

Florida Boxer Rescue 2013

Happy Tails



Date submitted: January 2013
Adopter's name: Stacie Wilder
Boxer's name: Minni

Minni came to us in May of 2012. She was a foster that we fell in love with!! She captured our hearts immediately! She had a bad leg that needed surgery so we all pitched in and started fundraising for her. In October we raised enough money for Minni to have her surgery. We then decided to adopt this precious little girl since we had been through so much with her. She has had her surgery and is doing fantastic! We loved adding her to our family.

Date submitted: March 2013
Adopter's name: Mark and Bobbie Smith
Boxer's name: Beau

Mark grew up with boxers – their family has ALWAYS had a boxer! When his boxer Buster died of cancer, he was heartbroken. Mark's mom had a great boxer – Duc, but it wasn't the same; and Duc missed having a playmate to visit. Bobbie (then girlfriend) believed in rescues – so Central FL Boxer Rescue seemed to fit the bill. We drove up to Deland and played with several dogs; but Beau seemed to not be bothered by all the ruckus from the other dogs. He was a big boy, but positive for heart worms. So we were happy to take him to his new “forever” home in June.

Since then, the hurricanes hit and Mark had to move in with his elderly mom, so now Beau had a full time playmate. In 2007 Mark and Bobbie married so Bobbie's rescue terrier mix Bart joined the group. Bart died

in 2009 leaving the two boxer boys. In 2010 another rescue saved from euthanasia (scheduled that day) joined the group – Toby the Jack Russell. Since Duc had lost a leg to cancer, and was arthritic, he was a perfect playmate for Beau!

IN 2011 Duc , at age 15 finally said goodbye (6 weeks before Mark's mom passed).

So now Beau spends his time keeping up with Toby. Guess who the boss is? (hint – Jack Russell!) Beau was recently diagnosed with anal gland cancer, but we caught it really early and their were no lymph nodes involved.



Date submitted: March 2013

Adopter's name: Tony C.

Boxer's name: Makis & Whiskey

Hi everyone,

We wanted to finally get on line and update everyone on our new home. Our names are Makis (white boxer) and Whiskey (brown boxer). We became brothers back in October 2012. I, Makis was adopted back in late 2011 and my brother Whiskey was adopted almost a year later. Our owners are so GREAT! we have a sister named Mika but she is smaller and older and doesn't pay that much attention to us, but she does clean our faces after we have played and have calmed down. Our human sisters are so great with us. They spoil us totally! Makis thinks he's a star in our house now because he's a therapy dog even though he's deaf! We rest some days when our dad isn't home but he works every third day so we play a lot with him. Our mom is the best. She spoils us with treats, attention and man does that lady let us outside to play a lot. Our mom tells us every day that God sent us to our new family. We wanted everyone to know that all is well, actually really well with us. We try and attend FLBR functions and walk the neighborhood often. Car rides are the best too! We wanted to thank everyone at FLBR for all of the help in finding us our new home.... FLBR rocks!!!

Lots of love to everyone,
Makis & Whiskey



Date submitted: April 2013
Adopter's name: Dawn Thompson
Boxer's name: Joy

Little Joy was the runt of a litter of ten beautiful flashy fawn babies that came to FBR with there mum and dad. Joy was 9 days old when I met her. All of the babies were lovely, but Joy is the sweetest, cutest ubber boxer puppy. She loves everyone and every animal that she meets. She is now almost 2 1/2.

I cannot imagine my life without her.



Date submitted: April 2013
Adopter's name: Dina Graham
Boxer's name: Jake

We have moved a couple of times in recent years and I thought you might want to hear an update on Jake (adopted March 2007). He is currently enjoying his silver years in KY.

We adopted him to be a companion for our female Missy in early 2007. It was a rocky start...she was missing her best bud (another Jake adopted from FLBR) who had passed away a couple of months prior. They both had pretty dominant personalities but after a couple of weeks things settled down and they were a great pair for many years.

Unfortunately, Missy passed away in January of 2011 and we were all heartbroken in a house that was way too quiet. After a couple of months we found a local rescue and adopted Ali (brindle). She has been with us for 2 years now and is keeping Jake young. He is 12.5 years old and still trying to keep up with a 3 year old, which is comical at times. He has started to show his age this last year but is still an active puppy at heart. We are so blessed to still have him with us.

My husband Dave and I are very grateful for the hard work you do for these loving dogs. I am not certain but I think Jake was fostered by Paulette and we were also helped by Gwendolyn G. and Nikki H. Our sincerest thanks to all of you at FLBR.

David, Dina, Jake & Ali



Date submitted: May 2013
Adopter's name: John Kranz
Boxer's name: Cooper (formerly Tink)

Recently we had one of our boxers pass away. Shortly after we began looking to Florida Boxer Rescue again, for our third time. We found Tink, we renamed Cooper, who is an awesome match for our family, typical boxer boy, loves to run, play, chew up his toys (a few other items) and is now best friends with our other boxer. He went from sleeping in his crate when we got him to, somehow, being able to take up a good deal of a king size bed. Thanks again to Boxer Rescue and all involved! Such an awesome experience and always wonderful people to deal with!



Date submitted: June 2013
Adopter's name: Kara Wright
Boxer's name: Lola

We loved our boxer Gator, so much that we decided to share him (and our hearts) with another boxer. Dawn placed Lola with us and it was love at first site. She was the perfect 'little sister' for Gator, and for my son Jack. She is the friendliest dog I have ever encountered! Lola's family had a difficult decision when they had to relocate back to England, knowing that the 6 month quarantine would be very hard on this active, people oriented girl, but FLBR connected us, and she is very happy and loved by her new family!



Date submitted: June 2013
Adopter's name: Marianna Jaramillo
Boxer's name: Angel

From the moment we saw Angel running in the dog park when we went to pick her up, my family and I were in love. From day one Angel was a part of the family. She is such a character, such a bubbly personality and she's so lovable! Angel is always giving us hugs and always wants to be with us, sometimes she doesn't realize how big she is! Angel really is a gift from heaven. She's our big puppy! Thank you FLBR for introducing us to this beautiful girl.



Date submitted: July 2013
Adopter's name: Cicely Fleming
Boxer's name: Tucker (formerly Greyson)

Tucker is quite the charmer. He was born with some pretty unique feet and I knew that he was the one for me (us). He joined our clan (3 kids and one dog) in March and has been an instant Fleming! Despite his limitations he is full of life and surprises us all the time with what he can do. He loves playing, kissing, laying on the sofa (when we are away since that's a No No), and most of all going on a wagon ride. He recently completed his swimming lessons and first trip to the Smokey Mtns (he loved the car but the verdict is still out on the mountains). Iris and Nicole have been wonderful and are still checking on him. He has quite the shoe collection and has recently made his dog park debut.

Thanks so much to taking care of this special boy until we came along



Date submitted: July 2013
Adopter's name: Leanne Matthews
Boxer's name: Alice

Alice started quiet, Not sure how long she would be staying probably. A month later, she knew she was forever home...Barking at passers by, protecting the family of course, sleeping on couches, and not trying to hide it, and I actually get a kiss every now and then. She is always happy and she is so very loved.

This is Alice and me in NC July 2013. In the cool mountain air, she was a wonderful hiker.



Date submitted: August 2013

Adopter's name: Jim and Gabrielle Walker

Boxer's name: Max (formerly Ron White)

Max is our second FBR adoption. When we first met Max he was such a sad little boy. He was heart worm positive, really skinny and in desperate need of a forever home. At the time FBR did not have enough foster homes so Max was being boarded in a kennel in Lakeland. We got there and he was at the end of the row. We took him out to meet him and immediately knew we had to take him. We later found out that in addition to the heart worms he also had tape worms he was a mess. It took a while for Max to show us his true personality, he is a big loveable goof ball. He is your typical Boxer boy has lots of playful energy and always wants lots of love & attention. He is a great addition to our family. We love FBR keep up the great work!



Date submitted: September 2013

Adopter's name: Terrie & Monie Houchins

Boxer's name: Sam I Am & Daisy Dew

We never intended to get two dogs and we surely never intended to get two Senior Boxers, but we couldn't stand the thought of Sam and Daisy in a boarding facility for any longer as they had already been there over a month. So we brought them home, have nursed them through a couple of illnesses and after that, well they just couldn't go anywhere else. We love them both a great

deal and will be happy for as long as God lets them be with us. And yes, Sam owns the sofa and Daisy has her recliner!



Date submitted: September 2013

Adopter's name: Eugene and Joyce Richardson

Boxer's name: Kelly

My name is Kelly and I am a 9 year old beautiful Boxer who is a bit 'fluffy' from too much gravy! It has been a tough few weeks as I had lost my Mom to something called cancer and my Dad had serious heart problems so he wanted to find me a new home where I would get special care and love. So he asked Florida Boxer Rescue to find a home for me and I spent a little time in my Foster Mom/Dad's home where they loved me and were trying to find me a new home while I stayed with their new fur baby. The fur baby was okay and I now miss him a little, but it was not easy having him tug on my ear all day!

Well, on September 7th I fell into 'gold' with a new wonderful Mom and Dad. They had lost their Boxer Hailey Wiggles in March to cancer and were heart broken and at a loss for they loved her very much. I understand she was even a star in an educational DVD. So since I looked a bit like Hailey's face, it was love for both of us at first sight.

We drove off in a big van after my new Dad got me into the back seat with grunting sounds and pushing. Then with my new Mom beside me, my head on her lap, off we went. We stopped in Sebring to buy a special doggy ramp to make it easier for me to get into the car and later they bought me a new Pink color and gave me the name of Kelly Girl. Dad said that was to stop people from say, "What a big Boy?" He always said, "No, Kelly is our little Girl."

Wow, then I was in for more wonderful surprises. You see they have a country place on the Lake in Lake Placid and I spent several days there just learning about this house, the places we could walk in the country and the large yard to run around in. There are lots of things to see here with wild vicious animals called rabbits and squirrels and we just had a wonderful time. Dad did say we must never go near the Lake without Dad because of the alligators and we must also be on

the lookout for bobcats and panthers. But Dad takes care of all of that and I feel so safe around him.

Then several days later we traveled to Sunrise, Florida where my new Mom and Dad have a city home! It is even bigger with a large back yard, and quiet streets to walk on. I spent two days getting to know my new Boxer brother, Rocky and we have just made it off great. By the third day, we were learning how to play a little and on the fourth day he gave me a KISS! (Picture is of Rocky and Kelly's first kiss.)

Rocky sleeps in the bed with Mom and Dad since he can jump very high, but I am happier on a stuffed pillow on the floor beside Dad or sometimes beside Mom. They keep lots of large pillows in both homes so we have a soft place to lay. They spend so much time with both of us... and Dad has this special rub down that just feels awesomely good.

They love me so much I have been to two doctors already to make sure all is okay and as soon as I get my teeth cleaned I will be good to go and play with Rocky, Mom, Dad and all the family that comes to visit. Everyday I get to meet someone new and it is just wonderful. Dad chases Rocky around the rooms in the house and I get to join in. I am on a special diet and soon I will be able to walk better when I lose my extra weight. By the second week I was walking almost a mile!

Oh, by the way, Dad is a Vietnam Veteran and injured by something called Agent Orange and must use a walker, scooter or wheelchair for long distance walking, and the best parts of the day is when he takes us for walks with his scooter. It is just wonderful for me and with the smile back on his face, I think Dad's is full of joy again with his new lady Boxer!

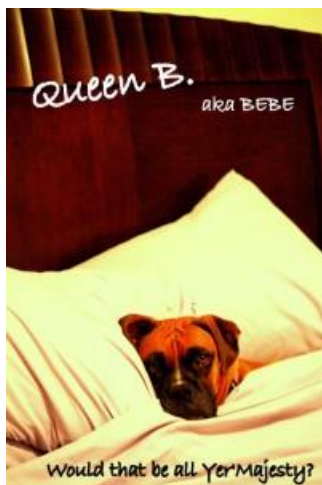
So, I want to thank Florida Boxer Rescue, my foster Mom and Dad and my new Mom and Dad for getting me a forever home that is so full of love and just wonderful.

Kelly Girl



Date submitted: September 2013
Adopter's name: Karen Cook
Boxer's name: Augie

Augie is a great addition to the family. He is learning to play with Jackson (the other canine in the house) He is very loving and loves attention. He loves to go for rides, walks and to run n the backyard. He is not loving the pool. We are taking classes and have mastered sit, down, off, loose leash walking, leave it and working on stay. He is a very quick learner and seems to enjoy himself at class. He likes to cuddle on the bed, but once I fall asleep he goes to the dog bed on the floor. He is very well mannered and a joy to be around. Can't and don't want to image life without him. Very happy he is home.



Date submitted: November 2013
Adopter's name: Fiona Malone
Boxer's name: Bebe

A year ago a little boxer with a vivacious personality came into our lives. She was found scared, roaming the streets of Cape Coral when good Samaritans rescued her and made sure she got into the safe arms of FLBR.

On a sunny day in Sarasota, last in the transportation chain, FLBR volunteer Jeff presented us with a tiny, precious boxer called Bebe. She literally took our breath away. We laughed when he said to Bebe: "I think you found your family. "NO WAY"! we said...we foster failed already and we were not flunking again...or so we thought!

When got her home she greeted our boxer Spikey (former Alum) with some un-pleasantries and within a few minutes they became best of friends. Bebe adored Spikey and the gentleman that Spikey was, tolerated Bebe and her high jinx and exuberant boxer ways.

Well it turns out Jeff was right! Bebe was our family and she was not going anywhere. So we became foster flunkies in January but ntwo weeks later Spikey was diagnosed with lymphoma. That was when Bebe showed us her kind and motherly side. She provided much comfort to Spikey and when he groaned she was by his side making sure he was ok.

Over the year, Bebe matured into a compassionate dog who helped us heal after our beloved Spikey past. She licked tears from our eyes and put her paw on our shoulders as if to hug. During the year we fostered different dogs and after her little initiation ceremony of yelling and intimidation, she became their best friend. She has also made victims of countless pairs of sunglasses, textbooks, shoes, lights, and camera lens with flair.

Recently she achieved a certificate for basic obedience and socialization skills. We were very proud of her accomplishment. She can walk with a group of her pitbull friends and display incredible mannerly behavior that even Ms. Manners could not fault.

We are so incredibly grateful this little bundle of boxer joy came into our lives. We could not imagine life without her. We are grateful to Dr Layton and her excellent staff for providing wonderful healthcare to Bebe. We want to thank FLBR and all the wonderful volunteers who played a part in Bebe come into our lives.