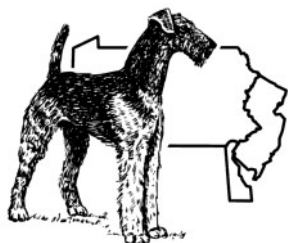


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BATON ROUGE BILLY

By foster mom Deb Ciancarelli

A question we are frequently asked is "Where do your rescues come from? Who would no longer want their Airedale?" The answer is varied, as there are many circumstances surrounding the surrender of a dog. Billy's story is a little unconventional and special. It's a story of timing, collaboration, teamwork and a little luck.

Billy showed up on the website Adopt-A-Pet for a brief period of time. So brief that our National Airedale Rescue team, who scours listings for possible Airedales across the USA in shelters on a daily basis, did not even see his post. However, it was not missed by one of our dedicated rescue family members, and thankfully our friend Susy immediately contacted ARADV. Timing is everything in rescue.

Billy was in the care of a rescue group called White Diamond Merle Rescue in Delaware. The group's mission is to take in dogs from the South who are special needs. Billy, fully blind from cataracts, was on death row at a shelter near Baton Rouge, LA and Chris at White Diamond had recently had him shipped up to her foster home. His picture was so upsetting - I will not share it. He was in terrible condition and obviously had been on his own for some time. Mary Jo immediately called White Diamond and asked if we could collaborate with her and take him into our care and she willingly released him to us.

I met Chris at a halfway point near the Delaware Memorial Bridge early Saturday morning, before her shift at the local shelter. She is a dedicated rescue person, shelter

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worker, mother of 4 children and a valued member of her community. Here is a link to her website: <http://www.whitediamonddanerescue.com/>



Our first day was spent at the vet to evaluate Billy's skin, tumors and immediate needs. He had 4 large tumors that needed to be addressed, as well as some dental issues. We did a senior blood panel which indicated excellent levels all around! Yay! We scheduled him for a dental and the mass removals. He has very sparse fur from the shoulders down from flea dermatitis, and was treated at the LA shelter for flea infestation. While now comfortable and not scratching, I'm not sure his fur will completely grow back. But, nothing a sweater can't fix in his new home in the Northeast.

I was due to take a planned trip the following week so I needed to find him a safe spot to land for a bit. Here's where the teamwork comes in. I remembered a blind dog named Fosh who came to one of our Aire Faires a few years back and knowing she had passed, I called her mom Lydia. Lydia – despite being in between moving – readily agreed to take in Billy for the 2 weeks while I was away! She showed up at the meeting spot in her perfect minivan and took him

away to her new one level retirement home, where he became a big hit with the neighbors. A huge thank you to Lydia for stepping up to the plate during a tough time and helping out in a pinch!

Surgery was scheduled for November 19th and Billy came through it like a champ. He had 4 significant wound sites and lost 10 teeth during the dental, but mostly the tiny front incisors. Three in the top back left were removed. They were infected and surely painful. Our main goal at this time was to get this gentleman comfortable. We did a biopsy on 2 of the tumors. Two looked similar and the other two looked similar in the surgeon's opinion. In the meantime, Billy has healed beautifully and has been a stellar patient! Billy has touched the hearts of many Airedale friends – see our Donations page and see all the love and support in his honor!

The news of his biopsies is BENIGN!! We are so thrilled to hear that Billy is healthy again and ready for a second chance at life – one that is comfortable, with good nutrition and full of love and walkies. Luck was really on Billy's side because the vet initially said the tumors looked "angry."

Billy was surely loved by someone at some point because he loves to come up on your lap for hugs and petting. He has wonderful house manners, never barks BUT he is a night howler!! If anyone has ever had a night howler, you know how fun this is. He will break into "the song of his people" once every week or two in the middle of the night. It is a rare special gift that will lead you to 3AM laughter. My first Airedale did it and no others since (many fosters) so it is special!

Billy is estimated to be between 10-12 years old and weighs 60 pounds. He is good with other gentle dogs and enjoys taking a slow walk, sniffing things along the way. He does not ask for much other than good food, a soft place to lay his head and a home with few or no steps would be ideal. He manages extremely well with my 5 steps out to the yard and he learned them within one or two passes. Besides some yeasty ears which need drops a few times a week, he has no other health issues. He takes supplements for his joints, which we always recommend for all seniors, and Omega 3 for his skin, which is no longer dry and flaky. He is certainly welcome to spend his golden years here but I think he still has a lot to offer. If you would like to consider adding Billy to your family, please call Deb at 609-313-4765.

Dear Readers,

If your street address, e-mail address, or phone number has changed, please update them by contacting Deb at 609-313-4765 or by email at Deb.Ciancarelli@gmail.com. We'd also enjoy hearing how your dog is doing. Thank you.

Our Mission:

The goal of Airedale Rescue and Adoption of the Delaware Valley (serving Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware) is to provide prompt and safe assistance for any Airedale who has no responsible owner or breeder. Simply put, our purpose is to find a suitable, loving home for any Airedale who needs one, while strictly adhering to the policies set forth by the Airedale Terrier Club of America's Rescue and Adoption Committee:

* Before placement, each rescued Airedale Terrier will be:

- spayed or neutered
- permanently identified with a microchip
- checked for heartworm, parasites and all other health issues
- brought up to date on vaccinations required by law and appropriate to the age and health of the Airedale
- carefully evaluated for temperament & personality
- bathed and properly groomed

* We assess each rescued Airedale Terrier on an individual basis, in order to place each dog into the loving forever home best suited to the needs of that particular Airedale.

* We strive to educate the public regarding the Airedale breed and responsible dog ownership.

* No ARADV volunteer conducts rescue activities for personal profit. All proceeds from fundraising activities, fees and donations will be used only for the benefit of rescued Airedales.

***Airedale Rescue and Adoption of the Delaware Valley
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Please designate ARADV as your charitable organization of choice! Thank you and if you have any questions, feel free to contact Deb via phone 609-313-4765 or email deb.ciancarelli@gmail.com

New IRS \$300 Extra Deduction for 2020

A Special Note to those who have donated or those who are planning to donate to ARADV in 2020:

As a part of the CARES Act, taxpayers can deduct up to an additional \$300 for qualified cash/check donations given to a charity even if they choose to take the standard deduction. This is a temporary deduction for charitable donations in 2020. So, if someone makes a cash or check donation up to \$300 before the end of 2020, they can get an additional deduction plus the standard deduction when filing taxes..

If you have any questions, please check with your tax advisor!



Mischief and Memories

We received just one submission for MISCHIEF AND MEMORIES, which was introduced in the last STARTING OVER. Bill and Judy Taylor wrote about their Olive's experiences with thunder and fireworks. I followed up with my wife Serafina's and my similar adventures with Alice, one of our fosters.

Once again, I invite any Airedale adopter to share a humorous or cherished memory for publication in the next STARTING OVER.

Just email it to me (Mike Lurski) at seramike19@yahoo.com. Perhaps there is a happening during the pandemic that you would like to share with our readers.

Olive and the Noises

Olive is our second Airedale. She was rehomed to us just before Christmas 2016 after her life-long owners discovered that an energetic 60-pound dog dashing about was not compatible with 1-year-old twins. She settled in about 10 minutes after coming through our door and, aside from flying past my nose in full leap, and taking just one lick on the rotisserie chicken temptingly sitting on the cutting board, has been little trouble. Unlike our precious Lily, she enjoys time spent on our back porch, admiring her domain, noting the dogs being walked in the neighborhood, and passing rabbits, and warning off the occasional cats, deer, and foxes.

Her one issue has been noises of any kind. Some just invite her curiosity, which must be immediately satisfied. And being "out in the county," we are in earshot of firearm discharges way too often. But thunder is the worst. Living in the mountains, in the South, thunder happens. Early in her time with us, she found comfort in the dark, relatively isolated hall past the laundry room and out toward the garage. She still heads that way when the distant rum-

bles grow closer. I open the door to that hall (before she opens it herself), invite her in, and give her my standard speech about "the bumps." Lately she actually listens and seems more comfortable (after a quick tour of the hall) just staying close to us.

The tail is still down, we still have some drool to wipe up, her posture is still sitting up, back to us (which is Airedale for "get me out of here"), but she is less obviously fearful. It appears that she is actually listening to my explanations of what is going on, and reinforcing statements about our safety. "That thunder, it's going to STAY outside. It means it might rain. We're OK in Daddy's house." Whether it's the fact that I always use the same description, the tone of voice, or actual comprehension, I don't know. But it seems like she has come to accept that, as little as she likes the noise, it will pass in time and no one will be injured. We are now at a point where Olive is able to manage her fears well enough to avoid panic, and trust that we will keep her safe. And when our walks are interrupted by distant gun fire, she always wants to head for the safety of Daddy's house.

Bill and Judy Taylor

Alice and the Thunder

Olive's story reminds me of one of our fosters, Alice, who came to us at the age of two. She was adopted by Glenn and Ginger Lambert, but she stayed with us whenever they traveled.

We quickly discovered that Alice reacted strongly to thunder, fireworks, and other similar noises. She panicked and frantically started to try to dig through the floor of any room she was in, perhaps to find sanctuary below or merely out of frustration and fear.

Unlike the Taylors' successful approach with Olive, Trying to comfort her or talk to her proved futile. What we ended up doing was placing her in a bathtub upon seven or eight large beach towels.

Then we closed the blinds and turned on a radio.

Alice predictably tried to dig through the towels and the tub. But we soon discovered that Alice was a fan of the "oldies," for she calmed down when we played 70's through 90's rock from a local FM station at a high volume to block all outside noise.

She stopped digging, gained control of her panting and fear, and lay down. After a few minutes she accompanied the music with her snoring.

We did this every time there was a thunderstorm or fireworks with the same result. Whatever works! And it helped that my wife and I shared Alice's taste in music.

Mike Lurski

An Airedale Paved the Way for First Dogs

By Amanda Staymates

The White House is preparing for many changes, not the least of which is its new canine residents, German shepherds Major and Champ. I began this article even before the president-elect injured his foot playing with them- making them all the more famous. Regardless of which political party inhabits its walls, this imposing fortress is always more friendly with a dog. Until 2017, the last time there was a pet-free administration was William McKinley's presidency from 1897 to 1901.

The very first presidential pet to go viral – if that had been a thing back then – was an Airedale named Laddie Boy belonging to President Warren Harding. Laddie Boy was 6 months old when he was delivered to his new family at the White House one day after Harding moved in. The White House staff interrupted Harding's very first cabinet meeting at his request to introduce him to Laddie Boy. "With many manifestations of pleasure, the President led his new pet into his office, where he made himself at home," wrote a *Times* reporter on March 5, 1921.



The Hardings were certainly Dog People, as evidenced by the fact that Laddie Boy was ingrained in their daily life. He was not just there for photo ops and interviews, nor did he spend any time that we know of in the White House kennels. It was said that he was like the child the President and First Lady never had. (They did both have children from other relationships, but none that lived with them.) Being the First Dog does afford you privileges not bestowed upon just any pooch, though. He was Harding's golf buddy, advisor in cabinet meetings, (in his own chair, no less), and a fundraising ambassador with the first lady.



Our soon-to-be first dogs Major and Champ have stories of their own, and will have a book published about them on January 19, 2021. They also have various social media accounts where fans can learn more about them – follow [first_dogs_usa](#) to take a peek. Through myriad dog breeds, cats of all sorts, horses, birds, opossums, and a raccoon, we have waited until the present era to welcome a rescue dog into those esteemed walls. Major was 10 months old when the Bidens brought him home from the Delaware Humane Association to be fostered and then officially adopted. He joined Champ, who

A New Rescue Nutrition Partner

ARADV is so fortunate to recently have been chosen by Annamaet Petfoods as a Rescue nutrition partner. Annamaet has been a family owned and operated company since 1986 and, according to their credo, "is a strong and proud supporter of rescued animals worldwide". The word Annamaet means "to give spirit, to give life to, to give vigor and zest" (Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary). We were given a range of holistic GMO-free kibble products for puppies, adults and seniors. All new Rescued Airedales now are fed Annamaet holistic kibble and Freshpet gently cooked refrigerated meals. A starter supply of both foods is given when the Airedale joins his or her fur-ever family.

It is beyond compare that any rescue is able to offer two of the highest quality pet foods on the market. Annamaet now joins with Freshpet as a nutrition partner with us. We sincerely and humbly thank our friends at Annamaet and at Freshpet. We encourage our adopters to please visit the websites of both of these companies to learn about the company philosophies and the high quality and variety of products that they offer.

www.annamaet.com
www.freshpet.com



Winnie Johnson, with Mom, and
Kit Brown of Annamaet Petfoods



Heart

We are deeply saddened to let Airedale Rescue know that we lost our beloved Tommy. He crossed over the rainbow on March 14th. He was such a good boy and brought much joy and happiness to us for over the past 10 years.

We will miss him so much.

We would like to extend a special thank you to Linda and Cork Meyer for all the kindness and support they have provided to us over the years.

Kind regards,

Brenda and Tom Soloe



Tommy Soloe



In Loving Memory

Dugan Lorene

Lexi Finkel

Sadie Reed

Tai Johnson

Tommy Soloe

Valentine Ciancarelli

VALENTINE CIANCARELLI

8/11/07 – 10/18/20

I suddenly lost my Valentine on October 18, 2020 to a tumor on the spleen. As many of us in the Airedale family know, the splenic tumor has no symptoms. Val was lying on his dog bed watching the Eagles lose yet another ugly loss when I gave him his dinner and he wouldn't eat. That was alarming because he loved his food. I rushed him to the emergency vet and he was gone. Even though he was 13 years old, he was the most beautiful and healthy boy. It was shocking.

Val and his litter came into rescue in 2007 in an SPCA abuse case. There were multiple pups with two moms and all were placed. He lived with his family for 8 years until he was returned to rescue in an anxious condition. He was fostered by my dear friend Maureen but he was in need of professional intervention so he came to live with me in December 2015. I hoped we could turn him around but with a bite history, he stayed with me. We gave him the care he needed through a

wonderful veterinarian-behaviorist, and with anti-anxiety medication, and he remained my resident dog for 5 years.

Valentine became an unlikely ambassador to our rescues. It wasn't ever easy to introduce him to his new roommates, but he accepted each and every one over the years. He was a good big brother to all, sharing his toys and his mom. He surprised me with his increasing ac-



Valentine Ciancarelli

ceptance of each dog I brought through his home and I truly think he came my way to make me better at being a leader and being the initial "checkpoint" in an intake. My most loving memory of him will be his total acceptance of my long term foster, Angel. He knew she was fragile and protected her. He would have done the same with Billy.

I'd like to honor him and his foster brothers and sisters. Some were brief but he accepted them all:

Buddy Smith

Finne Forbush

Tinker Dransfield

Angel Ciancarelli (became his beloved sister)

Winston Arboleda

Zoey McKenzie

Dexter Cohen

Winfred Joseph Johnson

Easton Eichelberger

Rudy LaSalle

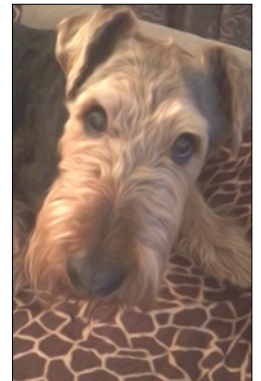
Rubi Wilson-Durham

Birdie McFarland

Valentine enjoyed playing with his toys, and he was very gentle with his stuffies. His favorite toy was his Owlie, from Aunt Maureen. He loved rolling in the grass and sleeping on his back and yelling out the window at anyone who dared to walk by. I cried as I removed the frosted window film from the bottom half of the glass storm door on the front of my house.

Rest well my gorgeous boy. I may be biased but I think he was the prettiest boy ever. My two favorite pictures of him.

Love, Mama.



Strings



In Gratitude for Tai, Our Miracle Airedale

Even if you never met Octavious Christopher “Tai” Johnson, you surely have celebrated with us as he was mentioned and photographed for over 6 years of this newsletter. He was the honorary ChairDale of last year’s Farm Day. The event announcement and even the cake served at the event featured his jaunty cowboy photo. Yes, I cried when I saw the cake...yes, I am crying as I write this.....

Tai came to us as a 6 year old who was surrendered to Rescue after his human passed. He knew love and he gave love and thrived in exhibiting all of his unique Airedale tricks, most notably, his ability to open the refrigerator door. Tai was a self-taught therapy and emotional support companion. He brought joy and hope to friends and family. He was a frequent visitor to a local nursing home where my now-departed Aunt Mary lived. He specialized in napping with Aunt Mary. He greeted each resident with his gentle demeanor while Aunt Mary bellowed “He is here for ME”!

Most unexpectedly one afternoon during a naptime, he stood up and spun around several times. I grabbed my phone and made a video of the event. With this minimum of a symptom, and after neurological testing at the University of Pennsylvania, Tai was diagnosed with an inoperable brain tumor at the base of his pituitary. He was given 4 to 6 months to live. He lived almost 4 extra years!

With this diagnosis, we learned the value of celebrating each and every day. Tai did suffer occasional seizures and the daily required anti-seizure medication and the high dose steroids added their effects to his body. And, yet, he remained our Tai, our joyous boy. Tai made sure that we supplied the mailman with dog cookies to be shared along the route. Even to the end, Tai enjoyed his walks. Due to his condition, his fur was thin and he was missing fur on sections. Tai’s Aunt Serafina and Uncle Mike Lurski gifted him with a lovely and enviable selection of coats.

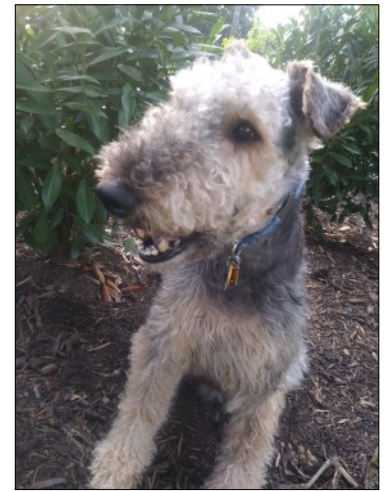
On one particular walk during the warmer months, we

passed students from a nearby charter high school. The students were at recess. One student loudly proclaimed that my dog was the ugliest dog that she had ever seen. In that moment, the terrier inside me led me to reply to that student that my dog had brain cancer which affected his fur growth and frankly he knew he was the most beautiful dog ever. I also cautioned her to never judge a dog or a person by their appearance. The blessing was that the other students rallied to support Tai and to say how beautiful he was. They actually chastised their classmate for her comment. Needless to say, Tai was a gift in so many ways.

A long goodbye is no easier than a sudden loss. Reading about Valentine and Tai is a reminder that these Airedales live to give their all. Tai had a brother, Rescue Airedale Nathan Paul Slade Johnson, who he welcomed without reserve. Nathan was older when he joined our family and Nate passed after only 2 years, 2 months and 2 weeks with us. Nate was named in honor of his Godmother, Carole Slade. Ironically, Nathan joined our family 2 weeks before Tai’s diagnosis. There are no coincidences when love is involved.

We had to make that final decision for Tai on August 12th. My theory is that I have sent-ahead my own Heavenly Welcoming Committee. The term “you had me at hello” surely applies to Tai. Until we say hello again, dear Tai.....

Mary Jo Johnson



Octavious Christopher Johnson

I’m writing to tell you our beautiful Sadie (Amelie) crossed over the rainbow bridge at the age of 14 years, from kidney failure.

We adopted Sadie when she was eight years old. She was a sweet, well behaved little angel. She loved going for car rides and long walks. She also loved her snacks (she got too many) especially carrots. Our poor girl had many medical problems. I think she was Dr. Torline’s favorite patient. He said she was his Ever Ready Bunny – she just kept going and going.

I hope we gave her a good home and good life, she made our lives better. We’ll forever miss her and have fond memories of her. We had six great years with her – thank you for trusting us to take care of her.

Gail & Howard Reed, Delanco NJ

To all our readers, please know that every dog placed by ARADV is remembered, as is every adopter. We would love to know how those dogs are doing, both the happy and the sad.

Keep those letters and e-mails coming.

Heartfelt Thanks

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Over 13 years ago, Airedale Rescue and Adoption of the Delaware Valley began a relationship with the very reputable pet food company, Freshpet. Freshpet manufactures its pet food products right here in Bethlehem, PA.

Through the efforts of the company's dog-loving representative, Carole Slade, Freshpet has continued to regularly donate their nutritious products to us, which has immensely helped our Rescued Airedales regain their weight, health and strength.

Freshpet has grown tremendously over the years, expanding their variety of pet food offerings. Their products are found at many local supermarket chains such as Giant and Wegmans, as well as pet supply and specialty shops. In 2020, the Bethlehem Freshpet Kitchen doubled its production capacity with the grand opening of a newly constructed facility.

Our gratitude goes out to Freshpet and especially Ms. Slade for their sincere willingness to help our organization and our Airedales.



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Would You Consider?

By Mary Jo Johnson

Maybe it has been a long time since you applied to adopt from ARADV or perhaps you are a new adopter. On our official Application to Adopt form, there is a question "Would you consider an Airedale mix?" Why do we ask this question? Most recently, the answer can be found with the following dogs...Mya and Bowie.

Our official rescue charter is for the Airedale breed. The concept "mix" is widely used and frankly, we are starting a serious effort to change that term to "poly-ethnic" or "poly" for short.

Bowie is a poly-dale who was offered for adoption by another non-breed specific group. He was located on Adopt-A-Pet, which we and National Airedale Rescue daily scour for any Airedales. ARADV referred one of our applicant families to the group for adoption consideration, with our robust recommendation, and our family was chosen.

Mya's adoption was facilitated owner-direct through ARADV. The owners were very sad to rehome Mya and wanted to keep her in their home until a perfect adopter was found. We checked our applications for those who would like a mix, and a match was made.

The rest is pure joy and rejoicing. So, please know that we daily scour websites and postings for Airedales and "poly-dales" and try to do our best to match with our applicants...just ask Mya and Bowie!



Bowie



Mya



I will always be so thankful to Joey for giving us Molly. She was such a sweetheart and we spoiled her rotten! Thank you for all that you do.
Vicki Hogan

Thanks for all of your good work with Airedale Rescue. We have been fortunate enough to have five Airedales through this program and loved every dog. Tragically, we lost Jackson when he was still a pup.

A stick that he ingested perforated his bowel and he died from internal bleeding. We are thankful for the time we had with him. Hope this small donation helps the effort. Best Wishes,
John Eichelberger, Jr.

This donation is made on behalf of Walter H. Johnson, who passed away on October 18, 2018. Walt was an Airedale owner, and had several at one time. Walt took great care of his dogs and couldn't have been happier with their companionship. He was very proud of his dogs. Please use this donation for your rescue needs. Sincerely,
Jim Cusick

We are sending this contribution in memory of our wonderful Airedale girl, Suzie. We know without a doubt that she was the sweetest Airedale ever to walk the face of the earth. One of her favorite days of the year was the Airedale fest in the fall, and we thank you for making her life even happier (and for all you do for Airedale Rescue.) We miss her terribly!

Tom & Nancy Sell



Let's Talk Airedale!

Please keep those notes and pictures coming in! Mail them to Dewey Yesner at 115 Locksley Road, Glen Mills, PA 19342, email to Deb at Deb.Ciancarelli@gmail.com, or text to Deb at 609-313-4765



Mid-summer stylin' with Miss Zoey McKenzie



Fancy's autumn photo at Daycare! 🍁🍁

The always delightful Fancy Kraus – her doggie day-care really brings it!!



Josey Misina helping himself to a snack!



Sweet Rubi Wilson-Durham



Birdie McFarland with her brother Audie and sister Maggie

Sous Chef



I can't even w that face 🤔🤔🤔

Zoe Wells, sous chef extraordinAire!



Dukes new front gate. Is it Airedale Rescue approved? It had to be regal like him. Lol

Wow! It's stunning!

Duke Fowler at his castle



Zelda helping me pick pole beans. She loves these. Raspberries are just ok. I guess Henry had a sweet tooth. She has the prettiest eyes. Her behavior walking is excellent

Let's Talk Airedale!



I wanted to give you a quick update on Tinker. He is doing well and he is healthy. Tinker just turned 5 in September and he recently had his annual physical about three weeks ago. The vet said he is an amazing specimen. He has mellowed with age but still enjoys his three daily walks and a night time romp in a gated/walled early 19th century garden. He just disappears into the night looking and hunting everything on the move. He comes back usually exhausted but very happy. After his romp in the garden he usually joins us in the bed for a few minutes where he still does the biting down on my arm (gently now) just before he falls asleep. I think it is his way to connect with me.

Since Labor Day we have also been taking advantage of the beach in Ocean City, NJ. Here is a photo of Tinker from this past Thursday. He has a good time in the water, digging holes in the sand and finding something dead and smelly to shred. (photo attached - if you blow the photo up and look at his mouth you can actually see a smile).

Can you provide me with information on who and where to send a year end donation to ARDV? All the best,

Mark Dransfield



A lovely fall afternoon at volunteer Mary Jo's house, doing a "team grooming" on Winnie!
L to R – foster Birdie, Deb, Miley, Kathy, Winnie, Mary Jo.



Tinker Dransfield, at the beach

Molly has slowed down a bit on how far she goes but still enjoys her daily 1.5-2.5 hour walks. After all she will be 10 in January. We are moving to a retirement community in December. Molly is definitely welcome and there are other dogs her size there though on her last visit there she was most engaged by a four month old very small puppy. Later this week she will go to their dog park to visit. Hope all is good.

Sally and Donald Ives





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