

Pets Without Partners



Boscoe



Bobby

We are heard that "good things come in little packages." You find out just how true it is when you adopt one of this week's pets without partners...

Boscoe is a little love bug. He is a very sweet little guy who makes friends quickly and has good play manners with other dogs. He is all of 10 pounds fully grown and about 12 months old. Boscoe loves to sit on your lap for pets and has a sweet, gentle spirit about him. He is currently in foster care where he is being crate trained. Boscoe is current on his vaccinations, microchipped and has been neutered.

Stanley is a gorgeous mixed breed--of what we have no idea...maybe Terrier, Min Pin, Pug and ? He is definitely a beautiful, true all-American mixed breed. Fully grown at 12 pounds and around 11 months of age, Stanley is a very sweet guy with beautiful markings. He is very sweet and charming, loves to play, has lots of spring in his step and will worm his way into your heart when you meet him. Check out his video on our website. Strange noises startle him, so we think he would do best with children over nine years of age, please. Stanley is fine with all other dogs and is cat-safe. He is current on his vaccinations, de-wormed, microchipped and is neutered.

Becky is a very sweet, good-natured little dog who looks to be part Spaniel and part Doxie. She is fully grown at 13 pounds and is right around one to two years old. She has a nice, dark black coat with chocolate highlights



Stanley



Becky

that fit her personality. Becky is great with all other dogs that she meets, has good play manners and is pretty good on a leash. She is currently being crate trained and is doing well. Becky is current on her vaccinations, microchipped and has been spayed.

Bobby is a terrific Jack Russell/Beagle mix who is one to two years old and weighs 22 pounds. You will love him. He does not possess the howling trait of the Beagle. In fact, we have yet to hear him bark. He is friendly with all other dogs and shows the Jack Russell in him with his very independent personality. Bobby is current on his vaccinations, microchipped and has been neutered.

To learn more about these and other wonderful dogs, visit our website at www.animalsrule.org. Or come to our Saturday adoption events from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 305 North Harbor Boulevard, San Pedro. Look for the big, red, brick building just past the corner of O'Farrell.

Our website is always current. If the dog's picture is on this website, it is still available. E-mail is the best way to communicate with us: info@animalsrule.org. We are always in need of donations for veterinarian bills and our senior dogs.

Donations can be made through our website or by sending a check payable to: Animals Rule Placement Foundation at 305 North Harbor Blvd. San Pedro, CA 90731. All donations are tax-deductible. We are a registered 501(C)3 non-profit organization.

Saving one animal won't change the world, but the world will surely change for that animal.

Happy Tails



Our sweet Maya going home.

Thank you Herald Publications for advertising our adoption event at the Manhattan Beach Fire Department, station #1 during the Home Town Fair. We had a great turnout. A special thank you to Mike Wills of the Manhattan Beach Fire Department and Fire Station #1 for organizing this event. It was a huge success for Animals Rule. Six dogs were adopted and with the generosity of people attending the fair, we received lots of donations that will go toward the upkeep and veterinary care of our animals. We can't thank the Manhattan Beach Fire

Department enough for putting this event together and inviting us to participate.

During this adoption event, Maya was one of the six dogs who found her forever home. Here is what her new family had to say:

"Just wanted to give you a quick update. I know that you were all concerned with the housebreaking and jumping of Maya. We brought her into our house, then all four dogs ran out and took her all over, showing her the good spots and we let her curiosity fly. She was very busy checking things out; so far so good on the housebreaking. She flew out this morning, after spending the night under the covers, against my side, with the other dogs, they sniffed and peed and pooped.

I am very hopeful that she just needed to have the ability to be outdoors when she wants to and she almost is good at the doggie door. Last night she would not eat, but this morning was a different story and she was very obedient on eating only her food, not the others food.

Will keep you updated and thanks for having faith in us to be able to keep such a little prize...Charlie."

When you help or adopt a "pet without a partner", you will forever make a difference in their life and they are sure to make a difference in yours. •



No Treats for our Four-Legged Friends

Halloween will be here soon and that means you may have chocolate lying around your home. Many people have heard that chocolate is toxic to dogs but may not know why. Initially chocolate may upset your dog's digestive system due to high levels of fat and sugar, which may cause vomiting and diarrhea. But that is only the beginning. Chocolate contains theobromine, a chemical that is similar to caffeine. In people, theobromine is the feel good ingredient in chocolate that is known for releasing serotonin.

It is this chemical that can lead to poisoning in dogs. In a few hours, the effects of theobromine will begin, causing your dog to urinate more and become agitated and excitable. More dangerous symptoms can develop including an irregular heartbeat, blood pressure changes and seizures, which if left untreated can be fatal.

All chocolate contains theobromine. However, the darker the chocolate is, the more theobromine it contains. Baking chocolate is the most toxic and worst for pets. A high quality baking chocolate can have

theobromine levels of 450mg per ounce. It only takes about 1,000mg to be toxic to a little dog. That means as little as two ounces of dark chocolate is potentially poisonous to a 10 pound dog! Milk chocolate, such as candy bars, has less theobromine than baking chocolate but is still dangerous. An 8 ounce chocolate bar would be trouble for that same 10-pound dog. Chocolate flavored cakes and cookies are also dangerous.

Take extra precautions to keep your dog away from chocolate this Halloween. This is also a good time to teach children on the dangers of chocolate to dogs and help them find a safe place to store their Halloween candy. When I was a child I would hide my candy in a pillowcase under my bed, which is probably the worst place. Check your child's favorite hiding spots for chocolate.

If your dog does eat chocolate, remember to call your veterinarian and make sure you have an after hour emergency referral phone number.

Happy Halloween!

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