



★ NATIONAL PYR'S NEEDIEST CASES ★

Just Arrived for Christmas



Arthur showed up 12/15 on Highway 60 (busy 4-lane just east of Springfield, MO). He was standing on the center line on a busy Interstate bridge, looking dazed,

semis whizzing by him at 65 mph, not even slowing down. He was nabbed and held until Carolyn Jordan, our MO rescuer, arrived.

She reports "Neutered male, bad shape, full of mats I cut off of him as best I could. Hot spot on his butt that's abscessed and oozing pus--he smells rotten. His nails have never been trimmed, ever. His butt, back, & tail are so sore he can barely stand for me to touch him there. Inside corner of each eye is scarred, pink scar tissue. Drainage from both eyes. Ticks."

Carolyn learned at the vet's the next day that Arthur had been hit by a car shortly before being found even though he was still standing. He had bruised lungs although his diaphragm was intact, swelling of prominent vertebra in back, reduced reaction to spinal test (foot drag) on rear right. No fractures or open wounds, just very sore, stiff, and confused. He is estimated to be not more than a year old and weighs 122 lbs. Arthur is now being treated, cleaned up, fed and assessed for adoption. He is doing much better thank you, at Carolyn's Bear Creek Rescue, although he won't be ready for Christmas!

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National Pyr Moves Rescue Pyrs To Canada

Last week four Pyrs and Pyr mixes left the South for Canada. They are shown (right) being met by rescue volunteers in NY. The dogs came from Alabama, Georgia and Tennessee. The trip was over 1200 miles and started Thursday and ended Saturday afternoon, December 12. We couldn't find homes for them here--Pyr rescues in the United States have been saying they are full for months.



Two of the dogs, Bart and Lisa (on the left in the second photo), had been in fostering and boarding for a year. Ziti (right front row) is a pup who came from a Tennessee kill shelter where it is common to put down other dogs like her who have mange. NGPR treated her, spayed her and fostered her for two months. Marsha, a Pyr/Anatolian mix (rear dog), was an owner surrender in Alabama, who had been waiting for a home since April. As her owner agreed to hold her, dogs in kill shelters took precedence over moving her sooner.



We learned about U.S. rescuers pulling dogs and sending them to Canada when NGPR dispersed 13 dogs from a KY hoarder in the Fall of '08. The volunteer transport those dogs traveled on went to Canada on a regular basis.



We want to thank everyone both in the U.S. and Canada who helped with the pulling, fostering and transport of these dogs. At last count there were 15 volunteers who helped save these dogs. For the full story visit the the blog at <http://nationalpyr.org/wordpress>.



Looking Ahead to 2011



Our first rescue calendar is already sold out. But it's not too early to start clicking away on photographs for next year's calendar. Our 2011 theme will be "A Dog for All Seasons". So get going, the holidays and winter are some of the best times for taking pictures of our photogenic pooches.

