

RIDGE DOGS NEWSLETTER

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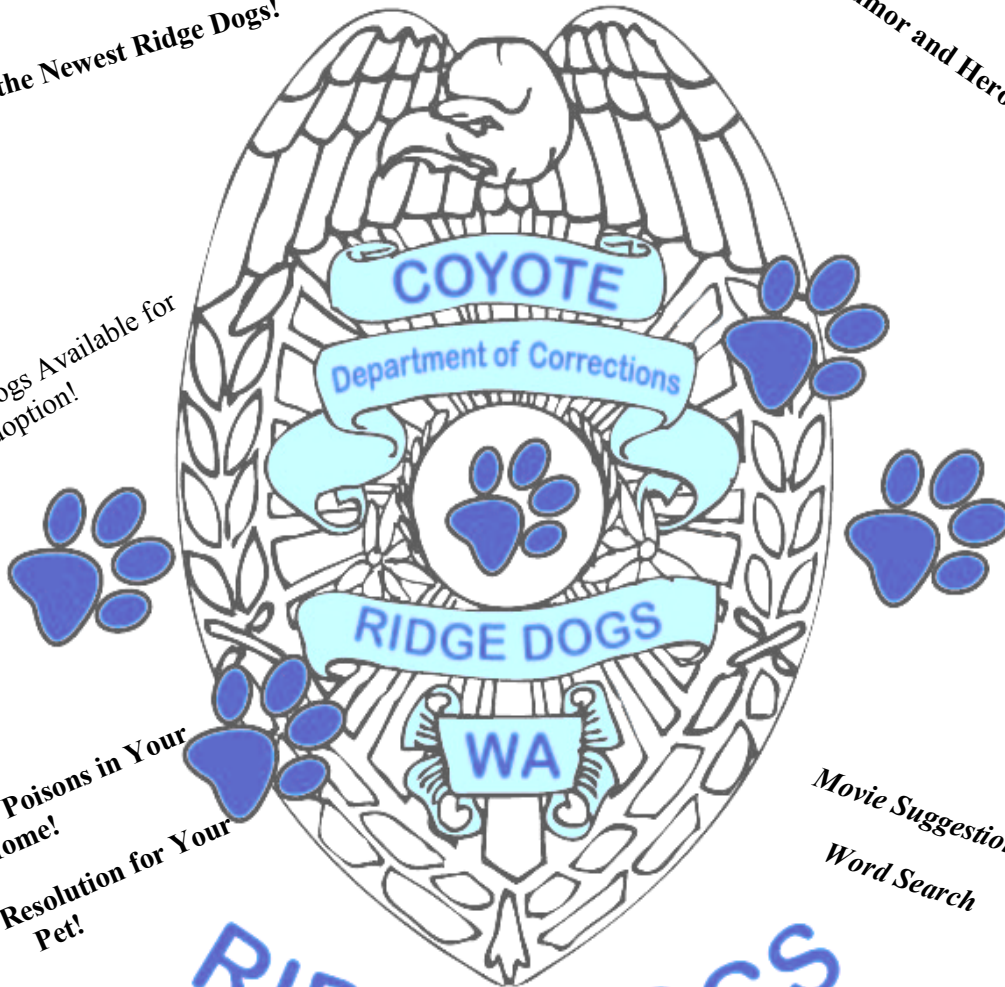
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SEVEN NEW DOGS ARRIVE TO RIDGE DOG PROGRAM ON 12/29/2011!

On December 29th, 2011 CRCC received seven new dogs into the Ridge Dogs Program. Below and in the following pages are pictures and some basic information on each of the new dogs.

If you are interested in pre-adopting any of these Ridge Dogs please contact Sgt. Jennifer Lynch or Rick Karten, CPM to obtain an application and more information on the adoption procedure.



Hailey

~Female ~ American Blue Healer/Lab Mix
Estimated 8 months old



Currently in a ORANGE Bandana
Started training 12-29-11
Taking applications for her
waiting list

Hailey arrived at the animal shelter on 10-05-11 and arrived at Coyote Ridge Correction Center on 12-29-11 to begin the training program. Weighs about 28 pounds - Upon arrival she was VERY hyper until you start petting her and she all but melts into the ground. She has the SOFTEST coat - She is currently being housed in B-Unit.

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Randy

~Female ~ Shepherd Mix
Estimated 2 years old



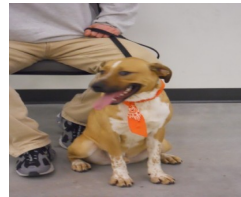
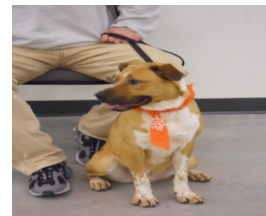
Currently in a ORANGE Bandana
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waiting list

Randy arrived at the animal shelter on 11-22-11 and arrived at Coyote Ridge Correction Center on 12-29-11 to begin the training program. He weighs about 50 pounds. Appears to be a very smart, sweet dog. He is currently being housed in B-Unit.



Arrow

~Male ~ Retriever Mix
Estimated 1 year old



Currently in a ORANGE Bandana
Started training 12-29-11
Taking applications for his
waiting list

Arrow arrived at the animal shelter on 10-22-11 and arrived at Coyote Ridge Correction Center on 12-29-11 to begin the training program. He weighs about 50 pounds. Upon arrival he was VERY timid inside his kennel until he was let out and then he wanted to play!! He is currently being housed in E-Unit.

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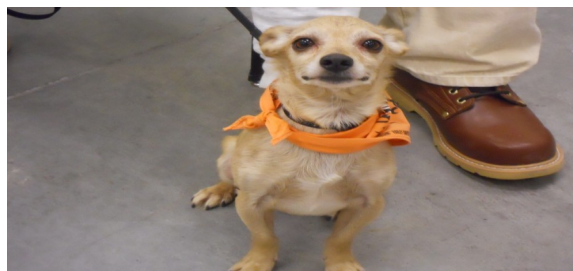
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Silky

~Male ~ Chihuahua Short Coat Mix
Estimated 4 years old

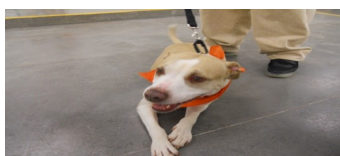


Currently in a ORANGE Bandana
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Silky arrived at the animal shelter on 10-29-11 and arrived at Coyote Ridge Correction Center on 12-29-11 to begin the training program. He weighs about 9 pounds. Appears to be a very smart, sweet dog. He kind of looks like Brewster the therapy dog down at camp! He is currently being housed in E-Unit.

Sweetums

~Female ~ Pit Bull Mix
Estimated 5 years old



Currently in a ORANGE Bandana
Started training 12-29-11
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waiting list

Sweetums arrived at the animal shelter on 10-11-11 and arrived at Coyote Ridge Correction Center on 12-29-11 to begin the training program. She weighs about 42 pounds. Upon arrival she was VERY sweet (hence the name) and wanted everyone nearby to pet her – She'll even roll over for some attention. She is currently being housed in B-Unit.

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Dexter

~Male ~ Chihuahua Short coat mix
Estimated 5 years old



Has Been Pre-Adopted!

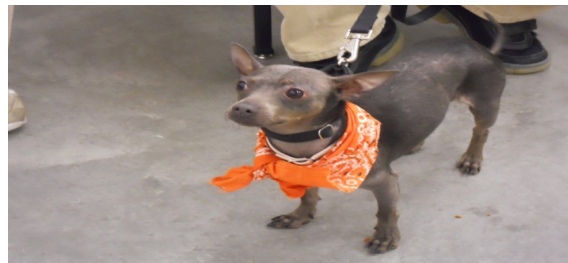
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Dexter arrived at the animal shelter on 11-09-11 and arrived at Coyote Ridge Correction Center on 12-29-11 to begin the training program. Weighs about 11 pounds - Very sweet dog and is currently housed in B-Unit



Ratty

~Male ~ Pinscher mix
Estimated 3 years old



Currently in a ORANGE Bandana
Started training 12-29-11
Taking applications for the
waiting list

Ratty arrived at the animal shelter on 10-20-11 and arrived at Coyote Ridge Correction Center on 12-29-11 to begin the training program. He weighs about 9 pounds. He actually looks like he's got some "Mexican Hairless Chihuahua or naked mole rat?" Appears to be a very smart, sweet dog. He is currently being housed in E-Unit.

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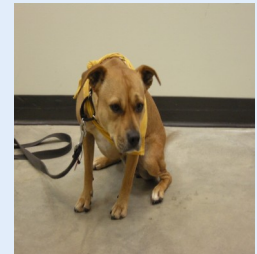
SHY BOY

Shy Boy is a German Shepherd/Hound Mix. He currently is Orange Bandana and no one has pre-adopted him. Shy Boy is VERY timid and SHY, he appears to be a Farrell dog that lived on the run for a long time. He hides his food and stores it so he can eat it when no one is looking. He is a beautiful dog and once he realizes that no one is going to hurt him, he'll come out of his shell and make someone a GREAT dog. He's very playful within the cell and out in the yard when he gets to go off leash.



MISSY

Missy is a one and a half year old Terrier Pit Mix. She is currently at Yellow Bandana. No one has currently pre-adopted her so she will be available for adoption when she promotes to Green Bandana. She is very playful and friendly with lots of energy. Missy is a "Pre-Madonna" she doesn't like to lay on the cold cement and would rather be snuggled up in a sweater or blanket. She loves attention and going for a walk.



SHELBY

Shelby is a 14 Month Old Male Shepherd/Lab/Retriever Mix, currently a Orange Bandana. Shelby is like a full grown puppy – He LOVES to play and he is VERY smart. He has some concerns with nipping and biting at his leash and wanting to nip and bite playfully when he's excited. We observed his handlers working with him in the dayroom where they directed Shelby to lay down and stay and then they would walk over him, around him and bend over his face all while the dog laid on his back and kept his head down waiting to be released. It was pretty amazing to see the work they have put in with this dog when just a few days ago he was biting and nipping to play with his handlers.



INTERESTED IN ADOPTING

If you are interested in adopting or pre-adopting any of these Ridge Dogs please contact Rick Karten, CPM at MSU; Jennifer Lynch, Sergeant; or Denise Cook, CC2 both located in B Unit. They will be happy to assist you with more Information on the process.



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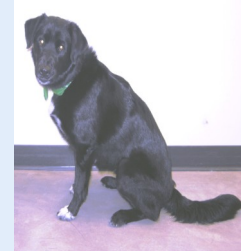
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ADOPTED RIDGE DOGS THAT HAVE LEFT FOR NEW HOMES!

LADY

Lady has been adopted and taken home by her new family. Lady is a Border Collie Lab Mix. She is three and half years old. Lady has great mannerism, is cool tempered and had the reputation as being the smartest dog that has been in CRCC Ridge Dog Program.



CLASH

Clash has gone to live with his new family. He is a male New Finland. He had a very sweet demeanor with everyone he's interacted with and loves to play ball.



MONA

Mona Lisa has gone to live with her new family. She is a Pit Bull, Dark Mocha in color. She had good manners, was quite good with other dogs, mild tempered and very lovable and liked to snuggle.

We'll miss her fat little belly coming in for treats several times a day.!



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Top 10 New Year's Resolutions for Pet Owners

by Trupanion from www.bestbullysticks.com

Every year, we go through the same motions of planning New Years resolutions for ourselves: lose weight, eat healthy, travel, and spend more time with friends and family. However, what many people don't realize is that their pets may need some goals set for them as well!

There are many lifestyle changes you can make to ensure a happier and healthier life for your pet. Try to work some of these resolutions into your plans:

1. Train your pet. This year, teach your pet a new trick or two. Many pets enjoy mental challenges to give their brain some exercise, plus it's good bonding time for you and your pet.
2. Slim down that fat dog or cat. Pet obesity is a growing problem that leads to many health issues down the road. These health issues can be potentially expensive and life threatening.
3. Get your pet into a routine. If you have a new puppy or kitten, practice getting them used to regular feeding times and potty times. This will reduce the frequency of "accidents" if they know when they can expect their next visit to the "bathroom".
4. Kick bad habits. If your pet has separation anxiety, check out some of these tips on how to alleviate the problem. If your pet is a beggar at the dinner table, train him to wait in his bed or space until your meal is finished, and stop feeding table scraps altogether.
5. Make a new pet friend. If your pet is friendly with other pets, introduce him to a new playmate and let them romp around together.
6. Resolve to get out more. Take your pet on more regular walks, to the park, or just let them roam in the backyard more frequently. The new sites and smells keep them busy and are a real treat.
7. Play more. Set aside some extra time each day to play with your pet, whether it be throwing a ball, tug-of-war, or dangling a string throughout the house. This is a great way to give them two things they love: toys and your attention.
8. Give back to the community. Take in a foster pet for a week or volunteer at your local pet shelter to give back to homeless pets.
9. Clean up clutter. Go through that pile of pet toys and get rid of those that your pet no longer plays with.
10. Get your pet checked and vaccinated. Be sure your pet is up to date on the latest vaccinations, and flea and heartworm medications. Also schedule your pet's regular checkups to ensure they are in tip-top shape!

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Do You Know What Pet Toxins & Poisons Are In Your Home? :

101 Dog Care Tips- Tip 144 from www.bestbullysticks.com

There is a growing pet epidemic on the raise. What is it you say? Each year thousands of dogs and cats suffer from accidental poisoning from the ingestion of household cleaners, plants, medications, common foods and pesticides. There is a lot of truth to the proverb “curiosity killed the cat” but we can’t forget that dogs often fall victim. Understanding your pets health risk and dangers comes with the territory of being a responsible owner & parent of our furry citizens. Playing a crucial role in helping you provide your pet with a safe home to grow, fetch, sleep & play.

So what are the most common top pet toxins to BE-WARE of?

1. Acteminophen can be found in Tylenol. Although great pain reliever & fever reducer for humans if ingested is lethal to pets. It only takes 1 pill to kill a cat and can cause kidney & liver failure in dogs.

2. Ibuprofen common brands include Advil, Midol, Motrin.

3. Plants are beautiful but can be poisonous & deadly if ingested by your pet. Here are a list of plants to avoid:

- *Amaryllis
- *Azaleas
- *Christmas tree pine needles
- *Daffodils
- *Easter Cacti
- *Holly
- *Hyacinths
- *Mistletoe
- *Mulch with Cocoa beans
- *Oleander
- *Poinsettias
- *Sago Palm
- *Tulips
- *Lilies

4. Human Food include avocados, chocolate, coffee, raisins, nutmeg, onions, grapes, garlic, raw salmon and sweetener Xylitol found in sugar free candy & gum. Of course the list goes on.

5. Household Cleaners can cause serious chemical burns if licked & consumed

6. Anti-freeze with its sweet smelling aroma will prompt our pets to lick away.

7. Pesticides

8. OTC flea medication contain the insecticide pyrethrin & permethrin that can be just as harmful as the fleas that plague your pet. Opt for a more all natural flea preventive route. Always consult your vet before using any type of medication.

Remember that your pet is not invincible and can become seriously ill & die from the ingest of these household hazards. Many of them lurk under kitchen cabinets, in garages, driveway, backyards, trash cans and pose as beautiful floral centerpieces. Here are a few tips to help in the prevention of accidental poisoning and keep your inquisitive pet safe & toxic-free.

1. Bag & Cover it! Use covered trash cans to prevent access to empty cleaning bottles, table scraps, leftover foods, disposed medications.

2. Not a Pet Zone. Keep pets out of garages & sheds and away from oil and anti-freeze leaks. Pets will be tempted by the spilled sweet smelling scent of anti-freeze in your garage, driveway, on the street or in parking lots.

3. Store cleaners away safely out of paws reach. Keeping clean house is important for the health & well being of your family. So be careful where you store potentially hazardous cleaning products. You see, pets are sneaky & quite resourceful and will use their smarts to gain access to your cleaning stash found in lower cabinets or empty bottles in trash cans. If storing your cleaners under your cabinets make sure it is under lock and key. Better yet, opt for more eco-friendly, safe & toxic free household cleaning alternatives (Greenworks, Method, Mrs. Meyers, 7th Generations)



FUNNY PICTURES



Thought you knew what a 'sausage dog' was—wrong!



Off to Work!



DOGGIE HUMOR AND HERO'S

KEN-L-RATION Hero 1985

Villa, a black Newfoundland, was from Villas, New Jersey. Villa was a half grown puppy when during a severe blizzard, she started to bark from her dog area. After several minutes she leapt over the five foot fence and ran across to the neighbors yard. The snow was so thick, that visibility was zero, and the winds were howling at 60 miles per hour. The neighbors 11 year old girl, Andrea Anderson, was out looking at the storm when the wind blew her across the yard. Unable to see, she had become stuck in a drift, and was unable to free herself. Villa heard her cries for help, escaped her cage, and found Andrea. Villa had to circle the child several times before she could manage to free herself from the drift. Villa, then led Andrea safely to her home.

KEN-L-RATION Hero 1980

Woodie, was a mixed breed collie, owned by Rae Anne Knitter of Cleveland, Ohio, USA. One day Rae and her boyfriend Ray, were out together on a hike with Woodie. Ray went out to the ledge of an eighty foot shale cliff to get a picture, when he slipped over the edge. Woodie leapt down after him. When rescuers arrived at the bottom, Woodie was beside Ray nudging his head out from the water of the stream bed they landed in. Woodie had also broken both of his hips in the leap. Both did survive the ordeal.

One Liners

Why did the snowman call his dog Frost? Because frost bites!

Why did the poor dog chase his own tail? He was trying to make both ends meet!

What happened when the dog went to the flea circus? He stole the show!

What happens when it rains cats and dogs? You can step in a poodle!

Diplomacy is saying "nice doggy" until you find a rock.

What is the difference between a dog and a fox? About 5 drinks!

Why did the cowboy buy a dachshund? He want to get a long little doggie.

What is the difference between a new husband and a new dog? After a year, the dog is still excited to see you!

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MOVIES



What if you woke up and could understand what your dog was saying? Sit. Stay. Get ready for GOOD BOY!, a heart-warming, out-of-this-world comic adventure for the whole family that puts a modern spin on the classic story of a boy and his dog. The boy is Owen Baker (Liam Aiken), a 12-year-old loner who has been working as the neighborhood dog-walker so he can earn the privilege of getting a dog of his own. His hard work pays off when his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Baker (Molly Shannon and Kevin Nealon), let Owen adopt a scruffy mutt he names Hubble (voiced by Matthew Broderick). Both boy and dog get more than they bargained for when Owen wakes up one morning to discover he can understand every word Hubble says – including the ominous phrase: “Take me to your leaders.” Owen learns that dogs came to Earth thousands of years ago to colonize and dominate the planet. Hubble (who is really named Canid 3942) has been sent by the powerful Greater Dane on a mission from the Dog Star Sirius to make sure dogs have fulfilled this destiny. Despite the best efforts of Owen’s rag-tag group of neighborhood dogs to convince him otherwise, Hubble soon discovers the awful truth about Earth dogs: “You’re all pets!” Now Owen (a boy who never had a friend) and Hubble (a dog who never needed one) must work together to prepare the neighborhood dogs for a visit from The Greater Dane – or all dogs will be removed from the planet! The fate of Earth dogs hangs in the balance, and it’s up to Owen, Hubble, and their canine companions to save man’s best friend.



Kevin Bacon, Diane Lane and TV’s newest star, Frankie Muniz star in this heartwarming coming-of-age story about a sensitive young Southern boy who learns valuable life lessons with the help of his dog.



The tension is palpable, the excitement is mounting and the heady scent of competition is in the air as hundreds of eager contestants from across America prepare to take part in what is undoubtedly one of the greatest events of their lives — the Mayflower Dog Show. The canine contestants and their owners are as wondrously diverse as the great country that has bred them. Finally, the hundreds of contestants come together under one giant roof, the audience throngs the massive arena and the competition begins in earnest as television cameras bring the wonderful world of dogs to millions.



Life is hard for Yorkshire miner’s son Joe Carraclough, who is beaten at school by a his teacher, his only consolation is his border collie Lassie. It gets worse: when the mine is decommissioned, his father, Sam, is forced to sell the dog to the duke, who owns the local estate. The Duke’s servant, Hynes, scares the dog, who keeps running back, so the Carracloughs have to keep returning her, until the Duke moves to the Scottish Highlands for the holiday season. Lassie escapes, embarking on a desperate journey home, with daunting Glasgow dog-catchers and taken in by a circus performer. It looks like a miracle is needed, by Christmas.

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WORD SEARCH

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