



Friends of Sonoma County Animal Shelter

| Fall 2024 |

We've Been Busy!

FOSCAS sponsored events included:

- **May 4 – Human Race.** What a day! Wind and rain couldn't keep FOSCAS board members and supporters from walking the 5K race to raise funds. Thank you to those who donated and supported our walk.



- **June 6 – Pacific Coast Air Museum.** FOSCAS had a booth at Pacific Air Museum's Hot Dog Thursday. What a fun afternoon talking to people about our organization and the animals at the county shelter. And because it was also DDay there were some spectacular airplanes on display.

See more events on the last page!



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Upcoming FOSCAS Events

- 10/5 10am-3pm Bake sale at Paws for Love Garden Paw'ty, Windsor Town Green (with [Paws For Love Foundation](#))
- 11/8 Yappy Hour at Mutt Lynch Winery, Windsor
- 11/12 Rainbow Cattle Company, Guerneville Fundraiser
- 12/7-8 10am-4pm Handmade Holiday Crafts Fair, Finley Community Complex, 2060 West College Ave., Santa Rosa



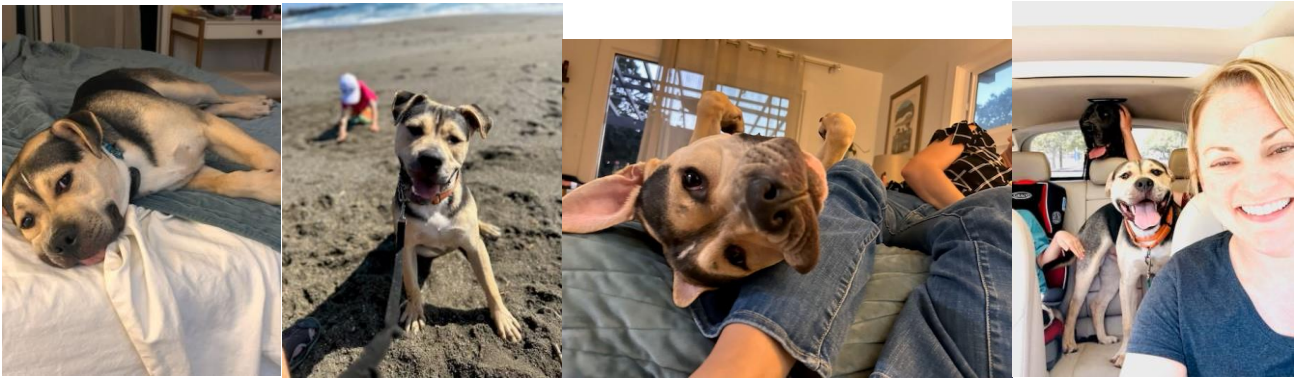
Adopt Ralphie! 500+ days at the shelter. This energetic Huskie needs his forever home.

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Hoss' Story

Here is the story of a recent adoptee whose neuter was sponsored by FOSCAS. Hoss, now named Chauncy. One day this cute little pit bull mix was found abandoned and was confiscated by SCAS. Chauncy was on stray hold until he was cleared to be neutered. FOSCAS scheduled him for his neuter and he became an adoptable pup. A potential adopter named Sarah and her children came to the shelter to look at one of the huskies that are available. After speaking with the staff at SCAS it was decided the husky was not a good fit for her family. However, while at the shelter Chauncy caught their eye. They were going out of town for a few days but vowed to go back to adopt if he was still there. They returned with their great Dane for a meet and greet. Both dogs happily greeted each other and Hoss was adopted, renamed Chauncy, and joined his new, very happy family. They sent updates of how well Chauncy is doing and how much they love him. Thanks to FOSCAS generous donors, this was able to happen.



FOSCAS at the Shelter

Behavior training - Sometimes a dog requires extra support to learn manners and skills to be successful in a home. FOSCAS is funding behavioral training in a board and train facility in Kelseyville. Logan was deteriorating in his small kennel after almost 8 months at the shelter. He was frustrated and escalating in undesirable behavior. Being a large dog, barking at potential adopters was not going to get him a home. Logan was moved to K9 No Limits and spent a month there until a former volunteer moved to a ranch near Santa Fe and wanted a dog. She met Logan but was concerned about driving that far alone so FOSCAS rode along to make sure it was successful. He is now a perfect ranch dog and his owner is smitten. The cost for board and train is about \$250 a week.



Thank you to our Donors! We can sponsor behavior training and spay/neuter because of your generous support!



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2024 SCAS Volunteer Spotlight

FOSCAS found a big hearted groomer with a soft spot for dogs in the shelter. Brigid Wasson of CurlyDoodle Grooming in Cloverdale is that wonderful friend and FOSCAS volunteer. She schedules a dog (or two) each week to donate her services. Cheerfully bathing, brushing, trimming and blow drying all of her furry customers. She even clips their nails. FOSCAS transports them back and forth noting how marvelous the dogs look and feel after their special treatments. Thank you, Brigid, the dogs and FOSCAS appreciate you.



Brigid Wasson with...

Left = Huey, a 1 1/2 year old Catahoula Leopard Hound who has been at the shelter since 11/2023

Right = Mia, a 8 year old petite pittie.

2024 FOSCAS Partner Spotlight

Shout out to our Spay/Neuter Partners

- **Spay/Neuter** is the #1 urgency in animal welfare. A lot of ground was lost during the pandemic and overpopulation is a serious and heartbreaking dilemma. Each week, SCAS staff and FOSCAS determine a list of dogs waiting for surgery. Animals cannot move forward to adoptable status until they are fixed and our busy SCAS clinic just cannot keep up. FOSCAS schedules with the vets that we've established partnerships with and transports the dogs to and from their appointments.

Thanks to your generous donations, FOSCAS has funded the cost of 66 spays and neuters for dogs so they can be adopted. We couldn't have done this without the support of our veterinarian partners:

- Dr. Buxton of Companion Animal Veterinary Mobile Clinic
 - <https://www.facebook.com/p/Companion-Animal-Mobile-Vet-Clinic-100063464263860/>
- Wikiup Veterinary Hospital
 - <https://www.wikiupvethospital.com/>
- VCA Pet Care West
 - <https://vcahospitals.com/petcare-west>



Eagle Scout Project Completed!

Logan Zumstein, with BSA Troop 32, completed his Eagle Scout project on Sunday July 21. FOSCAS and employees with the Shelter were on hand to oversee the activities. If you remember from the last FOSCAS newsletter one of our Board Members had an idea for replacing dog agility equipment in the SCAS play yards. FOSCAS provided the funding. Installation day was eventful with the whole troop helping not only with assembling the finished pieces but also helping spruce up our play yards.



Eagle Scout Logan Zumstein, Troop 32, and FOSCAS
Photos by Mindy Breslin Photography

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- **July 27 – King's Nursery Meet & Greet.** Shelter Dog Meet and Greet at King's Nursery in Santa Rosa. 4 lucky dogs got to spend a few hours at this lovely nursery enjoying lots of love and attention. Thank you King's Nursery for hosting this event.
- **August 24 - Shelter Dog Meet and Greet at Tractor Supply in Windsor.** Alfie, Monica, Ratt, Lulu & Ringo enjoyed a day out. Ratt was adopted!



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