

# Our Hall of Fame Dogs

These are just some of the dogs we rescued that made a lasting impression on some of us for one reason or another.

## Art





**Art is a beautiful pit bull found in Scotland Neck, named after a past cousin of mine.**

**We never had any trouble from him, which shows that pit bulls can be wonderful dogs.**

**Everything is a product of its environment.**

**Art was adopted by a marine & his marine wife from Seymour Johnson Air Force base in Goldsboro.**

**A win-win for everyone!!**

# Bandit





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**Bandit was roaming loose around the Sara Lea Plant in Tarboro when Robin brought him in.**

**He was named Bandit because of his looks; kinda like the Lone Ranger for you older folks.**

**He was a problem at the kennel from day one – he is an alpha dog and had to prove it to all of the other dogs.**

**We incurred many vet bills due to his aggressive behavior.**

**Finally, I adopted him because I think he was one of the best, looking dogs I have ever seen.**

**We went many places together and I enjoyed him greatly.**

**I could never relax with him in the presence of other people or dogs.**

**Finally, he nearly destroyed another dog, so I had no other option but to put him to sleep.**

**I still love him so much that I have him frozen in my freezer to be put on display later as part of the Crossdog Adoption Resort vision.**

## Bob & Tad



**This is either Bob or Tad; they were brothers who looked just alike.**

**Brought to our shelter by a deputy sheriff when they were just weeks old.**

**He found them beside the highway laying with their dead mother who had been hit by a car.**

**He held both of them in one hand.**



**They were a part of our first “New Lease on Life” program at the local Caledonia prison.**

**Inmates taught the dogs obedience training for 8 weeks at the prison.**

**Here, Bob or Tad shakes hands w/ an inmate.**

**Bob was adopted from the program.**

**We later had to take him back in due to the treatment he was receiving from his adopted parents.**

**This is why we have a policy of retaining the right to take a dog back in the event of unfriendly conditions.**

**Below, Tad visits a Library session with children to demonstrate that one can operate under handicapped conditions – Tad was blind from glaucoma.**

**This condition earned him a full scholarship to live at my house.**





## Cricket



**Cricket was probably the third dog we rescued from a lady in Roanoke Rapids.**

**He was an immediate hit, well because, he was not a very attractive dog.**

**I did several children programs illustrating that you cannot judge a book by its cover, nor a dog.**

**Cricket was just wonderful.**

**We had him many years, until his front leg got caught in the kennel fence and badly damaged by his neighbor dog.**

**Dogs are so much like people – they love, feel emotions, fight, get hungry & thirsty, etc – just like us.**

**His front leg had to be removed at a cost of thousands – he was so special that we had many flounder & shrimp fundraisers to pay for it.**

**After that, Cricket won a full scholarship to my yard.**

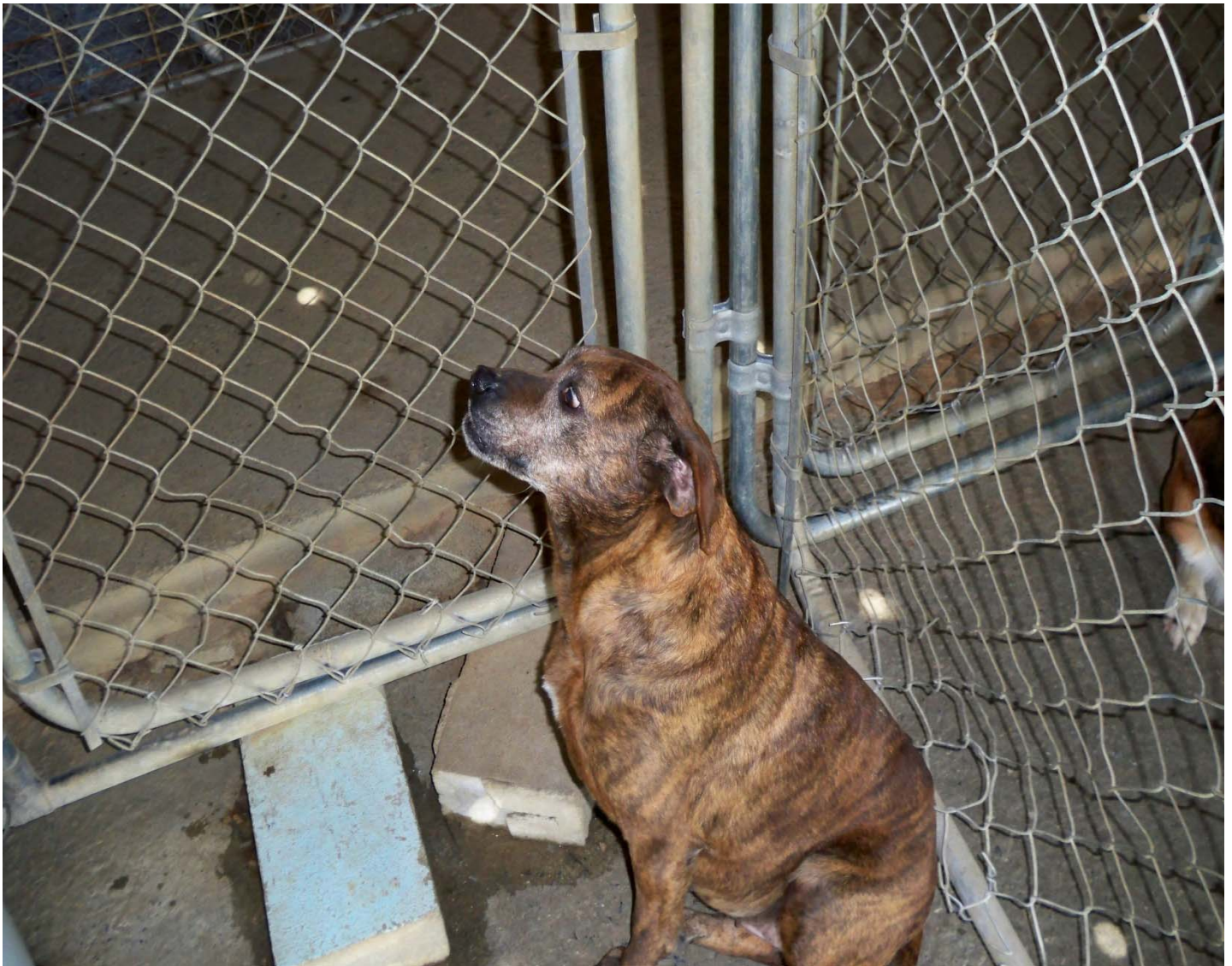
**Even with just three legs, he ran and played w/ my other dogs.**

**The vet told me that having only one front leg is much more difficult to get around that having one back leg.**



**Above is Cricket and Rocky (another hall of famer) enjoying the pond in front of my house.**

**Cricket in the early years in the early kennel.**



**I loved that dog!!!!**

## First Buddy

First Buddy had a very unusual coloring about him.

You can see it on the side of his head; everywhere else on him was black.



Hoss





**I can't remember where Hoss came from but he was a very lovable dog.**

**He experienced the prison training program and graduated a star dog.**

**Hoss is the only dog we've ever had to jump over our 7' high fence and ran to the highway which is as far as he got.**

**Very, very sad ending.**

**He is buried beside that fence.**

One One





**One one (not 11) was our first dog into the shelter.**

**I spoke at a jr high school one day and that night I was getting gas in Scotland Neck when a young black boy ran up to me saying, "Mister, Mister, these people are going to shoot this dog."**

**He was in the audience that I had spoken to.**

**I took the dog and named it One One.**

**I also immediately adopted One into my family.**

**For 15 years One One was with me everywhere I went.**



**She was completely happy in my suv, no matter how long she had to wait.**

**Toward the end of her life, she became very attention having, always wanting to be within a few feet of me.**

**I let her sleep outside one night and she tried walking to my office and got hit by a car.**

**She also is in my freezer being saved for the Crossdogs vision.**

Rocky





## **Rocky**

**Rocky was rescued just outside of Scotland Neck.**

**Like Cricket, Rocky is not really a beautiful dog, but looks cannot cover up love, loyalty, and attitude.**

**He was an absolute pleasure.**

**After many years in the kennel, he was adopted to a wonderful family in Norfolk, Va.**

**I travel to Norfolk frequently and go by to see him.**

**The last picture of Rocky looking out of the window gets to me.**

**I just wonder, what is he thinking.**

**I really loved Rocky!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

## Taco



**Taco was taken in from a little Mexican boy living on my farm.**

**He had to move back to Mexico after his mother died.**

**Taco was a big, lovable mess of a dog.**



**This is Taco, Robin (our in-house dog expert), and myself at a dog walk in Greenville, NC.**

**I am not walking due to 3 knee replacements, but we were there to show off some of our dogs.**

**Sadly, Taco died of cancer without ever being adopted.**

**He is buried near the kennel.**

## Barney & Buster



**Barney**



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**What a pair: Barney was rescued as he walked across the Roanoke River bridge on highway 258 near Scotland Neck,. I can't remember where Buster came from. Some how they met at the kennel and fell in love.**



**Barney with all of his drollings from his big mouth and Buster the clean up man – he was always licking Barney's mouth to dry it out.**

**What a team – Mutt & Jeff.**

**A woman from Marth's Vineyard drove to Scotland Neck to adopt Barney.**

**We told her she had to take Buster also.**



**After watching them for a while, she knew why.  
And away they went to the Vineyard.**



**Buster at a winery on Martha's Vineyard.**

**By these dogs being in the Hall of Fame group, does not distract from all of the other hundreds of wonderful dogs which have been saved by DEAR & Crossdogs.**