

UTAH'S PERFECT POINTERS

September 2015



Welcome to our fourth newsletter for 2015! We love hearing from you via email and on facebook. We especially appreciate receiving pictures of your dogs and their friends. Check out some recent pictures from adopters on page 4. If you missed our previous newsletters they're posted on www.utahspointers.org.

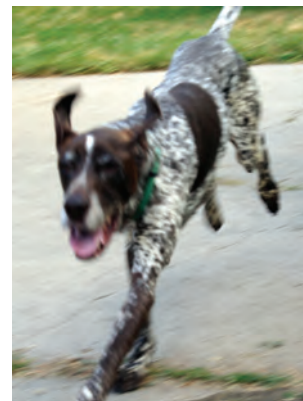
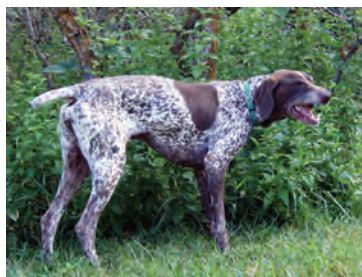
Our Featured Adoptable Boy - Tundra

This big, beautiful, 8-year old GSP boy makes me smile. He's got all the energy in the world outside and saves all the love and snuggling for inside. He's perfect. He's a large, rangy guy with a heart of gold and love radiating from his entire body. You want someone to run with? Tundra's your guy. You want someone to go camping/hiking with? He's there! You want to chill out and watch TV? He's the man for the job. He's gentle with children and very careful not to jump on them or run them over. Given his size the adults appreciate that, too! He's good with

other dogs and doesn't even seem to mind cats. What's not to love?!

Tundra could use a little help in the "house manners" department, particularly about counters and food and "not his". The poor dude spent most of

his former life outside which was really hard on him since he loves being with his people and bounces with delight when he sees his family. He's aching for a stable home that recognizes him as a family member and has a little patience to help him get there.



Strut Your Mutt 2015

Utah's Perfect Pointers is participating in this year's Strut Your Mutt at Liberty Park on October 24th! We're so excited to be able to walk with all our two- and four- legged friends under our own banner. Come Strut With Us!!!

Registration information is in our July newsletter and online at www.utahspointers.org.

Register at www.strutyourmutt.org/goto/upp The screens are slightly different for cell 'phones and laptops.

Donations Updates

Thank you so much to everyone who contributed to our pack in July and August. We're always happy to accept donations mailed to *Utah's Perfect Pointers - PO Box 171, Draper, UT 84020*. We even have a donation button at www.utahspointers.org

Many thanks to the dog lovers who helped us through the hot summer:

- Stephanie - English Pointer lover
- Tammy & Mike - Addie's parents
- Staci - Dylan's & Truffle's mom
- Sandra & Bill - Nutmeg's parents
- David & Allison - Afton's sponsors
- Carrie & Paul - Perrin's parents
- David & Charles - Izzy's & Ace's dads
- Elise - Lynne's friend
- Betsy - GSP SW/UPP board member, adopter
- Barbara - Halle's & Riley's mom

This is our last major fundraiser for the year and has to get our doggies through the long Christmas boarding season so we need all your help and participation!

And it's a whole lot of fun.

If you'd like to get a team together from your office, church, or recreational group, you can start your own fund-raising page within the UPP registration page like Victoria Ep, below. The options are limitless!

Hi Everyone! I'm Victoria, Ep! Please join my Strut Your Mutt page on Utah's Perfect Pointers: www.strutyourmutt.org/goto/upp/



I just joined the UPP gang and my foster dads describe me as being "somewhere north of 10 years". I'm a feisty, bossy, and very playful old lady. I'm far from being over the hill! I demand my walks and time at the dog park. WOOF! I'm a little incontinent so proin is my friend.

I'm strutting to raise money for all my little old friends at UPP. It sometimes takes us a little longer to get adopted and we have a few more medical needs than those young 'uns. But we have a great time while we're here. And you can make it even better!

So come and join me at the Strut! You'll be amazed at my tiny, pretty little self. 😊

Please email utahspointers@yahoo.com to purchase a group t-shirt for \$15.

Volunteer Spotlight

It's high time we paid tribute to some of our wonderful volunteers we couldn't survive without. David and Charles not only adopted two perfect pointers, they're always there to foster the pretty old ladies, babysit Tate, and drive millions of miles for us and other rescue groups we work with.



In just a few months their transports have taken them to Snowville (twice), Hurricane, Kanab, Moab, and Twin Falls resulting in 12 dogs moved and saved. What a great contribution to the rescue community!



Of course their dogs are always there to help by welcoming the fosters and showing them how to become responsible pointers.

In their spare time they go hiking with their own dogs and help Marylin at the kennels and moving dogs. Yes, we absolutely realize how lucky we are!



National Dog Day - August 26

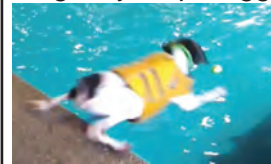


Sharon Opfermann, owner of Salt Lake Camp Bow Wow, invited us to accompany her to the National Dog Day taping at o'dark hundred on KSL.

Dogs in attendance were Sharon's Spright, one of Suri's kids, featured in the January 2015 newsletter and our little Tate. We hope you all did something special to celebrate the day!

Tate Goes Swimming

Little Man Tate continues to amaze us. He's a happy little water guy, whether he's elegantly leap-frogging off the deck to retrieve



a ball or just paddling after one. It's the hunt and capture that are the important parts of his day. He has no idea it's really good for his legs as long as it's good for his spirit.

Utah Beer Festival - August 15



Six stalwart pointer fans showed up to support the Humane Society of Utah (and drink a little beer). 25% of the day's proceeds went

to support life-saving efforts at HSU - many of which benefit us. We love them. What better way to show our gratitude than by raising a glass or two!

Camp Bow Wow Howl-O-Ween Party!

It's never too early to start planning for Halloween! Camp Bow Wow is holding their annual Howl-o-Ween party on October 31st from 11am-2pm. Of course it's not a party without pointers. Pointers love to Par-tay, so come party with the pointers at 475 West 3600 South. See you there!



Statistics - July/August 2015

Intakes - July/August 2015			
On-hand July 1	Shelters	Surrenders	Total
27	6	5	38
Outcomes - July/August 2015			
Adopted	Euthanized	Transferred	Ret Owner
3	0	8	0

*Transferred dogs include both ours and those we take in for other groups (we don't have nearly enough of our own dogs!) and keep for 2-6 weeks while they're being vetted and awaiting transport).

The Fine Print

Utah's Perfect Pointers DBA GSP Rescue Southwest is a 501c3 federal charity. Your donations are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. Both entities are registered in Utah. All donations to Utah's Perfect Pointers or GSP Rescue SW are gratefully acknowledged by a letter from Marylin with many, many thanks. We officially cover UT, AZ and NM, and unofficially ID, NV and sometimes OR. That's a huge area for such a small organization! So if anyone wants to help in any way, we'll welcome you with open arms. Please email utahspointers@yahoo.com for volunteer opportunities or to foster.

Our Featured Daycare/Boarding Facility Dog Town Utah

We are so fortunate to have the support of daycare/boarding facilities that help us when we don't have enough foster homes for our dogs (always) and allow our dogs who are being fostered to attend daycare at no cost so their parents can go to work. From north to south these wonderful businesses are: Utah Dog Park, Diggity Dog Pet Resort, Camp Bow Wow, Old Farm Pet Resort, Dog Lodge, and Dog Town. Animal Park (S. Ogden) and Laundermutts (W. Jordan) also provide daycare and occasional boarding when we're stuck - often at the last minute. This newsletter pays tribute to Dog Town. Watch for information about Laundermutts in our November newsletter. If you're looking for daycare/boarding for your best friend, please support these good samaritans who support our rescue.



DOG TOWN has been an amazing help to our dogs for over 3 years. They even adopted 3 of our dogs into their staff families. The first adoption, little black & white Rocky (sitting in "place" above), is earning his keep as a drug-sniffin' guy. He is very proud of himself, as are Dog Town owners/trainers Jon and Theresa Cain.

Dog Town keeps one of our foster dogs for boarding as space permits and sometimes two. A couple of our adopted dogs attended their training sessions to become totally perfect pointers; we love to see our adopted dogs there for daycare when we stop by.

Owner, Jon Cain, is certified in wilderness, tracking, water, and avalanche K9 rescue and is a Canine Search Specialist with UT-TF1 as part of the FEMA. He was a K9 handler/trainer in Afghanistan from 2010 to 2011 and deployed to MS after Hurricane Katrina and WA in 2014 after the mudslides. Co-owner, Theresa Cain, has assisted with training for over 17 years. These folks know what they're doing!

You're always welcome to visit at 8665 South Harrison Street (300 West), Sandy, Utah 84070 or call 385-722-5693 to set up a daycare or boarding appointment.
website: <http://www.dogtownutah.com>



In Memory

Isabella (Izzi) had a wonderful home with her dad and brother, Marley, for over a year. She was the product of a backyard breeder who didn't care about breeding protocols so when she died suddenly on July 2 from congenital heart failure she left a huge hole in their hearts. Izzi was a playful pup and socially conscious girl. She attended the 2014 Strut Your Mutt event and was front and center at the Justice for Geist rally. We miss you baby girl.



Brynni (formerly Shannon/Ruth) died in a freak accident on July 22 while playing with her new brother Mikko. Mikko managed to wedge his jaw into her collar while their mom took a brief 'phone call. When she heard the squealing she rushed to them but couldn't get them separated. By the time she was able to grab the kitchen shears and cut Brynni free (it was only seconds but seemed like an eternity) Brynni was no longer breathing.

The loss to her family is enormous. They're long-time UPP supporters and have fostered our dogs since 2009. It's little consolation to tell them we love them and sometimes really bad things happen to good people and wonderful dogs. We're grateful for every minute she was with them.



These were the best years of her life.

Dear Willie was at least 10 years old when he came to UPP and everyone loved this charming gentleman, especially his parents and new baby sister. He was a delightfully deaf and funny boy who made his mom and dad smile at his antics and in his memory. He's dearly missed. His legacy will live on in their hearts and their love for their next pointer.



Lizzy was a wonderful, soulful girl and part of the UPP extended family, caring for the pointer pups her mom would bring home to foster. She was like an immovable force when it came to off-leash training! Lizzy and her little brother, Animal, cared for pointer pups for 6 years. She's missed by everyone who knew her at work at Utah Dog Park and in the rescue community. We loved you beautiful girl.



Travis McCombie's death on July 27 was a loss to our extended family as well as his parents and UPP brother, Gus. Travis and Gus had a loyal instagram following from their mom's posts and amazing photos detailing their lives.

He's greatly missed by his family and fans.



Pictures From Adopters! (July - August 2015)

Thank you so much to everyone who sent us photos for this issue! We love seeing the dogs we loved while they were with us and how much they're loved with you. Pictures are always welcome at utahspointers@yahoo.com

Names are from their new homes. Dates reflect the adoption year.



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2014**



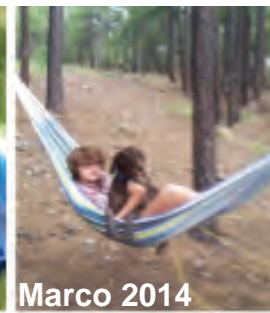
**Griff
2010**



Sage 2015



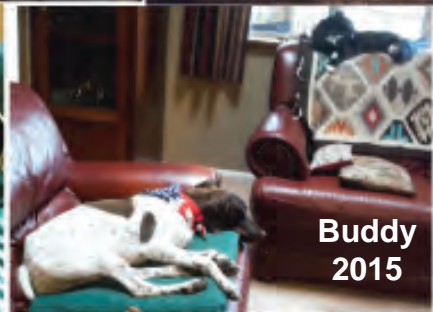
Sage 2014



Marco 2014



Nikko 2011



**Buddy
2015**



Anya 2013

Clyde 2014



Fallon 2015



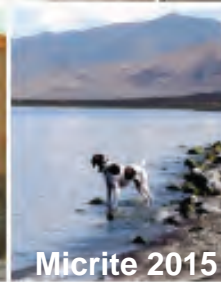
LizaMae 2014



Millie 2014



**Seeley
2015**



Micrite 2015



Nova 2015



John 2010



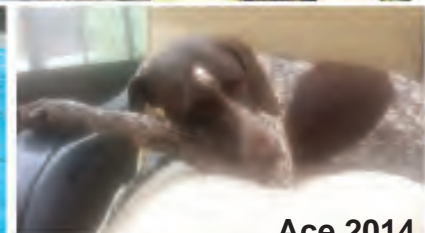
Jagger 2012



Jolene 2014



Addie 2014



Ace 2014



Lucy 2015



Nia 2013



Gus 2010



**Dylan
2012**

**Truffle
2013**



**Nash
2013**



**Biko
2013**

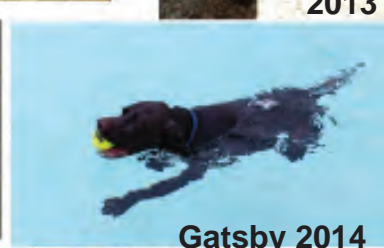
**Ripley
2014**



Shadow 2011



Chester 2014



Gatsby 2014



Dottie 2013



Skye 2012



Wesley 2014



Rem 2014

Nux 2015