

Rescue Report
May 2012
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The Rescue Committee will once again sponsor the Companion Class and Costume Contest at Nationals. The events will take place on Friday evening before the Art Action. Please note that this is a new time for the Companion Class. Entry forms for both events will be available at the registration table. There is no entry fee for either event. Dogs **not** entered in the show are eligible for the Companion Class.

NBRF – Liz Duncan-Burge and Mary Childs Reporting. NBRF started out 2012 with 5 borzoi still in foster care from 2011. From January 1 thru April 30, 2012 we have dealt with 23 borzoi coming into, or thru, rescue and we are anticipating 3 more within the next several days. We currently have 6 borzoi in foster care.

Reasons vary for the dogs being in rescue from divorce, loss of job, death of owners, owner surrender to dogs being found running loose with no collar, no microchip, or no tattoo. Much time is wasted attempting to find the owner/breeder of these dogs that are not permanently identified before we can begin to work on placing them in a forever home.

We would love for BCOA to push for breeders to tattoo or microchip the puppies that they produce and any and all borzoi that they sell/place so that anyone can get their dogs back if they are lost/stolen/given up to animal shelters.

If you breed and sell/place borzoi then you should help rescue, even if it is not your dog that is in rescue at this time. NBRF is always looking for volunteers to foster a borzoi or help with transports. If you are not in a position to do either, consider donating pre-paid gasoline cards, heartworm preventative, flea preventative or collars and leads to those dogs in rescue. If you have room in your home and heart to help a rescue, and would like to be put on our foster and/or transport lists, please contact Liz Duncan-Burge at 618-214-0269 for more information.

Remember - rescue concerns everyone and always, always hug your hounds!

BR-NC – Taken from the BR-NC Website, Nancy Joeckel Reporting.

Shanti/March 2012

Shanti was given up to a Seattle veterinarian who neutered him then surrendered the dog to us. We think Shanti is three-four years old. His teeth are very worn as chewing on rocks or fences, and he is definitely other-dog aggressive though very, very sweet and cooperative with people. Shanti has been fully vetted now, and is currently available for adoption.

Mugen/March 2012

One-year-old Mugen had been well fostered in the Seattle area by another rescue, but they had trouble finding him a suitable forever home. Mugen had been raised with small dogs, children, and much social activity. He needed a home that would continue to socialize him as he matures. We had a Potential Adopter who had Borzoi Rescue experience and who was ready to take on this active puppy boy and allow him to thrive. Mugen loves his new home. He has acreage for him to run on and a family he adores.

Dogs in BR-NC's Referral Program

BR-NC's Referral Program gives owners/breeders access to excellent homes while they retain full control over all aspects of placing their dogs. In return, BR-NC receives a \$100 donation to help cover the expenses of the dogs we take into rescue.

Phoenix/September 2011

Phoenix, a 1.5 year-old female Russian import, was listed through our Referral Program due to the owner's concerns about her playing too hard for their small dogs. Phoenix has not yet been placed, is in a stable situation, and is still available. The owner has been doing an excellent job of screening applicants and is waiting for a good match for this girl. Phoenix continued to be in our Referral Program during this quarter.

Other Dogs Assisted

Our charter does not allow us to use BR-NC funds for Borzoi cross-breeds in need. Instead, we can offer advice to owners, provide appropriate documents to use, set up home checks, and most importantly make referrals to our Potential Adopters and related rescue groups. BR-NC assisted the owners of three Borzoi who requested help re-homing their dogs on their own or else dealing with other problem issues so the dogs could remain home. All three cases resolved successfully. We also helped a breeder resolve some concerns about a new puppy placement in our area.

Born-to-Run – No Report.