



A Rescue Diary — Bay City Dog

The week of January 21, 2008 we were contacted about a minimum of fourteen cocker spaniels needing assistance. The Bay City Dog story is a fairly straightforward, simple rescue. Unlike many dogs we get, this dog is not stinky and matted, which saves our volunteers a lot of time and effort.



Kibbles, the Bay City Dog

Wednesday, Jan. 23,

8:38PM

Incoming e-mail: We have a beautiful PB (male) white with tan – parti Cocker at Bay City Animal Control. Janet

8:42PM

Outgoing e-mail to Janet: Can you send a picture of the cocker spaniel, give an estimated age and anything you know about its health? Karen T, Cocker Spaniel Rescue

8:42PM

Outgoing e-mail to Janet: Janet, I just noticed a picture was attached. But how old do you think he is? Any idea where he came

from – stray? Owner turn in? Karen T, Cocker Spaniel Rescue

8:47PM

Outgoing e-mail to CSR Board: I have e-mailed asking about age and health. The cocker is the last picture attached.

9:16PM

Incoming e-mail: I will have to take a guess because I didn't look at his teeth. My guess would be about 2 – I can look at his teeth on Friday. He was picked up as a stray – the guy at the impound seemed to think he was from the neighborhood by the impound, but no one has called or come looking for him. I have walked him and there is another volunteer that has walked him and he seems like a nice guy. Doesn't pay any attention to the dogs he walks by in the kennels. I think he has a little bit of a cherry eye in one eye, but it isn't real bad. That is about all I know right now. Janet

Thursday, January 24,

7:20PM

Incoming e-mail: Karen, I was just checking to see if you think you might be able to help this boy. I go to the impound and I know they are going to ask about the cocker be-

cause his 10 day limit is approaching. Thanks, Janet

9:09PM

Outgoing e-mail to CSR Board: I need to tell Janet something ASAP as in tomorrow. No idea how old the dog is but his picture is attached. If we are to take him he must go directly somewhere else ... I can't bring him home since I have puppies, so can we get him to the vet maybe? Karen T

9:12PM

Incoming e-mail from Karen P: Looks cute. I vote yes if no issue.

9:32PM

Outgoing e-mail to Janet: Janet, I'll try to have an answer for you tomorrow morning. What is your cell number? Karen T, Cocker Spaniel Rescue

10:11PM

Incoming e-mail from Allie: Okay with me.

10:13PM

Incoming e-mail from Mary: Me too if we have a place to put them.

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Thursday, Jan. 24, 2008

10:14PM

Incoming e-mail from Allie: I am taking Howie to adoptions Saturday – have to leave early – but KT – if you want to meet me at the Beltway on my way around with the Bay City guy – can I take him to someone at adoptions if he is not vetted? Just a thought.

11:10PM

Incoming e-mail from Jana: Okay with me too.

Friday, Jan. 25, 2008

8:59AM

Incoming e-mail from Pat: I vote yes on the Bay City dog.

Editor's Note: Four yes votes is enough to accept the Bay City dog.

8:19AM


Incoming e-mail: Thanks – (xxx) xxx-xxxx Janet

9:00AM


Outgoing call: Karen T and Janet work out the logistics of getting the Bay City dog transferred to CSR. Karen could drive down to Bay City and pick him up late today or tomorrow but there was the problem of bringing a shelter dog home since she has puppies she doesn't want to expose to the various illnesses a shelter dog might have. Janet offered to take the dog to an adoption on Saturday in Richmond and the dog could be picked up there. Karen opted to make a few phone calls and get back to Janet.

10:20AM


Outgoing call to KP: KP and Karen discuss logistics. KP is pulling a dog from Harris County and if necessary will go to Richmond to pick up the Bay City dog and get him to the vet. Maybe Jennifer S. will pick up the

 dog in Richmond and get him to the vet. Karen will contact Jennifer S.


10:30AM

 *Outgoing call to Jennifer S.:* Left message for Jennifer to call regarding picking up a dog in Richmond on Saturday.


10:39AM

 *Outgoing call to Janet:* Told Janet someone will show up to pick up the dog. Confirmed the hours she would be in Richmond.


1:00PM

 *Incoming call:* Jennifer left message to try reaching her again.


2:15PM

 *Outgoing call to Jennifer S.:* Jennifer can pick up dog, between exercise class and getting dogs to adoption. She will make sure dog gets to vet.

3:33PM

 *Outgoing e-mail to CSR Board:* Jennifer S will pick up the Bay City dog in Richmond tomorrow and work out getting him to the vet. He has had rabies, DHPP and possibly bordatella. Jennifer knows she should ask for paperwork. This is one dog for which we need proof of neuter to send to Bay City Animal Control, otherwise Janet (the lady I'm working with) will have problems with the ACO.


11:00AM


 *Jennifer S:* Trip from home to meeting place in Richmond to pick up Bay city dog including waiting time Janet to arrive – 1 hour. Dog is named Kibbles. Round trip to drop Kibbles at vet, 1.5 hours. Kibbles had rabies and DHPP at Bay City shelter.

Tuesday, Jan. 29, 2008

5:00PM


 *Karen P:* Kibbles was neutered at the

 vet. In Houston traffic, leave work, go to vet to pick up Kibbles, take to boarding., then home, 1.5 hours.

 What a treat. The boarding facility is training groomers and offers to groom Kibbles. This saves our volunteers at least two hours.


Saturday, Feb. 1, 2008


10AM to 3PM


 *Karen P:* Trip to boarding to pick up Kibbles, trip to Bellaire adoption, attend adoption, take Kibbles back to boarding afterwards. 4 hours

Saturday, Feb. 16, 2008

9:22AM


 *E-mail into cockerinfo:* Application arrives on Kibbles. Review application. Verify home ownership.

 *E-mail Board:* Forward application to rest of Board to get someone to interview the applicant. 30 minutes

 *E-mail to application:* Your application has been received. If you don't hear from anyone within three days, please e-mail cockerinfo@swbell.net.


Friday, Feb. 22, 2008


Around noon

 *Jana:* Left a message for applicant to call me.

Saturday, Feb. 23, 2008 f

10AM to 1PM

 *Pat:* Trip to boarding to pick up Kibbles, trip to Cypress adoption, attend adoption. Applicant shows up to meet Kibbles. Do home check and leave Kibbles. Adoption process complete. 6 hours

 *Kibbles story is exceptional in that he was only in rescue a month before he was adopted. At least five volunteers worked to accept, pull, groom, vet and adopt Kibbles, spending approximately 17-18 hours. Keep in mind, our volunteers did not have to groom this dog, nor did he need multiple trips to the vet or to adoptions.*