



CAIRN TAILS

An Periodical Electronic Newsletter for Cairn Lovers and Their Friends

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COL. POTTER CAIRN RESCUE NETWORK

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Homes**

With

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**Celebrating
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Welcome ~

Welcome to the first electronic newsletter for Col. Potter Cairn Rescue Network.

In the past years, Col. Potter was able to send printed, hard copy, newsletters to all their members, adoptive homes, foster homes, volunteers, friends and more. But the economy has taken its toll once again with costs that made this not cost effective.

To be able to stay in touch with all those who love and support cairn terriers, Col. Potter is trying to get their exciting news and happenings out in electronic form.

We are not sure if this will be a monthly publication or every couple of months. Or as a 'need to be' for special announcements. We are hoping to keep all of you abreast in the current activities of adoption, post adoption, health and welfare of your cairns. We also want to keep you up-to-date on any fundraisers that we know you would not want to miss out on.

This newsletter is written and produced by volunteers of Col. Potter Cairn Rescue Network. If you have any information that you feel would benefit other cairn terrier lovers, please send it to: <http://cairnrescue.blogspot.com/>

For those of you who do not wish to receive this electronic newsletter there is an "opt out" address at the bottom of this publication.

So, at this point, we welcome you to "Cairn Tails" and let's get on with all the exciting news!

How Many Dogs Can a Team Move?

Col. Potter moved 252 dogs, which averaged out to about 4 dogs every week, (the record was moving 20 dogs in one weekend), 752 drivers were used to drive a total of 160,140 miles. Col. Potter could not have done any of this without the volunteer drivers so if you helped with a transport, pat yourself on the back for helping move these babies to their foster homes and onto their forever homes. Remember that gas/mileage is reimbursable so if you are on the fence because of finances we will help you out there also!

This is ONLY the miles that CP plans through our TRANSPORTATION GROUP and does NOT include the tens and tens of thousands of miles that Fosters and Home Safety Inspectors drive to help adopt dogs or the same amount of miles they spend going to the vets and getting their fosters to start with.

If you would like to be a part of the Transport Team or any other team, please fill out the volunteer application at:

<http://www.cairnrescue.com/rescue/volunteer.htm>

The ides of March have been smiling on many cairns in need.

Col. Potter Cairn Rescue played a very important role in helping 14 cairn terriers find their way to safety from a hoarder in Ohio in February 2011.

Not only did they rescue 14 cairns, but two of the females came in pregnant.

Just days after Ms. Aphrodite's arrival to her foster home – she gave birth to 6 puppies. 3 boys – 3 girls.

The next surprise was with Ms. Roxanne. She, as well, had just arrived at her foster home and was taken to a vet for an x-ray and check up. The vet said he could see 4 little ones and that she would probably whelp in the next week or so. Well, Ms. Roxanne did not listen to the vet very well. She gave birth that night to 4 boys. Sadly, the number 3 puppy was still born, but the remaining three are going strong.

With these puppies it makes 23 cairns that arrived to safety, warmth and love. With all these cairns in need and their 9 beautiful surprises, Col. Potter is in need of foster homes and funds to insure proper care. Please check out "Famous Lovers" fundraiser at: http://mall.cairnrescue.com/famous_lovers.htm



Look At How Col. Potter Cairn Rescue Has Grown:

Col. Potter Cairn Rescue is 10 years old!

Rescuing 386 Cairns in the year 2010.

What an amazing feat and we can only thank all the Volunteers and Supporters of Col. Potter Cairn Rescue Network who made this possible.

A New Leash On Life (ANLLOL) is coming soon!

We are so excited to announce that the springtime ANLLOL is coming soon to a computer near you.

The theme for this upcoming ANLLOL is “Yellow brick Road to Forever”.



Starting March 24th 2011 and ending April 17th 2011.

For a look at some of the past NLOL please click here:

<http://mall.cairnrescue.com/newleash.htm>

Can't get enough of those Cairns?



<http://www.cairnrescue.blogspot.com/>
and <http://postadoption.blogspot.com/>

Slater and his surgery -



Written by CP's Director of Foster Homes

Amy has shared some information on Slater, who was brought into Col. Potter and is being fostered by Amy. Slater spent his life outside in the backyard because his owner could not house break him. What she did not know was that it was not his fault. He was not dumb, he was not being stubborn, he could not help it! After many tests, very expensive scans (\$400+ for these), it was determined that Slater had a portosystemic shunt, which basically means, the main blood to his liver was being routed around his liver instead of through his liver. Because his liver is not working properly, he has to eat very low protein foods as his liver does not have the capacity to break these down, be on many medications, one of them lactulose to control his ammonia level. When an ammonia level is too high, it produces hepatic encephalopathy and until we were able to figure out his issue and start him on these meds, he was aggressive, almost uncontrollable. Once Amy started on the lactulose and got his ammonia level down, his whole demeanor changed and he became a "new" boy.

Slater needs very expensive surgery to correct this congenital issue he was born with. Ideal time to do this is before a year old. Slater is 4 years old. He is past the ideal time but the surgeon feels he has a very good chance of correcting this and allowing him to live a normal life. Due to the liver not working properly, Slater drinks huge quantities of water and because of this, urinates huge quantities of urine. If he wants to have a good life and get to live as an indoor dog in a home, he needs this surgery.

This surgery is almost \$3000 - a stunning blow to Col. Potter.. We do not want to have to tell him "no", sorry, you are not worth it. He is worth it, he is still very young, he deserves to be live in a home. He deserves to be free of the many medications we now have to give him. He deserves this surgery. Will it be risky due to his age, you betcha. Do we owe him this change, you betcha. We can do this if everyone pitches in just a little to make his life better.

To become a Guardian Angel or Grandparent to Slater please click:

<http://www.cairnrescue.com/rescue/sponsor.php>

Meet Bridge (Biggie) – The Available Cairn

Written by Linda Bagley – Bridge's foster mom

I know that you all remember the movie "Rain Man". It provides insight to the personalities of an autistic man and his brother. Dustin Hoffman superbly plays the role of the autistic man, and Tom Cruise marvelously renders the role of his brother. This movie is exciting, tragically sad, yet heartwarming, and exceedingly humorous. It opens one's heart to the fact that people today need to care, to show appreciation, and to always be considerate of one another.

I would like you to meet Bridge, who we affectionately call Biggie, "Rain Dog".

Biggie was born in a puppy mill. At a young age he was rescued by Col. Potter and it was judged that he was approximately a year old. He was diagnosed by the owner of the mill as being blind. In a short period of time our rescue found this to be a misdiagnosis. He has been examined by many doctors for his strange antics and compulsive actions. The best we can come up with is that he is "different", "marches to the beat of a different drum, and is farsighted. He is in fact "Rain Dog".

We are his second foster home he has been in as the first had cats for which Biggie believes are the enemy. Coming to live with us with our 4 cairn boys was an easy transition as Biggie has no aggressions towards other dogs. It was a little hard for our guys to relate to his quirks and hard for him to join the pack, but it only took a short while for them to understand that even though he was different he was one of them.

He makes us smile every day. Even though he is different he makes the extra effort to fit in. If you think about it this is what we all do to some degree, we all just want to fit in.

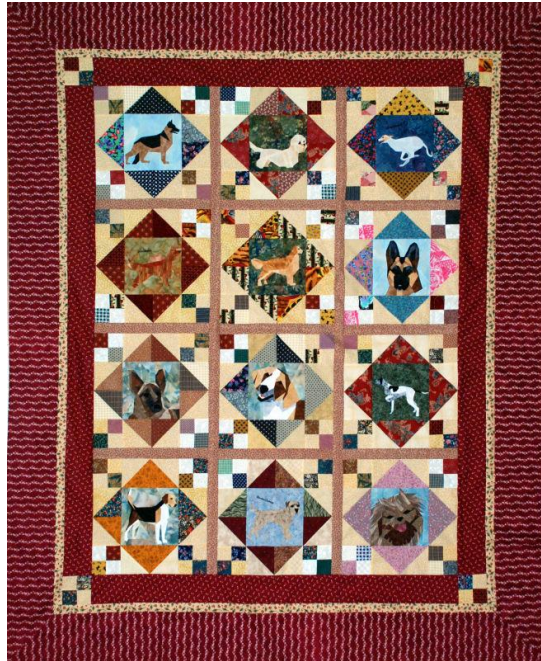
In order for each of us to accomplish this it requires others to be accepting of us. So it is with Biggie. He will probably never accomplish things that other dogs do. But if you open your heart to him, show him you care and let him know that you will always be there for him, he will know that he is accepted, loved and will be able to love you in his own way. He is looking for that special person(s) with an accepting heart to love him forever.

Charlie (Tom Cruise) could not understand Raymond (Dustin Hoffman) and all his little quirks when they first met. But Raymond showed Charlie what love really is. And when that happened he knew that he wanted Raymond to be there with him for the rest of their lives. That's what Biggie will do, once you open up your heart.

For more information on Bridge - go to:
<http://adopt.cairnrescue.com/index.php#FL>
And look under the state of Florida.



Love Beautiful Quilts?



In 2007, we were the lucky charity to get a wonderful quilt for fundraising use. The fundraiser brought in over \$7000 - and it was won by Aynne Henry and John Eck. They've displayed it but have re-donated it back for additional fundraising.

This quilt is a marvel - everyone who saw it in person at the 2008 CA Crap can tell you. The stitching is glorious and the pieced dogs so cute. It was appraised at \$4,500 - and now it can be yours.

Tickets are \$5.00 each - as they were back in 2007. If you get them in groups of 5 or 10, you get a chance at one or two OTHER quilts - one by Joy Wisckol and one by Cheryl Paul - both are stunning.

Check it out and go for it!

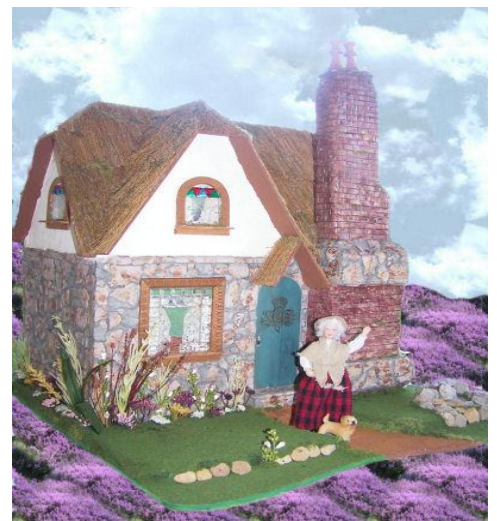
http://mall.cairnrescue.com/pound_puppy_quilt.htm

Do You Like Miniatures?

Then Col. Potter has something for you. A custom, one of a kind, cairn miniature cottage is up for grabs. This cottage has been published in several miniature magazines and the creator has donated it to Col. Potter to help raise funds for the cairns in need.

A perfect gift for the cairn lover.

Hurry - the drawing happens on the 20th of March!



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



Col. Potter Cairn Rescue is How Old?

Col. Potter Cairn Rescue is celebrating its 10th Anniversary! And what a better way to celebrate it then with a custom, one of a kind, toy box and a gorgeous quilt.

The chances for this runs until the 20th of March - so hurry up and grab a chance or two before it is too late!

http://mall.cairnrescue.com/inv_10yrtoybox.htm

Want To Help – But Just Don't Know Where?

Col. Potter has many, many 'teams' that are in need of help.

Do you like to drive? Do you like to do databases? Do you like map reading and setting up meeting places? Do you knit or crochet? Do you sew? Do you like to make cards? Or how about being on the Home Safety Inspection team?

And this is just an example of what goes on behind the scenes to keep Col. Potter running.

If any of these sound interesting to you, please fill out a Volunteer Application at <http://www.cairnrescue.com/rescue/volunteer.htm>

Do You Love to Browse the Internet?



Help Col Potter with every search you do: <http://www.goodsearch.com>

If you aren't using GoodSearch - give it a try. Enter Col Potter Cairn Rescue Network as your charity of choice and then start searching away - every search earns a penny! What a simple way to help the cairns in need.

Do You Have Your Dog Registered If They Become Lost?

Help your pet find their way home again if they should somehow get separated from you.

The Col. Potter Tag Program is manned 24/7 and has immediate access to fliers and “what to do” if your dog gets lost.

Anyone can register their dog, they do not have to be cairn terriers.

There is a one time fee, but any and all updates are free of charge.

Give the gift of caring to your fellow canine lovers.

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

Remembering Your Loved Ones –



Col. Potter has a beautiful and peaceful Memorial Park (virtual) to remember our loved ones.

If you would like to honor a loved one, please go to: <http://wall.cairnrescue.com/>

Honoring A Loved One –

By Using “Name A Rescue Cairn”.....

Celebrating the lives of those 4 footed and 2 footed friends:

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

Ever Browsed the C.P. Mall?

Have you ever taken the time to actually browse the entire C.P. Mall, if you haven't, you are in for a surprise.

At the Mall, you are able to order belly bands, bandannas for all seasons, grooming supplies, toys, training items, fleece pullovers, doggy apparel, toy boxes and beds,

Cairngora items (all made from handspun cairn terrier hair). You can also see what is available through the CPCRN Café Press Store. They sell Totes to T-shirts, mouse pads to boxes and more.

From this site, you are also able to see what is going on at the C.P. eBay site. Not only do they offer auction items, but this is another great place to order your grooming, blankets, belly bands and bandannas from as well.

The possibilities are endless..... Go check them out.

<http://mall.cairnrescue.com/>

Please Support Cairn Rescue With Your Donations

Col. Potter Cairn Rescue Network is a non-profit organization completely dependent upon volunteers and your donations to be successful in the rescue of Cairn Terriers. It is through your generosity that we are able to provide much-needed assistance to abused, abandoned, neglected, and homeless Cairn Terriers. Your donations are used to rescue Cairns from shelters, puppy mills, and backyard breeders and to help pay the many expenses that are incurred prior to adoption into a loving home, including any necessary veterinary care and fostering.

Your thoughtfulness is sincerely appreciated. It is only through these generous donations that a Cairn Terrier will have a second chance at life.

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