

IT'S A WRAP

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Friends of WRAP,

Welcome to the Spring edition of IT'S A WRAP. We are starting our sixth year of rescuing Westies in Northern California and want to make sure you continue to support our latest efforts, participate in events, and keep up with other Westie shenanigans.

As usual, Winter is a slow time of year for us. Not many rescues so far, but Barbara Mordy continues to hunt for Westies in need. She recently was the first of three Westie Rescue groups in California to respond to a plea to rescue a young Westie. Her timeliness and network of WRAP volunteers mobilized and transported an adorable 2-year-old Westie boy to the Bay Area just last week!

Our first event of the year was a fun St. Patrick's Day walk on March 12th at Emerald Glen Park in Dublin, California. We had great weather, great treats and great people show up with their Westies, Scotties, and other doggie friends. Get ready for our next event of the year, which is being planned for June 4th in Belmont, CA. See the Fun Events and Fundraising section of the newsletter for more details.

It takes a small village to rescue Westies and put on Westie events. We need volunteers to transport and/or foster Westies. We also need volunteers to help before, during and after events. To have a successful event, we need volunteers to plan events, transport (e.g., food, beverages, exercise pens, canopies), set up tables and canopies, register attendees, sell merchandise, take photos, lead walks, organize the beverages/food, organize dog parades/contests, and clean up at the end of the event. We also can use some help to get the word out about our organization and events (for example, hang a flyer at your local groomer shop). If any of these needs are something you might be interested in or able to do, let me know at susan.acevedo@gmail.com

In the meantime, stay happy, healthy, and full of Westitude!

Please let me know if you have any ideas for events, projects, or ways to improve our communication by sending me an email at susan.acevedo@gmail.com

Regards, Susan Acevedo (WRAP President) & Hamish



FUN EVENTS & FUNDRAISING

March 2022 WRAP Walk in the Park in Dublin, CA.

Some of us celebrated St. Patrick's Day 2022 by having a nice walk in Emerald Glen Park in Dublin, California on March 12th.

Emerald Glen Park is a 48.2-acre park located at Tassajara Road and Central Parkway in Dublin, CA. We took advantage of this beautiful park and the beautiful weather to see some of our Westie and Scottie friends.

We met at 9:30am at Picnic Area D off Gleason Drive. To make sure everyone was hydrated, we had hot coffee, and bottled water for all. More importantly, we had treats that were not only adorable, but also delicious!!



Thank you to Teresa & Bill Houseworth for the carrot cake cupcakes and packaged cookies (bones and Westie faces).

We had many Westies and Scotties show up in their finest green attire to honor St. Patrick.



We began by walking down a tree-lined walkway from Picnic Area D toward Picnic Areas A, B, and C. On the way we saw lots of fellow walkers, cricket players and families getting ready to have a party/picnic. As usual, there was a lot of talking, barking, and sniffing!



We had a smaller group walk from Picnic Area D toward the fountain on Central Parkway.

Before everyone said goodbye, we tried to take a group photo.



Thanks to all that came. We hope to do it again next year!

June 2022 WRAP Fun Day in Belmont, CA.

SAVE THE DATE...9:30 am, SATURDAY, JUNE 4TH AT TWIN PINES PARK IN BELMONT, CA!!



Saturday, June 4, 2022

**WRAP Fun Day at
Twin Pines Park
(Meadow Picnic Area)
1 Twin Pines Lane
Belmont, CA 94002**

Join us for a day of fun starting **at 9:30am**. Bring your Westies, Scotties and their canine friends to take a walk, play in the fenced in area, buy dog/human merchandise, pose for photos, participate in the parade of rescue dogs, and share in the potluck lunch.

**** Please bring hats, sunscreen, lawn chairs, doggie play pens, and your favorite side dish****



Gen. Admission:
\$10 per Adult
\$5 per Child
\$0 per Dog

Beverages & Treats

Walk & Play

Shop

Photo Booth

Parade of Rescues

Potluck Lunch

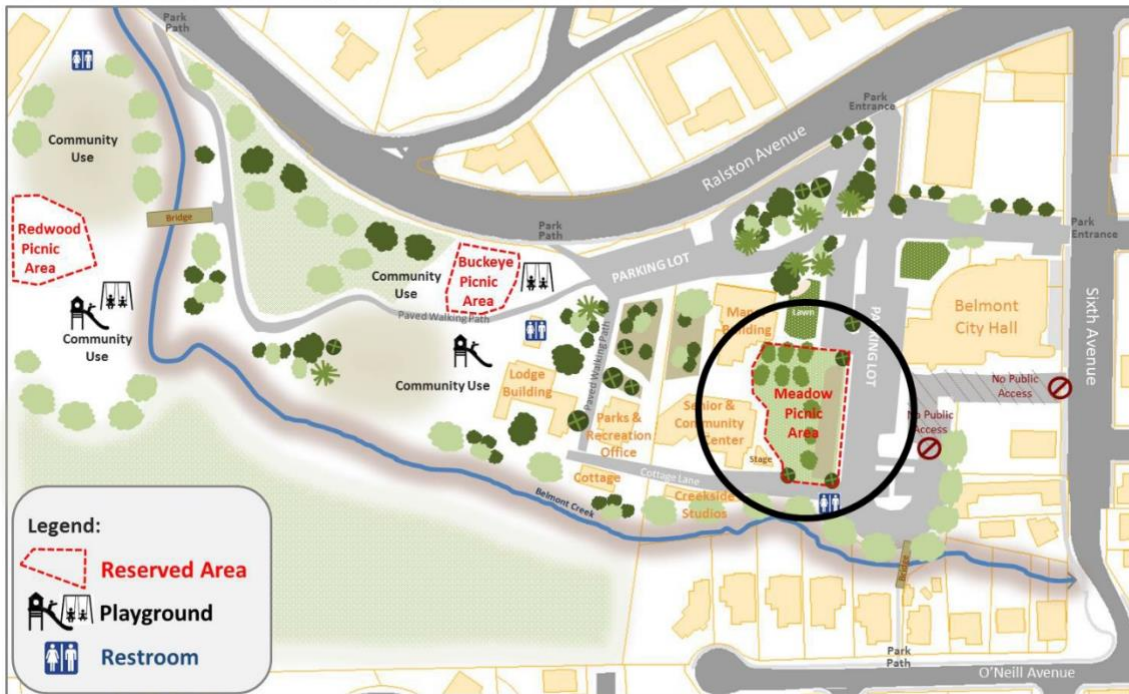
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Northern California
&
Golden Gate Scottie Rescue

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TWIN PINES PARK – REDWOOD, BUCKEYE, & MEADOW PICNIC AREAS



Parade of Rescues

Westies and Scotties Rescued from the local Westie/Scottie groups are eligible to join the Parade of Rescues and be acknowledged. This year we ask the Dogs' people say a few words about their companion.

Donations that Keep us going...

We continue to receive donations from hard working Westie lovers that set up and contribute to their workplace donation accounts. Thank you to all that have made your contributions via these important accounts: The Bright Fund, the Blackbaud Fund, Benevity, and the Network for Giving! A special thank you to all of you and to all of individual donors who have made contributions.

Many corporations have programs that allow employees to donate to charities and will, in many cases, do matching funds. WRAP (Westie Rescue and Placement of Northern California) is eligible for many of these programs. We are currently registered with Cisco, Hewlett Packard Enterprises and Wells Fargo Bank, among others. This is a painless way to donate and maximize your donation to help Westies.

Facebook...we continue to raise funds through the generosity of many Westie lovers via our Facebook page. Some of you donate through Facebook for individual dogs and others do Birthday fundraisers. Thank you to all that have donated and/or created a Facebook fundraiser through which your friends and family have donated money to us!

Still others of you help us at rescue to help Westies via personal checks and/or PayPal. Thank you to all that have made your donations this way too!

Lastly, we know that Westies and their families like to shop via the internet...You can never have too many doggie treats or doggie toys! As a reminder, we benefit from quarterly donations from Amazon (at no additional cost to you) when you use AmazonSmile to purchase any items on Amazon and have designated Westie Rescue and Placement of Northern California as your charity of choice.
Thank you to all our great AmazonSmile shoppers!

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RESCUE NEWS

Cooper - Cooper a 2 ½ year old boy out of Las Vegas came to rescue because the other dogs in his home were aggressive towards him. Cooper is a wonderful sweet, active boy. He loves his walks and playing with other dogs. Cooper was recently adopted.



Molly- Molly just had her 13th birthday. She is very sweet. She likes to go for walks and eat. She goes to work with her foster dad and mom. She is very well behaved. Molly's adoption is pending.



Mackie- Is now called Jordy and has been adopted.



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Barn Hunt Fun

This will be my second installment of fun things we can do with our dogs. In this installment I will talk about Barn Hunt events.

As we are all aware, Westies were originally bred in Scotland to seek out and confront vermin like rats and badgers that plagued farmers. Today these dogs maintain the instinct to hunt vermin but without the opportunity to do so. Barn Hunt events are meant to exercise that inherent hunting instinct while providing a fun event for both the dogs and their owners.

The Barn Hunt is open to all dog breeds and mixed breeds as long as they can fit through an 18" wide by 20"-22" high tunnel. "Barn Hunt tests the nose, speed, agility and surefootedness of dogs that have a history of above-ground vermin hunting," says Robin Nuttall, founder of the Barn Hunt Association. Of course, this means that some breeds, like our Westies, are better suited to this activity than others. The Barn Hunt Association is an independent organization, but titles earned are recognized by the AKC.

In a Barn Hunt the dog is asked to locate rats that have been placed in a straw bale maze. There are several different levels of difficulty, with progressively more obstacles, diversions, or number of rats. AKC titles can be earned at these events. However, the dog needs to be registered with the AKC to be eligible to earn a title. I discussed this in the previous installment.

For additional information about Barn Hunt visit the Barn Hunt Association website at www.barnhunt.com.

In Memoriam



Kaylee (Ceilidh)- Kaylee passed over the Rainbow Bridge on February 8th. She was 12.9 years old. She came to rescue at age 8 years. She had a hard time after her Daddy died. Her family rehomed her to a family with many animals which did not work for her. After 1.6 years they gave her to rescue. Once she got over her fears and developed trust she blossomed into a wonderful Scottie Girl. She loved people and loved to play with her toys and most of all her balls. Cancer took her sadly after 4 months regardless of the chemo treatments. Rest in Peace Sweet Girl. You will be in Mommy's Heart Forever.



Kaylee

Christie

My wonderful Christie went to the Rainbow Bridge on February 5, 2022. You all might remember that she had been a breeder in a puppy mill until I rescued her on August 24, 2017 at age 5 or so. When she first arrived, she didn't know anything about living inside and wouldn't let anyone touch her. It took

a while, and with the help of my Westie girl Terry who, sadly, died on August 24, 2021 (Christie's Gotcha Day), she came around and became a sweet, wonderful, calm doggie who loved everybody. I was so very proud of who'd she become. In November, she had had Lateral Suture surgery on her knee and was just starting to use her leg normally again when she developed pneumonia. I knew she had lung disease, probably Pulmonary Fibrosis, but she'd been examined recently and it was still "mild." The emergency Vet did everything they could to save her, but her lungs just couldn't handle the pneumonia. I am, of course, really devastated by the loss of both my girls. I am, though, now awaiting the arrival of a Westie puppy on April 23, and am excited about that. She'll help me heal and start new, wonderful Westie memories.

Tony Devol



Christie

Maggie- Maggie joined my other pups at Rainbow Bridge on Saturday February 12th. While I don't know her actual age, I believe she was about 14 years old. What a love she was. Maggie was rescued July 2015. It took the Bradshaw Shelter in Sacramento a month to trap her. She was living in a field out behind the Boys and Girls club. After a traumatic past, she came to me, first as a foster. Maggie was a very shy and sweet girl and of course it was hard not to fall in love with her, so I adopted her in September of 2015. Her quiet presence is very much missed at home. – Janet K.



Maggie

Abby (Abigail) It is with great sadness that our Abby (Abigail) was helped over the rainbow bridge on February 19, 2020. We adopted her from this wonderful Rescue back in 2015 and we were grateful for your allowing us to take her into our home. She had a great life with her Westie sisters. I'm sure our Maggie, whom we lost 2 years ago, will be there to meet her and help her over. As for the other 3 left behind, they will miss her greatly, especially our little Paisley who was the best little sister to her and was always watching over her and was her ears since she has been deaf.

**Abby had little fur when rescued from the Central Valley. Her adopters restored her coat and gave her a wonderful life.

After adoption



Abby

before adoption



Please Remember Monetary Donations

A tax deductible donation can be made for Westie dogs in need on **PayPal at: susan.acevedo@westierescuenorcal.org** Please choose friends and family so we don't have to pay a fee, or you can also send a check to: **David Snook, 3532 Pinnacle Court, San Jose, CA 95132.** Please make the check out to WRAP or Westie Rescue and Placement of Northern California. Thank you for your support.



WE WANT YOU!

To join our community of West Highland White Terrier (Westie) lovers to transport, foster, adopt, donate, volunteer, get/give advice and/or come to fun events!

Send us an email: westierescuenorcal@gmail.com

Check out our website: www.westierescuenorcal.org

Follow us on Facebook: Westie Rescue and Placement of Northern California

WRAP Officers and Board of Directors for 2021-22 are:

President Susan Acevedo
Secretary Ramona M. Rule
Board Member Christyne Johns-Mills, Janelle Brokenshire-Cyr, Maggie Halberg.

Vice President Barbara Mordy
Treasurer David Snook

The WRAP Committees for 2020 and some of the volunteers are:

Fundraising Committee (including Activities, Events and Sponsorships):

Linda Snook, Susan Acevedo, Vacancies

Program Operations Committee (including Surrender, Foster Care and Adoptions): Barbara Mordy, Tony Devol, Susan Acevedo, Christyne Johns-Mills, Ramona M. Rule.

Communication Committee (including Email, Website, Newsletter, Photography, Social Media, Liaisons):

Webmaster- David Sklar

Group Email- Tony Devol

Newsletter- Barbara Mordy, Tony Devol, Suzanne Wilsey

Photography- Bill O'Such

Social Media- Facebook - Barbara Mordy (Facebook),

Liaisons- David Snook, Barbara Mordy

Please consider volunteering your time by serving on one of the committees. Volunteering is a great way to meet new people and to help shape the future of our organization. If you are interested, please contact any of the above Chairs, Officers or Board Members

IT'S A WRAP will be published at least four times per year in March, June, September and December. We encourage friends and supporters to submit articles, photos, brags, and other Westie related information that they feel would be of interest to our readers. Please send the material to the Editor by the first of the month in which the newsletter issue is scheduled to be published to allow enough time for the volunteers and Editor to do their magic! When submitting items for publication, please have all photos camera ready (.jpeg formats are preferred). All copy should be submitted in a widely accepted electronic format such as MS Word. If you are unable to provide your material in the preferred formats, contact the Editor Barbara Mordy bgmordy@comcast.net.

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Until next time.....IT'S A WRAP!!