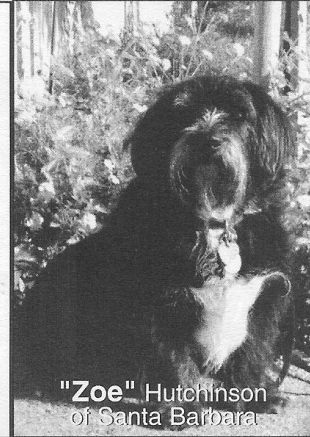


"Madi" Greene
of San Diego

"Dobie Doings"



2946 Young Road
Fillmore, California 93015
Phone (805) 524-5102
www.dobierescue.org
e-mail: dobierescue
@earthlink.net



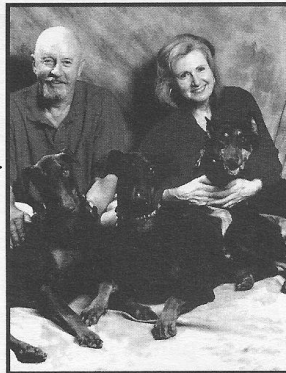
"Zoe" Hutchinson
of Santa Barbara

Ardis Munck Director Suzette Smith Graphic Designer Dennis Bolton Printer

A big THANK YOU to all of you who donated items for our garage sale, held March 31 at the beautiful Calabasas home of Gayle and Skip Mobley. It was a lot of work, but it was a huge success! The Mobleys put their lives on hold for days while they turned their garage and driveway into a depository for hundreds of items donated to help our dogs. Even their dogs felt displaced for days before the event.

Gayle and Skip adopted two Dobies, Misty and Joey, from us years ago. They graced the cover of our September, 2001 *Dobie Doings*. After Joey passed away, they returned and adopted Mason, a beautiful young red Doberman whose leg we had to amputate after his ex-owners carelessly let him jump out of the window of a moving car into traffic, where his leg was smashed beyond repair.

Finally, one weekend when Gayle came to volunteer, we got in a Doberman we had no kennel space for, and Gayle held him on leash all day while we hoped another large dog would be adopted to make room for the



"Mason," "Will,"
and "Misty"
with Skip and Gayle

new one. When that didn't happen by day's end, Gayle took him home to "foster," and that's how the third Mobley dog, Will, came to live with them.

We are truly blessed to have Gayle's help with adoptions most weekends, and Skip's help with kennel construction and planning.

Colleen Anderson, another dedicated volunteer, has been busy again. She has designed new patterns for our Dobies & Little Paws clothing and doggie accessories, which can be viewed on the following web sites:

www.cafepress.com/helpinghomeless
www.cafepress.com/dobiepuppy
www.cafepress.com/running4rescue

These are in addition to www.cafepress.com/dobierescue and www.cafepress.com/dobierescuelogo, which were mentioned in a previous newsletter. We receive a small percentage of each order's total. The running4rescue design is to raise awareness of Colleen's commitment to run in the San Francisco Marathon on July 29th. It's a grueling 26.2-mile run up and down the hills of San Francisco, which she has been training for, and she's actively seeking sponsors to raise funds for Dobies & Little Paws. To learn more about the marathon, contact us or click on the link on our web site.

Once again we want to thank all of you for your cards, e-mail, pictures, donations, and good

wishes. We wish we had room to print all of your pictures. They are so special, and they mean so much to us!

Sincerely,
Ardis Munch

p.s. Adopter Jane Schore lost her Dobie girl, Frannie, at age 18 – the oldest Dobie on our records. She is memorialized in her own website: www.myfrannie.com.

p.p.s. Don't forget our car donation program!

Adoption Updates

Of the five dogs featured in our March issue, three have been adopted!

ALEX,

half of the partnership of Alex and Golondrina, was adopted by Denise Kahler of Torrance. Initially Denise had intended to merely foster Alex, as we had hoped we might be lucky enough to place them together. If we found such a home, we planned to adopt Golondrina from our facility and have the adopter pick up Alex from Denise.

Alex got very lucky that day. He got along well with Denise's other two Dobies, Monet and Dijon, and all of Denise's dogs are consummate house pets, so he got to enjoy many comforts right away. Also, Denise is a veterinary technician, so Alex, now known as Kiev, got "the works," including removal of some fatty tumors,

so that his harness would fit him better, so that he could learn to CART! (See the article on Carting on page 6.)

We're



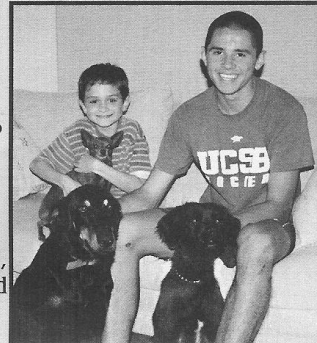
"Monet", "Dijon" and "Kiev"

sure all concerned are loving life right now!

PATTY,

the little Border Collie-Chow mix that was given up by her owner when she had to go into assisted living, was adopted by Janell, Art, Justin and Jacob Beach of Fillmore. It's a wonderful "small world" story that we're so pleased to be able to share.

It so happened that the Beaches came to us in July, 2006, to adopt a dog. They chose Buddy, a darling young Dobie mix, whose owner had given him up because he was unpredictable with kids. The Beaches live two doors away from where Patty's ex-owner lived, and Jacob used to take Patty for walks for her exercise for two years.



"Buddy," "Nikko" and "Patty" with Justin and Jacob

After the ex-owner moved, the Beaches didn't know what had happened to Patty, and neither did anyone else – until they received our March newsletter with her picture and story in it! They called immediately, came over with Buddy to introduce him to Patty, and took her home. In retrospect, it was probably the best thing that could have happened to Patty. Her teeth were dreadful. They must have hurt her every time she tried to eat. We took her in for dental work, which ended up involving MANY extractions, and which probably would not have been done by her elderly ex-owner.

With her loving new home, healthy new mouth, and sporting her summer haircut, Patty is a new girl, and a very happy one!

FINNEGAN,

the painfully shy (so unusual for a terrier!) little Scottie mix, was adopted by Amanda and Richard Ibison of Santa Margarita. They are rescue people, too – cat rescue people – and they have a large

older dog they felt would be a good companion for Finnegan. From their recent e-mail:

"After weeks of searching for the right addition to our family of animals, we found Finnegan and brought him home. Although he was quite shy and timid on arrival, he has made fantastic progress. He is very attached to his companion dog, Misty, and she is helping him get used to us as his new family. After several trips to the doggie park he has really opened



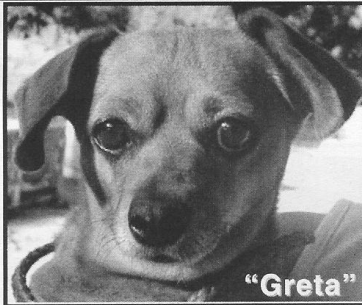
"Misty" and "Finnegan"

up, he loves to go for walks and we see his confidence growing every day. It's wonderful to see the play in him showing and we look forward to seeing this grow as he relaxes and learns to have fun. We really are enjoying this little guy and want to thank Dobies and Little Paws Rescue for helping us include Finnegan in our lives."

WAITING FOR HOMES

GRETA

is one of the sweetest little dogs we have. She's a Dachshund mix, about 6 years old, and she likes other dogs,



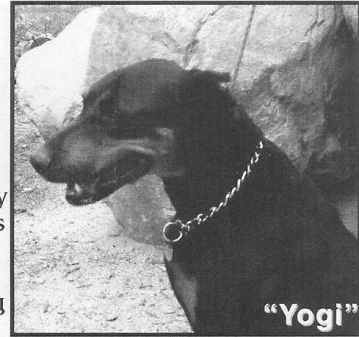
"Greta"

cats, and people of all ages. Greta loves kids most of all. She's a gentle, quiet, mellow dog. What Greta needs help with, though, is housebreaking. It's something she has never learned, and it will require time and patience.

YOGI

is a large-boned Dobie or Dobie-Rottweiler mix with cropped ears. He's 6-7 years old, and he's a big boy with a big,

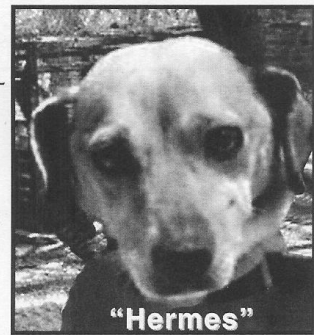
delightful personality to match. Yogi can get along with large female dogs and should be fine as a family dog also. He's fairly quiet except when he's protecting his territory.



"Yogi"

HERMES

has waited quite a long time for his own home. He's a Dachshund-Jack Russell Terrier mix, so he's independent, smart, active, and playful, yet he can be a little stubborn when he wants something. He was very well-behaved when

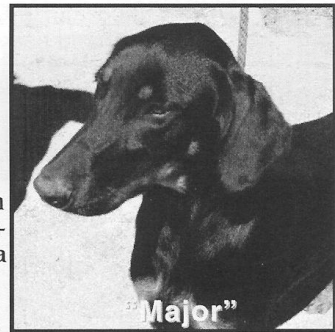


"Hermes"

being introduced to potential adopters in our visiting area. He's about 5 years old and weighs just 12 pounds. Hermes will do well as the only dog or with a self-confident female.

MAJOR

is a slightly mixed Dobie, probably with German Shepherd. He's black and tan, about 18 months old, with long tail and natural ears. He's a beautiful, active dog who loves people – but not other dogs.

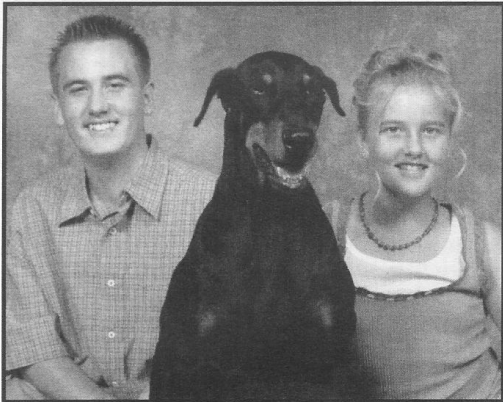


"Major"

RED

is a red female Dobie with cropped ears that didn't stand. She's 5 years old, stocky,

Cont. Page 6



"Alfie" Taylor of Thousand Oaks
with Evan and Hannah



"Bear" Brewer of Simi Valley



"Einstein" West



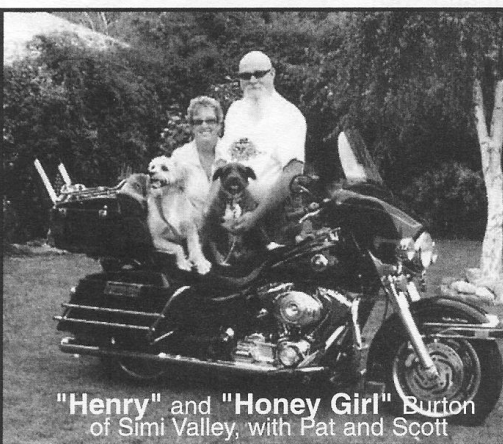
"Dillen" Fogliatti of Carlsbad
with Holly and baby Joe



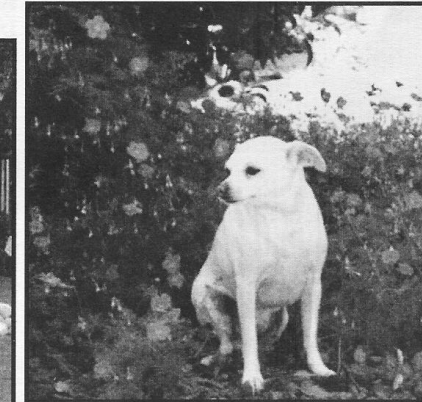
"Lady" and **"Shakey"** Jaye of
Deltona, FL



"Preciou"



"Henry" and **"Honey Girl"** Burton
of Simi Valley, with Pat and Scott



"Chico" Goodhouse
of Santa Barbara



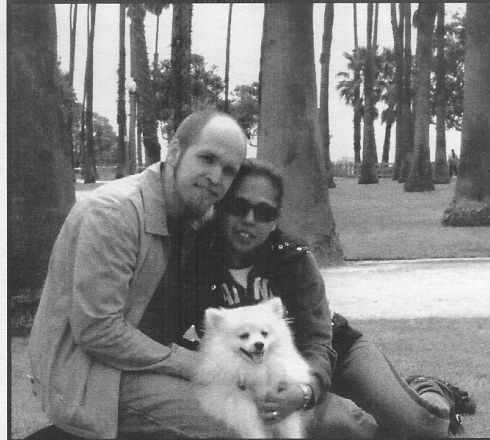
"Zozo" Arr
Santa Ba



ook of Camarillo



"Pooh" Rymszewicz
of Floral City, FL

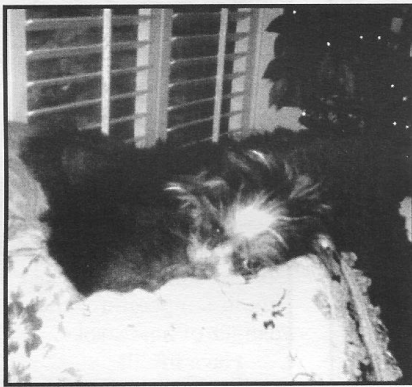


"Chente" Overby of Santa Monica with
Rorie, Jackeeline



"Husar" of Ventura

We're adopted!



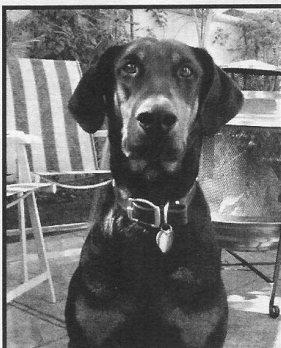
"Nelson" Blair of Palm Desert



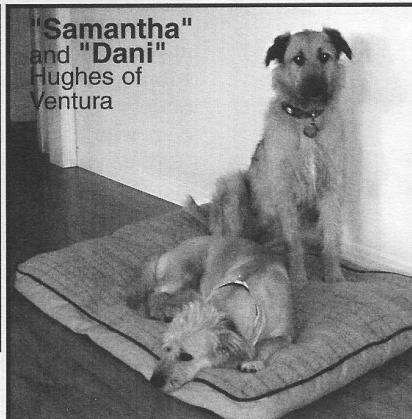
"Zade" Curran-Love of
Manhattan Beach



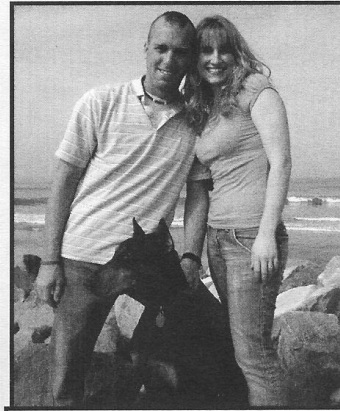
trong of
para



"Romeo" Stephens
of Redondo Beach



"Samantha"
and **"Dani"**
Hughes of
Ventura



"Ike" Honaker of Vista with
Ben and Sarah

affectionate, and a good watchdog. She can probably be a family dog, but she prefers to be the only dog. Red's ex-owner kept her outdoors, but, like most Dobies, we're sure she could adapt to in-home living.



A NEW IDEA...CARTING!

Everyone knows that a dog that can get out and about is a happier dog. Many dogs, especially young ones, need to have at least moderate exercise to keep from releasing that energy in negative ways. Often, though, the problem is the owner. Too many of us are so tired after working all day or whatever it is we do to exhaust ourselves every day that it's just not possible to think of leashing the dog and going for a three-mile run. Many owners also are not physically fit enough to do even a mile walk daily.

The idea presented itself to us when we got pictures from a second Dobie adopter who took her dogs carting. Wow, we thought, that would be such a great solution for people who can't jog with their dogs but still come up short on getting them enough exercise. Obviously, we're speaking only of larger and/or powerful dogs who can pull their owners in a cart. It may also need to be a home with more than one dog, so that each dog needs to pull only half the weight of the owner and the cart.

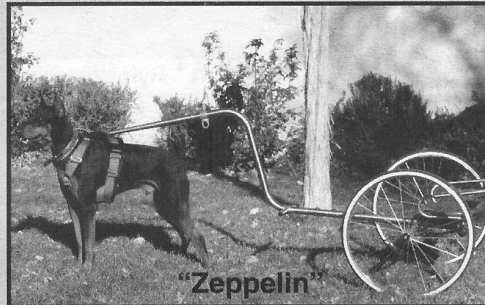
Here are pictures of our two carting



dogs:

The first is "Kiev" Kahler of Torrance (the dog on the far right), with owner Denise, the lady who was going to foster him (see Adoption Updates) and ended up keeping him, and her other two Dobies, "Monet" and "Dijon."

The second is "Zeppelin," owned by Studio Animal Services in Castaic; these folks train animals for movies. Christina Tomas has supplied us with the following link, <http://hometown.aol.com/dogcarting>, if you would like to learn more about carting or learning how to cart.



Naturally, we would like to caution you to ensure the health of your dogs before plunging into strenuous exercise involving the dogs' heart and all other parts of the body. Also, it would be wise to start gradually and build up to longer distances, as dogs get sore muscles and feet just like we do! Finally, make sure to get them working in temperatures that they can endure without danger of heat stroke.

Have fun!!!!

ABUSED DOGS - Part III

Our last two issues have discussed abused and unsocialized dogs, and we encouraged prospective adopters not to automatically rule out these types of dogs, as if they had the plague. The majority of dogs who have not been treated properly will respond, sooner or later, to kindness, firmness, and patience.

In the last two issues we printed letters from adopters that validated this point of view, and we have yet another case to add to the list. This one is from Janell Beach of Fillmore, whom we mentioned earlier; she and her family adopted Buddy (previously called Slick), from us last July, and Patty in March of this year (see story on Page 2).



I want to support Doberman Pinscher and Little Paws Rescue!

I am making the following contribution:

() \$100. () \$50. () \$20. () \$10.

I am enclosing the best gift I can: \$ _____

Yes, I want to sponsor Colleen's San Francisco

Marathon run! Here's my donation: \$ _____

We also have PayPal!

Please charge my credit card.

Card # _____ Expiration date _____

Signature: _____

Please return this form with your contribution
Your contribution is tax deductible (Federal I.D. #77-0357865)
100% of your contribution goes directly to benefit the animals.

This is from her recent e-mail:

"Your article about 'difficult dogs' really hit home with us. You were very honest with us and told us that his papers from the dog pound...said he snarled at children. Well, that was true. But the real truth was - he was scared to death of them. In fact, he was scared of everything and he reacted by snarling and then laying down and becoming overly submissive. This was especially pronounced whenever we called him Slick - so we just kept calling him different names until we found one he seemed to like. His name is now Buddy....Eventually his cute, goofy personality came out. We love it and say he's our 'Silly Buddy.'

It took months of patience to 're-train' him to react differently because his reaction was such a habit for him. And it was so rewarding to work all those months and finally, bit by bit, gain his trust. He taught my youngest son how not to be scared of dogs and Justin taught him how not to be scared of kids.

Thanks so much."

"TAIL-ER" MADE!

We in rescue often lament how difficult it is to place Dobies with tails. They are born with long tails, but the puppies' tails are usually docked when they're about 3 days old; just snip, with no sutures needed. It's a much bigger deal once they've reached maturity - it's amputation then - so we rarely do tail docking on adults unless

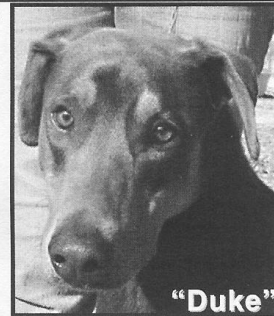
there is a medical reason for it.

Last year we placed a cute young blue male Dobie named Duke, who had been here for over a year for no other reason than that he has a long tail, with Candi Campbell of Daly City. Candi started a fund called The Duke Fund for Dilutes, Ears, and Tails, and she sends a monthly donation for the care of these harder-to-place dogs. (Dilutes are those with recessive genes like blues and fawns.)

Another adorable long-tailed Dobie named Devo got lucky - extremely lucky - a few years back. His roots were in an area that's not very nice to be from. He was taken to the animal shelter by his owner because he was no longer wanted. Though he wasn't quite a Dobie, we couldn't refuse him; he was handsome and charming, with his tall, sleek body and happy disposition, and he was only 10 months old.

Devo didn't have to wait long for his "forever" home after we rescued him. He caught the eye of Julie and Curtis Mathewson as he lay demurely in his kennel, and they took him home to a much different environment, the Emerald Bay area of Laguna Beach.

In June, 2004, we printed a picture of Devo on our cover, and we so wished we could have done it in color! There he was, stretched out on a lounge chair in the sun, his long, shiny black and tan body lying on a bright red-and-white floral-patterned cushion, with an expression that seemed to say "yes, I'm spoiled, and I deserve it."





Doberman Pinscher Rescue

2946 Young Road
Fillmore, California 93015

Non-Profit Org.
U.S. Postage
PAID
Santa Clarita, Ca
Permit #172

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Here are a few paragraphs from Curtis' recent e-mail:

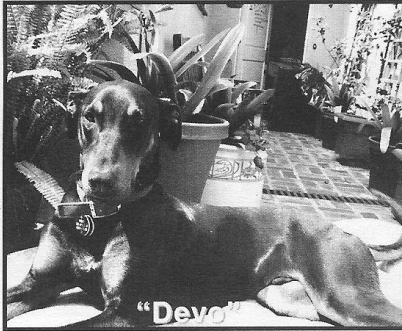
"Our boy 'Devo' has been with us for four years since March, 2003 and has turned out

to be a popular favorite among visiting friends, family, neighbors, as well as their children who stop by frequently - just to visit him. He likes to play ball, lay in the sun and just hang out. But one of his favorite things is wrestling with his dad....

When Julie and I first saw him, he was one of the few dogs who stayed calm and alert but didn't get up to bark for attention. He gave me the funniest clown-faced stare I'd ever seen....He was sunning himself on top of a dog house and carried a very laid-back attitude and posture....So after about 5 minutes of greeting him I said to Julie: 'he's the one' and that was that.

It was clear he had lived in a home before and knew where to go and settled right in but...we were getting the silent treatment, as he had not barked for about five days....But then it came. One morning he was outside sniffing with his nose in the air and let out a very slow and prolonged loud and deep 'woooooofff!' We were amazed and relieved. 'Our child talks!'

He's very funny. It's hard to imagine a better dog for us. We love him very much...."



Devo's adoption day was a very lucky one for us, too, as Julie and Curtis have made generous donations to help us acquire our wonderful welded steel wire replacement kennels, which were so badly needed. Lucky Devo, lucky Julie and Curtis, and lucky us!

Parting Shot

"Monty" of Bel Air (owner's last name withheld upon request): from the streets of Los Angeles, to 2 1/2 years in our kennel, to the lap of luxury ~ lucky dog! These folks have also been very generous with us.

