



NEWSLETTER

Thank You From the Board of Directors & Pet Therapy Committee
Summer Has Come and Gone.....
We Hope!



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(BELOW) RICK REID (AND ROSIE) PET THERAPY COMMITTEE

The CAAA Board and Pet Therapy Committee would like to extend a HUGE THANK YOU to all of our Pet Therapy teams for their volunteer work through this brutal hot summer. We all know as temperatures rise, energy levels in dogs can naturally decrease and since dogs don't cool down as easily as humans, this can lead to a lack of energy. But those of you who were able to continue your visits, we know the benefits of giving people the feeling of joy and happiness with the comfort and companionship of your loyal 4-legged furry family member.



So, CAAA gives special thanks to our pack of pet therapy dogs and their generous owners who give of their time to bring smiles and encouragement to residents and their families !



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OUR MISSION

To enhance the quality of lives of people by promoting the Human/Companion Animal Bond and to provide support when the bond is broken.



"When there is a dog in your life there is always a reason to laugh."

- Unknown -



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Summer Has Come and GoneWe Hope! So Here's a Few Tips For Hiking With Your Dog

Besides being a great way to exercise, hiking is also a good way to enjoy nature in our great Arizona outdoors. It's the same for our dogs as well with the added bonus of helping to form a closer bond with them. Here in Phoenix alone we have over 200 miles of trails to choose from within our parks and mountain preserves.

But before hitting those trails, be sure you are equipped for a safe adventure for yourself AND your dog. Since 2016 the City of PHX has banned hiking with dogs on any trails if the temperature is over 100 degrees. Check those temps, not only when you plan on starting your hike but also when you estimate you will finish. As we all know, once that sun starts to rise it can heat up quickly, especially on a descending elevation. Remember that all trails in Phoenix that allow dogs require that they be leashed at all times. For a list and information specific to each trail, including dog friendly ratings and reviews, check out the site Bring Fido. Besides including all trails in the area (and dog parks as well), it also has the website for each where you'll find general information like closure days and hours of operation.

Bring Fido

Another good source of information for being prepared is the AKC article submitted by Pamela Peet "*Hiking With Your Dog: Tips for Hitting the Trail in a Safe and Fun Way*". It includes:

- Hiking With Dogs Etiquette
- Safety When Hiking With Dogs
- Training Tips for Hiking With Dogs
- Hiking Equipment

Hiking With Your Dog

So now that summer has come and gone (we hope) enjoy our great fall weather along with your favorite four legged companions on some of these dog friendly trails and parks in our area.



There are several ways you can help CAAA generate financial contributions by participating with our Community Partners.

- When you enroll your **Fry's** VIP card in their Community Rewards Program
- Any real estate transactions with **Richard Howell, North & Co. Real Estate**. Email: richard@northandco.com
- **Making United Way Agency** Pledges using code: Companion Animal Assoc of Arizona TIN-94-2908620
- **Intel** encourages employees to pursue their passion to volunteer. The Intel Foundation matches the time they volunteer with a cash grant through the Intel Involved Matching Grant Program. CAAA is eligible to receive these cash grants.



Over The Rainbow Bridge

JAKE

RICK REID'S GOLDEN WITH ELEVEN YEARS OF CAAA VISITING BRINGING JOY TO HUNDREDS AND HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE ALL OVER THE VALLEY



" It's impossible to forget dogs who give us so much to remember "



A REMINDER.....



This will be at our same annual venue:
Hollis Park in Tempe
3421 S. Kenneth Place
Tempe 85282
(Dorsey Lane & Malibu)
10 - noon

We are excited to be able to connect with everyone!

Enjoy a brunch while sharing your visiting experiences.

Get your pet ready for this years' costume parade!

Please RSVP by 10/13 – thank you so much ☺

*CAAA Board & Pet Therapy Committee
Pam, Nancy, Sydni, Mary Anne, Melanie, Eileen,
April & Rick*





SOPHIE'S A NEW MOM!

Dog
mom

From Hope Bennett - Sophie is on Family Leave right now. She has had 5 puppies. I will get her back in October and we will start visiting again.

She loves to visit the patients at Ridgecrest.

They love her purple tail.



A Shelter Pup With A Real Purpose Scout

No one knows just where he came from; a stray that wound up in a Michigan shelter. He was big, he was friendly, had signs of abuse and turned out to be a canine Houdini.

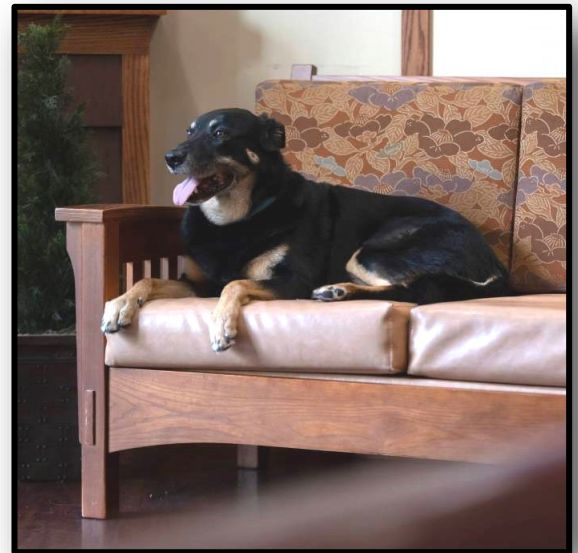
Shortly after being taken off the streets and into the shelter, he managed to scale multiple tall fences, crossed a highway in the night and wandered to the front door of a Senior Care Facility in the area. When the automatic doors opened he just walked right in and got comfortable on one of the leather couches in the lobby. The visit was short-lived when he was found the next morning and returned to the shelter.

But there would be other visits. Within the next few days, he did the same thing - escaped two more times and went to the same facility. That's when Marna Robertson, the Facility

Administrator, decided three was the charm. "I'm a person who looks at outward signs, and if it's meant to be, it's meant to be," she said. And so the stray was named Scout and adopted by the residents. There he now has free rein of some of the cottages and wanders the halls making his rounds checking in on everyone getting lots of love and attention and several treats along the way.

The staff believes the "safe environment" is what lured Scout in. The residents are thrilled to have him and he's made the facility feel more like home as only a loving dog can do.

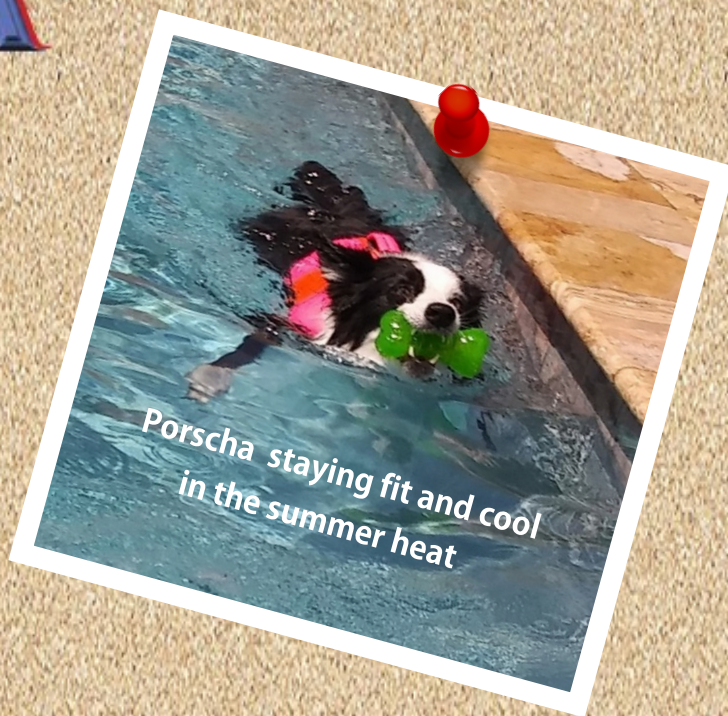
To read Scout's story including more pictures and comments from the staff and residents who are now his forever family, just click on the link below.



[SCOUT](#)

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A dog's sense of smell can detect human emotions?

Did you Know?

Forty-five percent of U.S. dogs sleep in their owner's bed?

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