



# Carolina Poodle Rescue Review

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"One by One Until There are None."

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## Save the Date! CPR Reunion

The date has been set! October 20, 2012 is the Carolina Poodle Rescue Reunion. Last year the attendance was more than triple past years and we hope to bring it even higher this year.

So, mark your calendars and join us!

## Available Pets We have more than just Poodles!

### Meet Ace!



Witnessed by a good Samaritan, Ace was one of two brothers were literally thrown away by their previous owners from a car. The puppies fortunately suffered no injuries from this.

## From Donna's Desk by Donna Ezzell



I had heard of acupuncture of course. To this needle phobic, it does not look much like a cure. There is much controversy surrounding the practice. Are the recipients really relieved of pain? Or is it a placebo because they expect it to work?

And how do you explain placebo effect to a dog?

My own standard poodle, Dreamweaver's Samson at Midnight (a/k/a Big Sam or The Big Guy) turned 13 the first week of February. That's in his 90's in people years and for a geriatric he gets along pretty well. He's got a torn cruciate ligament from an injury a year ago and

because of his age, and because he has recovered well, we opted not to operate. He has a limp that did not appear to hurt him. He meandered more, stopped more to smell the flowers, then he used to but otherwise I saw little change in him. I thought he was fine.

Imagine my surprise when, on one of our long walks through the back country, Sam's favorite thing to do, he stopped midway home and would not budge. Head hung low, his whole body said "tired." We had to get our four wheeler to give him a ride home. I sadly made up my mind he could not walk anymore with us and he would have to stay on the porch. Sam hates to stay home.

I scheduled a routine vet check just in case something was more out of whack then I thought. All systems were go, blood work normal, for an old guy he was amazingly healthy but did have some arthritis. Dr. Ames made a suggestion. Would I consider acupuncture for Sam?

Needles? In my big guy? Umm . . . and then I thought of Sam sitting on the side of the trail, dejected, no longer the leader of the pack. I thought of how opposed I am to drugs if we can keep the dogs off of them. They work, but all drugs have side effects. I had never heard of any side effects from acupuncture except for a slight pain in the wallet. If it would help, then I could get over my problem with needles. I had learned how to give vaccinations hadn't I? Besides, I would not be the one actually working with the needles. Dr. Ames would. He was trained in how to do so. I scheduled the appointment.

On Monday morning, Sam and I headed for Westside. Sam loves to ride and an adventure this early in the week could only mean good things for him. I was the nervous one.

Ace is an affectionate boy that loves everyone he meets! He gets along well with other dogs and doesn't mind cats. He loves toys and playing with you and other dogs. Ace's brother, Spade, was adopted recently and he is a bit lonely without him. Ace is hoping to find his own people to love and someone new to play with him. Who doesn't need more love in their life? Ace has plenty to give!

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## Sponsorship Dogs

### Meet Lizzie



Lizzie was found as a stray in Greenville County. She was so matted that the shelter thought she was a male! When we got Lizzie shaved down, we noticed she has a large mammary tumor that the shelter missed.

She has turned out to be a friendly girl that gets around well in spite of her blindness. This sweet girl needs a dental and the mammary tumor removed, which can be done at the time of her spay. Because of her estimated age, bloodwork is required, the cost of this, dental, and tumor removal will be around \$250. We want to help Lizzie make the most of her later years and to be comfortable and happy.

If you'd like to help sponsor Lizzie, please visit the [CPR donation page](#) and note that the donation is for Lizzie.

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## Become an Adoption Counselor

One of the best ways to help poodles in need that lets you do it from home is to be an adoption counselor. Do you have 2 to 4 hours per week to give? Do you have an unlimited phone plan? Do you have Word? Do you enjoy talking to other dog friendly people on the phone? Do you have good instincts about people? If so - adoption counselor work may be for you. For more information, email Sherry Wilson at [poodles4ever@bellsouth.net](mailto:poodles4ever@bellsouth.net).

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## Become a Foster and Help Give a Special Dog a Chance

Are you looking for a way to help? Are you gone from home no more than 4 hours per day? Would you be willing to make a trip to Dreamweaver Farms in May for training? Do you want to work with a special fur-baby?

If you answer "YES" to these questions, then we have just the opportunity for someone like you! For

Dr. Ames and Sherry, one of our favorite vet techs, came in and Dr. Ames unrolled a pack of needles and a diagram of a dog's body with notes. He knew the issues we were addressing with Sam and had carefully planned his strategy.

Sam loves being groomed and it turns out he loves acupuncture, too. I think my big guy just likes being the center of attention. Dr. Ames slowly and with precision inserted over a dozen pins into Sam focusing mainly on his hips. Sam was relaxed and became more so through the procedure. He leaned into Sherry, trusting the humans around him to help. He never showed the slightest discomfort.

Dr. Ames talked to me through the procedure, explaining what he was doing. It was over in less than 30 minutes. Acupuncture, like all procedures, can often take several sessions before it takes effect. In Sam's case, we saw improvement the very next day. He walked the trail with us just like old times. His movement was the same fluid grace I knew in his younger days. I was a believer. Sam has since been in for one more treatment and we are going back for more. As long as it keeps my big guy on the trail, I am happy. For further information on acupuncture for dogs - <http://www.the-happy-dog-spot.com/acupuncture-for-dogs.html>.

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## Plants That are Poisonous to Your Pet

by [Elizabeth Adams](#)

Keeping plants in your home and garden is a great way to refresh a space, but you should be cautious if you own pets. While some plants are commonly known to be poisonous to pets, there are other plants that are often used in gardens and indoor decor that people do not realize are harmful to animals. Avoid a sick pet by learning more about which plants are poisonous to your pet.

### Household Plants That Can Poison Your Pet

[People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals](#) (PETA) points out that aloe vera can cause diarrhea in pets. Although it is not life threatening, it is still a good idea to keep aloe vera out of reach of your pets. Calla lilies are popular for people who favor modern decor. Unfortunately, this plant can be extremely toxic to pets.

Depending on the amount that the pet ingests, calla lilies can be fatal to a pet. Peace lilies are another type of indoor lily that can harm pets. The symptoms of ingesting peace lilies involve a swelling of the mouth and tongue. Be cautious



when you receive plants as gifts during the holidays. Poinsettias can cause a mild allergic reaction in pets. According to the [Washington State University College of Veterinary Medicine](#), the biggest concern during the holidays is mistletoe. Mistletoe can cause serious reactions for pets and may even be fatal. English ivy is a plant that is commonly used for indoor wreaths. The plant can cause gastrointestinal distress in pets and may lead to diarrhea, vomiting and extreme stomach pain.

the past several months, we have been revising the foster program into a rehabilitation program. We are looking for volunteers--rehabilitation homes for some of our very special dogs. These dogs may have socialization issues, a medical condition that needs to be stabilized, or other challenges. If you are this very special person and want more information, please email me at [debi@carolinapoodlerescue.org](mailto:debi@carolinapoodlerescue.org).

*"Snowflakes melt alone - but together they can be traffic stoppers! Teamwork allows common people to attain uncommon results. Some people want it to happen, some wish it to happen, others make it happen. Volunteers aren't paid, not because they are worthless, but because they are priceless."*  
- Anonymous

## CPR Wishlist

- [www.sharkfinshears.com](http://www.sharkfinshears.com) no swivel curved blade
- Front load washing machine high capacity
- New dryer
- New [wire crates](#) (as many as 30)

## Never Say No

We never want to say no when there is a dog who needs to come to Carolina Poodle Rescue. Thank you to those who have already given, but we are still in need of more Never Say No supporters. Please visit the [Never Say No Page](#) and help us always say yes!

## Great Deal and a Great Way to Help CPR!

So what's the good deal? For a donation of \$25, Carolina Poodle Rescue will ship you an Easy Walk Harness - for the same price that the big box pet stores charge. To purchase, visit the [CPR Easy Walk Harness Program page](#).

BUT... if you purchase this from CPR, you won't be buying one harness. You'll be buying two. We will be able to buy one for you and one for the farm. We want to be able to offer these to our adopters at a reduced cost but coming up with the money for the initial order has been a challenge. With this special program, we can offer a win/win situation for everyone. You get one - and a CPR dog will become more adoptable when he walks on a harness that helps him be well-behaved.

## Fink's Jewelers Inspired by Carolina Poodle Rescue

An employee of Fink's Jewelers and supporter of CPR has inspired the Virginia and North Carolina based store to begin carrying "Our Cause for Paws" jewelry. Taking the CPR slogan as their own, Fink's is joining in the mission to see every dog find a home.

Their promotion of the Cause for Paws jewelry line includes a parable demonstrating the power of that slogan, "One by one until there are none."

*One day, an old man was walking along a beach that was littered with thousands of starfish that had been washed ashore by the high tide. As he walked he came upon a young boy who was eagerly throwing*

## Outdoor Plants That Can Poison Your Pet

[Earth Clinic](#) lists a variety of plants that could cause harm to your pet. If you are gardening while your pet is outside, make sure to keep an eye on your plants and bulbs.



Tulip bulbs can cause heart issues and convulsions in pets. Lilies are known to be very poisonous to cats. Cats that have eaten the plant have suffered from kidney failure. Other flowering plants that people often include in a garden that can be harmful to pets include azaleas, oleander and daffodils. If you live in a warmer climate, you may have sago palm in your garden. This plant can cause serious stomach distress, vomiting, liver failure and death.

## Protecting Your Pet From Poisonous Plants

[Mother Nature Network](#) suggests they pet owners become familiar with different kinds of plants and how they can affect pets. If you do choose to keep a plant that is poisonous to pets in your home or garden, make sure that the plant is out of reach of your pets. Keep an emergency fund for pet health expenses in case your pet has a medical emergency. Some pet owners find themselves unable to pay for the treatment that their pet needs after being poisoned by plants. Even if you make sure that your pet cannot reach dangerous plants, there is always a possibility. The most proactive method of keeping your pet protected from poisonous plants is choosing not to keep these kinds of plants in your home or garden.

## Plants That Harm Pets and Humans

While the beautiful flowers of the oleander make it a perfect addition to a garden, it is considered to be one of the most poisonous plants in the world. [Green Buzz](#) warns that one leaf from this plant is capable of killing a person. Ingesting oleander can quickly cause a person's nervous system to shut down. The plant has a similar effect on pets, and even less of the plant can be fatal based on the smaller body weight of most pets. One popular addition to gardens in California is the castor bean plant. This plant is extremely harmful to both people and pets when ingested. One bean from this plant can kill a person or a pet, and there is no known antidote for castor bean plants. These are just two of the most harmful plants to people and pets. Many indoor and outdoor plants that cause reactions in pets can hurt people. People with small children should take care to keep dangerous plants out of reach to avoid accidental ingestion.



## Has Your Pet Already Been Poisoned?

If your pet has already been poisoned by a plant, the first step is to stay calm. Panicking wastes valuable time that you could be using to help your pet. [Seattle PI](#) highlights the importance of contacting a veterinarian immediately. You may forgo the phone call if there is an emergency clinic in your immediate area that you can take your pet to as soon as possible. Before heading out the door with your pet, quickly try to determine what kind of poisonous plant the animal ate. This information may help the vet determine how to treat your pet. Take a sample of the poisonous plant that your pet ingested if possible. It is important to avoid trying to medicate your pet or make them throw up. The vet will determine if medication or induced vomiting is necessary. Make sure that you are familiar with dangerous plants so that you can protect your pet from poisoning. Keep plants that may cause adverse reactions out of the reach of your pets, and make sure that you have a plan in case of accidental ingestion. If your pet does ingest a poisonous plant, stay calm and seek the advice of a veterinarian. Sometimes the best solution is avoiding plants that can cause harm completely.

## Poodle Grooming Class in Raleigh Area

If you are interested in learning how to groom your poodle, this is the class for you ! Even if you would just like to extend the life of those Groomer cuts and save a little money, this class will show you how to do that all while benefiting Carolina Poodle Rescue. Anna Todd, groomer extraordinaire, will be holding a grooming class on June 30 in Raleigh and a portion of the proceeds will be donated to CPR !! Anna received her certification after doing a 6 month apprenticeship under a teacher at the New York School of Grooming and worked as a Show Groomer for 3 years!

On Saturday June 30, you will learn how to do the Poodle Basics. First and most importantly, ear cleaning and nail trimming. Anna will teach clean feet, clean face, belly shave, pom pom tail, simple top knot techniques, and anal glands (if anyone is interested). She will bathe one dog and dry it to demonstrate how it needs to be done. The bathing, drying, combing process is extremely important in order to 'finish' a poodle coat well. You will go through the process yourself with assistance from Anna and work through any questions or problems that you have. If you do not want to practice on your

the starfish back into the ocean, one by one.

Puzzled, the man looked at the boy and asked what he was doing. Without looking up from his task, the boy simply replied, "I'm saving these starfish, Sir".

The old man chuckled aloud, "Son, there are thousands of starfish and only one of you. What difference can you make?"

The boy picked up a starfish, gently tossed it into the water and turning to the man, said, "It made a difference to that one!"



Remember to **iGive** while you're doing your online shopping. Every search helps CPR and every online purchase associated with iGive helps raise donations. For more information about iGive and iSearch, go to [www.iGiveiSearch.com](http://www.iGiveiSearch.com).

#### **Pet Insurance**

We love our pets, and 73% of families would be willing to go into debt if their pet needed medical care. But they don't have to! Best Friends pet insurance helps ensure that no matter the illness or accident, you are financially prepared. Plus, your purchase helps homeless pets, too!

#### **Get a FREE Quote Today!**

#### **Got a Food Lion Card?**

Shop at Food Lion? If you do, a portion of your purchases can help CPR. It's easy – link your MVP card to Carolina Poodle Rescue and help us to succeed.

Please go to: [www.foodlionmvpwards.com](http://www.foodlionmvpwards.com)

Step 1: Click on - Register your MVP card to support your favorite School or Charity!

Step 2: Enter your Food Lion MVP card 12 digit number and click submit.

Step 3: Enter your contact information.

Step 4: Add an Organization to support. You can enter the Charity code: 252362 or do a search in State: SC, Carolina Poodle Rescue. Click find. It will bring up Carolina Poodle Rescue.

Click add.

And remember . . . ask 5 friends to link their Food Lion cards to CPR.

#### **Email a Friend About Us**

**Tell 5 friends!**  
**Check Carolina Poodle Rescue out on our Facebook page.**

Can you tell 5 friends about CPR? Can you Facebook or Twitter a link to our web page? The power of networking is unlimited. Telling 5 friends, and asking them to tell 5 friends, is the best way to reach many

dog that day, you can still sign up for the class and take notes and watch the demos.

Class will be on June 30 from 10am until about 2pm (can go later if needed) and will cost \$30 per person with a portion being donated to CPR. The location will be St. Philip's Lutheran Church at 7304 Falls of Neuse Road (across from Ravenscroft School). To sign up, go to the Carolina Poodle Rescue donate button (<http://carolinapoodlerescue.org/donation.shtml>) and specify "Raleigh Grooming Class". Also please send me an email to let me know you have signed up and paid. I will be sending out further emails to those registered as to what they need to bring if they want to practice on their dog that day.

**Only a few spaces available and the last day to sign up will be June 20th!**

## **Artist Gives 10% Commission to Rescue of Choice**



**Ashley Reid** is a Pittsburgh artist specializing in pet portraits who donates 10% of every commission to the animal shelter, rescue, organization, or cause of your choice. Here are a few examples from her web site. If you are interested in commissioning a portrait of your pet, just mention Carolina Poodle



Rescue and you'll also be contributing to CPR!

#### **Sign Up for the Carolina Poodle Rescue Weekly Diary on our Blog**

It's a weekly diary of what is happening at Dreamweaver Farms. There will be regular updates on dogs that we are helping with medical issues, new in-takes, generally good stuff that's happened, and adoptions.

If you don't want one more web site to visit on a regular basis, you can have the weekly diary delivered straight to your Inbox.

Simply go to the [blog](#). Below the CPR mission statement, you'll see a box to enter your email address. Once you submit your address, you will receive a confirmation email. The email will ask you to click on the link to confirm your address. After that, you will simply get the updates in your inbox!

In case you'd like to read the weekly diary on the [Facebook page](#), we are posting it there as well.

The diary is a few weeks behind right now but it will be catching up soon. So sign up to make sure you don't miss an entry!

#### **We'd Like to Hear from You**

*Do you have a story about a Carolina Poodle Rescue dog that you'd like us to publish?*

*Please send your stories to [newsletter@carolinapoodlerescue.org](mailto:newsletter@carolinapoodlerescue.org) as well as a photo or photos to go with the story.*

## **The Rainbow Bridge**



**Dedicated to those who have passed over**

people and tell them about the animal rescue, small but determined to make a difference.  
Thank you!

## "Buddy"

Gene and Carol McCoy Phelps, Supply NC



## "Max"

Dreamweaver Farms, Pacolet SC

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## More Pictures

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Chase Yoder (formerly SinJin) with his new sister Coco.



Amber Saftner looking pretty with a new haircut



Coco Tull relaxing with her sibling Cinnamon.

**Carolina Poodle Rescue is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Donations are tax-deductible.**

### Our Mission:

To rescue, rehabilitate, offer permanent sanctuary and, when appropriate, rehome needy poodles and small dogs.

To encourage the human-animal bond by promoting activities that serve to bring animals and their people closer together

To support the efforts of those in the animal rescue community seeking to end euthanasia as a means of population control.

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