the 50 states, along with Washington D.C. and Canada. If you would like to donate an item representing your state, or a cash donation for your state, please contact Corinne Herron at corinneH@aol.com, for further information.

NOVEMBER NLOL

If you have a gift item you would like to donate to our November New Leash on Life fundraiser, "A Christmas Extravaganza", please contact Corinne Herron, corinneH@aol.com. *This item does not have to be dog related.*

Personal Ads

HAPPY 17th BIRTHDAY to Col. Potter Adoptee, RUSTY WILLIS!



HAPPY GOTCHA DAY TO RITZY REST!

Ritzy was adopted from Col. Potter on June 16, 2002, by Monika Rest.

CONGRATULATIONS, PIPER DAVIDSON!



For coming in first place in the July Photo Contest of the tail waggings dog bakery contest!

In Memory

The entire Col. Potter organization extends their deepest sympathy to Monika Rest on the loss of her mother, Marianne Rest, of Munich, Germany.

Col. Potter Cairn Rescue Network extends their deepest sympathy to Brian and Vickie Sweeney. Their Col. Potter rescue, Braveheart, recently crossed the Rainbow Bridge.

PLACING A CLASSIFIED AD IN THE NEXT ISSUE:

Send your ad no later than **October 1, 2005**, to: Kathy Garis at kgaris1003@yahoo.com. You will be sent payment instructions.

Rates:

\$5 for 3—Lines Text
\$10 for Text with Border
\$15 for Text with Photo

See above for examples.

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THE CAIRN TERRIER TIMES is published quarterly to provide our adoptive homes with information on the care of your dog, special events in Col. Potter, and stories about our rescues and our members.

If you have any comments or questions, or wish to unsubscribe to The Cairn Terrier Times, please contact:

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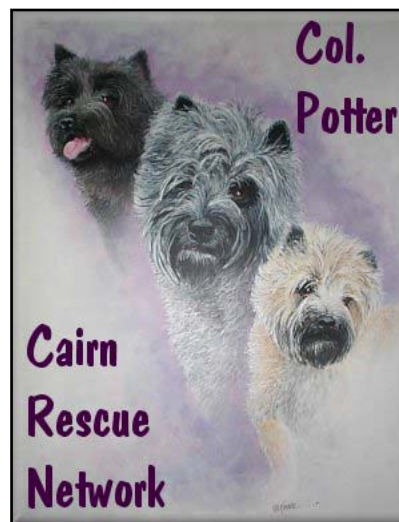
CPCRN Homepage:
www.cairnrescue.com

Please send all updated contact information to:
lostpets@cairnrescue.com

For volunteer information, please contact:
Susan Mower at smower@uvm.edu

**Donations, made payable to CPCRN,
can be sent to:**

**Danielle Rackstraw
CPCRN President
P.O. Box 1354
Romoland, CA 92585-1354**



Saving just one dog won't change the world, but it surely will change the world for that one dog



Col. Potter Cairn Rescue Network has had a successful **LOST PET IDENTIFICATION PROGRAM** in place since 2002 for our rescued cairns. The tag program is now open to the public and expanded to include pets of all kinds (dogs, cats, or any other pet that wears a collar). It has already helped many of our rescued cairns and now it can help your pet find their way back to their homes.

Program Features:

- ⇒ Each tag has a toll free number that can be called by anyone who finds your pet. The number is either answered directly or sent to voice mail which is monitored constantly.
- ⇒ Primary Contact - specify up to four phone numbers (home, work, cell, pager) and two e-mails addresses.
- ⇒ Secondary Contact (spouse/partner) - specify up to four phone numbers and two e-mail addresses.
- ⇒ Specify up to five additional emergency phone number contacts.
- ⇒ Provide authorization to have your pet boarded and/or treated.
- ⇒ Provide veterinarian information to treat your pet.
- ⇒ Provide detailed information for identification purposes.
- ⇒ Provide health information about your pet so they receive proper treatment and care.
- ⇒ Provides away from home coverage while you are on vacation.

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